

EIR Request

**202400391905**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. The Scottish Government predicted it would take £33bn to upgrade every public building and business premises to greener heating systems, but what is the current estimation following inflation.

2. At last count, how many buildings and business premises have been upgraded to greener heating systems and how many have not been across Scotland?

**202400403777**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all minutes and notes from Humza Yousaf's meeting with Ithaca last November, and all briefings prepared for him ahead of the meeting?

-Could you also supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government from Ithaca, including internal correspondence, between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

2. Could you supply all briefings prepared for Humza ahead of meeting Offshore Energies UK (OEUK) in Aberdeen on January 15, as well as all notes/minutes held from all his meetings then?

-Could you also supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, from OEUK including internal correspondence, between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

**202400412198**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply the current timetable for work to upgrade Ardrossan Harbour, and whether a new business case needs to be written for it?

-Could you also supply any analysis done on this work?

2. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by Transport Scotland about delays to upgrading Ardrossan Harbour?

3. Could you supply all analysis undertaken on how long Glen Rosa and Glen Sannox will take to be completed, done within the last 12 months? -How much money has been set aside by yourselves to build the two ferries overall?

4. Could you supply all analysis undertaken by Transport Scotland on Barry Smith's CMAL report into alleged fraud?

5. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by Transport Scotland, including briefings, from Peel Ports or about Peel Ports, between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

-Did they consult yourselves before closing the Irish berth?

6. Could you supply all correspondence held surrounding the launch of Glen Rosa in April? - Includes internal correspondence and invites etc.

**202400421127**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence sent and received by Scottish Government, including internal, notes, briefings and minutes from meetings, about the plans for a vape ban and smoking restrictions in Scotland, from the last three months.

**202400425217**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internally, all briefings and minutes from

meetings, regarding the establishment of a new National Park, from the last two months.

2. Could you supply how much is being spent on this project, with a breakdown of costs?

**202400428149**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internally, all briefings and minutes from meetings, regarding the establishment of a new National Park, between July 1 2024 and July 31 2024.

**202400429343**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply the full costs to the Scottish Government of planning and implementing the National Care Service scheme, with a breakdown per year and what the money was spent on?

2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about the impact of the council tax freeze, including policy documents, analysis, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings and correspondence, including internally, from the last three months?

3. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about Axis Studios including policy documents, analysis, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings and correspondence, including internally, from the last three months?

4. Could you supply all minutes/notes from meetings, briefing notes and correspondence held relating to John Swinney's visit to the Acorn Project and Peterhead port on Monday July 22?

5. Could you supply all minutes/notes from meetings, briefing notes and correspondence held relating to John Swinney's visit to Stagecoach in Dunfermline on Tuesday July 23?

**202400431156**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How many Scottish Government employees are registered to live in England? Could you also give this as a percentage of total employees?

-How many have moved there in the last year?

2. Could you supply all documentation held, including correspondence (including internal), minutes/notes from meetings, policy notes, analysis, about the Scottish Government's Aviation statement, from the last three months?

-How much did this statement cost and breakdown of these costs?

3. Could you supply all documentation held, including correspondence (including internal), minutes/notes from meetings, policy notes, analysis, about air departure tax, from the last three months?

4. Could you supply all Aviation Statement drafts from between October 2023 and April 2024, and include notes from civil servants?

5. Could you supply all briefings prepared for Ivan McKee's for his Good Morning Scotland appearance on August 19?

6. Could you supply the full Scottish Government spend on the Gender Recognition Act court case, with a breakdown of these costs?

**202400431402**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Scotland Food & Drink Partnership's Regional Food Fund, how much has been spent on this, breakdown per year and per region. Can this include names and descriptions of all projects which have been handed cash?

2. Could you supply the full policy analysis of how well this project has went?

**202400431722**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held, including correspondence (including internal), minutes/notes from meetings, policy notes, briefings and analysis, about the common fisheries policy, from the last six months?

2. Could you supply the full expenses/receipts, including full details of officials expenses, from Mairi Gougeons trip to Chile in March 2024?

-could you also provide all minutes/notes from meetings during this trip and briefings as well?

3. Could you supply the full expenses/receipts, including full details of officials expenses, from Mairi Gougeons trip to Barcelona in April 2024?

-could you also provide all minutes/notes from meetings during this trip and briefings as well?

#### **202400432144**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Out of the £500m bus partnership fund how much of it was spent/handed out, with a breakdown of this?
2. Could you supply all documentation held by Transport Scotland about the decision to pause the partnership fund, including correspondence sent and received, including internal, minutes/notes from meetings, policy analysis and briefings, between December 1 2023 and March 30 2024.
3. How much did the fair fare reviews project cost, with a breakdown of these costs?
4. Could you supply all documentation held by Transport Scotland about the fair fares review, including correspondence sent and received, including internal, minutes/notes from meetings, policy analysis and briefings, between February 1 2024 and May 1 2024.

#### **FOI**

#### **202300387562**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How many focus groups and task forces have been set up since Humza Yousaf took office and breakdown of the total costs of these.
2. How much money did the Scottish Government pay Arcadis to create protest points for King Charles Coronation in Scotland and a breakdown of these costs.
3. All correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internal correspondence, about Humza Yousaf's appearance at the 2023 Scottish Baftas, from between June 2023 and the date of this FOI

-Also include all briefings, memos and notes about this appearance as well.

#### **202300389683**

I'd like to request information through foi legislation.

1. All briefing notes, correspondence, including internal and minutes held by the Scottish Government in regards to the building of HMP Glasgow, between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

2. All briefing notes, correspondence, including internal and minutes held by the Scottish Government in regards to the review of the 2014 gender identity and reassignment policy by the Scottish Prison Service. between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI

**202300389693**

1. Could you supply the readout/minutes taken from Humza Yousafs meeting with Turkish president Erodgan at Cop28?

**202300389883**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. On December 14 in the Scottish Parliament, Mairi McAllan said: "More often than not World Leaders are approaching the Scottish Government asking for our advice on how we have managed to lead the way so successfully on a number of fronts!".

-could you supply evidence to back up this statement, including the names of world leaders who sought advice on energy in houses, when this happened and a copy of the advice that was given out.

**202300390152**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All discussions held, notes, minutes, briefings and correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internal. regarding free university tuition in Scotland and options for scrapping it or keeping it in the future, between June 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

-If it costs too much, narrow the dates to September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

2. All correspondence, discussions held, notes, minutes and briefings, including internal correspondence, setting up Humza Yousaf's trip to Cop28, including all invites to events and invites to Cop28 itself, between June 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

-If it costs too much, narrow the dates to September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

**202300391014**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How many media bids have been made to speak to NHS chief executive Caroline Lamb in 2022 and 2023, including details of who requested the interview, and whether it was rejected or accepted and reasons for this?

2. How many wards in Scotland have been reported to the Scottish Government that they were shut due to Covid in 2023? Can you include full list of where they are and dates they were shut?

3. How much did it cost to set up NHS Louisa Jordan and full costs of the entire project, with a breakdown for all costs?
4. Could you supply all requests made by the Scottish Government to NHS health boards to pay back unused money to them in 2023 and include how much was requested and why and whether it was paid back?
5. All correspondence between the UK Government and Scottish Government, including internal correspondence, plus notes and minutes from meetings regarding the UK Government helping to reduce NHS waiting lists in Scotland, between August 2023 and the date of this FOI?
6. What is the ten longest waits for cancer treatment in Scotland in 2023? And the median and mean waiting time?
7. Out of the £300m of promised cash from Humza Yousaf's SNP conference speech, how much has been spent so far and what has it been spent on?

## **202300391232**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much has it cost the Scottish Government to help run/organise the Scottish Global Dialogues project, what was the government's role in it and breakdown of these costs?
2. All correspondence, including internal, between the Scottish Government and John Kerry/his office/his representatives, about his appearances in Scotland, between January 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?  
  
-Can you also include all minutes/notes taken from his meetings with Humza Yousaf this year, and disclose whether a UK Government diplomat sat in on them?
3. When did the Scottish Government update MSPs on its new renewable energy potential total and evidence to back up this date? As shown here:  
  
[-https://www.scottishdailyexpress.co.uk/news/politics/snp-transparency-row-bury-new-31425029](https://www.scottishdailyexpress.co.uk/news/politics/snp-transparency-row-bury-new-31425029)
4. A list of all the meetings attended by Humza Yousaf at Cop28, including full list of attendees at them, minutes/notes taken at them, and whether a UK Government official was present at them?
5. What part of the Scottish Government budget did the £2m of loss and damage funding announced by Mr Yousaf come from? All discussions by civil servants/special advisers and ministers about this announcement and the decision.
6. All correspondence, including internal correspondence, between Angus Robertson, James Cleverley and David Cameron, about meeting foreign politicians between August 2023 and date of this FOI, including evidence to back up the claim by Mr Robertson that a meeting was cancelled to discuss alleged breaches:<https://www.holyrood.com/news/view,david-cameron-cancelled-meeting-to-discuss-cooperation-with-the-fcdo-says-angus-robertson>

**202400391472**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How many homeless veterans in Scotland have been reported in each of these years: 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023?

2. All briefings, correspondence, minutes, notes and reports held by the Scottish Government regarding a hydrogen pipeline connecting Scotland to Germany, including how much progress has been made on these plans, from 2023.

[-https://www.thenational.scot/news/23881950.plans-hydrogen-pipeline-scotland-germany-accelerated/](https://www.thenational.scot/news/23881950.plans-hydrogen-pipeline-scotland-germany-accelerated/)

3. All discussions between the Scottish and UK Government regarding levelling up funding, including correspondence between both governments, internal correspondence and briefings, from between September 2023 to the date of this FOI.

**202400391512**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence between Nicola Sturgeon and the Scottish Government regarding her Covid WhatsApps and correspondence, between October 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

-Can you include briefing notes for ministers about this topic and all internal correspondence as well?

2. Full costs to the Scottish Government of Nicola Sturgeon resigning and Humza Yousaf taking over, including the process and set-up costs with a breakdown of these costs.

