



**HEADQUARTERS**  
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**Our Ref:** HQ24161

22 October 2024

Dear

Thank you for your request dated 24 September 2024 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

For reference, you requested:

**RFI 1:** "In prisons across Scotland the average cost of a lunchtime meal to make?"

**RFI 2:** "In prisons across Scotland the average cost of an evening meal to make?"

**RFI 3:** "In prisons across Scotland the average cost of a breakfast meal to make?"

We have now completed our search for the information you requested.

**RFI 1 – 3 Response:** Under section 17 of FOI(S)A I can advise that SPS does not hold the information requested. We do not record the cost of individual meals.

In accordance with section 15 of FOI(S)A, in order to be helpful, I can advise that the information that we do hold is that for the period April 2024 – September 2024 the average daily food cost per prisoner was £4.27.

This concludes our response to your request.

If you are unhappy with this response to your request, you may ask us to conduct an internal review, by writing to The Chief Executive, One Lochside, 1 Lochside Avenue, Edinburgh, EH12 9DJ. Your request should explain why you wish a review to be conducted and should be made within forty working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within twenty working days of receipt. If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Manager