

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
MINISTERIAL QUARTERLY RETURNS: 1 OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2014

GIFTS GIVEN OVER £140

Secretary of State, Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP			
Date gift given	From	Gift	Value
Nil return			

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Penny Mordaunt MP			
Date gift given	From	Gift	Value
Nil return			

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State (Housing), Brandon Lewis MP			
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HOSPITALITY¹

Secretary of State, Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP		
Date	Name of Organisation	Type of hospitality received
7 Oct	News UK Business Forum	Lunch
23 Oct	University of Huddersfield	Dinner following speaking engagement*
5 Nov	British Museum Annual Trustees' Dinner	Dinner*
27 Nov	Homes 2014	Lunch following speaking engagement

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Penny Mordaunt MP		
Date	Name of Organisation	Type of hospitality received
15 October	MIPI Solent Launch	Lunch and speaking engagement
11 November	Worshipful Company of Firefighters	Dinner and speaking engagement

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State (Housing), Brandon Lewis MP		
Date	Name of Organisation	Type of hospitality received
28 October	London Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Lunch
3 November	City Investors Bank of America Merrill Lynch	Lunch
18 November	Arup	Breakfast
20 November	Glenigan	Breakfast
20 November	National House Building Council	Lunch
25 November	Portland Communications	Breakfast
10 December	Land Securities	Drinks reception
11 December	Home Builders Federation	Dinner

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3 October 2014	Singapore Ambassador	Dinner
17 October 2014	Diwali Celebration	Reception

¹ 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. * indicates if accompanied by spouse/partner or other family member or friend

15 October 2014	Archbishop of Canterbury	Breakfast
16 October 2014	Asian Curry Awards	Dinner and speaking engagement
1 December 2014	Archbishop of Canterbury's Advent Service & Reception	Drinks reception
3 December 2014	Holocaust Alliance Reception	Reception

OVERSEAS TRAVEL

Secretary of State, Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP					
Date(s) of trip	Destination	Purpose of trip	'No 32 (The Royal) Squadron' or 'other RAF' or 'Charter' or 'Eurostar'	Number of officials accompanying Minister, where non-scheduled travel is used	Total cost including travel, and accommodation of Minister only
11 Nov-17 Nov	China	To sign Memorandum of Understanding on urbanisation			£ 9,550

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12 to 13 November 2014	Berlin	Speech at Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE's) Antisemitism Conference (High-Level Commemorative Event and Civil Society Forum)			Flights - £738.18 (Minister stayed at the Ambassador's Residence so no cost)

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Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Lord Ahmad					
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12 -13 November 2014	Poland	Visit to Auschwitz and Warsaw			Visit to Auschwitz was gifted to the Minister and PS (at cost of £59 each) Department paid for internal flight Krakow to Warsaw and Warsaw to London £93.60
19 November 2014	Brussels	ERDF Council General meeting			Eurostar return £209.06
4 December 2014	Strasbourg	Speaking at the Council of Europe meeting on local democracy and community			Eurostar outbound and return flight from Basle to London £431.43

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MEETINGS WITH EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS (INCLUDING MEETINGS WITH NEWSPAPER AND OTHER MEDIA PROPRIETORS, EDITORS AND SENIOR EXECUTIVES)²

Secretary of State, Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP		
Date of Meeting	Name of Organisation	Purpose of Meeting
October 2014	Frank Field MP and ATM industry association	Discuss business rates
October 2014	Pendle Council, Andrew Stephenson MP and Barnfield Construction	Discuss housing and regeneration
October 2014	Institute of Jainology	Engagement with faith community leaders
October 2014	Leaders of Free Churches	Engagement with faith community leaders
October 2014	Zoroastrians Trust Funds of Europe	Engagement with faith community leaders
November 2014	British Retail Consortium	Discuss business policy
November 2014	Black-led Majority Churches	Engagement with faith community leaders
November 2014	British Council of Shopping Centres	Discuss business rates and high streets
November 2014	Campaign Against Anti-Semitism	Discuss tackling anti-semitism
November 2014	Surrey County Council	Discuss local government policy
November 2014	Natalie Elphicke and Keith House	Discuss housing policy
December 2014	The Independent Commission on Local Government Finance	Discuss local government finance
December 2014	Arts Council England	Discuss integration projects
December 2014	UK Baha'i Office of Public Affairs	Engagement with faith community leaders

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Penny Mordaunt MP		
Date of Meeting	Name of Organisation	Purpose of Meeting
October 2014	Fire Brigades Union	Discussion on Fire fighters pension reform
October 2014	Tesco	Intro meeting and High Street Forum
October 2014	Alliance Boots, British Independent Retailers Association, British Beer and Pubs Association, Department for Business, Innovation & Skills, Dartford Borough Council, National Association of British Market Authorities, British Retail Consortium, National Hairdressers'	High Street Forum

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Does not normally include meetings with Government bodies such as other Government Departments, members of the Royal Household, NDPBs, Non-Ministerial Departments, Agencies, Government reviews and representatives of Parliament, devolved or foreign governments.. Visits, attendance at seminars, conferences, receptions, media, interviews etc would not normally be classed as meetings.