3. All briefings prepared for ministers, correspondence received and sent (including internal) and notes prepared regarding Nicola Sturgeon's appearance on a picket line in September as covered here:

<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/politics/nicola-sturgeon-accused-brass-neck-31053712>

between September 27 and the date of this FOI.

**202400393692**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All briefings prepared ahead of Angela Constance's appearance at Holyrood on Tuesday 9 January to discuss the Horizon Post Office scandal?

2. Why did Lord Advocate not speak about Horizon that day?

3. All correspondence between the Scottish Government and the Crown Office/Lord Advocate regarding Horizon between December 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

4. All meetings held by the Scottish Government regarding the Horizon Post Office scandal between July 1 2018 and the date of this FOI, with minutes from these meetings. and list of attendees?

5. All correspondence sent and received (including internal) by the Scottish Government regarding the Horizon Post Office scandal between July 1 2018 and April 1 2021?

#### **202400394480**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence, including internal correspondence received from and sent to Professor Danny Dorling, plus any notes and minutes referencing him, between April 1 2023 and the date of this FOI", can you narrow this down to from the constitutional department and social justice, and include references to the Scottish Child payment and independence.

2. All correspondence, including internal and meeting minutes, between the Scottish Government and the Scottish Greens, which mentions plans for announcements made at their autumn conference, from June 2023 until date of this FOI. Can this be narrowed down to discussions about the cruise ship levy, the free ferry scheme for under-22s and free buses for asylum seekers.

#### **202400394855**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internal correspondence, minutes and notes from meetings and briefings, about the senior traffic commissioners proposals for football fans, <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/guidelines-for-taking-passengers-to-sporting-events-in-scotland/guidelines-for-taking-passengers-to-sporting-events-in-scotland-consultation-document>

Between August 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

2. How many meetings has the Scottish Government held about the use of pyrotechnics at football stadiums in 2023, could you supply minutes, notes and briefings held from these meetings?

3. Could you supply all correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internal correspondence, minutes and notes from meetings and briefings, about pub curfews in Scotland during Euro 2024 between October 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

4. Could you supply all correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internal correspondence, minutes and notes from meetings and briefings, about the Scottish Government's claim that a printing error caused Clyde Gateway's £5m of funding to be scrapped, from between December 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

-Could you also supply more details as to how this happened?



<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/scottish-news/snp-printing-error-blunder-leaves-31874690>

**202400395261**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence between the Scottish Government and the Scottish Prison Service, including internal, briefings and notes, about the Scottish Prison Service's transgender people in custody guidance between December 1 and the date of this FOI.
2. All briefings, notes, correspondence and minutes prepared ahead of Angela Constance's appearance in front of the justice committee on 11 January? Can you include any feedback given afterwards and assessments about her performance.

**202400395820**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much money has been handed out by the Scottish Government for free laptops/devices for school pupils? Breakdown by year.

-How many laptops have been handed out in each council area, including devices bought by councils?

2. All briefings, notes, correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, held about the free laptops/devices for school pupils between March 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?
3. . All briefings, notes, correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, and any analysis written about four day working weeks for government staff, between March 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?
4. All correspondence with, including minutes from meetings, Ross Greer about four-day working weeks between March 1 2023 and date of this FOI.
5. All briefings, notes, correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, and any analysis written about councils scrapping school meal debts, between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.
6. All correspondence with, including minutes from meetings, any members of the Scottish Greens about councils scrapping school meal debts, between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI

**202400396015**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. A list of all the meetings attended by Humza Yousaf at Cop28, including full list of attendees at them, minutes/notes taken at them, and whether a UK Government official was present at them?

2. What part of the Scottish Government budget did the £2m of loss and damage funding announced by Mr Yousaf come from? All discussions by civil servants/special advisers and ministers about this announcement and the decision, between June 1 2023 and December 1 2023.

3. All correspondence, including internal correspondence, between Angus Robertson, James Cleverley and David Cameron, about meeting foreign politicians between August 1 2023 and date of this FOI, including evidence to back up the claim by Mr Robertson that a meeting was cancelled to discuss alleged breaches :<https://www.holyrood.com/news/view,david-cameron-cancelled-meeting-to-discuss-cooperation-with-the-fcdo-says-angus-robertson>

#### **202400396109**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1.All discussions between the Scottish and UK Government regarding Levelling Up Fund Round 3 including correspondence between both governments, internal correspondence and briefings, from between September 2023 to December 1 2023.

#### **202400396373**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How many private hires has ScotRail/ScotRail trains been hired out for in 2022 and 2023, how much was made and a breakdown of what the hires were for, including who hired it and where the trains went?

2. What data does Transport Scotland hold about ministers using trains during the off-peak trial, could you supply all data you hold, including whether SNP ministers used the service during this time?

3. All briefings, correspondence sent and received (including internal), minutes from meetings, about HS2 held from between August 1 2023 and date of this FOI?

4. How many trains were cancelled in 2023 and 2022, with this broken down by what service was cancelled, why it was cancelled and percentage of trains which were cancelled compared to how much went ahead?

#### **202400396951**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Breakdown of what the £1.6m ringfenced for ScotRail staff abuse was spent on.

2. All correspondence between the UK Government and Transport Scotland about the UK rail sale, including briefings for ministers, notes and minutes from meetings, between October 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

3. Could you supply all the analysis about how much closing the rails for storms this year has cost the economy?

4. Could you supply all the analysis about how much closing the Edinburgh to Glasgow rails between Jan 30 and Feb 3 is costing the economy?

#### **202400398626**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All drafts written for the conclusion of the report into Scotland's international networks, including all notes written by civil servants and Scot Gov staff, as here:

<https://www.gov.scot/publications/scotlands-international-network-annual-report-2022-23/pages/8/>

2. All costs related to the creation of the international network report as asked about above, with breakdown of these costs.

3. How much did it cost to hire a Saltire Intern for the Canadian office and full breakdown of these costs.

4. How many people applied for the Washington DC head of the office job, how many were invited for interviews? Has the job been filled now?

5. Excluding money and jobs brought in by the Scottish Development International agency, how much money and jobs can be attributed to the international offices?

#### **202400398894**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much money has the government spent on its wellbeing hour, including the costs to work time, and any cost/benefit analysis undertaken on it? Is it still a government policy, and if not why?

2. How much money does the Scottish Government's director of lived experience make, and how much does the department cost? Breakdown per year between 2021-2023 and of what the costs were?

3. All internal correspondence shared by the Scottish government which mentions the words woke ideology, between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

4. How many jobs have the Scottish Government got for Equality, diversity and inclusion roles, breakdown per year between 2021-2023 and breakdown of the costs of this?

5. How many meetings has the government's director of lived experience had in 2023, and if possible, minutes and notes from ones between October 1 2023 and the end of the year?

6. Could you supply any copy of guidance the Scottish Government holds for dealing with LGBTQ staff members, and the latest copy of this?

**202400399025**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all analysis undertaken about the National Care Service and the costs/timetable, between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.
2. All correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internal correspondence, briefings and notes, about Michael Matheson's resignation, and whether he will take his severance payment, between February 5 and the date of this FOI.
3. What was the reason behind Shona Robison missing the Scottish Government tax advisory meeting on January 11?
4. All correspondence between the Scottish Government and the UK Covid Inquiry, including internal correspondence, about government and ex-government officials, ministers and special advisers giving evidence, sent between January 1 and the date of this FOI?

**202400399380**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all minutes and notes from meetings between Shona Robison and Ross Greer which have taken place in the last six months?
2. Could you supply all drafts written, including notes of why changes were made, of Humza Yousaf's holocaust memorial day tweet and speech, and include all script details.-All correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, about this tweet, from between January 27 2024 and date of this FOI.
3. How much money has the Scottish Government paid PR agency Seven Media in the last three years, with a breakdown of what this money was spent on?
4. Could you supply all correspondence between the Scottish Government and Jason Leitch regarding the Eljamel Inquiry, including all internal correspondence, briefings, notes and minutes about the same topic, between September 15 2023 and the date of this FOI.
5. Could you supply the full briefing written for Michael Matheson for his appearance at the Scottish Parliament on January 30.
6. Could you supply all correspondence between UK and Scottish Government about extra funding for Scotland after the Stormont deal, as referenced here:

<https://news.stv.tv/politics/scottish-government-asks-about-extra-funding-after-3-3bn-northern-ireland-package>

-Could you also supply any briefings, notes for minutes and minutes from meetings about this topic, between January 15 2024 and date of this FOI?

**202400401096**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence received and sent by Scottish Government, including internal, notes and minutes from meetings, about plans for buffer zones, from between December 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?
2. All correspondence received and sent by Scottish Government, including internal, notes and minutes from meetings, about proposals to house illegal migrants on Orkney, from between October 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.
3. All analysis done, including how much it would cost, about creating migrant accommodation buffer zones, between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?
4. All briefings prepared for Scottish Government ministers about Tony Blair's asylum holding plan in Scotland as evidenced here: <https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2023/dec/29/tony-blair-rwanda-style-asylum-plan-2003>
5. Out of Scottish Government analysis, how many asylum seekers are there per head of population in Scotland?

**202400401720**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence between the Scottish Government and the Scottish information commissioner about the Covid Inquiry between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI.  
-Could you also supply all briefings, notes and minutes from any meetings about this topic?
2. All correspondence between the Scottish Government and the Police Scotland about the Covid Inquiry between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI.
3. Did the Scottish Government consider lowering the age of the elderly during the covid pandemic to 65 and could you supply any discussions surrounding this?
4. Did Nicola Sturgeon keep a notebook and diary during her time in office between 2020 and 2023?
5. All minutes and notes from phone calls between Nicola Sturgeon and Devi Sridhar between 2020 and 2023?
6. All correspondence between the Scottish Government and Catherine Calderwood about the UK Covid Inquiry between January 2023 and the date of this FOI.
7. Did any Scottish government or former Scottish government staff get coaching before appearing in front of the UK Covid Inquiry and could you specify what support they received before their appearances, with a breakdown per witness and what support they got?

**202400401816 - withdrawn**

**202400402233 - invalid**

**202400402325 - withdrawn**

**202400404214**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all progress made for Humza Yousaf's claim that he would issue Scotland's first ever bond at the SNP conference, and all correspondence and analysis surrounding this?

