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Date: 29 January 2025

Sent by e-mail only.

Dear Requester,

Request for Information – FOI-007

We acknowledge your request for the following information:

- The data your organisation provided to the Scottish Government for total spending on corporate functions in 2022-23, broken down by the total cost of running HR, finance, commercial, communications, digital & data and estate.
- Updated data on your organisation's total spending on corporate functions in 2023-24, broken down by the total cost of running HR, finance, commercial, communications, digital & data and estate.

Your request was received on 28 January 2025 and has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2022 (FOI(S)A)

Responding to each part of your request in turn the position is as follows:

The data your organisation provided to the Scottish Government for total spending on corporate functions in 2022-23, broken down by the total cost of running HR, finance, commercial, communications, digital & data and estate.

The Commissioner did not provide any information to the Scottish Government relative to this survey referenced as our lines of accountability are to the Parliament and not Scottish Government in keeping with our independent status therefore we do not hold this information.

However the information requested can be found in our Statement of Expenditure on and in our Annual Report and Accounts 2022/23 which are published on our website.

Updated data on your organisation's total spending on corporate functions in 2023-24, broken down by the total cost of running HR, finance, commercial, communications, digital & data and estate.

This information can be found in our Statement of Expenditure and Annual Report and Accounts for 2023/24 which are published on our website.

Further to the above information we operate a shared services model and we receive our HR, ICT support, Finance support and office accommodation from the SPSO. A copy of the values of contacts let by SBC can be found [here](#).

In keeping with our FOI procedures, this information may also be posted on the Scottish Biometric Commissioner's disclosure log.

Annex A

REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

How we handle FOI requests

Information on how we handle FOI requests is available on the Scottish Biometric Commissioners website at: [Scottish Biometrics Commissioner | Privacy Notice | Scottish Biometrics Commissioner](#)

Review

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which we have dealt with your request for information, you can ask us to review our decision and actions. You must do this in writing (or other permanent form) within 40 working days of the date of this letter, stating the reasons for your dissatisfaction, and we will respond within 20 working days of receipt. A request for a review should be made to the Commissioner:

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E-mail: contact@biometricscommissioner.scot

Application to the Scottish Information Commissioner

If, on the outcome of any review, you are still dissatisfied, or if we are unable to resolve any other complaint, then you can contact the Scottish Information Commissioner:

Post: The Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews
Fife
KY16 9DS

Email: www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

Telephone: 01334 464610

Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info

A decision by the Scottish Information Commissioner may be appealed on a point of law to the Court of Session.

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Feedback or comment

We would welcome feedback or comment on how we handled your request. Please contact the Business Support Officer at contact@biometricscommissioner.scot.

Data Protection

If you wish to find out more about how we use your personal data then you can access our Privacy Notice at the following link: [Scottish Biometrics Commissioner | Privacy Notice | Scottish Biometrics Commissioner](#)

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