

Information Released under Freedom of Information Act

Subject: Request for Companies House spend on travel and accommodation costs

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Summary of request: The enquirer requested details of Companies House spend on travel and accommodation costs

Information Released

1. How much was spent in 2015 by the organisation on travel costs for all staff and Directors broken down by road, rail and air?

2. How much was spent in 2015 by the organisation on accommodation for all staff, and Directors broken down by domestic and foreign expenditure?

In response to questions 1 & 2, details relating to travel and accommodation costs are reported in Companies House Annual Reports and the Companies House Purchase Spend Ledger which is available on the Companies House website on GOV.UK

I have inserted links to these publications for ease of reference. However, I should point out that the Annual Report for the financial year 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 will not be available until later this year.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications?keyword=Annual+Report&publication_filter_option=all&topics%5b%5d=all&departments%5b%5d=companies-house&official_document_status=all&world_locations%5b%5d=all&from_date=&to_date

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/515267/Transparency_Spend_DEC2015.csv/preview

Under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 any information that is reasonably accessible to the applicant, albeit on payment of a fee, is exempt information under the Act.

However, to be of assistance I have inserted the figures requested for the financial year 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 as follows:

Q1.

Road	£46,801
Rail	£135,963
Air	£25,562

Q2.

Domestic - £72,882.44

Foreign -£1,180.32

3. Does the organisation use the services of a travel management company to minimise these costs?

No, Companies House does not use the services of a travel management company.

4. If yes to question 3, which travel management company does the organisation use?

N/A

5. If yes to question 3, how much has the outside company been paid in respect of its services (excluding travel and accommodation charges) in 2015?

N/A

6. If yes to question 3, how much has the employment of an external travel management company saved the organisation in 2015?

N/A