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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your email of 25 February 2019 requesting the following information:

"How much has the MoD spent on (i) staff, (ii) rent, (iii) utilities and (iv) maintenance for the main property provided for each of the following?

- a) *The Chief of Defence Staff*
- b) *The First Sea Lord*
- c) *The Chief of General Staff*
- d) *The Chief of the Air Staff*
- e) *The Adjutant General*
- f) *The Commander in Chief Land General*

Please provide the figures for each of the last three financial years."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found below:

2016-2017				
	MOD Spend on Staff	MOD Spend on Rent	MOD Spend on Utilities	MOD Spend on Maintenance*
The Chief of Defence Staff	£84,748.16 (This cost covers four household staff; one PO/CPO house manager who was paid £38,711.08; one Sgt house manager who was paid £13,092.15; one Sgt house manager who was paid	£42,840	£910.27 Please note these figures are for electricity only. Information concerning the gas figures is not held.	£1,141.96

	£5,288.53 and one Steward who was paid £27,656.40.)			
The First Sea Lord	£119,836.00 (This cost covers two household staff; one Petty Officer - House Manager who was paid £59,223 & one Leading Hand – Chef/Valet who was paid £60,613.)	£25,341	£3,612.93	£1,141.96
The Chief of General Staff	£71,826.00 (This cost covers one household staff, one warrant Officer 2 - whose role is House Manager.)	£22,050	£2,234.96	£1,141.96
The Chief of the Air Staff**	£113,860.00 (This cost covers two household staff; one Cpl (Steward) who was paid £52,889 and one Sgt (Chef) who was paid £60,971)	£18,000	£3,783.67	£11,482.08
The Adjutant General & Commander in Chief Land	No Information Held – the position of Commander in Chief Land ceased on 7 January 2013 and the Adjutant General post ceased to be Adjutant General and became Commander Personnel Support Command on 31 March 2015.			
2017-2018				
	MOD Spend on Staff	MOD Spend on Rent	MOD Spend on Utilities	MOD Spend on Maintenance*
The Chief of Defence Staff	£92,685.40 (This cost covers two household staff; one Sgt house manager who was paid £65,341.96 and one steward who was paid £27,343.44.)	£42,840	£754.99 Please note these figures are for electricity only for 2017. Information concerning the gas figures or electricity for 2018 is not held.	£1,173.43
The First Sea Lord	£113,384 (This cost covers two household staff; one Petty Officer - House Manager who was paid £59,773 & one Leading Hand – Chef/Valet who was paid £53,611.)	£23,241	£1,120.34	£1,173.43
The Chief of General Staff	£72,324 (This cost covers one household staff, one warrant Officer 2 - whose role is House Manager.)	£22,050	£9,204.74	£29,459.20

The Chief of the Air Staff**	£92,258 (This cost covers two household staff; one Cpl (Steward) who was paid £30,872 and one Sgt (Chef) who was paid £61,386)	£18,000	£4,569.87	£1,173.43
The Adjutant General & Commander in Chief Land	No Information Held – the position of Commander in Chief Land ceased on 7 January 2013 and the Adjutant General post ceased to be Adjutant General and became Commander Personnel Support Command on 31 March 2015.			
2018-2019				
	MOD Spend on Staff	MOD Spend on Rent	MOD Spend on Utilities	MOD Spend on Maintenance*
The Chief of Defence Staff	£128,761.11 (This cost covers one housekeeper – PO who was paid £60,097.68 and one house manager WO2 who was paid £68,663.43.)	£60,000 (This includes a service charge of £15,000 per annum.)	No information held	No Information Held
The First Sea Lord	£95,079 (This cost covers two household staff; one Petty Officer - House Manager who was paid £52,326 & one Leading Hand – Chef/Valet who was paid £42,753.)	£23,241 (This includes a service charge of £15,000 per annum.)	£110.80 (Standing charges only)	£793.24
The Chief of General Staff	£61,428 (This cost covers one household staff, one warrant Officer 2 - whose role is House Manager.)	£22,050	£5,737.10	£40,275.03
The Chief of the Air Staff**	£46,744 (This cost covers one household staff - Sgt (Chef))	£18,000	£2,990.81	£5,978.82
The Adjutant General & Commander in Chief Land	No Information Held – the position of Commander in Chief Land ceased on 7 January 2013 and the Adjutant General post ceased to be Adjutant General and became Commander Personnel Support Command on 31 March 2015.			

* Any routine maintenance costs where there is no information held are not separately identifiable from other Service Family Accommodation on the estate/region in which they are situated.

** Please note in regards to the Chief of Air Staff's residency, the household staff also includes a housekeeper who is part of an overall contract, however it is not possible to break out cleaner costs from the overall cost of the contract.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that since 2010 the MOD has not had an accommodation category of Official Service Residence, all properties are now treated as Service Family Accommodation.

However, some posts (not people) have a property that is tied to that post; the above posts are examples of this. The reason properties are tied to these posts is due to the nature of those roles.

The maintenance costs listed above covers both the core housing prime contract costs as well as any other additional maintenance costs hence why there is some variations and some maintenance figures are higher than others, covering items such as replacement carpets, replacement fire alarm and security systems, replacement curtains, carpets, shower pumps and washing machines, including some maintenance done on upgrading fences and an upgrade to the electronic entry system.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat