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Dear [Redacted],

**Information request**

**Reference number:** FOI201800186

Thank you for your request of 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018. You requested the following information:

*“Please can you let me know if NR still provides housing for staff anywhere on the system, the number of such and individual types involved (i.e crossing-keeper’s house ), along with a sample of rents charged (or included as part of the occupier’s employment contract ).”*

I have processed your request under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and I can confirm that we hold the information you requested.

I have consulted with our business experts and I can inform you that our records confirm that Network Rail have provided housing for its employees on thirty-four occasions. Only one of these records contained house “type” information, referred to in your request, which is recorded as ‘Crossing Keeper’.

I have provided a sample of rents below.

Highest Rent (Monthly)	Lowest Rent (Monthly)	Median Rent (Monthly)
£1689.00	£542.00	£930.00

It might be of interest to know that the vast majority of these short term rentals house Network Rail's High Output Maintenance employees (HOOB) on a temporary basis. I am advised that the employees are all night workers who move around working on various parts of the network with the high output teams, so they are not permanently based at any one location.

I hope you find this information and explanation useful. If you have any enquiries about this response, please contact me in the first instance at [FOI@networkrail.co.uk](mailto:FOI@networkrail.co.uk) or on 01908 782405. Details of your appeal rights are below.

Please remember to quote the reference number at the top of this letter in all future communications.

Yours sincerely  
**Catherine Leach**  
Senior Information Officer

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