

## Statement under Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Under the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 the Commission has, along with other public bodies in Scotland, a duty to publish annual public statements relating to our expenditure in the following areas:

- Public relations
- Overseas travel
- Hospitality and entertainment
- External consultancy

This statement covers the financial year 2019-20.

### Public relations

	£
Publications	6,202
Video and animations	5,786
Website	3,702
Media monitoring	6,120
Interpretation	1,181
Photography	443
Advertising	44
<b>Total public relations</b>	<b>23,477</b>

## Hospitality and entertainment

	£	£
<b>Visitor and participant expenses</b>		<b>4,395</b>
Scotland's National Action Plan meetings & events	1,318	
Reference Group of Rights Holders meetings	1,363	
Human Rights Budgeting event	784	
High Level National Performance Framework meeting	400	
National Taskforce launch event	227	
ICERD participation event	50	
Economic, Cultural and Social Rights Steering Group meetings	76	
Other events and meetings	177	
<b>Catering</b>		<b>3,016</b>
Scotland's National Action Plan meetings & events	770	
Reference Group of Rights Holders meetings	344	
Human Rights Budgeting event	48	
High Level National Performance Framework meeting	780	
ICERD participation event	96	

## **Catering (cont.)**

Economic, Cultural and Social Rights Steering Group meetings	16
Historic Abuse Interaction Group	81
Strategic Priorities Roundtable events	192
Other participation and events	143
Commission and other meetings	546

**Room and venue hire** **5,309**

**Total hospitality and entertainment** **12,720**

## **Overseas travel**

£

### **Europe**

Flights	2,934
Accommodation	1,522
Airport transfers	281
Train	90
Taxis	59
Subsistence	273
<b>Total overseas travel</b>	<b>5,159</b>

Note: no overseas travel was undertaken outwith Europe

## External consultancy

	£
Scotland's National Action Plan 2 facilitation	5,523
Strategic Plan stakeholder engagement	7,735
Resources review support	6,671
Human Rights Budgeting dissemination	831
EHRC joint intervention exploration	2,484
Research – PhD contribution	2,454
<b>Total external consultancy</b>	<b>25,698</b>

## Other information

**Individual payments with a value in excess of £25,000:** nil

**Multiple payments with a cumulative total in excess of £25,000**  
(individual payments not exceeding £25,000):

Faculty Services Limited – Legal counsel fees re intervention £32,700

**Members or employees who received remuneration in excess of £150,000:** nil

**In taking steps to improve the efficiency, effectiveness and economy in the exercise of our functions, the Commission:**

- Occupies a shared building with SPSO and CYPSCS, works with them to realise savings on property and facilities costs.
- Uses a shared services platform for IT.
- Explores other shared services opportunities as they arise.
- Has reviewed contracts for specialist Health & Safety advice and payroll services to identify savings.
- Uses video conference and other technologies as appropriate to reduce our travel costs and environmental impact.

As Scotland's National Human Rights Institution it is inherent in the mandate of the Commission to take part in the international human rights system which can involve some international travel. Careful consideration is given to all overseas travel by the Chair of the Commission.

## **Sustainability**

The Commission's Sustainability Report is available on our website at the following link <https://www.scottishhumanrights.com/publications/>.