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Sent: 09 March 2018 11:35
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Freedom of Information
Subject: FOI 11294 - Care Homes - RESPONSE

Dear [REDACTED]

Further to your request for information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 relating to the above I am now able to respond.

The following response was prepared and provided on behalf of Social Work & Integration:

On behalf of, and as instructed by our Client, we hereby make a request under the Act to be provided with the following information:

1. The total number of care homes in Scotland currently owned by the Council at today's date (15 February).

5 Care Homes

2. Please provide a note of the following details in relation to each care home in Scotland currently owned by the Council:

a. name of each care home (if applicable);

Deanfield
Gove House
Saltgreens
St Ronan's House
Waverley

b. full postal address of each care home;

Deanfield
Roadhead
Hawick
TD9 7HN

Grove House
Edenside Road
Kelso
TD5 7BS

Saltgreens
Chapel Street
Eyemouth
TD14 5HF

St Ronans House

Maxwell Street
Innerleithen
EH44 6HS

Waverley Residential
Elm Row
Galashiels
TD1 3JG

c. confirmation as to whether the Council operates each care home or whether any care homes are operated by a third party for and on behalf of the Council, and if the latter, the full name and postal address of any such third party(ies); and

The homes are operated by SB Cares.

SB Cares is registered as a Limited Liability Partnership wholly owned by Scottish Borders Council.

SBCares
Bristol Building
Newtown St. Boswells
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TD6 OSA

d. the total period of ownership by the Council of each care home, such period of time to be specified in years and months.

Care Homes owned by the Council since Scottish Borders Council's inception on 1st April 1996.

3. The total costs incurred by, and for and on behalf of, the Council (such costs to be calculated from the beginning of ownership by the Council of each care home to today's date (15 February)), associated with the following (such total costs to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis):

a. purchasing each of the care homes identified in numbers 1 and 2 above;

The 5 care homes have been owned by the Council since Scottish Borders Council's inception on 1st April 1996, and is stated as such on the Council's Fixed Asset Register. Unfortunately Scottish Borders Council do not hold the information you have requested. We do not therefore hold the cost of purchasing or building the care homes and we refer to s17 of FOI(S)A 2002 and declare that the information is not held.

b. constructing and / or building (if applicable) each of the care homes identified in numbers 1 and 2 above;

Saltgreens, Eyemouth – built 1989
Waverley, Galashiels – built 1982
Deanfield, Hawick – built 1987
St Ronans, Innerleithen – built 1968
Grove House, Kelso – built 1976

c. redeveloping or otherwise renovating (this include any small-scale redevelopment or renovation projects) each of the care homes identified in numbers 1 and 2 above;

Not applicable

d. purchasing land or assumed value of land owned by the Council and on which each care home identified in numbers 1 and 2 above is situated.

Unfortunately Scottish Borders Council do not hold some of the information you have requested. We do not hold the cost of purchasing the land however we attach the most recent land valuation and therefore we refer to s17 of FOI(S)A 2002 and declare that the information is not held.

Asset Name	Directorate	M/C	Valuation Ref
Saltgreens Residential Home for the Elderly (SB Cares)	Social Work		P00190/REV16-17
Waverley Residential Home for the Elderly (SB Cares)	Social Work		P00196/REV16-17LAND
Deanfield Residential Home for the Elderly (SB Cares)	Social Work		P00198/REV16-17
St Ronans Residential Home for the Elderly (SB Cares)	Social Work		P00203/REV16-17LAND
Grove House Residential Home for the Elderly (SB Cares)	Social Work		P00206/REV16-17

4. The total amount(s) borrowed by the Council under any loan(s) and / or other financial borrowing(s) in connection with any costs specified in number 3 above (such total amount(s) to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis), including details of the any outstanding amount(s) borrowed (such total amount(s) to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis).

No amounts were borrowed specifically to purchase these care homes.

5. The total number of care homes in Scotland currently owned by the Council in relation to which the Council intends to, and / or has plans to, dispose ownership in the upcoming financial year (from 1 April 2018). For each of the aforesaid care homes please provide a note of the following details:

- a. name of each care home (if applicable);
- b. full postal address of each care home; and
- c. the full name and address of the person and / or entity intending to purchase or otherwise gain ownership and / or title of each care home.

There are no plans to dispose of any care homes owned by Scottish Borders Council.

6. The total number of care homes in Scotland currently held under lease and / or other tenancy right by the Council at today's date (15 February).

Scottish Borders Council does not have any care homes held under a lease.

7. Please provide a note of the following details in relation to each care home in Scotland currently held under lease and / or other tenancy right by the Council:

- a. name of each care home (if applicable);
- b. full postal address of each care home;
- c. confirmation as to whether the Council operates each care home or whether any care homes are operated by a third party for and on behalf of the Council, and if the latter, the full name and postal address of any such third party(ies); and
- d. the landlord of each care home, and where the Council is a sub-tenant, any head-tenant(s) of each care home.

