



**Scottish  
Ambulance  
Service**

University National NHS Board



# Freedom of Information Request

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## Question

As of the date of this request, please can you tell me the total costs incurred by your organisation in relation to the Scottish Covid public inquiry. If possible, please can you provide a breakdown of these costs (such as legal, staffing or the hire of external consultants). And please can you tell how much, if any, of this expense has been reimbursed by the public inquiry as per its mechanism for some participants to claim back legal expenses incurred. Again, if possible, please provide any details you hold of how much human resource has gone into your Scottish Covid public inquiry commitments (such as the number of staffing hours taken so far or how many officials have worked on the responses).

## Answer

The Scottish Ambulance Service has had senior officers working on the Scottish Covid public inquiry along with their contracted duties. Their time spent working on the enquiry was not recorded in a way that would allow us to calculate the staffing costs. The Scottish Ambulance Service does not hold CLO costs specific to the Scottish Covid Enquiry. It is for this reason; we have applied the exemption Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Scotland Act 2002 as information not held.