	Federation, Association of Convenience Stores, Business in the Community, Costa Coffee at Whitbread, National Market Traders Federation, Argos Ltd British Property Federation, Association of Town & City Management, British Council of Shopping Centres, Local Government Association, Spirit Pub Company, Tesco, Southampton University, Post Office Ltd, John Lewis Partnership, McDonalds	
October 2014	Oliver Letwin MP and Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Authority	Discussion on Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Rescue Authority merger
October 2014	Fire Industry Association and Fire & Rescue Suppliers Association	Discussion on Fire fighters pension reform
October 2014	Nominet, British Telecom, Airways, American International Group, Keith Boyfield Associates Ltd, Hogan Lovells, Office of Rail Regulation, Route Consultancy, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, Berwin Leighton Paisner LLP, CMS Cameron McKenna, Payments Council and ABTA, National Grid, Ofqual, Ofgem, Openreach, HS2 Limited, City Remembrancer's Office, Regulatory Policy Committee, Civil Aviation Authority, EDF Energy, Ofwat, Consumer Council for Water, The Infrastructure Forum, Imperial College, Energy UK, KPMG, UK Power Networks	Discussion on resilience
October 2014	National Piers Society	Discussion on Coastal Communities policy
October 2014	Devon and Somerset Fire Authority and Sir Ken Knight	Discussion on Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Rescue Authority merger
October 2014	Fire Brigade Union	Discussion on Fire fighters pension reform
October 2014	Local Government Association, Wandsworth Borough Council	Discussion on Fire fighters pension reform
October 2014	Greater London Authority, Bexley Council, Barking and Dagenham Council, Royal Borough of Greenwich, Kent County Council, Dartford Council, Swale Borough Council, Medway Council, Essex County Council, Thurrock Council,	Thames Gateway Strategic Group Meeting

	Rochford District Council, Southend-on-Sea Borough Council	
October 2014	Chief Fire Officers Association	Discussion on Fire fighters pension reform
October 2014	Women in the Fire Service	Discussion on Women's issues in the fire service
November 2014	Adrian Thomas	Conditions of service review
November 2014	Lincolnshire Fire and rescue Authority, Devon Fire and Rescue Authority and Somerset and Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Authority	Discussion on fire policy
November 2014	Kent Fire and Rescue Service	Discussion on Chief Fire Officers Association procurement project and efficiencies
November 2014	Oliver Letwin MP and Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Authority	Fire fighters pension reform
November 2014	British Heart Foundation	Discussion on High Street policy
December 2014	The National Association of British Market Authorities	Discussion on High Street policy
December 2014	Heart of London Business Alliance & New West End Company	Introductory meeting
December 2014	John Woodcock MP and Furness Enterprise	Discussion on Coastal Community Fund bid
December 2014	Adrian Thomas	Conditions of service review

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State (Housing), Brandon Lewis MP		
Date of Meeting	Name of Organisation	Purpose of Meeting
October 2014	Suffolk Council	Housing Policy
October 2014	PlaceShapers Group	Housing Policy
October 2014	The British Land Company	Planning Policy
October 2014	The Town and Country Planning Association	Planning Policy
October 2014	David Tredinnick MP with Leicestershire County Council	Planning Policy
October 2014	Sir William Cash MP with Staffordshire Moorlands District Council	Housing and Planning Policy
October 2014	Santander	Housing Policy
October 2014	Lloyds Banking Group	Housing Policy
October 2014	Sir Terry Farrell	Housing and Planning Policy
October 2014	Norwich City Council	Housing Policy
October 2014	Barclays PLC	Housing Policy
October 2014	Woodland Trust	Planning Policy
October 2014	Conor Burns MP with McCarthy & Stone	Housing Policy
October 2014	Lincolnshire County Council	Planning Policy
October 2014	Association of Convenience Stores	Planning Policy

