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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/016292 – Doctors Mess

For the purposes of this FOI request a Doctors Mess is defined as a dedicated rest space, typically for the exclusive use of doctors. It does not include a rest space which is utilised by many different healthcare professions at once.

1. Is there a doctors mess on site? - Yes, 2 doctor's messes on site

If the answer to question 1 is yes, then:

a) Is the doctors mess funded by voluntary financial contributions from doctors? If not, how is it funded? - The estate is funded by the trust but the food/ social activities are funded by voluntary contributions. The messes were renovated in 2020 and this was from BMA funds.

b) Which other members of the multidisciplinary team have access/make use of the doctors mess, if any? – The doctors mess is only used by medical staff at present

c) If other members of the MDT are allowed access to the doctors mess do they make the same voluntary financial contributions as doctors in instances where the mess is funded by voluntary financial contributions? - The doctors mess is only used by medical staff at present

d) If other members of the multidisciplinary team have access/make use of the doctors mess, when was the decision to open access to other members of the MDT made and who made the decision to do so? An approximate date is acceptable for when and a job title is acceptable for who.

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If the answer to question 1 is no and the trust previously had a doctors mess:

e) What was the date of its closure? An approximate date is acceptable. - N/A

f) When in existence, how was the doctors mess funded? - N/A

g) What was the space reallocated/repurposed into? - N/A

Lockers & Changing Facilities

2. Does the trust provide locker space for rotating junior doctors? - There are lockers located in the doctors mess and in individual departments

3. Does the trust have on-site changing facilities available to rotating junior doctors, excluding those facilities located in the theatre department? Please provide details of the facilities available. - yes - there are changing facilities located next to one of the doctors mess facilities. There are also facilities in some individual departments across the Trust.