

**Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010:
Duties on the Drinking Water Quality Regulator for Scotland to provide information.**

The Drinking Water Quality Regulator for Scotland is required by section 31 of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 to publish as soon as is reasonably practicable after the end of each financial year a statement of any expenditure incurred during that financial year on or in connection with the following:

- Public Relations;
- Overseas Travel;
- Hospitality and Entertainment; and
- External Consultancy

Statement of Expenditure for Financial Year 1st April 2010 to 31st March 2011.

Expenditure in financial year 2010/11 totalled **£48,472.74** broken down as follows:

Expenditure for Public Relations – total £15,242.

Includes the costs of publishing the Regulator's Annual Report to the Scottish Ministers on the quality of drinking water in Scotland as well as costs associated with, and upgrades to, the Regulator's website.

Overseas Travel – total £6,475.74.

Expenditure relates to attendance at meetings and workshops with the other UK Water Quality Regulators, the European Commission and international partners such as the World Health Organisation to promote safe drinking water for human consumption, share experience and best practice.

Hospitality and Entertainment – nil

No expenditure was incurred under this category for financial year 2010/11.

External Consultancy – total £26,755.00

The majority of the expenditure, amounting to £22,759, related to the employment of external consultants to assist with upgrades to the Regulator's electronic water quality data warehouse to increase capacity and functionality in support of his scrutiny functions under the Water Industry (Scotland) Act 2002. The balance related to the costs in securing ISO 9001 accreditation, again in respect of his scrutiny functions.

Drinking Water Quality Regulator for Scotland
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