- Has due diligence and market testing been done, and could you supply any reports or results of this?

2. Could you supply all advice given from any advisors/advisory group about this scheme, including the investment panel convened to help with this as mentioned here:

<https://www.thenational.scot/news/23880458.leading-bankers-say-scottish-bond-plan-will-boost-nations-profile/>

3. Could you also supply any advice the government has received from expert investors or advisers about how the bonds would raise Scotland's international profile or provide evidence to back up Humza Yousaf's statement that: "Issuing a bond will help raise Scotland's profile and engagement with international investors to attract investment.

**202400404498**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government to the UK Government which mentions the Houthis, Red Sea or Yemen between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

2. Could you supply all briefings, notes or minutes from meetings held by the Scottish government which mentions the Houthis, Red Sea or Yemen between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

**202400404660**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence between the Scottish Government and the UK Covid Inquiry, including internal correspondence, about government and ex-government officials, ministers and special advisers giving evidence, sent between January 5 and February 15.

**202400406140**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How many minutes of meetings have been taken for meetings involving Humza Yousaf in the last six months, and how many meetings have he been involved in in the same time frame with no minutes taken?
2. How many air miles has Humza Yousaf built up since he took over as First Minister?
3. How many air miles did Nicola Sturgeon build up in her final year in office? March 28 2022 to March 28 2023?
4. Could you supply how much it cost Angus Robertson to visit Brussels in January this year, how long he was in Brussels for, the full cost of his officials expenses while there, how many officials attended and their job roles?  
  
-Could you include a full list of expenses built up while in Belgium?
5. Could you supply Mr Robertson's full itinerary from his trip to Brussels, all briefings prepared for and after the trip, minutes/notes from all meetings he held there, and all correspondence planning the trip and correspondence during and following the trip about the trip, from between October 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

**202400406199**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all briefings, minutes/notes prepared, and all correspondence, including internal surrounding Humza Yousaf's trip to London in March, and supply the full itinerary for this trip? From between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?
2. How much did the trip cost in full and did Humza Yousaf fly in business class?  
  
-Could you supply the full expenses from the trip if possible? Including how many officials accompanied him and their expenses and their roles/titles?
3. Could you supply all correspondence between the Scottish Government and the City of London corporation, and mentioning the City of London Corporation. including internal correspondence, between October 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?
4. All correspondence, minutes, notes and briefings held about Humza Yousaf's appearance on James O'Brien's LBC show Full Disclosure on March 16, from between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?
5. All correspondence, minutes, notes and briefings held about Humza's Yousaf's meeting with Arab Ambassadors in London in March 2024, and what was the purpose of the meeting?
6. . All correspondence, minutes, notes and briefings held about Humza Yousaf being interviewed by Owen Jones in March, from between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?
7. All correspondence, minutes, notes and briefings held about Humza Yousaf being interviewed by Robert Peston on March 20, from between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

**202400406321**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

All correspondence, discussions held, notes, minutes and briefings, including internal correspondence, setting up Humza Yousaf's trip to Cop28, including all invites to events and invites to COP28 itself, between October 16 and December 10.

If too much, narrow it to November 1 and December 10.

**202400406546** - withdrawn

**202400406549**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

All correspondence between the Scottish Government and the UK Covid Inquiry, including internal correspondence, about government and ex-government officials, ministers and special advisers giving evidence, sent between January 15 and February 5 2024.

**202400407369**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much money has been spent by the Scottish Government on public speaking lessons or a public speaking mentor in 2023 and 2024 for cabinet secretaries or ministers?

-Could you supply who the public speaking lessons were for, and a breakdown of these costs?

2. All discussions, briefings, correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internal and notes, about Scottish Government plans for a four day week, from between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI.

-if too much money, reduce it to Jan 1 2024 and March 1 2024?

**202400407539**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much money has been spent on mobile phones/landline phones for prisoners in 2021, 2022, 2023 with a breakdown of what the money was spent on?

2. What is the estimated cost of running HMP Kilmarnock and how much was spent on the handover?

3. How many prisons have body worn cameras, how many do each prison have, and all discussions/correspondence surrounding the roll-out of body worn cameras, including analysis



of how much it cost, and a cost/benefit analysis of it? Between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

4. All briefings, correspondence sent and received, notes/minutes from meetings, regarding the removal of mobile phones from prisoners, between April 1 2023 and December 1 2023?

5. How many prisoners have been released due to emergency Covid powers, and how many reoffended?

#### **202400407872**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Can you supply all progress made so far in Humza Yousaf's claim that he would issue Scotland's first ever bond, made at the SNP conference, and all correspondence and analysis surrounding this between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

#### **202400407900**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence, including internal, notes from meetings held and minutes from meetings, and briefings, about income tax changes announced in the 2024/25 budget between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI

-can this include any analysis done on behavioural change?

-If too much reduce the time to January 1 2024 and March 1 2024?

2. All correspondence, including internal, notes from meetings held and minutes from meetings, and briefings, between the Scottish Government and the Scottish Fiscal Commission about the 2024/25 budget, between November 1 2023 and January 15 2024.

#### **202400408545**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government to the UK Government which mentions the Houthis, Red Sea or Yemen between January 1 2024 and February 29?

2. Could you supply all briefings, notes or minutes from meetings held by the Scottish government which mentions the Houthis, Red Sea or Yemen between January 1 2024 and February 29?

#### **202400409278**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. In the Scottish Government's tax reckoner, you wrote: "The Scottish Government and HMRC are developing new, and robust, data sources and evidence to help better understand potential behavioural responses, including taxpayer movements across the UK over time."

-Could you supply all the work done so far on this, including reports and documentation, all analysis undertaken on this, and whether the work is completed yet?

2. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, minutes/notes from meetings, and briefings about the council tax freeze, from between February 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

3. Could you supply all analysis undertaken for or by the Scottish Government about a potential brain drain of talent from Scotland to elsewhere in the UK/world due to high taxation, written in the last six months? If this analysis has not been done, why not?

-Could you also supply any briefings/internal correspondence about this topic from the last six months as well?

#### **202400409804**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all briefings written, analysis written for or by the Scottish Government, all correspondence received and sent by the government, including internally, minutes/notes from meetings, regarding universal free meals for school children, between November 1 2023 and January 31 2024

2. Could you supply all correspondence between the UK and Scottish Government regarding income tax, including minutes/notes from meetings, and all internal correspondence, from between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

-If too much, restrict the dates to November 1 2023 and February 29 2024.

3. Could you supply all briefings written, analysis written for or by the Scottish Government, all correspondence received and sent by the government, including internally, minutes/notes from meetings, regarding increasing the Scottish Child Payment, from between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

-If too much, restrict the dates to November 1 2023 and February 29 2024.

4. Could you supply all correspondence between Scottish Financial Enterprise and Scottish Government regarding income tax, including minutes/notes from meetings, and all internal correspondence, from between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

-If too much, restrict the dates to November 1 2023 and February 29 2024.

5. How many Scots have the Scottish Government calculated will be paying more tax in Scotland than they would if they live in England due to the latest income tax changes, and how many are paying less?

6. Scottish Child Payment: How is the 50,000 kids moved out of poverty measured, what outcomes define lifted out of poverty, what improvement in circumstances are recipients experience, and could you supply the evidence to back this up?

**202400409832**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Has Police Scotland briefed Humza Yousaf or any SNP ministers over what was behind the surge of hate crime reports from April 1 until April 7 and if so, could you supply this briefing?
2. Humza Yousaf told BBC Radio's Good Morning Scotland that in the first few days "a series of bad faith actors who decided to put in vexatious complaints in order to try to waste police time – which is a pretty serious matter."

"You had a number of bad faith actors, I read an article by the Observer which showed a leader of the far right encouraging vexatious complaints."

-Could you supply the evidence to back this statement up? Or was it just garnered from a newspaper report?

**202400409882**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internally, briefings written, notes and minutes held by the government about Humza Yousaf's speech at Glasgow University on January 8, including how it was organised and feedback afterwards? Between December 1 2023 and February 1 2024.

**202400409996**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence between the Scottish Government and the UK Covid Inquiry, including internal correspondence, about government and ex-government officials, ministers and special advisers giving evidence, sent between January 23 and February 1 2024

-If too much money, restrict it to discussions surrounding Nicola Sturgeon, Humza Yousaf and Jason Leitch's appearances.

**202400410490**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence, including internal correspondence, and briefings written, setting up Humza Yousaf's trip to Cop28, including all invites to events and invites to COP28 itself, between November 10 and December 5.

**202400410540**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply the definition for international relations with a feminist lens which the Scottish Government is working towards?
2. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, about international relations with a feminist lens, between September 1 2023 and March 1 2024?
3. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, about housing emergencies being declared by councils, between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?
4. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, with/or about the Scottish Solicitors Bar Association, between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?
5. Could you supply the full breakdown of all the expenses run up at Cop28, including costs of hotels, what hotels were utilised, food and drinks costs, transport costs, etc?

**202400411121**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent between the Scottish Government and the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority, including internal correspondence, from the last six months?
2. How much money has the Scottish Government/NHS Scotland paid out in medical negligence payments in each of the last three years, with a breakdown of these costs?
3. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all briefings, all analysis, all minutes/notes from briefings, about Ineos Grangemouth, from the last three months?
4. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all briefings, all analysis, all minutes/notes from briefings, about Michael Matheson, from the last three months?
5. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all briefings, all analysis, all minutes/notes from briefings, about the Elizabeth Emblem award, from the last three months?

**202400411590**

I'd like to request information through foi legislation.

1. All discussions, briefings, correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internal and notes, about Scottish Government plans for a four day week, from between February 1 2024 and March 1 2024.

**202400411593**

I'd like to request information through foi legislation.

1. Can you supply all progress made so far in Humza Yousaf's claim that he would issue Scotland's first ever bond, made at the SNP conference, and all correspondence and analysis surrounding this between February 1 2024 and April 1 2024?"

**202400412241**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence, including internal, notes from meetings held and minutes from meetings, and briefings, about income tax changes and the impact on businesses announced in the 2024/25 budget between February 1 and March 1 2024?