October 2014	London and Continental Railways	Planning Policy
October 2014	Federation of Master Builders	Housing Policy
October 2014	Zurich Municipal	Housing Policy
October 2014	National Federation of Retail Newsagents	Planning Policy
October 2014	National Association of Estate Agents	Housing Policy
October 2014	The Crown Estate	Planning Policy
October 2014	Healthy Villages	Planning Policy
October 2014	Cornwall Council	Planning Policy
October 2014	Generation Rent	Housing Policy
October 2014	Taylor Wimpey	Housing and Planning Policy
October 2014	Rushcliffe Borough Council	Planning Policy
October 2014	Malmesbury Town Council	Planning Policy
October 2014	National Trust	Planning Policy
November 2014	Building Better Lives	Housing Policy
November 2014	National House-Building Council	Housing Policy
November 2014	The Royal Institute of British Architects	Housing and Planning Policy
November 2014	English Heritage	Planning Policy
November 2014	Rt Hon Maria Miller MP with Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council	Planning Policy
November 2014	Sir Merrick Cockell	Housing and Planning Policy
November 2014	Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP with Alvechurch Parish Council	Planning Policy
November 2014	Crisis	Homelessness Policy
November 2014	Design Council CABI	Housing and Planning Policy
November 2014	Residential Landlords Association	Housing Policy
November 2014	East 7	Housing Policy
November 2014	British Chamber of Commerce	Planning Policy
November 2014	g15	Housing Policy
November 2014	Policy Exchange	Housing and Planning Policy
November 2014	Council of Mortgage Lenders	Housing Policy
November 2014	British Property Federation	Planning Policy
November 2014	Redrow PLC	Planning Policy
November 2014	Saffron Housing Trust	Housing Policy
November 2014	District Councils' Network	Housing and Planning Policy
November 2014	Business Services Association	Housing Policy
November 2014	Bromsgrove Council	Planning Policy
November 2014	Natalie Elphicke and Keith House	Housing Policy
December 2014	Louisa Fletcher (representing herself)	Housing Policy
December 2014	CH2M Hill	Housing and Planning Policy
December 2014	Building Societies Association	Housing Policy
December 2014	Gas Access	Housing Policy
December 2014	Town and Country Planning Association New Communities	Housing Policy

	Group Representatives	
December 2014	Warwick District Council	Planning Policy
December 2014	Shelter	Housing Policy
December 2014	Crossrail Ltd Land	Housing Policy
December 2014	National Association Of Local Councils	Planning Policy
December 2014	Home Builders Federation	Housing Policy
December 2014	Airbnb	Planning Policy
December 2014	Adactus Housing Group	Housing Policy
December 2014	Westminster Property Association	Planning Policy
December 2014	The British Land Company PLC	Planning Policy
December 2014	Viridian Housing	Housing Policy
December 2014	Hanover Housing Association	Housing Policy
December 2014	Federation of Master Builders	Housing and Planning Policy
December 2014	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds	Planning Policy

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Kris Hopkins MP		
October 2014	Sir Bob Kerslake, Bradford Metropolitan District Council, West Yorkshire Police	Rotherham update
October 2014	Local Authority Pension Fund Forum, Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council, Pensions and Investment Research Consultants Ltd, Greater Manchester Pension Fund	Discussion on local government pension scheme
October 2014	Local Government Boundary Commission for England	Introductory meeting
October 2014	London Councils, London Borough of Wandsworth	Discussion on common investment vehicle for the London pension funds
October 2014	London Borough of Kensington & Chelsea and Hammersmith & Fulham, Newcastle City Council	Introductory meeting with Transformation Challenge Panel Co-Chairs
November 2014	Baillie Gifford & Co	Discussion on local government pension scheme
November 2014	Greene King Plc	Discussion on community pubs policy
November 2014	Punch Taverns	Discussion on community pubs policy
November 2014	Campaign for Real Ale	Introductory meeting
November 2014	Staffordshire Moorlands District Council, SOLACE Group	Introductory meeting
November 2014	Sevenoaks District Council, Local Government Association, Government Digital Service	Local Digital Alliance Meeting
November 2014	Calderdale Council, North, Yorkshire County Council, Warwickshire County Council,	Discussion on local authority preparedness for civil emergencies

	Kirklees Council, Hillingdon Council	
December 2014	Leeds City Council	Devolution update
December 2014	Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead, Bracknell Forest Council, Central Bedfordshire Council, Hampshire County Council, Oxford City Council, Surrey County Council, Swindon Borough Council, Oxfordshire County Council, West Sussex County Council, Hampshire County Council, Swindon Borough Council, West Berkshire Council, West Sussex County Council	Local authority preparedness for civil emergencies
December 2014	Local Government Ombudsman	Various local government issues
December 2014	Sir Nicholas Soames MP, Mid Sussex District Council	Discussion on community pub policy
December 2014	Chris Heaton-Harris MP, Northamptonshire County Council	Discussion on Northamptonshire's Better Care Fund plan
December 2014	Sarah Wollaston MP, South Hams District Council, Campaign to Protect Rural England	Discussion on Renewable energy
December 2014	Greg Mulholland MP, British Beer and Pub Association, Society of Independent Brewers, Association of Licensed Multiple Retailers Campaign for Real Ale, Pub is the Hub, Plunkett Foundation, British Institute of Inn-keeping, Wine and Spirit Trade Association, Federation of Licensed Victuallers' Associations	Discussion on community pub policy
December 2014	Enterprise Inns	Discussion on community pub policy

