

**Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol at Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad  
Information Further to Written Assembly Questions**

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**Gwybodaeth ychwanegol at WAQ57566 a gyhoeddwyd gan Peter Black, Comisynydd y Cynulliad, ar 13 Gorffennaf 2011**

**Information further to WAQ57566 issued by Peter Black, Assembly Commissioner, on 13 July 2011**

**At/To Darren Millar:**

I am writing to provide a further response to your Written Assembly Question to the Commission, reference WAQ57566. At the time of my initial response on 29 June, there were a number of data protection issues which prevented me from providing you with a full response. These issues have now been addressed, and the information in relation to the special advisers employed by the Commission is detailed below.

Currently, the Assembly Commission only employs one special adviser. The Finance and Corporate Governance Adviser was appointed on 1 July 2007 on a part-time basis to provide high level advice and assistance on financial-related matters for the Assembly's Finance Committee and to provide specialist advice to the Assembly Commission, Presiding Officer and the Assembly's senior management on matters relating to finance, governance and audit.

The annual costs of this role are shown below:

<b>Date (financial year)</b>	<b>Employment Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>On Costs (i.e. NI and Pension) (rounded)</b>	<b>Travel &amp; Subsistence (rounded)</b>
2007/08	£25,000	£6,000	£100
2008/09	£33,000	£9,000	£0
2009/10*	£37,000	£10,000	£0
2010/11	£44,000	£12,000	£0
2011 to 31-5-11	£7,000	£2,000	£0

\* increase in costs reflects increase in contractual hours.

Within the last five years, the Assembly Commission has also employed an Adviser to the Presiding Officer. The Adviser was appointed on 28 May 2007 on a part time basis and their role was to provide specialist advice to the Presiding Officer on policy and constitutional matters. Their employment came to an end on 10 May 2011.

The annual costs of this role are shown below.

<b>Date (financial year)</b>	<b>Salary Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>On Costs (i.e. NI and Pension) (rounded)</b>	<b>Travel &amp; Subsistence (rounded)</b>
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2007/08	£52,000	£7,000	£2,000
2008/09	£56,000	£19,000	£3,000
2009/10	£57,000	£19,000	£4,000
2010/11	£56,000	£19,000	£2,000
2011 to 10/05/11	£9,000	£3,000	£500

I hope that this information is of assistance to you. If you would like any further information, or would find it helpful to meet with relevant Commission officials, please let me know.