2. All correspondence, including internal, notes from meetings held and minutes from meetings, and briefings, between the Scottish Government and the Scottish Fiscal Commission about the affordability of 2024/25 budget, between November 1 2023 and December 30 2023?

**202400412244**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence between the Scottish Government and the UK Covid Inquiry, including internal correspondence, mentioning Nicola Sturgeon, Humza Yousaf and Jason Leitch, and specifically about what they said during their evidence sessions sent between January 23 and February 1 2024.

**202400412315**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence held by the Scottish government, including internally, all briefing notes and minutes from meetings, about positive masculinity, from between February 1 2024 until the date of this FOI.

2. How many Scottish Government ministers had a Ukrainian refugee staying with them, and who were they, and what happened to the refugee, I.e how long did they stay?

3. All briefings prepared for Humza Yousaf about celebrating Easter in Scotland?

4. All minutes/notes from the meeting between Humza Yousaf and Ukrainian MP Mykola Stefanchuk on April 18, plus all correspondence setting up the meeting?

**202400412738**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply how much it costs to the run the Scottish government civil service in each of the last five years, with a breakdown of these costs?
2. Could you name the five biggest earners within the civil service and how much they are paid? Details for the last five years? And just job titles if they can't be named?
3. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the government, including internally, all minutes/notes from meetings and briefings held, about shutting down the Scottish Parliament, over the last 12 months.
4. Could you supply all briefings written, and all correspondence between the Scottish Government and the UK Government, and the Scottish government and the Crown Office, including internally, about the Horizon Post Office scandal, between February 1 2024 and May 1 2024?
5. Could you supply details of when each current Scottish government minister shut their email inboxes? I.e open between Monday to Thursday 8am to 2pm?

**202400413085 - withdrawn**

**202400413320**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all analysis, briefings and correspondence relating to Adult Disability Payment held by Social Security Scotland, specifically about how much it will cost and whether it is value for money, plus any changes made to it compared to England, between September 1 2023 and December 20 2023.

**202400413415**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, about international relations with a feminist lens, between September 1 2023 and January 1 2024
2. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, about housing emergencies being declared by councils, between November 1 2023 and January 1 2024?
3. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, with/or about the Scottish Solicitors Bar Association, between September 1 2023 and January 1 2024?

**202400414361**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply the latest work from home advice/guidance received by Scottish Government civil servants?
2. Could you supply all briefings, correspondence and analysis held by the government, including internally, about civil servants working from home, from the past three months?
3. On April 18 at the Scottish Parliament, Mairi McAllan said that the permanent secretary had been instructed to conduct an investigation into how details about climate targets had been leaked to the BBC.  
  
-Could you describe in as much detail as possible how this investigation went, the process of it and the final outcome?  
  
-Could you also supply any documentation held, i.e correspondence or briefings, about this topic as well?
4. Could you supply all briefings, correspondence and analysis held by the government, including internally, regarding Humza Yousaf speaking to Yachad UK on April 15? From between March 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

**202400415247**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence held by the Scottish Government, including all sent/received and internal, briefing notes, minutes/notes from meetings, about the Eid Mubarak celebration at Edinburgh Castle in April, between March 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

**202400415744**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. What items have been added or removed from the baby box since the project began, and could you supply the reasons for their addition or removal?
2. How much does the baby box project now cost, could you supply a breakdown of these costs, and how much it has cost every year?
3. On the Scottish Government website, it says the baby has "around **£420** worth of essential items" could you prove this statement? How much does each item cost?
4. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the government, including internally, all briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about raising the free bus pass age from 60, in the last four months?
5. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the government, including internally, all briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about Shirley-Anne

Somerville's trip to London on March 25, and the full cost of the trip, what hotel she stayed in and how she got there and how many staff she brought with her, along with their expenses?

6. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the government, including internally, all briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about strikes at councils, in the last two months?

**202400415805**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation

1. Could you supply all correspondence between the UK Government and the Scottish Government, including internal correspondence, plus briefings about the NHS junior doctors strike in England, between December 15 2023 and March 15 2024?

2. How much has the Scottish Government spent on drug consumption rooms so far, with a breakdown of costs?

3. How many drug rehab beds or residential rehab beds are there in Scotland, and could you supply the numbers from the last five years, with a breakdown for every region?

4. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about the building of a new Edinburgh Eye hospital, from the last six months?

5. Could you supply minutes/notes from all meetings the Scottish Government has held with the Royal College of Emergency Medicine Scotland from the last six months?

6. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about the Eljamel Inquiry in the last three months?

**202400416939**

i'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, about international relations with a feminist lens, between September 1 2023 and December 1 2023?

2. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, about housing emergencies being declared by councils, between December 1 2023 and January 1 2024?

3. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, with/or about the Scottish Solicitors Bar Association, between September 1 2023 and December 1 2023?



**202400416952**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence held by the Scottish government, including internally, all briefing notes and minutes from meetings, about positive masculinity, from between February 1 2024 until the date of this FOI.

**202400417196**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence held, including internal, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings, about John Swinney's visits to IGS farm, Levenmouth rail link and St Johns Hospital on May 10, between May 1 and May 15 2024.

2. Could you supply all correspondence held, including internal, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings, about child poverty and mentioning John Swinney, between May 10 and May 30 2024.

3. Could you supply all correspondence between Sir Keir Starmer and John Swinney between April 30 and the date of this FOI?

4. Could you supply all correspondence held, including internal, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings, about Rishi Sunak mentioning SNP as extremists in his speech on May 13, between May 13 and the date of this FOI.

5. How much has the government spent on Humza Yousaf leaving office and John Swinney taking office overall?

**202400417641**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all briefings written, and all correspondence between the Scottish Government and the UK Government, and the Scottish government and the Crown Office, including internally, about the Horizon Post Office scandal, between February 1 2024 and April 1 2024?

**202400417669**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could Supply all analysis, briefings and correspondence relating to Adult Disability Payment held by Social Security Scotland, specifically about how much it will cost and whether it is value for money, plus any changes made to it compared to England, between September 1 2023 and November 1 2023.

**202400418105**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

"All correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government that mentions Andy Burnham, or is from/to Andy Burnham, plus minutes or briefings which mention him, from between March 1 2023 and the date of this FOI."

**202400418489**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence held by the Scottish Government, including all sent/received and internal, briefing notes, minutes/notes from meetings, about the Eid Mubarak celebration at Edinburgh Castle, funded by the government, between February 1 2024 and May 5 2024?

**202400419224**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government mentioning or with NATO, including internally, from the past three months?

**202400419614**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all briefings and documentation held about Tom Arthur's dad and relating to this story from the last four months?

[-https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/politics/snp-ministers-dad-resigns-party-32539567](https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/politics/snp-ministers-dad-resigns-party-32539567)

2. Could you supply all documentation held, including correspondence sent and received, including internal, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings, that mention Michael Matheson, from the last two months?

3. Could you supply all documentation held, including correspondence sent and received, including internal, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings, about pubs being allowed to open later for the Euros semi finals and final, if England and Scotland make it, and can this include the government's response to the UK Government's consultation, from the last six months?

**202400419695**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence received by the Scottish Government on the Cass Review between April 1 2024 and April 30 2024.

**202400419841**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence held by the Scottish Government which discusses how much money and why the Eid Celebration held at Edinburgh Castle should be funded between February 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

-Could you supply all documentation around the decision to fund this celebration as well?

**202400420353**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, about international relations with a feminist lens, between September 1 2023 and November 1 2023?

**202400420444**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, about housing emergencies being declared by councils, between December 1 2023 and December 24 2023

**202400420601**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, with/or about the Scottish Solicitors Bar Association, between September 1 2023 and November 1 2023?

**202400421396**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received, policy plans, minutes/notes from meetings, or briefings, which mention Andrew or Louise Slorance, or correspondence to/from Louise from the past three months?

2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received, policy plans, minutes/notes from meetings, or briefings, which mention privy councillors or Kate Middleton, between March 1 2024 and June 1 2024?

**202400421491**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government mentioning or with NATO, including internally, from the past three months, from the constitutional, Europe and culture department of the government?

**202400421759**

1. Could you supply all documentation and discussions the Scottish Government hold surrounding the Cass Review and how it should be implemented in Scotland, including correspondence, policy proposals and minutes/notes from meetings, from the past six weeks?

**202400421950**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the government, including correspondence, briefings, policy notes, minutes/notes from meetings, about the number of American Candy shops opening up in Scotland?

2. Could you supply all documentation held by the government, including correspondence, briefings, policy notes, minutes/notes from meetings, about Humza Yousaf failing to declare his parents six rented homes, as shown here:

<https://www.scottishdailyexpress.co.uk/news/politics/humza-yousaf-leaves-parents-13-32374337>

**202400422148**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence between the Scottish Government and BBC Scotland, including complaints and internal correspondence, from the last three months?

2. Could you supply all correspondence between the Scottish Government and BBC Question Time producers, including complaints and internal correspondence, from the last six months?

-If too much, reduce the time period to three months?

**202400422246**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence between the Scottish Government and BBC Scotland, including complaints and internal correspondence, from the last three months?

2. Could you supply all correspondence between the Scottish Government and BBC Question Time producers, including complaints and internal correspondence, from the last six months?

-If too much, reduce the time period to three months.

**202400422333** - withdrawn

**202400422506**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about BAE Systems from the last six months, including correspondence with or about them, minutes/notes from meetings with them, briefings prepared about them or analysis?
2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about Rolls Royce from the last six months, including correspondence with or about them, minutes/notes from meetings with them, briefings prepared about them or analysis?
3. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about Babcock from the last six months, including correspondence with or about them, minutes/notes from meetings with them, briefings prepared about them or analysis?

**202400422615**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received, including internally, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings and policy documents about or mention the offensive behaviour at football act, from the last six months?
2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received, including internally, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings and policy documents about or mention Baillie Gifford, from the last two months?

**202400422640**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply correspondence held by the Scottish Government, including all sent/received and internal, briefing notes, minutes/notes from meetings, about the Eid Mubarak celebration at Edinburgh Castle, funded by the government, between February 1 2024 and May 5 2024?

