

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/23/460
Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete

Information Requested:

Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) in hospitals and other medical facilities in the Health Board area.

1. What inspections have taken place in hospitals and other medical facilities which included looking at the condition of RAAC? How frequently should such be inspections undertaken?
2. How much has been spent in the last ten years by the health board in repairing problems caused by RAAC in hospitals and other medical facilities. Can we have a year-by-year breakdown?
3. Which individual hospitals and medical facilities have a problem with RAAC?

Response Details:

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board has completed investigations and issued a draft report to Welsh Government.

While we are awaiting the finalised report, that has yet to be ratified by our board, the current draft report is showing that the Health Board has provided information and surveys have been completed on buildings that are owned (freehold) by the Cardiff and Vale Health Board, or leased directly by the Cardiff and Vale Health Board.

To date, indications are that no RAAC has been deemed as present, or likely to be present, in the information provided back. We are also in the process of writing to our commercial landlords, where we have a presence in their buildings, but no responsibility for the external envelope, to provide their RAAC assurance.