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Dear Ms Kent

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## Freedom of Information Act 2000: Public Spending

Thank you for your enquiry of 15 April 2019, which we have considered under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOI Act).

You asked for the following information:

"Can you please disclose parliamentary spending from 2016 up to the present day as I feel that the tax payers money is not being used wisely.

The figures I wish to obtain relate solely to individual MP's payments as news is quickly circulating that the PM has paid some MP 's millions of pounds in order to back her Brexit deal.

I feel that treasury finances should be held more accountable and all figures should be put in the public domain as after all this is our money."

I can confirm that HM Treasury does not hold information within the scope of your request.

HM Treasury publishes spending plans through the Main and Supplementary estimates process. The latest publication can be accessed online using the link below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/supplementary-estimates-2018-19>.

However, this does not include detail on payments to individual MPs. The Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority (IPSA) sets and regulates MPs' salaries, pensions, business costs and expenses, and may be better placed to respond to your query.

To be helpful, here is a link to IPSA's website:

<http://www.theipsa.org.uk/publications/freedom-of-information/>

You could also look at the Annual Report and Accounts for the House of Commons or IPSA, which are also published online.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact us. Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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