-Could you limit this to your events department and Humza Yousaf/his office?

**202400422842**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis and briefing notes, and minutes from meetings, about international relations with a feminist lens, specifically about the positive impact of this policy

and the negative impact of it, and how it would be implemented between September 1 2023 and November 1 2023?

If too much, can you change the date to April 15 2024 to July 15 2024?

**202400422993**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence sent and received by Scottish Government from or to or mentioning the UK Government, including internal, notes, briefings and minutes from meetings, about the plans for a vapeban and smoking restrictions in Scotland, from the last three months

**202400423069**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation

1. Could you supply all documentation held about the minimum unit pricing held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received (internal as well), briefing notes, minutes/notes from meetings, policy notes, analysis, from the last three months?

**202400423246**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation and discussions the Scottish Government hold surrounding the Cass Review and how it should be implemented in Scotland, including correspondence, policy proposals and minutes/notes from meetings between June 5 2024 and July 5 2024

**202400423275**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all briefings, analysis, notes, minutes from meetings and all correspondence sent and received, including internally, about Scottish Government plans to replace the Erasmus programme, from the last three months?

**202400423664-FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much in total does it cost to run the Scottish Government, and could you supply a breakdown of this, as well as the costs from the last four years?

2. Could you supply all documentation held about or from Dr Ghassan Abu-Sittah, including email correspondence, briefing notes, internal correspondence, analysis and minutes/notes

from meetings, between March 1 2024 and July 1 2024? (British Palestinian plastic and reconstructive surgeon)

3. Could you supply all documentation held about Humza Yousaf's meeting with Ignacio Cartagena on April 23, including emails, briefings and minutes/notes from the meeting, between March 1 2024 and May 30 2024? (Consul General of Spain in Edinburgh)

4. Could you supply all documentation held, including policy notes, analysis, briefings, correspondence and minutes/notes from meetings, about the creation of the Gaelic Minister/Secretary Scottish Government post, between May 1 2024 and June 30 2024?

5. Could you supply all documentation held about John Swinney's meeting with the Zambian President on June 19, including emails, briefings and minutes/notes from the meeting, between June 1 2024 and July 15 2024?

#### **202400423667- FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much in total does it cost to run the Scottish Government, and could you supply a breakdown of this, as well as the costs from the last four years?

2. Could you supply all documentation held about or from Dr Ghassan Abu-Sittah, including email correspondence, briefing notes, internal correspondence, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, between March 1 2024 and July 1 2024? (British Palestinian plastic and reconstructive surgeon)

3. Could you supply all documentation held about Humza Yousaf's meeting with Ignacio Cartagena on April 23, including emails, briefings and minutes/notes from the meeting, between March 1 2024 and May 30 2024? (Consul General of Spain in Edinburgh)

4. Could you supply all documentation held, including policy notes, analysis, briefings, correspondence and minutes/notes from meetings, about the creation of the Gaelic Minister/Secretary Scottish Government post, between May 1 2024 and June 30 2024?

5. Could you supply all documentation held about John Swinney's meeting with the Zambian President on June 19, including emails, briefings and minutes/notes from the meeting, between June 1 2024 and July 15 2024?

#### **202400423794 -FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government regarding 24/7 care at Portree Hospital, including email correspondence, minutes/notes from meetings, briefings, policy analysis, between April 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government mentioning or from Windsail, including minutes/notes from Humza Yousaf's visit there on April 17, briefings, correspondence or analysis, from between March 15 2024 and July 15 2024?

3. Could you supply all analysis undertaken by or for the Scottish Government about funding for the UNRWA, including details of any probe into past funding, and any correspondence mentioning the charity, from the last three months?

4. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government mentioning or from the US Consul General in Edinburgh, including minutes/notes from meetings, correspondence and briefings, from the last three months?

5. Could you provide the full costs to the Scottish Government of holding the independence Day celebration on June 27 in Leith Distillery, with full breakdown of these costs?

#### **202400423818**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence between the Scottish Government and the Scottish Solicitors Bar Association, including minutes from meetings with them, between September 1 2023 and December 1 2023?

#### **202400424209**

1. Could you supply all documentation held about the Horizon Post Office scandal, including correspondence, briefings, analysis, policy notes, minutes/notes from meetings, from the last three months?

2. Could you supply all correspondence held between the Scottish Government and the Post Office about the Horizon Post Office scandal?

3. Could you supply all correspondence held between the Scottish Government and the Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission about the Horizon Post Office scandal

#### **202400424505**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

Could you supply all email correspondence sent and received by Scottish Government from or to or mentioning the UK Government, including minutes from meetings, about the plans for smoking restrictions in Scotland, from between May 1 and July 28 2024.

#### **202400424506**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.



1. Could you supply all the information in all the lists of interests (including spouse, partner and family interests) provided by each minister currently serving in the Scottish Government upon their appointment by John Swinney, including the information provided by the First Minister himself.

2. Any confirmation from ministers, at the time of their appointment, as to whether they are aware of any close acquaintances or advisers who have a contractual relationship with the Government or are involved in policy development, as described in Section 11.4 of the Scottish Ministerial Code.

3. All information and all records of action taken by ministers in agreement with the Permanent Secretary on the handling of interests, and any subsequent changes, as set out in Section 11.5 of the Scottish Ministerial Code.

4. Could you supply all minutes/notes taken at the meeting organised by Nicola Sturgeon and attended by Scottish Government officials on August 10 2023 at the Scottish Parliament about the Covid Inquiry, and all documentation held setting up the meeting and after the meeting, including the full list of attendees?

#### **202400425209 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about BAE Systems between November 1 2023 and February 1 2024, including correspondence with or about them, minutes/notes from meetings with them,

briefings prepared about them or analysis?

2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about Rolls Royce between February 1 2024 and May 1 2024 including correspondence with or about them, minutes/notes from meetings with them, briefings prepared about them or analysis?

3. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about Babcock between February 1 and May 1, including correspondence with or about them, minutes/notes from meetings with them, briefings prepared about them or analysis?

#### **202400425269**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence, notes, briefings and minutes from meetings surrounding Nicola Sturgeon or any Scottish Government minister signing up for the Ukrainian super sponsor scheme, between March 2022 and the date of November 2022.

#### **202400425419 -FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you provide all correspondence, briefing notes, minutes from meetings mentioning or from Sir Brian Souter from the last six months, held by the Scottish Government
2. Could you provide all correspondence/minutes and notes from meetings, between Alex Salmond and Humza Yousaf and Alex Salmond and John Swinney, from the last six months?
3. Could you provide all correspondence, briefing notes, minutes from meetings mentioning or from Mark Blyth from the last six months, held by the Scottish Government?
4. How many working days has Angus Robertson spent in Scotland and how many working days has he spent abroad so far in 2024, with a list of where he was?

#### **202400425758 - FMAR**

How much money has the Scottish Government spent on Easter related events in the last two years, with a breakdown of these costs?

How much money has the Scottish Government spent on Eid al-Fitr related events in the last two years, with a breakdown of these costs

#### **202400425989**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about the increase of minimum unit pricing in Scotland sent and received from businesses and organisations, including correspondence and minutes/notes from meetings, between April 1 2024 and July 1 2024?

#### **202400426415 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held that mentions Scotland's t20 cricket team, including correspondence, minutes/notes from meetings, briefings, between January 1 2024 and June 30 2024?
2. Could you supply all documentation held that mentions Liel Abada including correspondence, minutes/notes from meetings, briefings, between January 1 2024 and June 30 2024?
3. Could you supply the full breakdown of costs from all Scottish Government engagements at Euro 2024, including costs from each trip, broken down by trip and how much spent by MSPs and civil servants that accompanied them?

#### **202400426419 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you provide all analysis undertaken, all correspondence and all drafts written in reaction or about the recorded crime stats published in June:

<https://www.gov.scot/news/recorded-crime-in-scotland-2023-24/>

2. Could you provide all documentation held about trans prisoners in Scottish jails, including correspondence, briefings and minutes/notes from meetings, from the last six months?

#### **202400426480**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation and discussions the Scottish Government hold surrounding the Cass Review which mentions puberty blockers including correspondence, policy proposals and minutes/notes from meetings between June 5 2024 and July 5 2024.

#### **202400426570**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all email correspondence sent and received by Scottish Government from or to or mentioning the UK Government, including minutes from meetings, about the plans for smoking restrictions in Scotland, from between July 1 2024 and August 5 2024?

#### **202400426732**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply correspondence held by the Scottish Government, including all sent/received and internal, briefing notes, minutes/notes from meetings, about the Eid Mubarak celebration at Edinburgh Castle, funded by the government, between March 1 and May 1 2024?

#### **202400427029**

I'd like to request information through freedom of information legislation.

1. Could you supply documentation held by the Scottish Government about the increase of minimum unit pricing in Scotland sent and received from businesses and organisations, limited to minutes/notes from meetings, between April 1 2024 and July 1 2024?

#### **202400427104 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Between July 4 and the date of this FOi, could you provide a full list of media appearances and government press calls John Swinney has attended?

2. Could you supply all documentation held between the Uk Government and the Scottish Government which mentions Nicola Sturgeon, between January 1 2024 and June 30 2024?

**202400427159 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through freedom of information legislation.

1. Could you supply how many special advisers currently work for the government, and how many worked there in the last five years on the date of this FOI, with a breakdown per year?
2. Could you supply how much has been spent on special advisers in the last five years, with a breakdown per year and what the money was spent on?
3. Could you supply how much has been spent by the Scottish Government on court cases in the last five years, with a breakdown per year, what the money was spent on, what case it is for, and the result of the case?
4. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about the continuation of the Building a new Scotland series of papers between May 15 2024 and August 15 2024, including correspondence (internal as well), briefings, policy notes and minutes/notes from meetings?
5. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about applying for a Section 30 between May 15 2024 and August 15 2024, including correspondence (internal as well), briefings, policy notes and minutes/notes from meetings?

**202400427723**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government regarding 24/7 care at Portree Hospital, including email correspondence, minutes/notes from meetings, briefings, policy analysis, between May 1 2024 and July 1.

