



Daily update
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Update to Retail Catering Prices – From 1 April 2026

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde (NHSGGC) will be introducing a 5% price adjustment across all in-house retail catering outlets from 1 April 2026. This applies to all Aroma Cafés and restaurants at Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow Royal Infirmary, Leverndale, Stobhill, New Victoria, Inverclyde Royal Hospital, Royal Alexandra Hospital and Vale of Leven Hospital.

Over the past few years, Catering Services has absorbed significant increases in food supply costs, utilities, transport and staffing. However, sustained inflationary pressures mean that price uplifts are necessary to ensure we can continue to provide high-quality, safe and sustainable catering services across our sites.

We recognise that this continues to be a challenging time for many of our staff, patients and visitors, and increases of any kind are never welcome. This decision has not been taken lightly.

We remain committed to offering good value compared to similar hospital and external outlets, and we will continue to focus on quality, affordability and healthy options.

If you have any questions regarding this change, please contact eileen.orourke2@nhs.scot and we will be happy to assist.

Please note that this adjustment applies only to NHSGGC-operated catering outlets and does not include independent providers located within our hospitals.

You can view a list of FAQs [here](#).

Tell us about your Engagement and Involvement work — Overview Report 2025/26

The Patient Experience Public Involvement (PEPI) Team is collecting examples of engagement and involvement activity from across NHSGGC and our Health and Social Care Partnerships for this year's Engagement and Involvement Overview Report.

It doesn't have to be a big project. If you've asked patients, carers or communities what they think and did something with what you heard, we'd love to hear about it. A small change made because of patient feedback counts just as much as a board-wide strategy engagement. You can see last year's report [here](#) if you want some inspiration.

Share your example using the link below. The survey takes around 5-minutes, and you can submit more than one example. If you already have a report or document you'd like to share directly, email us at: ggc.public.involvement@nhs.scot.

Please share examples by the 31 March 2026.

[Share your example here](#)

Not sure if your work counts, or want to talk it through first? Get in touch and we'll figure it out together.

Public Protection Service: New training sessions

March/April 2026

Training sessions will be delivered remotely via MS Teams and can be booked by accessing the online catalogue via eESS: <https://eess.mhs.scot.nhs.uk>. Medical/General Practice staff who do not have an eESS account, please email: ggc.cpadmin@nhs.scot with the course name(s) / date(s) you wish to attend.

All participants will require access to a digital device e.g. laptop or phone to join the training session. An MS Teams link will be sent directly to you one week prior to the session.

Please ensure that your email address and contact details on eESS are up-to-date in order that the link can be sent.

Please note: If you require support to access or update your eESS account please contact the eESS team via the [HR Connect Portal](#) / tel. 0141 278 2700 (Option 5) or view the guidance on GGC Staffnet Hub.

Child Protection Level 3 – “Your Roles & Responsibilities”

- Wednesday 18 March 2026 2.00pm – 4.00pm
- Tuesday 24 March 2026 2.00pm – 4.00pm
- Tuesday 31 March 2026 ***New*** 2.00pm – 4.00pm
- Wednesday 1 April 2026 ***New*** 10.00am – 12.00noon

Adult Support & Protection Level 3

- Thursday 19 March 2026 2.00pm – 4.00pm

NHSGGC Spiritual Care: First Annual Report 2024-25



Spiritual Care Service
Hope, Identity, Wellbeing,
Stories, Meaning

Celebrating achievements and setting priorities for the year ahead

The NHSGGC Spiritual Care Service is pleased to share its first annual report, marking an important milestone in the delivery of compassionate, holistic, specialist and professional spiritual care across our health board.

What is Spiritual Care?

People of all faiths and none have essential needs for meaning, purpose and hope – particularly in hospital settings. Registered Healthcare Chaplains provide holistic, compassionate emotional and spiritual care to help meet these needs for patients, families and staff.

Spiritual care is available 9.00am – 10.00pm, 365 days a year – contact switchboard and ask for the on call chaplain.

2024-25 Activity

The Spiritual Care team provided one-to-one support, facilitated group sessions, and worked closely with multi-disciplinary teams to ensure that spiritual needs are recognised as part of person-centred care.

Spiritual care was provided **3,769** times across 2024-25; with **800** referrals for **staff**.

Priorities for next year

Looking ahead, our main priorities include enhancing peoples' understanding of spiritual care, ensuring it is available at time of need, and supporting our spiritual care workforce.

Further information

To read the full annual report, please visit: [NHSGGC Spiritual Care Service 2024-25 Annual Report - NHSGGC](#)

For more information about Spiritual Care, visit: [The Spiritual Care Service - NHSGGC](#)

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[GGC-Staffnet Hub - Home \(sharepoint.com\)](#)



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