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— Dear Mr Cross

Freedom of Information request - RFI 1231

Thank you for your request for a list of joint committees as defined under section 102 of the Local Government Act (LGA) 1972.

The Commission holds some of the information you request, but not all. Section 102 of the LGA 1972 defines joint committees as made up of 'two or more local authorities'. The Commission holds a list of joint committees that are audited as defined under Schedule 2 of the Audit Commission Act 1998 (www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts1998/ukpga_19980018_en_7#sch2). The list the Commission holds contains the names of joint committees whose income or expenditure is more than £1 million:

Adur and Worthing Joint Committee
Anglia Revenues and Benefits Partnership Joint Committee
Bramcote Crematorium Joint Committee
Central Durham Crematorium Joint Committee
Chilterns Crematorium Joint Committee
Chorley and South Ribble Shared Services Joint Committee
CNC Building Control Partnership Joint Committee
Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service Joint Committee
Devon Building Control Partnership Joint Committee
Eastern Sea Fisheries Joint Committee
Eltham Crematorium Joint Committee
Lincs Building Consultancy Joint Committee
National Parking Adjudication Service Joint Committee
Portchester Crematorium Joint Committee
Shropshire Waste Partnership Joint Committee
Somerset Waste Partnership Joint Committee
South Downs Joint Committee
South Worcestershire Shared Services Partnership Joint Committee
Staffordshire E-Government Partnership Joint Committee

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Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee
Tyne and Wear Archives And Museums Joint Committee
West Hertfordshire Crematoria Joint Committee
West Mercia Supplies Joint Committee
Woodhorn Joint Committee

A list of joint committees whose expenditure is £1 million or less is not held by the Commission. To obtain this information, you will need to approach each of the individual appointed auditors for the 10,000 small bodies that the Commission appoints auditors to. Their contact details can be found on our website at the following location: www.audit-commission.gov.uk/aboutus/contactus/pages/ourauditors.aspx

If you are not satisfied with the response you have received you have the right to complain. I enclose a copy of the Audit Commission's Access to Information Complaint and Appeal Procedure.

Yours sincerely,

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