Information released title:
Independent Review of Higher Education Funding and Student Finance (The Browne Review) - costs

Summary of information:
Breakdown of costs to BIS of The Browne Review

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Information Released:
The Browne Review

1) The initial cost estimate of the report and the final cost.

The total cost of the Independent Review of Higher Education Funding and Student Finance to BIS is estimated at £120,000.

A breakdown is provided below. This does not include the costs associated with the launch of the review’s report, estimated at £10,000.

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<th>Area of Expenditure</th>
<th>Total Amount £</th>
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<td>Panel expenses</td>
<td>2,210.82</td>
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<td>Stakeholder expenses</td>
<td>2,515.49</td>
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<td>Team travel</td>
<td>3,255.68</td>
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<td>Research</td>
<td>68,375.00</td>
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<td>Panel members’ loss of earnings</td>
<td>7,500.00</td>
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<td>Stationery</td>
<td>13.53</td>
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<td>Venue hire and hospitality</td>
<td>2,130.80</td>
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<td>Communication</td>
<td>22,940.00</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£108,941.32</strong></td>
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2) Did Lord Browne or any of the other members of the panel get paid for their work and if so, how much were they paid for their contributions to the review? I would also like to know all expenses claimed by the panel in association with the report.

Lord Browne was not paid for his work. For each of the members of the panel who received payments from government, the payments are detailed below:

- **Lord Browne**
  - £414.38 (travel expenses)

- **Julia King**
  - £305.50 (travel expenses)

- **Rajay Naik**
  - £1342.65 (travel expenses)
  - £100.41 (Expotel accommodation)
  - £47.88 (subsistence)
  - Total = £1490.94

**Total expenses payments: £2,210.82**

- **Diane Coyle**
  - £7,500 (loss of earnings)

3) Were any members of the advisory panel paid for their contributions to the review? And, if so, how much were they paid? I would also like to know all expenses claimed by the board in association with the report.

As the table in question 1 above shows, £2,515.49 was paid to stakeholders for expenses incurred during their work with the review.

4) How much did it cost to set up and run the review’s official website? [http://hereview.independent.gov.uk/hereview/](http://hereview.independent.gov.uk/hereview/)

There were no costs to government associated with the website [http://hereview.independent.gov.uk/hereview/](http://hereview.independent.gov.uk/hereview/).

5) The total cost of any administration involved in receiving all 150 submissions, 36 witness statements, proposals and calls for evidence.

The review was staffed by full-time civil servants from the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills and their salaries are not included in the accounts of the review.
6) The cost of leasing out Victoria Gardens three times a month and any other costs incurred at meetings. For example, the cost of catering, the cost of transport, the cost of communications, such as phone bills.

We do not recognise the venue name Victoria Gardens. If you can provide further clarification on this question we can provide an answer. As you can see from the above table in question 1, £2,130.80 was spent on venue hire and hospitality in total.

7) The total cost of producing the physical review, including all printing costs and publication costs.

The total costs for the production and launch of the report were around £10,000.

8) Any additional costs not outlined in previous questions but contributing to the review from its initial implementation to the final report.

The table in question 1 above provides a total breakdown of the cost to government of the review.