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Dear Mr. Wells,

## **Freedom of Information Act 2000: Factual Paper on the Barnett Formula**

Thank you for your request dated 15 January 2009 in which you asked:

*"how much in total was the cost of the factual paper on the Barnett Formula?"*

I confirm that the Treasury does not hold information matching the description of your request.

The paper has not been published, so costs are still ongoing and no total is available. Even when the work is complete, our systems will not capture all the costs of the work. On completion, we will be able to identify publication costs however the costs of producing the factual paper will be absorbed within the general budget for the work in the Treasury.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact us. It would be helpful to us if you remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

**Melanie Scoulding**  
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On behalf of HM Treasury



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