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Dear

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Payments made to Futerra from the Sustainable Clothing Action Plan

Thank you for your request for information about payments made to Futerra from the Sustainable Clothing Action Plan, which we received on 15 December 2013. As you know, we have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked:

Could you provide a spending breakdown for the Sustainable Clothing Action Plan each year from its start?

Could you tell me how much of this spending each year was via Futerra Sustainability Communications?

In response:

The table below shows the spending breakdown for the projects taken forward under the Sustainable Clothing Action Plan each year from the time the project started.

Project	Expenditure (£)	Start/End Dates
Mapping of evidence of sustainable development impacts that occur in life cycles of clothing, plus two reports on sustainable clothing in India funded by the Sustainable Development Dialogue	36,525	December 2006 – December 2007
Note: The two additional reports mentioned are shown separately below and are called "Promoting Sustainable Indian Textiles" and "The Eco-efficiency of Indian Dyehouses"		



Public understanding of sustainable clothing	59,971	February 2008 – May 2008
Reducing the environmental impact of clothes cleaning	71,563	May 2008 – December 2009
The role and business case for existing and emerging fibres in sustainable clothing	120,090	May 2008 – December 2009
Maximising Reuse and Recycling of UK Clothing and Textiles	75,874	November 2008 – October 2009
Sustainable Clothing Procurement Trial with NHS Trusts	62,209	October 2009 – March 2011
Promoting Sustainable Indian Textiles	93,992	May 2009 – July 2010
The Eco-efficiency of Indian Dyehouses	57,900	May 2009 – March 2010

None of the spending was via Futerra Sustainability Communications.

Further details of the projects listed are available on Defra's website. You can find them by searching for 'clothing' on the Defra science and research database at: http://randd.defra.gov.uk/Default.aspx?Location=None&Module=FilterSearchNewLook&Completed=0

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I attach Annex A, which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you.

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 me.

Yours

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Annex A

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, section 50 of the FOIA and regulation 18 of the EIRs gives you the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please note that generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted Defra's own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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