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Dear Requester,

# **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: 2022-682591**

We acknowledge your request for the following information:

I would like to know how much the Scottish Parliament has spent on cleaning the windows of the Scottish Parliament building for the last financial year (2021-22) and how much it has spent so far this financial year (2022-23).

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

The information you requested is not held by the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body this is because we do not hold information in a format which allows us to identify the costs of cleaning windows. Cleaning services at the Scottish Parliament are carried out by both Mitie Cleaning & Environmental Services Ltd and Trac International Ltd. Payments made under both contracts do not distinguish window cleaning from other cleaning services undertaken by Mitie or as part of the work regularly done by Trac.

In line with the technical requirements of FOI(S)A we have provided a notice advising that the information you have requested is not held by the Scottish Parliament.

Information about suppliers for each business area within the SPCB, including the provision of cleaning services is publicly available in the Contracts Register on the Scottish Parliament website and can be accessed here: <a href="https://www.parliament.scot/about/how-parliament-works/supplying-to-the-parliament/supplier-resources/contracts-register">https://www.parliament.scot/about/how-parliament-works/supplying-to-the-parliament/supplier-resources/contracts-register</a>

A similar request for information was received earlier this year and published to our FOI Disclosure Log which can be found here: FOI Request | Scottish Parliament Website

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Please find below Annex A, which explains how we handle FOI requests and reviews.

We are currently working remotely and so would ask you to contact us by email at <a href="mailto:foi.officer@parliament.scot">foi.officer@parliament.scot</a>

Yours sincerely,

Cara Dickson
Information Compliance Officer

# REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

# How we handle FOI requests

Information on how we handle FOI requests is available on the Parliament's website at:

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https://www.parliament.scot/contact-us

#### Review

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which we have dealt with your request for information, you can ask us to review our decision and actions. You must do this in writing (or other permanent form) within 40 working days of the date of this letter, stating the reasons for your dissatisfaction, and we will respond within 20 working days of receipt. A request for a review should be made to the Head of Information Governance:

Post: Head of Information Governance

The Scottish Parliament

Edinburgh EH99 1SP

Telephone: 0131 348 5281

We welcome calls using the Text Relay service or in British Sign Language through contactSCOTLAND-BSL.

E-mail: foi.officer@parliament.scot

## **Application to the Scottish Information Commissioner**

If, on the outcome of any review, you are still dissatisfied, or if we are unable to resolve any other complaint, then you can contact the Scottish Information Commissioner:

Post: The Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner

Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road

St Andrews

Fife

**KY16 9DS** 

Email: www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

Telephone: 01334 464610

Fax: 01334 464611

Website: <u>www.itspublicknowledge.info</u>

A decision by the Scottish Information Commissioner may be appealed on a point of law to the Court of Session.

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Scottish Parliament Website

# **Complaints**

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which we dealt with your enquiry, then you may wish to raise the matter with Public Information and Resources.

### How to contact us

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