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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – CARE HOMES

I write in response to your request for information in relation to care homes.

Question:

1. How many care homes are operated by the NHS in your health board?
2. How care homes, operated by the NHS in your health board, have closed in the last five years? (please can you split this up by year).
3. How many care homes, operated by the NHS in your health board, have temporarily closed in the last five years? (please can you split this up by year).
4. Could you provide any information on the reasons for why those homes were closed or temporarily closed?

Answer:

I must advise that care homes are not operated by NHS Lothian and that you should contact the local authorities. I would advise you to contact them via the details below:-

City of Edinburgh Council Central Freedom of Information Unit 3.1 Waverley Court 4 East Market Street Edinburgh EH8 8BG foi@edinburgh.gov.uk	East Lothian Council Corporate Resources, John Muir House, Haddington, EH41 3HA Department: Law and Licensing foi@eastlothian.gov.uk
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Lothian NHS Board is the common name of Lothian Health Board





I am sorry I cannot help further with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

FOI responses (subject to redaction of personal information) may appear on NHS Lothian's Freedom of Information website at: <https://org.nhslothian.scot/FOI/Pages/default.aspx>

Yours sincerely

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