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Via email: request-400865-f4d07f70@whatdotheyknow.com

16th May 2017

Dear S Craig,

Freedom of Information request – RFI20170555

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act ('the Act') 12th April 2017 seeking:

How much did the BBC spend (in total and broken down by meeting) on internal catering, hospitality and refreshment in 2016/17 for

- News Group meetings
- Executive Board/Team and sub committee meetings

The BBC holds the following information in relation to spending on internal hospitality for the News Group meetings for 2016/17:

Date of News Group Board's Meeting	Spend on internal hospitality
20/04/2016	£11.00
18/05/2016	£11.00
08/06/2016	£11.00
14/09/2016	£11.00
11/10/2016	£11.00
21/11/2016	£0.00
25/01/2017	£11.00
01/02/2017	£45.00
Total	£111.00

The BBC holds the following information in relation to spending on internal hospitality for the Executive Board/Team and subcommittee meetings for 2016/17:

Date of Exec Board's Meeting	Meeting Title	Amount
12/04/2016	Executive Team	£ 26.50
24/05/2016	Executive Board	£ 213.20
24/05/2016	Executive Fair Trading Committee	£ 30.00
24/05/2016	Executive Remuneration Committee	£ 30.00
14/06/2016	Executive Board	£ 235.60
28/06/2016	Executive Team	£ 26.50
13/07/2016	Executive Board	£ 223.80
20/09/2016	Executive Audit Cttee	£ 51.30
20/09/2016	Executive Board	£ 232.05
04/10/2016	Executive Committee	£ 214.50
18/10/2016	Executive Board	£ 257.45
18/10/2016	Executive Fair Trading Committee	£ 15.90
15/11/2016	Executive Committee	£ 51.30
22/11/2016	Executive Board	£ 234.00
22/11/2016	Executive Remuneration Committee	£ 51.30
29/11/2016	Executive Committee	£ 51.30
07/12/2016	Executive Committee	£ 15.90
13/12/2016	Executive Audit Cttee	£ 67.20
13/12/2016	Executive Board	£ 291.00
17/01/2017	Executive Committee	£ 255.85
24/01/2017	Executive Board	£ 51.30
21/02/2017	Executive Board	£ 206.10
07/03/2017	Executive Committee	£ 256.80
22/03/2017	Executive Audit	£ 77.80

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22/03/2017	Executive Board	£ 210.25
22/03/2017	Executive Fair Trading Committee	£ 42.40
22/03/2017	Executive Remuneration Committee	£ 21.20
26/04/2017	Executive Board	£ 109.80
	Total	£ 3,689.20

Meetings of the Executive Board take place monthly and are often all day activities, with Board meetings followed directly by committee meetings. A wide ranging number of people attend the Board with different numbers each month. On these extended sessions, some reasonable hospitality is made available within the BBC guidelines.

If you are planning to publish or broadcast a story using the information provided in this response please include the following statement from the BBC.

A BBC spokesman said:

“These are substantive sessions, often with other meetings scheduled alongside, so can involve up to 20 members of staff and when that is the case some limited hospitality is made available as per BBC guidelines.”

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Yours sincerely,

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