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October 2014	Building Research Establishment Group	To discuss building regulations
October 2014	Community Development Finance Association	To discuss community economic development project
October 2014	Communities Partnership Board-various charities and not for profit organisations	To discuss community empowerment
October 2014	Bristol Community Economic Development roundtable – various bodies	To discuss community economic development
October 2014	Design Council Cabe	To discuss inclusive design in the built environment

October 2014	Localism Alliance	Roundtable to discuss community rights
October 2014	National Union of Students	To discuss student housing
October 2014	Winslow Town Council, Tattenhall Parish Council and Winsford Town Council	To discuss neighbourhood plans
October 2014	Paul Maynard MP	To discuss community rights
October 2014	Big Lottery Fund	To discuss Big Lottery Fund
October 2014	British Woodworking Federation	To discuss building regulations and standards
October 2014	Roseland Neighbourhood Plan Group	To discuss neighbourhood plan
October 2014	Cornish Language Partnership	To discuss Cornish language
November 2014	Alex Stevenson, politics.co.uk	General discussion
November 2014	Habinteg Housing Association	To discuss housing standards
November 2014	Design Council Cade	To discuss housing standards
November 2014	Locality	To discuss community rights
November 2014	Muslim Council of Britain	To discuss integration
November 2014	Parks Alliance	To discuss green spaces
December 2014	Tenant group roundtable with various housing associations, local authorities, national tenant organisations	To discuss improving effectiveness of tenant organisations
December 2014	UnLtd	To discuss social enterprise
December 2014	TELL MAMA	To discuss integration
December 2014	Local Government Association	Phonecall to discuss housing standards

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Lord Ahmad		
Date of Meeting	Name of Organisation	Purpose of Meeting
October 2014	GEO TV Interview	To discuss integration
October 2014	Integration Roadshow in Bradford, Leeds and Sheffield.	To discuss integration
October 2014	Tell MAMA	To discuss integration
October 2014	Meeting with Ms Markovic	European local democracy
October 2014	Meeting with Iftikhar Awan	To discuss integration
October 2014	Meeting with Sir Bernard Hogan Howe	To discuss integration
October 2014	Meeting with Gordon Keymer	To discuss European local democracy
October 2014	Anti Muslim Hatred Group	To discuss integration
October 2014	Meeting with the Polish Ambassador Witold Sobkow	To discuss integration
October 2014	Women's Aid	To discuss Housing policy
October 2014	British Library	Laying of VC Stone
November 2014	Sikh Federation UK	To discuss integration
November 2014	Meeting with Cardinal Vincent Nichols	To discuss integration
November 2014	VC Paving Stone event	WW1 commemoration
November 2014	Peace Symposium	To discuss integration
November 2014	Wimbledon War Memorial	WW1 commemoration

November 2014	Harrow Temple – We remember	To discuss WW1 commemoration
November 2014	WWI Commemoration Service	To discuss WW1 commemoration
November 2014	Meeting with Ian O'Donnell	To discuss Counter-fraud policy
November 2014	Mitzvah Day	To discuss integration
November 2014	Mothers Union	To discuss integration
November 2014	Meeting with Wafic Said	To discuss integration
November 2014	Meeting with the Singapore High Commissioner	Intro meeting
November 2014	Remember WW1 Launch	To discuss WW1 commemoration
November 2014	Visit to Cornwall /Isle of Scilly	To discuss ERDF
November 2014	Meeting with Bishop Stephen Conway	To discuss integration
November 2014	Meeting with Revd Toby Howarth	To discuss integration
November 2014	Meeting with Sara Khan	To discuss integration
November 2014	Visit to National Baha'i Centre	To discuss integration
November 2014	Association of Pakistan Physician and Surgeons	To discuss integration
December 2014	Lahore Knowledge Park	To discuss integration
December 2014	Visit small businesses in Kingston High Street	To discuss local growth
December 2014	Meeting with the Chief Rabbi	To discuss integration
December 2014	Cambridge Muslim College	To discuss integration
December 2014	Meeting with Australian High Commissioner	To discuss integration
December 2014	Integration Roadshow	To discuss integration
December 2014	Integration Roadshow in Manchester	To discuss integration
December 2014	Tell MAMa	To discuss integration