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| RESPONSE SENT: | 17/09/2024 |

Request:

I am writing to make a formal request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for information related to your organisation's attendance at conferences. Please could you provide the following:

1. Over the course of financial year 2023-2024 how much did your authority spend on attending conferences?
2. Which conferences did you fund for people to attend?
3. What are the job titles of people who attended conferences?

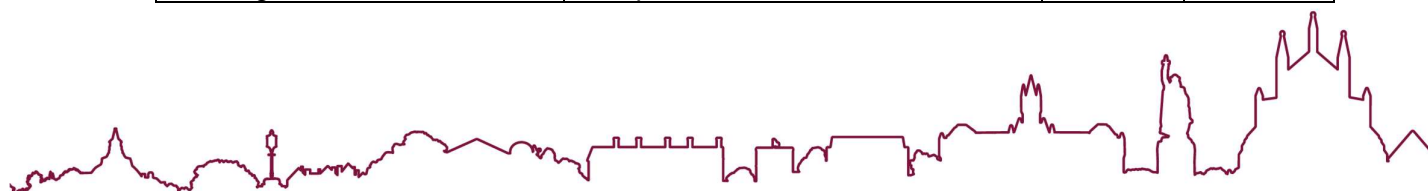
We are interested in conferences which were at least a day in length, ran externally to the council, which people from many different organisations attended. Some industry event examples would include SOLACE summit, UKREiff, Adept, PPMA, District Councils Network annual conference. They are usually regularly run on an annual basis.

We are not interested in internal conferences (for example if you ran an internal staff conference). It's where people have gone to an external, industry event.

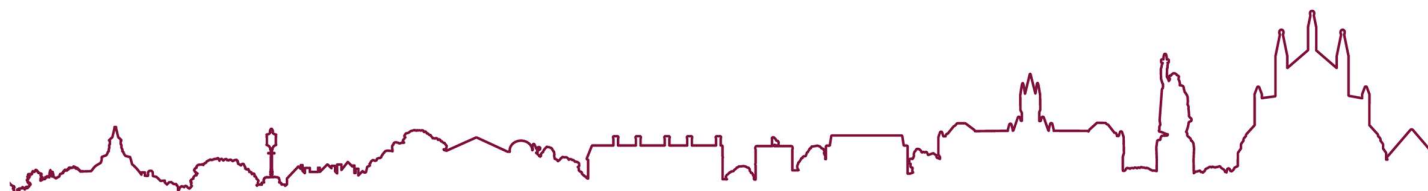
We only need to know the amount of spend on the conference ticket itself (not the travel etc), and we are only interested in events which were a full day or more. So an half day short course or networking event would be out of scope.?

Response:

| Conference Attended | Job titles of attendees | Month attended | Event Cost |
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| APSE Southern Region Parks and Open Spaces Seminar | Service Lead - Sustainability & Natural Environment | Nov-23 | Free |
| Association of Tree Officers Annual Conference | Principal Tree Officer, Tree Officer, Tree Surveyor, Tree Surveyor | Nov-23 | £160.00 |
| CIEH Noise Conference | Environmental Health Practitioner x2 Environmental Protection Officer | | £397.00 |
| CIH Housing Conference | Tenancy Services Manager, Responsive Manager, Housing and Social Inclusion Manager, Housing Strategy & Development Manager | Jun-23 | £6,200.00 |
| Co-Creating Public Space: How Can We Thrive? | Culture & Creative Sector Development Officer | Oct-23 | £19.96 |
| Cycle County Active County | Transport Planner | Jul-23 | Free |
| DCN ANNUAL CONF 2024 | Chief Executive | Mar-24 | £499.00 |
| DCN ANNUAL CONF 2024 | Leader | Mar-24 | £499.00 |
| Effective Fire Safety in Housing - GovNet | Neighbourhood Services/Estates Compliance Officer | Jan-24 | £325.00 |



