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To: [REDACTED]
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Dear [REDACTED]

BCE-FOI-2025-5

Thank you for your email request for information to the Boundary Commission for England (BCE) on 11 April, which has been considered under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

In your request for information you asked:

Please include the following information for the last four financial years, 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24:

- The total amount claimed in expenses by senior staff annually.
- A breakdown of expenses by category (e.g., travel, accommodation, meals, hospitality, subsistence, training, etc.).
- The total amount claimed by the most expensive individual claimant (job title only) in each of those years.
- If available, a breakdown of expenses for members of the senior leadership team (e.g., Chief Executive, Directors), including job titles and total expenses per individual per year.

Our response:

The Commission does not directly employ staff. During this period staff were employed by Cabinet Office and then by Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government. Expense claims were submitted on their systems. We do not hold records of individual expense claims for most of the period requested.

We have not located breakdowns of claims by individuals other than for one period, which is for the public hearings the Commission held during the 2023 Review of Parliamentary constituency boundaries. The hearings took place in the period February to April 2022.

The figures identified relating to senior staff, who were also the senior leadership team during this period, are:

	Meals	Mileage, parking, tolls	Rail travel	Total
Secretary to the Commission	£509.17	£103.00	£346.40	£958.57

Deputy Secretary to the				
Commission	£324.55	£504.90	£416.50	£1,245.95
Head of Corporate Services	£5.00	£-	£634.60	£639.60
Total	£838.72	£607.90	£1,397.50	£2,844.12

Under the provisions of the FOIA , if you are dissatisfied with the response provided you may wish to ask for an internal review. If this situation arises you should write to:

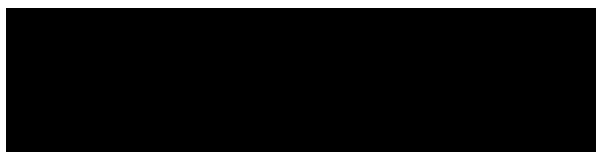
The Acting Secretary
Boundary Commission for England
2 Marsham Street
London
SW1P 4DF

Email: information@boundarycommissionengland.gov.uk

If you are not content with our response following an internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the BCE. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Office of the Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Kind regards



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Friday 11th April 2025

RE: Request under the Freedom of Information Act (2000)

Dear Information Team

This is an information request relating to staff expenses.

Please include the following information for the last four financial years, 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24:

- The total amount claimed in expenses by senior staff annually.
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If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me via email or phone and I will be very happy to clarify what I am asking for.

I would prefer a response via email, but if this is not possible, I will gladly accept letters to the address below.

Please acknowledge this information request as soon as possible.

Kind regards,

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TaxPayers' Alliance, 55 Tufton Street, London SW1P 3QL

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