**202400428671**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply documentation held about the Horizon Post Office scandal, limited to minutes/notes from meetings and email correspondence between April 30 2024 and July 1 2024
2. correspondence, limited to minutes/notes from meetings and emails between the Scottish Government and the Post Office about the Horizon Post Office scandal between April 30 2024 and July 1 2024
3. correspondence held, limited to notes/minutes from meetings and emails between the Scottish Government and the Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission about the Horizon Post Office scandal, between April 30 2024 and July 1 2024?

**202400428729**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all the evidence utilised by the Scottish Government to announce the minimum unit pricing uprate, including details and minutes of meetings held between officials and ministers to decide on the uprate as well as correspondence between officials, ministers and special advisers on the same topic? -Can this include any cost/benefit analysis done on this topic?

-Between October 1 2023 and February 23 2024.

**202400429059 - withdrawn**

**202400429339 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply the full costs to the Scottish Government of planning and implementing the National Care Service scheme, with a breakdown per year and what the money was spent on?

2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about the impact of the council tax freeze, including policy documents, analysis, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings and correspondence,including internally, from the last three months?

3. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about Axis Studios including policy documents, analysis, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings and correspondence,including internally, from the last three months?

4. Could you supply all minutes/notes from meetings, briefing notes and correspondence held relating to John Swinney's visit to the Acorn Project and Peterhead port on Monday July 22?

5. Could you supply all minutes/notes from meetings, briefing notes and correspondence held relating to John Swinney's visit to Stagecoach in Dunfermline on Tuesday July 23?

**202400429349 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply the full costs to the Scottish Government of planning and implementing the National Care Service scheme, with a breakdown per year and what the money was spent on?

2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about the impact of the council tax freeze, including policy documents, analysis, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings and correspondence,including internally, from the last three months?

3. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government about Axis Studios including policy documents, analysis, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings and correspondence,including internally, from the last three months?

4. Could you supply all minutes/notes from meetings, briefing notes and correspondence held relating to John Swinney's visit to the Acorn Project and Peterhead port on Monday July 22?
5. Could you supply all minutes/notes from meetings, briefing notes and correspondence held relating to John Swinney's visit to Stagecoach in Dunfermline on Tuesday July 23?

**202400429354 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much did the Scottish Government spend on the Taylor Swift concerts at Murrayfield between June 7 and June 9, with a breakdown of these costs?
2. Could you supply a full list of ministers/officials who attended the concerts and spend on this?
3. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence (including internal), briefings, minutes from meetings, policy reports and analysis, about Taylor Swift's gigs in Edinburgh between March 1 2024 and August 1 2024?
4. How much money has been given to Mark Logan since he was appointed to his role, with a breakdown of these costs?

**202400429495**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all briefings, all analysis undertaken and minutes/notes from meetings regarding making Scotland tobacco free by 2034, between February 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

**202400429546 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much has the Scottish Government spent on overseas trips for Jason Leitch and Gregor Smith in the last five years, with a breakdown per person, per year and what the money was spent on?
2. Could you supply all briefings and analysis held by the Scottish Government on nuclear power in the last six months?
3. Could you supply any documentation held by the Scottish Government about the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW), from the last six months?
4. How much money has been spent on EU languages summaries for the Building a New Scotland set of papers, with a breakdown of these costs?

5. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including briefings, analysis, correspondence (including internal), minutes/notes from meetings, about the Building a New Scotland set of papers, from the last three months?

6. What is the Scottish Government's 'route back into EU' and could you supply the most up to date analysis of how long this would take an independent Scotland to do this?

**202400429954**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held, including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from meetings, about complaints to BBC and BBC Scotland about articles or news broadcasts, from the last three months?

**202400429997 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you provide the full costs of running The Promise so far, with a breakdown per year and a breakdown of what the money is for, including a breakdown of staff costs?

2. Could you provide the full costs of running Redress Scotland so far, with a breakdown per year and a breakdown of what the money is for, including a breakdown of staff costs?

3. Could you supply all documentation held about the Scottish Government plans to ban conversion therapy, including correspondence received and sent, internal correspondence, minutes/notes from meetings, policy analysis, from the last three months?

4. Could you supply all documentation held about the Fornethy Survivors Group/Fornethy House, including correspondence received and sent, internal correspondence, minutes/notes from meetings, policy analysis, from the last three months?

**202400429998 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you provide the full costs of running The Promise so far, with a breakdown per year and a breakdown of what the money is for, including a breakdown of staff costs?

2. Could you provide the full costs of running Redress Scotland so far, with a breakdown per year and a breakdown of what the money is for, including a breakdown of staff costs?

3. Could you supply all documentation held about the Scottish Government plans to ban conversion therapy, including correspondence received and sent, internal correspondence, minutes/notes from meetings, policy analysis, from the last three months?

4. Could you supply all documentation held about the Fornethy Survivors Group/Fornethy House, including correspondence received and sent, internal correspondence, minutes/notes from meetings, policy analysis, from the last three months?

**202400430094**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Can you supply all correspondence, notes, briefings and minutes from meetings surrounding Nicola Sturgeon or any Scottish Government minister signing up for the Ukrainian super sponsor scheme, between March 1 2022 and May 1 2022.

**202400430829**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all email correspondence between the Scottish and UK Governments, including minutes from meetings, about the plans for smoking restrictions in Scotland, from between July 1 2024 and August 5 2024?

**202400431121 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from meetings, policy documents and analysis, which mentions or is from Elliot Bulmer, from the last six months?

2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from meetings, policy documents and analysis, which mentions or is from Janey Godley, from the last six months?

3. How much money has the Scottish Government or its quangos or international offices, given to Eddi Reader in the last five years, with a breakdown of what the money was for?

4. In a Sunday Times piece on May 11, Kate Forbes wrote: "Scottish products continue to be the UK's top exports"- Could you supply the evidence to back this up?

5. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from meetings, policy documents and analysis, about the appointment of a new Advocate General for Scotland being appointed, from the last three months?



**202400431124 - FMAR as above**

**202400431126 -FMAR as above**

**202400431127 - FMAR as above**

**202400431154 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How many Scottish Government employees are registered to live in England? Could you also give this as a percentage of total employees?

-How many have moved there in the last year?

2. Could you supply all documentation held, including correspondence (including internal), minutes/notes from meetings, policy notes, analysis, about the Scottish Government's Aviation statement, from the last three months?

-How much did this statement cost and breakdown of these costs?

3. Could you supply all documentation held, including correspondence (including internal), minutes/notes from meetings, policy notes, analysis, about air departure tax, from the last three months?

4. Could you supply all Aviation Statement drafts from between October 2023 and April 2024, and include notes from civil servants?

5. Could you supply all briefings prepared for Ivan McKee's for his Good Morning Scotland appearance on August 19?

6. Could you supply the full Scottish Government spend on the Gender Recognition Act court case, with a breakdown of these costs?

**202400431158 FMAR as above**

**202400431161 -FMAR as above**

**202400431279 FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation from John Swinney's meeting with the French Ambassadors on August 7, including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from the meetings, briefing notes prepared, policy and analysis, between July 1 and date of this FOI?

2. Could you supply all documentation from John Swinney's Edinburgh Fringe Reception on August 7 including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from the meeting, briefing notes prepared, policy and analysis, between July 1 and date of this FOI?

-Could you supply the full costs of this as well?

3. How many events did the Scottish Government hold/pay for during the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, could you provide a list of this, how much money was paid out (with a breakdown of costs)?

4. Could you supply all documentation from Kate Forbes meeting with Marie Macklin on August 9 including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from the meetings, briefing notes prepared, policy and analysis, between July 1 and date of this FOI?

5. Could you supply all documentation from Angus Robertson's meeting with the Israeli Deputy Ambassador on August 8 including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from the meetings, briefing notes prepared, policy and analysis, between July 1 and date of this FOI?

**202400431283 - FMAR as above**

**202400431385 -FMAR**

1. Could you supply all documentation from John Swinney's visit to a vaccine clinic in Clydebank on August 11 including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from the meetings, briefing notes prepared, policy and analysis, between July 1 and date of this FOI?

2. Could you supply all documentation from John Swinney's meeting with Andy Burnham on August 12, including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from the meetings, briefing notes prepared, policy and analysis, between July 1 and date of this FOI?

3. Could you supply all documentation from John Swinney's appearance taking the salute at the Edinburgh Royal Tattoo on August 14 including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from the meetings, briefing notes prepared, policy and analysis, between July 1 and date of this FOI?

4. Could you supply all documentation from John Swinney's meeting with Angela Rayner on August 15 including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from the meetings, briefing notes prepared, policy and analysis, between July 1 and date of this FOI?

5. Could you supply all of the civil servant/official/special advisers advice given to Angus Robertson and/or John Swinney before the former's meeting with Israel's Deputy Ambassador to the UK on August 8?

6. Could you supply all documentation from John Swinney's meeting with Palestinian groups on August 17 including correspondence (internal as well), minutes/notes from the meetings, briefing notes prepared, policy and analysis, between July 1 and date of this FOI?

-As mentioned here: <https://www.thecourier.co.uk/fp/politics/scottish-politics/5062038/nadia-el-nakla-john-swinney-israel-meeting/>

**202400431387 FMAR as above**

**202400431711**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all minutes/notes from meetings and policy notes about puberty blockers between April 1 2024 and July 5 2024.

**202400431926 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you provide all policy analysis undertaken by the Scottish Government or on behalf of the Scottish Government, about the impact a tourist tax/visitor levy would have on tourists I.e visitor numbers -and their spend in cities/regions?

-could you also include any analysis of the negative impact of a tourist tax/visitor levy?

2. Could you provide all documentation held by the Scottish Government regarding reviewing the current National Parks, including email correspondence sent and received (including internal), minutes/notes from meetings, policy analysis, briefings, from the last six months?

3. Could you provide all correspondence between the Scottish Government and Keir Starmer, including minutes/notes from meetings and briefings notes, plus emails, from the last three months?

4. Could you provide all documentation held by the Scottish Government about installing emergency spending controls,

including email correspondence sent and received (including internal), minutes/notes from meetings, policy analysis, briefings, from the last two months.

