

# THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

## REFUSAL NOTICE

**Request Number: 2019-628513**

**Date: 25 June 2019**

This refusal notice is provided in accordance with section 16 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 ("the Act").

You have requested certain information which we are not providing to you as it is otherwise accessible. The accompanying letter describes where the information you seek is available.

Section 16 of the Act requires us to complete a refusal notice when we are not providing information which is otherwise accessible. The details we are required to include in this refusal notice are set out below.

<b>Information which is the subject of the request</b>	2. The direct costs for providing a catering service for the Scottish Parliament.
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<b>Information which is otherwise accessible</b>	Information about the cost of providing a catering service for the Scottish Parliament.
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<b>Exemption(s)</b>	Section 25 - Information otherwise accessible
<b>Why exemption(s) applies</b>	Information about the cost of providing a catering service for the Scottish Parliament is publicly available on the Scottish Parliament website and can be accessed using the following link: <a href="https://www.parliament.scot/abouttheparliament/67629.aspx">https://www.parliament.scot/abouttheparliament/67629.aspx</a>
<b>Public interest (where relevant)</b>	As section 25 is an absolute exemption we do not require to consider the public interest test.