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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – GP RENT

I write in response to your request for information in relation to GP practice rent.

Question:

- The current notional rent assessed for each GP practice within the Board area.
- The effective date of each assessment.
- The gross internal area (or reimbursable area) used in the assessment where available.

Answer:

I have been advised by the Primary Care Contracts Department of NHS Lothian that they consider the information you have requested to be commercially sensitive and therefore exempt.

The rental figures have not been provided as this is considered commercially sensitive. Under Section 33(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act (Scotland) 2002, which exempts information if its disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice substantially the commercial interests of any person (including the commercial interests of a Scottish public authority).

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.nhsllothian.scot/FOI/Pages/default.aspx>

Yours sincerely

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