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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - Ref: FOI/010928**

With reference to your FOI request that was received on 20/07/2011 in connection with 'Cost of patient meals/restaurant expenses for Trust executives'.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is enclosed

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**Information Commissioner**

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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

1. In the 2010/2011 financial year what was the budget on ingredients for patients meals provided in the hospital. Please provide this figure as a financial amount on ingredients only (no labour or preparation costs) per patient per day.

The Trust does not hold financial figures for the ingredients for patient's meals per patient per day as meals for all inpatients are provided as part of a PFI contract with Summit Healthcare (Dudley) Ltd. All inpatient services are located at Russells Hall Hospital.

Summit Healthcare (Dudley) Ltd is based on site at Russells Hall Hospital. Summit Healthcare (Dudley) Ltd has a contract with Interserve (Facilities Management) Ltd to supply all catering services to the Trust. Interserve (Facilities Management) Ltd use a range of suppliers.

Whilst the Trust has a variety of detailed mechanisms to monitor the volumes, content and quality of meals delivered this does not extend to a detailed analysis of ingredient costings.

2. In the 2010/2011 financial year what was the most expensive restaurant bill claimed on expenses by any of the Trust's executives/ directors? Please state the name and address of the restaurant, how many people were dining, the date of the dinner and the job title of the director/executive who claimed the meal on expenses.

None of the directors or executive staff claimed for restaurant bills in the financial year 2010/11.