<https://www.thetimes.com/uk/scotland/article/scottish-government-imposes-emergency-spending-controls-l2pnb7lsg>

**202400431928 – FMAR as above**

**202400431930 - FMAR as above**

**202400431932 - FMAR as above**

**202400431957**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply how much has been spent by the Scottish Government on court cases in the last three years, with a breakdown per year, what the money was spent on, what case it is for, and the result of the case?

**202400432000**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation .

1. Could you supply correspondence held by the Scottish Government, including all sent/received and internal, briefing notes, minutes/notes from meetings, about the Eid Mubarak celebration at Edinburgh Castle, funded by the government, between April 1 and May 1 2024

**202400432175 - FMAR**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all analysis the Scottish Government has done or commissioned about reducing the number of job vacancies in Scotland? From the last 24 months

-could you also supply any correspondence surrounding this from the last six months, including internal emails?

2. How many job vacancies are there and how many Scots out of work on this date now, on this date one year ago and on this date five years ago?

3. Could you supply all analysis the Scottish Government has done or commissioned about the impact of children wearing face masks and covid transmission?

4. Could you supply all documentation held on the Edinburgh to London flight route, including correspondence sent and received (including internal), policy notes, analysis, minutes/notes from meetings, briefings, from the last six months?

**202400432179 - FMAR as above**

**202400432182 - FMAR as above**

FOI (Reviews)

202400392964 - withdrawn

202400425595 - withdrawn

202400425603 - withdrawn

**202400428258**

I'd like to request a review for the above FOI, specifically the second question:

Could you supply all correspondence between the Scottish Government and BBC Question Time producers, including complaints and internal correspondence, from the last six months? -If too much, reduce the time period to three months?

The exemption says it will be published in the next 12 weeks, but doesn't say what it will be published as. As far as I can see, the Scottish Government don't publish its correspondence with the BBC Question Time producers unless it's an FOI request so I'd like to find out what it is being published as and when, and if you can't supply this, can you send me the information I asked for?

## **Cost exemption**

### **202300389112 – cited on part of request**

1. All correspondence, including internal correspondence, sent and received by the Scottish Government and notes and briefings written for Humza Yousaf's meeting with Michelle O'Neill on November 22, between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

-Can you include all notes and minutes taken from this meeting, and also correspondence sent to help set it up?

2. All minutes, notes and briefings prepared for and after Humza Yousaf's meeting with Michael Gove at the British Irish Council?

3. All correspondence, including internal correspondence, sent and received by the Scottish Government from the Scottish Trades Union Congress and all notes and briefings written for meetings between them, and minutes from all meetings between them, between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

4. All correspondence, including internal correspondence, sent and received by the Scottish Government, and all notes and briefings about the government's emergency budget meeting on Thursday December 7.

5. All correspondence held by the Scottish Government, including spoken correspondence, which proves that the Cop28 meeting with the Turkish President was rescheduled, and all correspondence that proves the Foreign Office official did not wish to stick with the Scottish delegation?

6. A list of all attendees at the Scottish Government's travelling cabinet in Dunbar?

### **202300390302 cost exemption applied to Q3**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. In terms of council funding, how much money does the Scottish Government supply per head of population of each local authority?

2. All correspondence received by the Scottish government, including internal correspondence, briefing notes, minutes and notes from any meetings held, about the resignation of the Historic Environment Scotland chief executive Alex Paterson, between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

3. All correspondence received by the Scottish government, including internal correspondence, briefing notes, minutes and notes from any meetings held, about the appointment of a new chair of the Scottish Land Commission, between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

4. How many applicants have applied to become the next chair of the Scottish Land Commission?

5. All correspondence received by the Scottish government, including internal correspondence, briefing notes, minutes and notes from any meetings held, from or mentioning Michael Russell, between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI

-If this costs too much, narrow it down to November 1 2023.

#### **202300391381 cost limit applied to Q2 and Q4**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1, All internal correspondence from within the Scottish Government about the alleged SNP sex scandal detailed here: <https://www.scottishdailyexpress.co.uk/news/politics/two-snp-politicians-seedy-extramarital-31546577>

-Can this include responses to any media inquiries as well?

2. Any correspondence between special advisers, senior civil servants within either the constitution or legal directorate, and ministers within the Scottish Government and SNP party officials around the court of session defeat for gender reforms. This should cover the calendar year of 2023 and exclude MSPs.

3. Any correspondence between special advisers, senior civil servants within either the constitution or legal directorate, and ministers within the Scottish Government and SNP party officials around the court of session defeat over James Hamilton's FOI request. This should cover the calendar year of 2023 and exclude MSPs.

<https://www.heraldscotland.com/news/24000165.judges-deliver-scathing-ruling-sturgeon-foi-battle/>

4. All internal correspondence in the Scottish Government which mentions Kate Forbes, between April 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

#### **202400391851 cost exemption applied to Q1 and Q4**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much money has been spent by the Scottish Government on public speaking lessons or a public speaking mentor in 2021, 2022 and 2023?

-Could you supply who the public speaking lessons were for, and a breakdown of these costs?

2. All discussions, briefings, correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internal and notes about plans for a £2m artwork fund, as promised in the 2021 SNP manifesto, from between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

-How much money has been dedicated to this fund and if no money has been set aside for it why? And when will money be set aside for it?

3. All discussions, briefings, correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internal and notes, about Labour's plans for a public energy company, as announced here: <https://www.scotsman.com/news/politics/labour-to-base-publicly-owned-energy-company-in-scotland-as-starmer-launches-green-vision-in-edinburgh-4187326> -From June 1 2023 to the date of this FOI.

4. All discussions, briefings, correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internal and notes, about Scottish Government plans for a four day week, from between August 2023 and the date of this FOI.

-Is the government aware of any of its umbrella organisations adopting a four day week? If so, could you name these and details of them, including whether it is a pilot and whether salary remains the same?

5. All discussions, briefings, correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internal and notes, about slavery-linked statues in Edinburgh and Glasgow, between January 2023 and the date of this FOI?

#### **202400393501 cost exemption applied to Q1 and Q4**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internally, briefings written, notes and minutes held by the government about Humza Yousaf's speech at Glasgow University on January 8, including how it was organised and feedback afterwards? Between October 2023 and date of this FOI

2. How much did this event cost and breakdown of these costs?

3. What parts of his speech were deleted when it was published on the Scot Gov website and the reasons for deleting the specific lines?

4. Could you supply all drafts of his speech and notes written on it by SpAds and civil servants?

5. Who was involved in writing the speech?

6. How much money has the Scottish Government given to the Arbroath Islamic Community centre and all correspondence regarding Humza Yousaf helping to open it in January?

#### **202400396760 cost exemption applied to Q1 and Q4**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Can you supply all emails and correspondence received or sent by the Scottish Government which mentions Nadia El-Nakla, between October 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

2. All correspondence sent and received, including internal, briefings and notes prepared for and about Humza Yousaf's meeting with Zhang Biao in January, from between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

-Include all correspondence about setting up the meetings, and analysis of the meeting.

3. All correspondence between Humza Yousaf, the Scottish Government and the UK Government, which is about his meeting with President Erdogan at Cop28, dated between October 15 2023 and the date of this FOI.

4. All discussions, notes, and briefings written by the Scottish Government about Humza Yousaf's meeting with Erdogan, including responses for news articles, dated between October 15 2023 and the date of this FOI.

5. All correspondence, minutes, notes, briefings and internal correspondence, received, sent and written by the Scottish Government about funding the UNRWA, from between October 15 2023 and the date of this FOI.

#### **202400402848 cost exemption applied to Q1**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All briefings, analysis, notes, minutes from meetings and all correspondence sent and received, including internally, about Scottish Government plans to replace the Erasmus programme, from between September 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

2. Could you supply any cost/benefit analysis done about replacing Erasmus, as well as any analysis about how much it could cost?

3. All briefings, analysis, notes, minutes from meetings and all correspondence sent and received, including internally, about plans to introduce a stadium tax, as shown here: <https://www.thescottishsun.co.uk/news/11722265/taylor-swift-stadium-tax-murrayfield-gigs-windfall-music-scene/> From between November 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

4. How many staff members run the/have access to the official First Minister X account?

5. How many Scottish Government staff work in Edinburgh as a percentage of those overall employed by the government? Include the number as well?

fuel payment, will those on pension credit still be able to receive it this year? If not, why?

#### **202400408644 cost exemption applied to Q3**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. All correspondence between Rangers and Humza Yousaf, or mentioning Rangers and Humza Yousaf, from between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

2. All correspondence between Rangers and Humza Yousaf, or mentioning Celtic and Humza Yousaf, from between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

3. All correspondence, including internally, sent and received by the Scottish Government, all minutes from meetings, all briefings written, about the plans for Not for EU labelling on products, from between December 1 2023 and the date of this FOI.

[-https://www.scottishdailyexpress.co.uk/news/politics/eu-loving-snp-complain-not-31873531](https://www.scottishdailyexpress.co.uk/news/politics/eu-loving-snp-complain-not-31873531)



### **202400409208 cost exemption applied to Q3**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. How much has it cost to run the Scottish Government's fleet of ministerial cars in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024? Can you supply a breakdown of these costs.
2. Could you supply a full list of what cars are included in this fleet in each of those years above?
3. All correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, all briefings, notes/minutes from meetings and analysis conducted about handing business rates relief to hospitality, leisure and retail premises, between December 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

### **202400409478 cost exemption applied to Q1**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government and/or Angus Robertson, including internally, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings which mentions or is from Edinburgh Film House, between August 2023 and the date of this FOI?
2. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government and/or Angus Robertson, including internally, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings, about the Tartan Week UK Government reception in New York, from between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?
3. Was Angus Robertson invited to the Tartan Week UK Government reception in New York, and if so, why did he not attend?

### **202400409594 cost exemption applied to Q2**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation

1. Could you supply all correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internally, notes and minutes from meetings, and briefings written about the Scottish National Investment Bank and its lack of advisory board and its profit and losses, from between October 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?
2. Could you supply all correspondence received and sent by the Scottish Government, including internally, notes and minutes from meetings, and briefings written about the Scottish National Investment Bank, about any alleged cases of conflict of interest in relation to Bank employees?
3. How many meetings has the government had with the bank to discuss any alleged cases of conflict of interest in relation to bank employees being involved in investments in external companies, and could you supply minutes from these meetings?

