

**Local Government and Regeneration Committee  
Scrutiny of Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2014/15**

FOLLOW UP SUBMISSION LETTER FROM MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL

16 October 2013

Dear Sirs

**RESPONSE TO CALL FOR EVIDENCE BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND  
REGENERATION COMMITTEE**

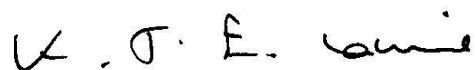
**SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT'S DRAFT BUDGET 2014/15**

At yesterday's session, attended by myself and Gary Fairley, we were asked to provide the clerk with information on staffing reductions over the period of the 2011 spending review.

Based on the information collected by COSLA in the joint staffing watch, our full time equivalent staffing reduced from 3,624 in April 2011 to 3,485 at September 2013.

I trust the above information is of assistance. Please don't hesitate to contact me should you require anything further.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. J. E. Lawrie'.

Kenneth Lawrie  
Chief Executive