

July to September 2012

MINISTERS' GIFTS (GIVEN AND RECEIVED)

GIFTS GIVEN OVER £140

Rt Hon Caroline Spelman, Secretary of State			
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NIL RETURN			

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MINISTERS' OVERSEAS TRAVEL

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5-6 July	Paris	Meetings with French Government	Eurostar		£1117

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24 September	Brussels	Attendance at Agriculture Council	Eurostar		£462

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MEETINGS WITH EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS (INCLUDING MEETINGS WITH NEWSPAPER AND OTHER MEDIA PROPRIETORS, EDITORS AND SENIOR EXECUTIVES)

Rt Hon Caroline Spelman, Secretary of State		
Date of Meeting	Name of External Organisation	Purpose of Meeting
July	FareShare, FoodCycle, BRC, Food and Drink Federation (FDF), Marks & Spencer, Sainsbury's, ASDA, Morrisons, Tesco, Boots, Waitrose	Roundtable on Food Redistribution from Grocery Retailers
July	Energy UK RenewableUK National Grid British Ports Association/UKMPG Water UK Seabed User and Development Group Costain Group Institute of Civil Engineers RSPB Marine Conservation Society Wildlife Trusts	Infrastructure and Habitats Stakeholder Group Meeting To discuss the implementation of the Habitats and Wild Birds Directives
July	Kraft Europe	Introductory Meeting
August	EBLEX/PBLEX Scottish Whisky Association PFNA Scotland Food and Drink FDF FDEA	Food Export Event

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September	Association of British Insurers	To discuss flood insurance
September	IGD ASDA Bakkavor Group IGD Booker Group Brakes Compass Group PLC Dairy Crest Greencore Group M&S Mars Chocolate UK Musgrave Group NFU The Co-operative Group Vion Foods UK Warburtons Ltd Morrisons Nestle UK Sainsburys Waitrose Pepsi Co UK & Ireland	Institute of Grocery Distributors (IGD) Skills Work Week Event
September	Local Cumbrian businesses and residents	Discuss rural broadband
September	National Farmers Union (NFU)	Introductory Meeting
September	NFU Countryside and Land Association (CLA) Countryside Alliance National Federation of Young Farmers Club Womens Food and Farming Union Royal Association of British Dairy Farmers National Sheep Association Angling Trust and Fish Legal Moorland Association National Gamekeepers Organisation Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust Centre for Rural Policy Research British Pig Executive Dairy UK British Poultry Council Agriculture Industries Confederation Co-operative Farms	Farming

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	Tenant Farmers Association Linking Environment and Farming John Craven – English Journalist Royal Agriculture College Adam Henson – Farming Champion and Countryfile TV Presenter NFU Mutual Richard MacDonald – Chairman of Farming Regulation Taskforce Harper Adams College Farmers Union of Wales Royal Agriculture Society Agri-skills Management English Beef and Sheep Meat Industry Dairy Co James Chapman – Farm Safety Campaigner	
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Jim Paice and David Heath – July – September 2012

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15-16 July	Brussels	Attending Agriculture and Fisheries Council	Eurostar	0	£364.00

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MINISTERS' MEETINGS WITH EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS (INCLUDING MEETINGS WITH NEWSPAPER AND OTHER MEDIA PROPRIETORS, EDITORS AND SENIOR EXECUTIVES)

Rt Hon Jim Paice MP Minister of State		
Date of Meeting	Name of External Organisation	Purpose of Meeting
July	Philip Merricks, farmer and freelance journalist	To discuss issues around farmland birds
July	Fonterra	Lunch meeting to discuss dairy trade issues
July	CAP Stakeholder Group	To discuss CAP Reform
July	South West Rural and Farming Network	To discuss new entrants to farming
July	Dairy Crest	Phone call to discuss dairy market issues
July	Milk Link	Discussion on dairy market issues
July	Camgrain	Opened the new branch of the farmer-owned central storage co-operative
July	Dairy UK, NFU, NFU Scotland	To discuss progress with milk price negotiations
July	Dairy Crest	To discuss voluntary code of practice for Dairy sector
July	Dairy UK, NFU, NFU Scotland	Brokering negotiations between processors and unions on the voluntary code of practice for the dairy sector
July	Aldi	To discuss dairy sector issues
July	Food and Drink Federation	To discuss dairy sector issues
July	Iceland	To discuss dairy sector issues
July	Asda	To discuss dairy sector issues
July	Morrisons	To discuss dairy sector issues
July	Co-operative Food	To discuss dairy sector issues
August	Rural Growth Network – Cumbria (local authorities, LEPs and local businesses)	To discuss the Network's plans for growth
August	Cheshire Rural and Farming Network	To discuss rural and farming issues

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August	Cumbria Rural and Farming Network	To discuss rural and farming issues
August	Northumberland and Teesside Rural and Farming Network	To discuss rural and farming issues
August	Durham and Northumberland Rural Growth Network	To discuss the Network's plans for growth
August	Upper Teesdale Agricultural Support Service	To discuss skills issues with young farmers
August	Devon and Somerset Rural Growth Network	To discuss the Network's plans for growth
August	NFU	To discuss farming issues with NFU representatives from the south west
August	Dairy UK, NFU, NFU Scotland	To discuss progress with dairy negotiations

