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Change**

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**RE: FOI Request for Details of all courses, conference, training or other away days attended by departmental staff since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010.**

Our ref: **12/0379**

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Thank you for your correspondence, where you requested:

a list of all courses, conferences, training or other away days attended by department staff, since 1 January 2010.

These courses should be courses run externally, i.e. by a private company or individual, rather than any courses run internally by your own staff.

Can you provide this information in an excel spreadsheet, with the following fields

- date of course/conference/training/away day
- name of course/etc
- name of company/organiser
- price per person for attendance
- no. attendees
- total cost of staff attendance
- cost and location of overnight accommodation (where applicable)
- purpose of course/conference/away day (e.g. html training/team building/etc)

We do not hold the information requested centrally and we estimate that complying with your request in full would exceed the cost limit of £600 provided under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act. This represents the estimated cost of spending 3.5 working days: (i) determining whether the Department of Energy & Climate Change holds the information, and (ii) locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

We are able to provide a list of spend on suppliers of training courses and conferences where the spend is over £500. Since May 2010, the Department for Energy & Climate Change has been required to publish details of financial expenditure. Expenditure for the period 1 May 2010 to date over £500 is, therefore, exempt from this response under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act as the information is already in the public domain and can be found at

<http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/accesstoinform/accesstoinform.aspx>

Expenditure for the period 1 January 2010 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2010 over £500 is provided in the appended table.

#### Appeals Procedure

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to [FOI@decc.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:FOI@decc.gsi.gov.uk)

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

**Appendix 1 – Training Courses and Conferences and Travel & Subsistence  
1<sup>st</sup> January 2010 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2010.**

<b>Accelerated Development Programme/Fast Stream Training</b>	<b>1,022.26</b>
DECC member of staff	1,022.26
<b>Centrally Funded Training</b>	<b>109,244.00</b>
	83,422.00
DEFRA	11,807.00
NATIONAL SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT	1,915.00
NATIONAL SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT (CMPS)	2,500.00
ZZZZTHE BDP MEDIA GROUP LTD	9,600.00
<b>Departmental Sponsored Training</b>	<b>17,460.00</b>
DEPARTMENT FOR BUSINESS INNOVATION & SKILLS	16,600.00
ZZZZPersonnel Training Services Consortium (PTSC)	860.00
<b>External Training</b>	<b>480,125.11</b>
	216,450.82
ABERDEEN DRILLING SCHOOL LTD	695.00
ABERDEEN EXHIBITION AND CONFERENCE CENTRE LTD	1,300.00
ACROSSTARGET LTD T/A ETC	540.00
APOD LTD	1,200.00
ASHRIDGE RESEARCH	13,696.78
ASSOCIATION OF ELECTRICITY PRODUCERS (AEP)	590.00
AVC MEDIA ENTERPRISES LTD	790.00
BARDIS SEABURY	3,352.03
BIRKBECK COLLEGE	2,100.00
BRE GLOBAL LTD	900.00
BRITISH SAFETY COUNCIL	590.00
CENTRE FOR PARLIAMENTARY STUDIES LTD	3,310.00
CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC RELATIONS	2,600.00
CIPD ENTERPRISES LTD	550.00
CORNWALL ENERGY ASSOCIATES LTD	3,500.00
CYCLE SYSTEMS LTD	1,800.00
DEFRA	7,407.37
DEPARTMENT FOR BUSINESS INNOVATION & SKILLS	925.00
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	720.66
DOD'S PARLIAMENTARY COMMUNICATIONS LTD	860.00
DOD'S PARLIAMENTARY COMMUNICATIONS LTD (WESTMINSTER EXPLAINED)	2,030.00
GUOMAN HOTEL MANAGEMENT (UK) LTD T/A THISTLE HOTELS	3,493.00
HM REVENUE & CUSTOMS	535.00
HTS CONSULTANTS	945.00
IIR LTD	4,817.72
ILX GROUP PLC	789.00
KAPLAN FINANCIAL LTD	3,801.06
KL ENERGY PUBLISHING LTD	1,000.00
LEARNING TREE INTERNATIONAL LTD	2,495.00
LEARNLAB LTD	1,975.20
LEXISNEXIS BUTTERWORTHS	1,798.00
MDP	695.00
MJM ENERGY LTD	2,417.50
NATIONAL SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT	44,285.50
NATIONAL SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT (CMPS)	34,047.00
OXFORD INSTITUTE FOR ENERGY STUDIES	600.00