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| Environment Agency / Town and Country Planning Association - Preparing for flood risk | Corporate Head of Planning and Regulatory Services | Jul-23 | Free |
| Estate Services Hub summit | Neighbourhood Services Supervisor | Aug-23 | £180.00 |
| Excellence in Local Government | Chief Finance Officer | Sep-23 | Free |
| Excellence in Local Government | Head of Programme - Transformation | Sep-23 | Free |
| Excellence in Local Government | Service Lead - IT | Sep-23 | Free |
| Institute of Licensing Conference | Licensing manager Environmental Protection Manager Licensing Officer | | £2,557.65 |
| Institute of Revenues, Rating and Valuation | Service Lead for Revenues & Benefits Revenues Manager Revenues Team Leader | Oct-23 | FREE |
| LGA Annual Conference 2023 | Chief Executive | Jul-23 | £505.90 |
| LGA Annual Conference 2023 | Leader | Jul-23 | £505.90 |
| LGA Annual Conference 2023 | Leader of Principal Opposition Group | Jul-23 | £505.90 |
| LGA Conference | Health Protection Manager | | £99.00 |
| LGPN South (Local Government Partnership Network) | Chief Executive | Nov-23 | FREE |
| LGPN South (Local Government Partnership Network) | Monitoring Officer | Nov-23 | FREE |
| Local Government Partnership Network (LGPN) | Chief Finance Officer | Nov-23 | Free |
| Local Government Partnership Network (LGPN) | Head of Programme - Transformation | Nov-23 | Free |
| Local Government Strategy Forum 2024 | Chief Finance Officer | May-23 | Free |
| Means Testing for Disabled Facilities Grant | Disabled Facilities Grant Case Officer | Feb-24 | £130.00 |
| National HMO Network Annual General Meeting & Legal Roundup | Private Sector Housing Technician | May-23 | Free |
| Park Ex | CCTV and parking operations manager | Jun-23 | Free |
| Park ex | Parking Services Manager | Jun-23 | Free |
| Rent arrears digital conference | Income Manager | Jul-23 | £290.00 |



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| Rent income Excellence annual conference | Income Manager | Oct-23 | £310.00 |
| Resident Engagement Conference | Tenant involvement officer | May-23 | £438.75 |
| Room 151 Local Authority Treasurers Investment Forum | Chief Finance Officer | Sep-23 | Free |
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| Solace South Annual Conference 2023 | Chief Executive | May-23 | £160.00 |
| Solace South Annual Conference 2023 | Corporate Head of Economy and Community | May-23 | £160.00 |
| Solace South Annual Conference 2023 | Corporate Head of Housing | May-23 | £160.00 |
| Solace South Annual Conference 2023 | Corporate Head of Planning and Regulatory | May-23 | £160.00 |
| Solace South Annual Conference 2023 | Director (Finance) | May-23 | £160.00 |
| Solace South Annual Conference 2023 | Head of Programme - Place | May-23 | £160.00 |
| Solace South Annual Conference 2023 | Head of Programme - Transformation | May-23 | £160.00 |
| Solace South Annual Conference 2023 | Strategic Director | May-23 | £160.00 |
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| The Big Sustainability & Innovation Expo 2023 | Sustainability Programme Manager | Oct-23 | Free |
| Tourism Management Institute 2023 Annual Convention TMI Member Early Bird | Tourism Marketing & Development Manager | Oct-23 | £170.00 |
| Tourism Management Institute Hot Topic - future proof your destination | Tourism Marketing & Development Manager, Tourism Marketing Officer, Economy & Tourism Service Lead | May-23 | £306.00 |
| TSA Conference | Sheltered and Extra Care Services Manager & Housing Operations & Community Safety Team Leader | Mar-24 | £1,018.00 |
| UK Active Awards | Contract Manager | Oct-23 | £140.00 |
| Westminster Insight Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour Digital Conference | Neighbourhood Services Supervisor | Sep-23 | £299.00 |

