

Public Service Reform Reporting for 2011-12

The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 requires NRS to publish information on our expenditure on the following areas:

- Public relations
- External consultancy
- Hospitality and entertainment
- Overseas travel
- Staff remuneration in excess of £150,000
- Payments of more than £25,000

2011-12 Statement of Expenditure

(see notes below)

	<u>£s</u>
Public relations	0
Overseas travel	4,050
Hospitality and entertainment	9,083
External consultancy	29,308
Number of individuals who received remuneration in excess of £150,000	0
Payments of more than £25,000	14,928,896

Notes:

Expenditure on 'Public relations' would include:

- Promotional Material (e.g. Leaflets, Posters, Photography, Annual Reports)
- External Events (e.g. Exhibitions and other promotional events)
- Media Work (e.g. Communications Team, Press Articles & Enquiries)
- Website

Expenditure on 'Overseas travel' would include:

Any costs incurred from sending NRS employees out with the UK to attend business related activities.

Expenditure on 'Hospitality and entertainment' would include:

Any costs incurred holding conferences and providing teas and coffees for external visitors directly related to business activities.

Expenditure on for 'External consultancy' would include:

Advice sought to support management in the delivery or design of a project or service. Such expenditure excludes any outsourced costs for buying service delivery.

Payments of more than £25,000

Payments include all individual payment transactions, including payments for goods and services, grants or grant-in-aid to third parties and transactions with government departments or other public bodies. It does not however include information relating to remuneration or other payments made to an individual in relation to their service as a member or employee of a public body (including office-holders and company directors or secretaries), such as salary, bonuses, allowances, fees, pension, voluntary severance, compromise agreements or redundancy payments. A full list of individual transactions in excess of £25,000 over the financial year is available [here](#).

In addition, the Act requires us to publish a statement of the steps that we have taken during that financial year:

i) to promote and increase sustainable economic growth:

A report on the achievement of NRS's policies and achievements in respect of sustainable development and the environment has been published within our [Annual Report](#) (see page 9)

ii) to improve efficiency, effectiveness and economy:

A report summarising some of the measures taken to improve the efficiency and effectiveness within NRS can be accessed through this [link](#).