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Information requested:

Please may you provide me with:

- The total amount spent in the last five financial years on public relations, both in-house and externally (split if possible).
- The total number of public relations officers or communications officers employed by your organisation over the last five years. (I am looking for the number of posts rather than the number of individuals employed to eliminate discrepancies involving staff turnover.)

Please provide the information in the form of an Excel spreadsheet if at all possible.

Response:

We have enclosed a spreadsheet with the information requested.

The amount spent externally on public relations for 2019/20 – 2021/22 is available from our website and is therefore exempt from disclosure under FOISA section 25 – Information otherwise accessible.

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This information is no longer available on our website, however these documents are available upon request.

Information on Public Relations spend can be found within the [Exercise of Public Functions](#) page of our website.