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Dear Requester

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: 2022-671524

We acknowledge your request for the following information:

I am requesting the following information, via email:

-The number of structural repairs made to the Scottish Parliament building from 2016 to 2022.

-The scope of any repairs made to the Parliament building from 2016-22.

-The total cost of repairs made to the Parliament building from 2016-22.

-What current plans are there for future structural repairs to the Scottish Parliament building over the next five years.

-What assessments have been made, and are currently being made on the condition of the roof of the Scottish Parliament.

Your request was received on 8 February 2022 and has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

In response to the first part of your request, we would interpret structural repairs as repair or replacement to load bearing components such as roofs, foundations, floor slabs, external walls and support columns. Under this definition, we have had no individually identifiable structural repairs within the period of the request.

For the second and third parts of the request we do not hold information in a

format which allows us to identify the cost of repairs made to the parliament building.

Instead, to assist you, we have attached a spreadsheet showing the costs of maintenance (both planned and reactive) broken down by financial year for each of the years 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21 and to period 10 (April to January) of 2021/22. The cost of repairs will largely be captured within these wider maintenance budgets. For information, a number of contractors carry out what may be classed as 'repairs' to the building. These include:

- Mitie Technical Facilities Management Ltd
- TRAC International Ltd

In relation to the fourth part of your request we do not hold information in a format that would enable us to provide a breakdown of repairs that are planned in the future. The annual building maintenance budget is split across a range of specialist contracts. Future breakdowns and their repair are not known in advance and therefore cannot be specified or listed, however, there is an annual reactive budget against most maintenance contracts to allow for these unplanned events to be addressed as and when they happen. You can access information about estimated expenditure for maintenance costs in the Contracts Register which is publicly available on the Parliament website at the following link: [Scottish Parliament contracts register \(50KB Excel spreadsheet\)](#)

With regard to the fifth part of your request for assessments on the condition of the Parliament roof the on-site contractor carries out regular planned preventative inspections of the roofs and gutters. Any resulting tasks identified are then programmed for a reactive repair. In the current year 2021/22 our contractor carried out a full survey of Queensberry House roof as part of our routine inspection programme.

Finally, in terms of the technical requirements under FOI(S)A we have attached a not held notice in respect of parts 2, 3 and 4 of your request, advising that this information is not held by the Scottish Parliament.

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We are currently working remotely and so would ask you to contact us by email at foi.officer@parliament.scot

Yours sincerely,

Robin Davidson
Head of Information Governance

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