

Department for Exiting the EU (DExEU)

Key Statistics

- **total estate running cost** (annual, gross) = approx £7.9 million
- **holdings** (number) = 5
- **floorspace** (offices) = 4,581.6 sq.m
- **staff number** (headcount) = 662
- **locations** = London

Our Business

The department was established on 14 July 2016 and is responsible for overseeing negotiations to leave the European Union, and for establishing the future relationship between the UK and EU. DExEU is a ministerial department.

Over this parliamentary period, we will work with the devolved administrations, Parliament, EU Member States and Institutions and a wide range of other interested parties throughout the negotiations - to lead and coordinate cross-government work, seize opportunities and ensure a smooth process of exit, including the required domestic legislation, on the best possible terms.

DExEU will work across Whitehall and in Brussels to coordinate European business, exercise our rights and meet our obligations as a member of the EU, until we exit¹.

Our Estate

The department does not hold any property assets. We are occupiers in other government departments' estate, currently located across five buildings in Whitehall: 70 Whitehall, MoD Main Building, 100 Parliament Street, 1 Horse Guards Road and 9 Downing Street. The total floorspace covers 4,581.6 sq.m. The estate running costs were £7,882,778 in 2017/18

The estates strategy of the department is to consolidate the estate where possible, to strengthen business operations and promote co-location. We plan to work closely with the Government Property Agency to manage our accommodation on the completion of the department's business.

The department supports the objectives of the Government Estate Strategy to deliver a significant transformation/reform programme by: optimising space; negotiating short-term and flexible arrangements with their government landlords to meet the changing demand of the department over the next 18 months. During 2018/19 we will continue to seek opportunities for working under as few roofs as possible.

Over the period to 2019 we will support our people across our Whitehall sites to work more collaboratively across our offices, with modern working environments, more efficient use of space and reduced costs. Our Smart Working Strategy will support us to transform our culture and reconfigure working practices, physical environments and behaviours.

Our strategy, and the programme that will deliver it, is committed to improving the wellbeing of our staff, through enhancing the work-life balance, better engagement and productivity of

¹ Further information is available at:

(<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/department-for-exiting-the-european-union-single-departmental-plan/department-for-exiting-the-european-union-single-departmental-plan--2>).

our most valuable assets, which are our people. We hope to attract and develop excellent staff, and organise ourselves flexibly to deliver our objectives efficiently and effectively.

Our Capability

Our aspiration over this parliamentary period is to continue to develop our capability to provide the department with a strategic, high performing estate, aligned to our business, and enabling operational excellence. Our workforce planning has therefore identified our capability needs. The department is committed to the appointment and training of professionally qualified staff in its property professional roles, so utilising shared services.

The department currently obtains property advice and support from MoJ Estates Shared Service, which consists of a team of property and commercial professionals.

We will place particular emphasis on supporting the development of our intelligent client function to ensure that our business needs are captured and managed effectively by our Estates Shared Service Partner.