



Ministry of  
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# **Gifts and hospitality received by special advisors**

1st January – 31st March 2012

20 July 2012

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1<sup>st</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012

### Gifts received by special advisers<sup>1</sup>

Name of Special Adviser – David Hass			
Date gift received	From	Brief Description of Gift	Outcome
Nil Return			

Name of Special Adviser – Kathryn Laing			
Date gift received	From	Brief Description of Gift	Outcome
Nil Return			

### Special advisers' hospitality received<sup>2</sup>

Name of Special Adviser: Kathryn Laing		
Date of hospitality	Name of organisation	Type of hospitality received
18 January 2012	Slaughter and May	Art Fair Tickets
1 February 2012	Policy Exchange	Reception
20 February 2012	Liberty	Drinks
20 March 2012	Slaughter and May	David Hockney Private View
28 March 2012	Liberty	Drinks

Name of Special Adviser: David Hass		
Date of hospitality	Name of organisation	Type of hospitality received
18 January 2012	Prison! Me! No-Way!	Drinks
2 February 2012	CBI	Breakfast
7 February 2012	Independent on Sunday	Lunch
9 February 2012	Spectator	Lunch
12 March 2012	BBC	Lunch

## Special advisers' meetings with newspaper and other media proprietors, editors and senior executives<sup>3</sup>

Special Adviser – David Hass		
Month of Meeting	Name	Purpose of Meeting
Nil Return		

Special Adviser – Kathryn Laing		
Month of Meeting	Name	Purpose of Meeting
Nil Return		

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\*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

<sup>1</sup> The general principle is that gifts must only be accepted in exceptional circumstances and which are appropriate to the circumstances, for example offered in the course of a normal business meeting or by a delegation of an overseas government; are modest and appropriate, for example a token item such as a promotional pen or key-ring, or routine hospitality such as coffee and biscuits, or a light working lunch.

<sup>2</sup>The general principle is that hospitality must only be accepted in exceptional circumstances and which are appropriate to the circumstances, for example offered in the course of a normal business meeting or by a delegation of an overseas government; are modest and appropriate, or routine hospitality such as coffee and biscuits, or a light working lunch. Does not include offers of hospitality which were declined.

<sup>3</sup> Does not include details of official meetings where special advisers attended alongside their Ministers'