

250717 (178) FOI Budget and Staff

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request of 19 June 2025. We are responding to you under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 [FOISA].

FOI REQUEST (19 June 2025)

I am writing to request the following information under Freedom of Information legislation.

1. The total operational budget of South of Scotland Enterprise in the Financial Years a) 2022/23, b) 2023/24, and c) 2024/25.
2. The total headcount of South of Scotland Enterprise in the Financial Years a) 2022/23, b) 2023/24, and c) 2024/25.
3. The total FTE number of staff employed by South of Scotland Enterprise in the Financial Years a) 2022/23, b) 2023/24, and c) 2024/25.
4. The FTE number of staff in the Financial Year 2024/25 earning salaries over a) £50,000, b) £80,000 and c) £100,000.

RESPONSE

Questions 1, 2 and 3

	Total operational budget *	Total headcount (as at 31 March)	FTE number of staff *** (as at 31 March)
2022/23	£29.396m	**	137.01
2023/24	£34.026m	**	136.81
2024/25	£30.938m	145	141.93

* We have taken 'operational budget' to mean total expenditure budget.

** Information on SOSE total headcount for financial years 2022/23 and 2023/24 can be found in our Annual Report and Accounts on our website -

- o https://www.southofscotlandenterprise.com/media/rj0l10in/sose_annual_report_and_accounts_22-23.pdf
- o <https://www.southofscotlandenterprise.com/media/farcqmon/sose-annual-report-and-accounts-23-24.pdf>

Therefore, as this information is already obtainable by you, the information is exempt from disclosure under FOISA Section 25 – information otherwise obtainable.

*** Includes Modern Apprentices and fixed term staff but not Interns

Question 4

Salary	FTE number of staff
Over £50,000	92.22 (includes staff over £80k and £100k)
Over £80,000	5 (includes staff over £100k)
Over £100,000	4

You have the right to request a review of the way in which this request has been processed. Should you wish to exercise this right, you will need to contact us within 40 working days of receipt of this email.

If you remain dissatisfied on completion of the review, you have the right to appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner and thereafter to the Court of Session on a point of law only:

Scottish Information Commissioner

Kinburn Castle

Doubledykes Road

St Andrews

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KY16 9DS

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