PARTNERSHIP MEDIA GROUP LTD T/A GOVNET COMMUNICATIONS	9,890.00
PETROFAC TRAINING LTD	636.00
PRAESTA PARTNERS LLP	21,375.00
RADA ENTERPRISES LTD	900.00
RENEWABLE UK ASSOCIATION T/A RENEWABLE UK	534.57
SAXTON BAMPFYLDE HEVER LTD	4,800.00
TATE GALLERY	1,560.00
THE GEOLOGICAL SOCEITY	1,000.00
THE OPEN UNIVERSITY	3,870.00
TUV NEL LTD	1,310.12
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON	18,000.00
UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE	3,950.00
UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST OF ENGLAND	1,020.00
WAKE UP LTD	5,277.60
WALLACESPACE LTD	759.00
WILDFOWL AND WETLANDS TRUST (TRADING) LTD	1,137.50
ZOO ENTERPRISES LTD	2,798.00
ZZZZ PINNACLE CONSULTANCY	2,818.20
ZZZZBLAZIE ENGINEERING LTD	1,100.00
ZZZZBRIAN WORSFOLD	1,320.00
ZZZZCHRIS BARNES LTD	500.00
ZZZZDAVID ROWLAND T/A DAVID ROWLANDS TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT	1,774.45
ZZZZGDF SUEZ E & P NORGE AS	770.04
ZZZZJ P TWOMEY T/A STUDENT SUPPORT GROUP	595.00
ZZZZMDT INTERNATIONAL LTD	2,780.00
ZZZZPersonnel Training Services Consortium (PTSC)	8,203.18
ZZZZPOSSIBILITY AS	1,064.31
ZZZZRIVIERA MARITIME MEDIA LTD	950.00
ZZZZRUTH PARIS	1,500.00
ZZZZSMI GROUP LTD	2,497.00
ZZZZTHE WALDORF HILTON	827.00
ZZZZTHE WORD CENTRE	1,085.00
ZZZZVOX MEDIA LTD	3,046.50
ZZZZW WATSON (RETFORD) LTD T/A WATSON MANAGEMENT SERVICES	875.00
<b>External Training (Programme)</b>	<b>20,545.44</b>
	19,277.50
ZZZZC5 COMMUNICATIONS LTD	1,267.94
<b>Internal Training</b>	<b>12,626.07</b>
	5,695.12
COMPLETE LEADERSHIP LTD	715.00
THE OPEN UNIVERSITY	1,200.00
WALLACESPACE LTD	950.95
ZZZZBROWNS COURTROOMS	900.00
ZZZZPersonnel Training Services Consortium (PTSC)	1,315.00
ZZZZZOO ENTERPRISES LTD	1,850.00
<b>Internal Training (Programme)</b>	<b>3,910.20</b>
CHURCH HOUSE CONFERENCE CENTRE LTD	3,910.20
<b>Other Training Costs</b>	<b>2,731.88</b>
	2,731.88
<b>Other Travel &amp; Subsistence Training</b>	<b>3,792.83</b>
ZZZZIRON RATIONS LTD	3,792.83
<b>Senior Civil Service Training</b>	<b>35,701.73</b>

	9,090.00
CABINET OFFICE	2,750.00
Langauge Training Provider	900.00
DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN, SCHOOLS AND FAMILIES	960.00
NATIONAL SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT	6,265.00
NATIONAL SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT (CMPS)	11,718.00
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON	1,500.00
WAKE UP LTD	2,518.73
<b>Training (Agencies)</b>	<b>5,107.50</b>
Personnel Training Services Consortium (PTSC)	995.00
ZZZZCHILLISAUCE LTD	4,112.50
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>692,267.02</b>