

Spending for FY2022-2023 on the categories you requested is as follows:

- Public relations - £32,319. This spend was to support the set-up of Consumer Scotland, the associated public launch and ongoing communications support and management of social media.
- Overseas travel - £0.00
- Hospitality and entertainment - £0.00
- External consultancy - £0.00

Thanks,

Consumer Scotland



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Subject: Enquiry re Public Services Reform spending

Hello,

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I'm researching and writing an in-depth article on public sector finances in Scotland, and as part of that, I'm looking at disclosure data under the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (PSR). Under section 31(1) and (2) of the act, public bodies are required to publish, as soon as is reasonably practicable after the end of each financial year, a statement of any expenditure they have incurred during that financial year on or in connection with public relations, overseas travel, hospitality and entertainment, and external consultancy.

I haven't been able to find any such information on the Consumer Scotland website. Given this spending data should be publicly available, and does not require a freedom of information request in order to obtain it, I'd be grateful if you email over the relevant spending information for the latest financial year, 2022/23, broken down by the above categories.

My deadline is 5pm Tuesday 2 April.

Many thanks
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