David Heath MP Minister of State

Date of Meeting	Name of External Organisation	Purpose of Meeting
September	NFU	To discuss bovine TB

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Lord Taylor and Lord de Mauley – Quarterly Return July to Sept 2012

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06/07/12 - 08/07/12	Larnaca, Cyprus	Informal Environment Council	Scheduled	0	£434.00

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Lord Taylor of Holbeach, Parliamentary Under-Secretary		
Date of Meeting	Name of External Organisation	Purpose of Meeting
07/12	Iggesund Forestry and Egger Forestry Products	To discuss the Independent Panel on Forestry report
07/12	Our Forest, Save Our Woods, Hands Off Our Forest (Forest of Dean), Friends of Thetford Forest, Keep Our Forests Public (Sussex/South East), Save Cannock Chase, Save Sandlings Forest.	To discuss the Independent Panel on Forestry report
07/12	Newspaper Society, Newspaper Publishers Association	To discuss their producer responsibility agreement (waste review)
07/12	Tesco, Asda, Morrisons, Marks & Spencer, Sainsbury's, Waitrose, Co-op, Boots Alliance, the British Retail Consortium, the Institute of Grocery Distribution, the Food and Drink Federation, Fareshare and FoodCycle.	To discuss food waste
07/12	British and Irish Association of Zoos and Aquariums	To discuss the Elephant Welfare Group progress report
07/12	The Wrigley Company Limited	To discuss the Chewing Gum Action Group campaign 2012 results
07/12	Jaguar Land Rover, Innovaltec, British Metals Recycling Association, Viridor, Wolf Minerals, Great Western Minerals Group, Rolls Royce, Vale, Tata Steel, Magnesium Electron , ABSCO Materials	Resource Security Roundtable
07/12	Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE)	Advisory Committee on releases to the Environment
07/12	Keep Britain Tidy	To discuss litter and the 'love where you live' campaign
07/12	EEF	To discuss green growth, sustainable development, resource Security, waste and REACH.
07/12	Unilever, Kingfisher, Aviva, Glaxo Smith Kline, Vodafone, International Business Leaders Forum.	Rio+20 CEO Roundtable
07/12	Trade Union Sustainable Development Advisory Committee	Co-chairing a meeting which discussed climate change risk assessment and the national

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		reporting power, forest research and energy efficiency.
07/12	Black Sluice Drainage Board, Canal & River Trust, Chartered Institution of Wastes Management, Country Land and Business Association, Countryside Alliance, Campaign to Protect Rural England, Energy Networks Association, Environmental Services Association, Farm Regulation Task Force Implementation Group, Forestry Commission, Keep Britain Tidy, Keep Scotland Beautiful, National Trust, National Farmers Union, Tyres Recovery Association, United Utilities, Zero Waste Scotland.	To discuss the issue of flytipping in England
07/12	Forum for the Future	Phone call to discuss forestry issues in advance of the Independent Panel on Forestry Report.
08/12	Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board	To discuss sustainable water usage and water level management.
08/12	Spectrum Alliance	To discuss incandescent light bulbs and the health effects of low energy lighting.

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Richard Benyon – quarterly return (July – September 2012)

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Overseas travel**

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01/07/2012 - 06/07/2012	Costa Rica - Panama	To visit a Darwin Initiative in Costa Rica and then to attend the International Whaling Conference in Panama	Scheduled		£5112.00
26/08/2012 - 04/09/2012	Auckland	To attend the Pacific Island Forum	Scheduled		£3662.00

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Meetings with external organisations (including meetings with newspaper and other media proprietors, editors and senior executives)

Richard Benyon MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary, Defra		
Date of Meeting	Name of External Organisation	Purpose of Meeting
07/2012	Thames Water and the Angling Trust	To view a new angling participation project for disadvantaged and disabled youngsters
07/2012	England Biodiversity Stakeholder Group	To attend their annual meeting
07/2012	Thames Water	Regular catch up with the Chair
07/2012	Various Water Companies	To discuss the Draft Water Bill
07/2012	International Fund for Animal Welfare	Photo opportunity for their elephants and ivory campaign
07/2012	Federation of Small Businesses	To discuss drought conditions effecting farmer members of the Federation
07/2012	River Esk Action Committee Northumberland Rivers Trust National Federation of Fishermen's Organisations Licensed netsman RFERAC Tyne Rivers Trust Tweed Foundation Atlantic Salmon Trust Angling Trust	To discuss Net Licence limitations
08/2012	Pelagic Fishermen's Organisation	To discuss under 10m fishing fleet
08/2012	National Association of Local Councillors	To discuss rural issues
09/2012	Association of British Insurers	To discuss flood insurance
09/2012	National Federation of Fishermen Organisation	To discuss the Crown Estate's work, in collaboration with NFFO, to map fishing activity
09/2012	Ramblers	To meet the CEO
09/2012	Scottish Fishermen's Federation	To discuss fishing