Not applicable

8. The total costs incurred by, and for and on behalf of, the Council (such costs to be calculated from the beginning of the lease and / or other tenancy by the Council of each care home to today's date (15 February)), associated with the following (such total costs to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis):

a. constructing and / or building (if applicable) each of the care homes identified in numbers 6 and 7 above;

Scottish Borders Council does not have any care homes held under a lease.

b. redeveloping or otherwise renovating (this include any small-scale redevelopment or renovation projects) each of the care homes identified in numbers 6 and 7 above.

Not applicable

c. purchasing land or assumed value of land owned by the Council (if applicable) and on which each care home identified in numbers 6 and 7 above is situated.

Not applicable

9. The total amount(s) borrowed by the Council under any loan(s) and / or other financial borrowing(s) in connection with any costs specified in number 8 above (such total amount(s) to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis), including details of the any outstanding amount(s) borrowed (such total amount(s) to be broken-down and provided on a per care home basis).

No amounts were borrowed specifically to purchase these care homes.

10. The total number of care homes in Scotland currently held under lease and / or other tenancy right by the Council which the Council intends to, and / or has plans to, cease (whether by natural expiry or early termination) the lease and / or other tenancy right, in the upcoming financial year (from 1 April 2018). For each of the aforesaid care homes please provide a note of the following details:

a. name of each care home (if applicable); and
b. full postal address of each care home.

Scottish Borders Council does not have any care homes held under a lease.

11. The total number of care homes in Scotland currently operated by the Council at today's date (15 February).

Scottish Borders Council does not operate any Care Homes

12. Please provide a note of the following details in relation to each care home in Scotland currently operated by the Council:

a. name of each care home (if applicable);
b. full postal address of each care home; and
c. the total period of operation by the Council for each care home, such period of time to be specified in years and months.

Not applicable

13. The total costs incurred by, and, for and on behalf of, the Council (such costs to be calculated from the beginning of operation by the Council of each care home to today's date (15 February)), associated with

the following (such total costs to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis):

- a. constructing and / or building (if applicable) each of the care homes identified in numbers 11 and 12 above;
- b. redeveloping or otherwise renovating (this include any small-scale redevelopment or renovation projects) each of the care homes identified in numbers 11 and 12 above; and
- c. purchasing land or assumed value of land owned by the Council (if applicable) and on which each care home identified in numbers 11 and 12 above is situated.

Not applicable

14. The total amount(s) borrowed by the Council under any loan(s) and / or other financial borrowing(s) in connection with any costs specified in number 13 above (such total amount to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis), including details of the any outstanding amount(s) borrowed (such total amount to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis).

Not applicable

15. The total number of care homes in Scotland currently operated by the Council at today's date (15 February) which the Council intends to, and / or has plans to, transfer or cease operation in the upcoming financial year (from 1 April 2018). For each of the aforesaid care homes please provide a note of the following details:

- a. name of each care home (if applicable);
- b. full postal address of each care home; and
- c. where applicable, the full name and address of the person and / or entity intending to assume operation each care home.

Not applicable

16. The total weekly costs and expenses per resident for each care home identified in numbers 1, 2, 6, 7, 11, and 12 above (such total costs to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis), as incurred by and for and on behalf of the Council, associated with maintaining and operating each care home identified in numbers 1, 2, 6, 7, 11, and 12 above, including but not limited to:

- a. any central administration costs; and
- b. any building, property and land maintenance costs.

This information is not disclosed as its disclosure would substantially prejudice the commercial interests of SB Cares LLP. Exemption is claimed under Section 33.

17. The average yearly salary (prior to deduction of any tax contributions, national insurance contributions, student loan repayment, or any other payroll deductions) and average yearly pension contribution, average yearly sick pay, and average yearly annual leave entitlement for:

- a. each manager at each care home identified in numbers 1, 2, 6, 7, 11, and 12 above (if there is more than one manager please provides these details);
- b. each assistant manager at each care home identified in numbers 1, 2, 6, 7, 11, and 12 above (if there is more than one assistant manager please provides these details); and
- c. each deputy manager at each care home identified in numbers 1, 2, 6, 7, 11, and 12 above (if there is more than one deputy manager please provides these details),

If the care homes differentiate at a managerial level between clinical and non-clinical then please provide such details.

I can confirm that Scottish Borders Council holds this information but it cannot be disclosed to you as this is personal data and is exempt from disclosure under S38(1)(b) of FOI(S)A 2002.



18. Please provide details of any care homes in Scotland that the Council currently has plans to buy and / or develop/build in the future, including: a. the location of each of the aforesaid care home; and b. the total expected and budgeted costs for the Council of each of the aforesaid care homes (such total costs to be broken-down and provided to us on a per care home basis).

The Council currently has no plans to buy and / or develop/build in the future.

I hope you are happy with the information provided but have to advise that you have a right to request a review within 40 working days from the date we respond to your request. You should either e-mail FOI@scotborders.gov.uk or write to the Information Manager, Scottish Borders Council, Council HQ, Newtown St. Boswells TD6 0SA.

If after the Council's FOI Advice Group have considered your review and you are still not happy with the decision you then have a right to appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St. Andrews, fife KY16 9DS.

Yours sincerely


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