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Kenneth Gibson MSP
Convener
Finance and Public
Administration Committee

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By email

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Dear Kenneth

At the SPCB's evidence session to the Committee on 16 January 2024 in relation to its budget for 2024-25 we offered to provide a more detailed breakdown on other project expenditure amounting to £415,000. This amount was included in Schedule 3 of our submission in the Grouped Programmes schedule. A table of the breakdown is set out below.

Area	Amount (£k)	Description
Sustainable Development Projects	127	Covers embedding sustainable development and climate change thinking across the Organisation (£32k) and a secondment to support Convenors Group strategy on improving scrutiny across committees on climate change (£95k).
Members Personal Security	55	Members personal security & online monitoring service.
Allowances temporary staffing	73.5	To support transition during review of the Allowances office and ensure existing services are maintained until review concludes. Work expected to conclude by December 2024.
Lobbying register support	63	Supports the review of existing legislation on regulated lobbying and the impact and implementation of the Lobbying Register and initial work to scope changes required to the systems that support the register.
Security vetting system	96.5	This is the Parliaments contribution to the redevelopment of the Security vetting system that we use jointly with other public sector organisations.
Total	415	

I hope this sufficiently addresses the question raised in the Committee session.

Kind regards

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cc: David McGill, Clerk/Chief Executive