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Dear

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: DEFRA SPORTS DAY**

Thank you for your request for information about the last Defra sports day which we received on 12 August 2014. We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

I enclose a copy of the information you requested:

**1. Please provide the date and location of the department's last 'sports day'?**

Friday, 11 July 2014 at the National Physical Laboratory Sports Club, Teddington.

**2. Please provide a list of Executive Agencies, and Other departments, if any, that were invited to attend?**

Those invited to attend were:

Natural England, Rural Payment Agency, Marine Management Organisation, Animal Health and Veterinary Laboratories Agency, Veterinary Medicines Directorate, Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science, Food and Environment Research Agency, Environment Agency and the Department of Energy and Climate Change.

**3. Please provide the cost of any refreshments provided?**

No refreshments were provided.

**4. Please provide the cost of hiring any facilities?**

The cost for hiring any facilities for the 2014 Defra Sports Day is not yet available as we are still awaiting the final invoice

**5. Please provide the total spend on the 'sports day'?**

The total cost for the 2014 Defra Sports Day is not yet available as we are still awaiting all final invoices.

**6. Please provide the number of staff that attended? (Or an estimate if an exact figure is not available)**

The exact numbers of attendees was not recorded.



**7. Please provide a list of Ministers present, if any?**

No Ministers attended this event.

**8. Please provide the number of senior civil servants that attended? (Or an estimate if an exact figure is not available)**

Defra does not hold a record of this information.

**9. Please provide the number of non-staff attending the event? (Or an estimate if an exact figure is not available)**

The only non-staff eligible to attend are retired staff, however, details of numbers are not available.

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I also attach Annex B giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact the address below.

Yours sincerely

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## Annex A

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