

Ref: HQ16201

13 December 2016

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) received by us on 16 November 2016, which gives a statutory deadline of 15 December 2016 for reply. For reference, I have copied your request below. You asked;

1. *What is the cost of clergy expenditure for the last two years for all establishments.*
2. *What is the breakdown for clergy expenditure for each establishment.*
3. *What is the total expenses paid to clergy staff for the last two years.*
4. *What are the pay grades for clergy staff in all establishments including head office.*

I have completed my search for the information your request. The information is provided below.

The table below is the total cost of expenditure on Clergy services for the financial years 2014/15 and 2015/16.

Establishment	Non Pay Expenditure	Staff costs	Total Cost
HMP Barlinnie	£62,656.24	£390,652.92	£453,309.16
HMP Cornton Vale	£1,313.63	£191,464.88	£192,778.51
HMP Dumfries	£735.04	£70,176.63	£70,911.67
HMP Greenock	£195.48	£90,598.77	£90,794.25
HMP Low Moss	£4,644.42	£19,227.48	£23,871.90
HMP Shotts	£4,623.42	£193,206.98	£197,830.40
HMP Edinburgh	£5,342.70	£233,275.42	£238,618.12
HMP Glenochil	£5,974.06	£248,831.95	£254,806.01
HMP Inverness	£407.22	£52,944.52	£53,351.74
HMP Perth	£5,728.43	£180,861.31	£186,589.74
HMYOI Polmont	£778.00	£251,058.59	£251,836.59
HMP Grampian	£5,707.02	£158,840.59	£164,547.61
HMP Open Estate	£2,287.71	£230,723.48	£233,011.19
Total Expenditure	£100,393.37	£2,311,863.52	£2,412,256.89

The figures in the Non Pay expenditure column may include the cost of “sessional fees” where relevant, that is the cost of a chaplain or minister from the local area who is paid to provide the chaplaincy service when the SPS chaplain or minister is not available to carry out their duties in the establishment. Additional costs that will also be included in the Non Pay expenditure column include the cost attributable to the running of the multi faith centres in the establishments.

The grades of Chaplains, Ministers and Imams who are employed by the SPS are 'F' band and Chaplaincy advisers are 'G' band on the SPS pay scale.

If you are unhappy with this response to your request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review, by writing to The Chief Executive, Calton House, 5 Redheughs Rigg, Edinburgh, EH12 9HW. Your request should explain why you wish a review to be carried out, and should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

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