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By Email only

Dear Alex Wild,

I am responding to your request dated 29 July 2013 under the Freedom of Information Act (FoI), in which you requested information concerning;

- a list of trade unions which received payments from the Low Pay Commission (LPC) and the total amounts paid to each union in 2011-12 and 2012-13;
- details of staff time to work on trade union duties;
- details of trade union subscriptions

I will answer the questions in the order you have asked them.

The LPC did not make any payments to trade unions during 2011-12 and 2012-13.

The LPC did not provide staff time to work on trade union duties during 2011-12 and 2012-13.

The LPC is an advisory Non-departmental Body funded by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS). The LPC consists of 9 Commissioners drawn from a range of employee, employer and academic backgrounds and a Secretariat consisting of eight staff. I am answering this question in respect of the Secretariat. Further information regarding the Commissioners is available on [our website](#).

The LPC Secretariat utilises BIS's payroll system and therefore does not have the details on payroll you have asked for regarding trade union subscriptions. BIS would be best able to provide any information which can be given on this.

If you have any queries about this reply, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Appeals procedure

If you are unhappy with the result of your request for information, you may request an internal review within two calendar months of the date of this letter. If you wish to request an internal review please contact me.

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:

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Yours sincerely

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