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Dear Requester,

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: 2023-694360

We acknowledge your request for a weekly breakdown of the 4G/5G data usage for parliament devices (mobile phone, iPads etc) owned by named MSPs between 19 December 2022 and 30 October 2023.

We wrote to you on 30 November 2023 to seek clarification of your request. Our letter advised that we do not hold information about data usage for devices owned by MSPs. We explained that we hold information about data usage for devices used by Members which are owned by the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body (SPCB). We also advised that we do not hold information in a format that would enable us to provide a weekly breakdown of data usage for the Members referred to and that we can provide this information on a monthly basis.

You responded on 30 November 2023 confirming that you are seeking this information for parliamentary devices and that you are content for this information to be provided on a monthly basis.

Your request has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

Please find attached a spreadsheet listing a monthly breakdown of data usage for each of the parliamentary devices used by the Members referred to in the request.

These data volume figures for the 39 MSPs requested reflect devices used by Members in carrying out their parliamentary duties.

All of the data figures shown were within roaming bundle limits, therefore, no additional charges arose to the public purse or to Members personally.

In keeping with our FOI procedures, this information may also be posted on the Parliament's disclosure log (usually within 24 hours). For further details on the Parliament's Disclosure Log and the information released under FOI, visit: FOI Request Disclosure Log | Scottish Parliament Website

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We would welcome feedback or comment on how we handled your request. Please feel free to contact the Head of Information Governance at foi.officer@parliament.scot

Please find below Annex A, which explains how we handle FOI requests and reviews.

We are currently working remotely and so would ask you to contact us by email at foi.officer@parliament.scot

Yours sincerely,

Robin Davidson
Head of Information Governance

REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

How we handle FOI requests

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https://www.parliament.scot/contact-us

Review

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Post: Head of Information Governance

The Scottish Parliament

Edinburgh EH99 1SP

Telephone: 0131 348 5281

We welcome calls using the Text Relay service or in British Sign Language through contactSCOTLAND-BSL.

E-mail: foi.officer@parliament.scot

Application to the Scottish Information Commissioner

If, on the outcome of any review, you are still dissatisfied, or if we are unable to resolve any other complaint, then you can contact the Scottish Information Commissioner:

Post: The Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner

Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road

St Andrews

Fife

KY16 9DS

Email: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info

Telephone: 01334 464610

Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info

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Scottish Parliament Website

Complaints

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which we dealt with your enquiry, then you may wish to raise the matter with Public Information and Resources.

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