

CABINET OFFICE
SPECIAL ADVISERS INFORMATION

1 October – 31 December

GIFTS RECEIVED BY SPECIAL ADVISERS¹

MINISTER FOR THE CABINET OFFICE, PAYMASTER GENERAL, THE RT HON FRANCIS MAUDE MP

Henry Newman			
Date gift received	From	Brief Description of Gift	Outcome
Nil return			

Simone Finn			
Date gift received	From	Brief Description of Gift	Outcome
Nil return			

MINISTER FOR GOVERNMENT POLICY, THE RT HON OLIVER LETWIN MP

Martha Varney			
Date gift received	From	Brief Description of Gift	Outcome
Nil return			

MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO, THE RT HON Kenneth Clarke

Kathryn Laing			
Date gift received	From	Brief Description of Gift	Outcome
Nil return			

¹ Staff should not accept a gift unless it is a trivial item (an inexpensive pen, calendar, diary etc) or refusing it would cause embarrassment or offence to the donor (eg a gift offered as part of an inter-governmental visit). Staff may keep a trivial gift but may not keep any other gift without the agreement of their SCS line manager. Their SCS line manager may allow them to keep a gift provided its retail value is not more than £25 for general items, £50 for gifts to a team, to be kept by the team as a whole, £75 for gifts from an overseas government or international organisation. Staff must record all offers of gifts (some Heads of Management Unit may allow staff not to record offers of trivial items or other items with a value of less than £25).

HOSPITALITY²

MINISTER FOR THE CABINET OFFICE, PAYMASTER GENERAL, THE RT HON FRANCIS MAUDE MP

Henry Newman		
Date of hospitality	Name of organisation	Type of hospitality received
7 October 2012	Sun	Lunch
8 October 2012	Channel 4	Dinner
9 October 2012	The Sunday Times	Lunch

Simone Finn		
Date of hospitality	Name of organisation	Type of hospitality received
1 October 2012	CBI	Dinner
7 October 2012	Sun	Lunch
8 October 2012	The Times and Channel 4	Dinner
18 November 2012	Ramsay Health Care	Lunch
21 November 2012	The Spectator	Lunch

MINISTER FOR GOVERNMENT POLICY, THE RT HON OLIVER LETWIN MP

Martha Varney		
Date of hospitality	Name of organisation	Type of hospitality received
7 October 2012	The Times	Dinner
8 October 2012	John Mullin, The Independent on Sunday	Dinner

² Does not normally include attendance at functions hosted by HM Government; 'diplomatic' functions in the UK or abroad, hosted by overseas governments; minor refreshments at meetings, receptions, conferences, and seminars; and offers of hospitality which were declined * indicates accompanied by spouse/partner or other family member or friend

MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO, THE RT HON Kenneth Clarke

Kathryn Laing		
Date of hospitality	Name of organisation	Type of hospitality received
7 October 2012	Nick Robinson, BBC	Drink
7 October 2012	The Observer	Dinner
8 October 2012	Telegraph (hosted by Murdoch MacLennan)	Drinks reception
8 October 2012	The Daily Mail	Lunch
8 October 2012	Lionel Barber, Financial Times	Dinner
9 October 2012	The Times	Lunch
9 October 2012	Spectator	Drinks reception
6 November 2012	The Times	Dinner
12 November 2012	British American Business Council	Dinner
11 December 2012	Paul Dacre, Daily Mail	Lunch

SPECIAL ADVISERS' MEETINGS NEWSPAPER AND OTHER MEDIA PROPRIETORS, EDITORS AND SENIOR EXECUTIVES³

MINISTER FOR THE CABINET OFFICE, PAYMASTER GENERAL, THE RT HON FRANCIS MAUDE MP

Henry Newman		
Month of Meeting	Name	Purpose of Meeting
Nil return		

Simone Finn		
Month of Meeting	Name	Purpose of Meeting
Nil return		

MINISTER FOR GOVERNMENT POLICY, THE RT HON OLIVER LETWIN MP

Martha Varney		
Month of Meeting	Name	Purpose of Meeting
Nil return		

MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO, THE RT HON KENNETH CLARKE

Kathryn Laing		
Month of Meeting	Name	Purpose of Meeting
Nil return		

³ Does not include details of official meetings where special advisers attended alongside their Ministers