#### **202400413604 cost exemption applied to Q1**

1. Could you supply all briefings prepared for ministers, all analysis undertaken and all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, about homelessness in the last three months? Can this include any minutes/notes from meetings about this topic in the same timeframe?
2. How many Scots are currently deemed economically inactive in the latest stats received by the Scottish Government, as a number and percentage of the workforce, and all briefings written in the last three months about this issue?
3. Could you supply all correspondence between the Scottish Government and National Records of Scotland, including internal correspondence, about the homelessness death stats from November 2023, between September 1 2023 and December 15 2023?
4. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, briefings, minutes/notes from meetings, about or from the President of Iceland's visit to Scotland on April 16, from between February 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

#### **202400414173 cost exemption applied to Q4**

1. Could you supply all analysis undertaken by the Scottish Government this year, along with any briefings or correspondence, about how much it would cost to set up a new defence force, as well as a new security agency in the event of independence
2. Could you supply all analysis undertaken by the Scottish Government this year, along with any briefings or correspondence, about a timescale for removal of nuclear weapons from the Clyde
3. How many civil servants are currently involved in the constitutional futures division and what is the full salary costs for the division?
4. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government mentioning or with NATO, including internally, from the past six months?
5. Has the London School of Economics been utilised as research for any of the independence papers and could you supply what exactly has been studied?
6. Could you supply who helped to write Humza Yousaf's speech at LSE on March 12, all drafts of it, including corrections made, and can you provide evidence to prove his point when he said that "Scotland, of course, member of the European Union for many decades - we comply with the Acquis Communautaire" <https://twitter.com/staylorish/status/1768007042051010915>

#### **202400414539 cost exemption applied to Q1**

1. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, all briefings held, all minutes/notes from meetings, surrounding the planned major economic speeches outlined by the Scottish Government on January 6 which Humza Yousaf was going to do, between April 1 and the date of this FOI? -What is the current plan for these speeches?

2. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, all briefings held, all minutes/notes from meetings, about John Swinney's speech at Barclays bank on 17 May, between May 1 and the date of this FOI?

3. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, all briefings held, all minutes/notes from meetings, about the decision to pause the medium term financial strategy being paused?

4. In media interviews, John Swinney suggested that Scotland will be independent in five years and said: "The cost of living crisis today is a product of sky-high inflation inflicted on us by the mismanagement of the economy by a UK Tory government."

#### **202400415375 cost exemption applied to Q4**

1. Could you supply all correspondence held, including internally, briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about the retirements of DCCs Fiona Taylor and Malcolm Graham? Between December 1 2023 and the date of this FOI?

2. Could you supply all correspondence held, including internally, briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about war memorials being damaged, between September 1 2023, and the date of this FOI?

3. Could you supply all correspondence held, including internally, briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings about drug consumption rooms, from the last three months?

4. Could you supply all correspondence held, including internally, briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings about juryless rape trials, from the last three months?

#### **202400415749 cost exemption applied to Q3**

1. How much money has the Scottish Government lost over Euro Fund irregularities? Could you break this down by year and why the money was lost? -As shown here:  
<https://www.heraldscotland.com/news/23947210.scotgov-loses-50m-public-moneyeuro-fund-irregularities/>

2. How much is the Scottish Government set to spend on wage rises for civil servants working within the government this financial year, with a breakdown of costs? -Could you also supply how much the government spent on wage rises for civil servants in the last five years, with a breakdown?

3. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the Scottish Government, including internally, from councils about funding issues and pleas, from the last three months? - Could you also supply any analysis and briefings written about this topic in the same time frame?

4. . Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the government, including internally, all briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about the search for a new VisitScotland Chief executive, between January 1 2024 and date of this FOI?

5. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the government, including internally, all briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about VisitScotland axing all visitor centres, from the last six months?

6. Could you supply all correspondence sent and received by the government, including internally, all briefings, analysis and minutes/notes from meetings, about Visitscotland scrapping its quality assurance scheme -  
<https://www.pressandjournal.co.uk/fp/lifestyle/6429101/visitscotland-scrap-quality-assurance-scheme/>

### **202400416039 cost exemption applied to Q2 and Q3**

1. Out of the £900k announced to tackle violence in schools, how much of it has been spent so far, and could you provide a breakdown of what this was spent on? -  
<https://news.stv.tv/scotland/funding-to-tackle-scottish-classroom-violence-amounts-to-360-perschool-eis-says>

2. Could you provide all internal correspondence, analysis undertaken, briefings written about and minutes/notes from meetings about Scotland's Pisa scores, between December 1 2023 and February 1 2024. -<https://www.gov.scot/news/programme-for-international-student-assessment-pisa-2022-highlightsfrom-scotlands-results/>

3. Out of the £145m announced to hand to councils to secure teacher numbers, how much of it has been spent so far, and could you provide a breakdown of what this was spent on? -Could you also supply all correspondence surrounding this between March 1 2024 and the date of this FOI? -<https://www.gov.scot/news/protecting-teacher-numbers-and-schoolhours/#:~:text=The%20Scottish%20Government%20is%20providing,additional%20teachers%20and%20s%20support%20staff.>

4. Could you provide all correspondence sent to and from the Scottish Government, including internally, all analysis undertaken, briefings written about and minutes/notes from meetings about the creation of national digital academy from the last three months?

5. Has the Scottish Government collected compulsory Flexible Workforce Development Fund contributions from Scottish colleges in the last two years, and if so, could you supply a breakdown of how much has been taken in and from which college and what this money has now been spent on?

6. Could you supply all internal correspondence, briefings and analysis, minutes and notes from meetings, about cutting university places for Scottish students, and also correspondence with the government's commissioner for fair access, between January 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

### **202400416687 cost exemption applied to Q3**

1. How much has the Scottish Government spent on the pardoning witches bill and a breakdown of these costs?

2. How many applications have been made for XL Bully exemptions, how many are estimated to be in Scotland and how many have been [put] down since the safeguards were brought in?

3. Could you supply all analysis undertaken on the creation of new rent controls, plus briefings and correspondence sent and received by the government about them, between February 1 2024 and the date of this FOI?

4. Could you supply all analysis done on XL Bullies from this year?

5. Were Scottish Government officials involved in the working group to define XL Bullies? If not, why?

6. How many meetings did Siobhian Brown request with the UK Government over XL Bullies, and how many did she attend in the last 12 months? -Could you supply minutes/notes from these meetings?

### **202400418004 cost exemption applied to Q3**

1. Can you supply all emails and correspondence received or sent by the Scottish Government which mentions Nadia El-Nakla, between February 1 2024 and May 10 2024?

2. Can you supply all emails and correspondence received or sent by the Scottish Government which mentions Turkish President Erdogan, dated between February 1 2024 and the date of this FOI. -Can this include briefings and minutes/notes from meetings?

3. All correspondence, minutes, notes, briefings and internal correspondence, received, sent and written by the Scottish Government about funding the UNRWA, from between February 1 2024 and the date of this FOI.

### **202400418250 cost exemption applied to Q3**

I'd like to request information through FOI legislation.

1. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received, internal correspondence, analysis, briefings and minutes/notes, about splitting the job of Scotland's Lord Advocate into two, from the last three months?

2. How much money has the Scottish Government spent on external legal advice in the last 12 months, with a breakdown of how much has been spent on what?

3. How many lawyers/advocates have said yes or agreed to take part in the juryless rape trials pilot and can you supply all discussion and analysis undertaken by or for the Scottish Government about what happens if they all say no?

4. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received, internal correspondence, analysis, briefings and minutes/notes, about Operation Newbiggin as written about here, from the last six months?

[-https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-scotland-politics-68570230](https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-scotland-politics-68570230)

-Did the government take legal advice over this?

**202400420749 cost exemption applied to Qa**

(a) “all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received, including internally, analysis, minutes and notes from meetings, policy documents, about the infected blood scandal, from the last three months”, and

(b) “the climate compatibility document/test mentioned repeatedly by Scottish Government ministers or could you supply exactly what this is, and any documentation surrounding it?”.

**202400421265 cost exemption applied to Q2 and Q32**

1. On Humza Yousaf's appearance in front of committee chairs on March 27, he vowed to look into the leak of Mike Russell winning the role of chairman of the Scottish Land Commission -He said: "I will absolutely examine and explore this issue, we mean no disrespect whatsoever to the parliament." <https://www.scottishdailyexpress.co.uk/news/politics/humza-yousaf-vows-look-michael-32454930> -Could you supply all documentation you surrounding this claim, and whether it was looked into, and the final results of the investigation?

2. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received, policy plans, minutes/notes from meetings, or briefings, which mention or are correspondence to or from Nicola Sturgeon, from the past three months?

3. Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government, including correspondence sent and received, policy plans, minutes/notes from meetings, or briefings, which are about the General Election, from the last two months?

**202400421885 cost exemption applied to Q1**

1. Could you supply all documentation the Scottish Government holds on Anne's Law and its implementation, including policy notes, correspondence, briefings, minutes and notes from meetings, and also include risk registers and what has been so far to implement it? From the last six months

2. How much has the Scottish Government spent/given out grants on cycle lanes in the past five years, with a breakdown by each year and each project?

3. Could you supply all discussions the Scottish has held with the EU over a youth mobility scheme? From last year.

4. Could you supply all the instances the ministerial car has been used by John Swinney over the last six weeks and all discussions around him using it, including all documentations held?

**202400423796 cost exemption applied to Q1b**

1)(a) Could you supply all analysis undertaken by or for the Scottish Government about funding for the UNRWA, including details of any probe into past funding, and (b) any correspondence mentioning the charity, from the last three months?

(2) Could you supply all documentation held by the Scottish Government mentioning or from the US Consul General in Edinburgh, including minutes/notes from meetings, correspondence and briefings, from the last three months?

(3) Could you provide the full costs to the Scottish Government of holding the independence Day celebration on June 27 in Leith Distillery, with full breakdown of these costs?"

**Attachment B 202400436151**

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