

## BÒRD NA GÀIDHLIG

### PUBLIC SERVICES REFORM (SCOTLAND ACT) 2010: STATEMENT FOR 2017/18

Under the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010, we have, along with other public bodies in Scotland, a duty to publish annual public statements relating to our expenditure in the following areas:

- Public relations
- Overseas travel
- Hospitality and entertainment
- External consultancy

In addition, the Act requires public bodies to publish details on:

- Payments with a value in excess of £25,000
- Employees/members who receive remuneration in excess of £150,000.

Furthermore, the Act requires public bodies to publish a statement of the steps it has taken during that financial year to:

- Promote and increase sustainable growth through the exercise of its functions
- Improve efficiency, effectiveness and economy in the exercise of its functions.

Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010	
Bòrd na Gàidhlig for Financial Year 2017-18	
Activity	Spend 2017/18
Public relations	£156,416.91
Overseas travel	£4,288.74
Hospitality and entertainment	£10,658.60
External consultancy	£0
Payments with a value in excess of £25,000	See attached table
Remunerations received in excess of £150,000	Nil

#### About Us

Bòrd na Gàidhlig is an executive non-departmental public body, responsible through Ministers to the Scottish Parliament.

Established under the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Act 2005 (The Act) Bòrd na Gàidhlig is the principal public body in Scotland responsible for promoting Gaelic development and providing advice to the Scottish Ministers on Gaelic issues.

Under the Act, the Bòrd has the general functions of—

(a) promoting, and facilitating the promotion of—

- (i) the use and understanding of the Gaelic language, and
- (ii) Gaelic education and Gaelic culture,

(b) advising (either on request or when it thinks fit) the Scottish Ministers, public bodies and other persons exercising functions of a public nature on matters relating to the Gaelic language, Gaelic education and Gaelic culture,

(c) advising (on request) other persons on matters relating to the Gaelic language, Gaelic education and Gaelic culture,

(d) monitoring, and reporting to the Scottish Ministers on, the implementation of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages dated 5 November 1992 in relation to the Gaelic language.

Full details of Bòrd na Gàidhlig's activities can be found in our annual report and accounts

<http://www.gaidhlig.scot/bord/corporate/corporate-policies/>.

#### Promotion of sustainable growth

Whilst Bòrd na Gàidhlig currently has no environmental targets set by Scottish Government, it takes environmental matters seriously and adopts environmentally-focussed practices where possible. We will strive to operate in an environmentally sustainable manner and encourage environmentally sustainable behaviours in our activities.

Measures taken to reduce the Bòrd's environmental footprint include moving to paper-less meetings through the use of tablet devices, using telephone or video-conference whenever possible, and minimising staff and Board member travel.

#### Efficiency, effectiveness and economy

Bòrd na Gàidhlig is constantly engaged in identifying opportunities to increase efficiency, lower costs and improve service quality. It is required to ensure that funds held at the financial year-end are less than £100k (2% of annual income) and ensure that costs are contained within funding available, principally the Grant-in-Aid from Scottish Government.

Improvements in efficiency and effectiveness are constantly sought in all areas of the Bòrd's operations. The Bòrd has its principal office at Great Glen House, Leachkin Road, Inverness. This office is occupied on a shared-service basis with Scottish Natural Heritage. Some other premises used by Bòrd staff are also occupied on a similar basis. This cost saving arrangement has been in place since 2012. The space occupied is kept to a minimum and hot-desking is used to support this objective. Other services such as HR advice are also obtained wherever possible on a cost-sharing basis.

#### Payments with a value in excess of £25,000

Payment Date	Payee	Subject Matter	Value of Payment
10.04.2017	An Comunn Gàidhealach	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£25,000.00
02.05.2017	Comunn na Gàidhlig	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£101,250.00
26.05.2017	Comhairle nan Leabhraichean	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£59,000.00

12.06.2017	Stòrlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£66,250.00
20.06.2017	Ionad Chalum Chille Ile	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£27,500.00
03.07.2017	Fèisean nan Gàidheal	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£31,000.00
14.07.2017	An Comunn Gàidhealach	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£25,000.00
28.07.2017	Eye Airports	Education Adverts	£25,323.07
16.08.2017	Highland Council	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£28,000.00
16.08.2017	Highland Council	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£40,000.00
21.08.2017	Fèisean nan Gàidheal	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£31,000.00
29.08.2017	Comhairle nan Leabhraichean	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£59,000.00
29.08.2017	Comunn na Gàidhlig	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£101,250.00
01.09.2017	Ionad Chalum Chille Ile	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£27,500.00
14.09.2017	Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£32,000.00
05.10.2017	An Comunn Gàidhealach	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£25,000.00
02.11.2017	Stòrlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£66,250.00
02.11.2017	Fèisean nan Gàidheal	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£31,000.00
15.11.2017	Ionad Chalum Chille Ile	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£27,500.00
28.11.2017	Comhairle nan Leabhraichean	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£59,000.00
28.11.2017	Comunn na Gàidhlig	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£101,250.00
04.12.2017	Stòrlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£66,250.00
06.12.2017	Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£89,739.20
05.01.2018	An Comunn Gàidhealach	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£25,000.00
09.01.2018	Urras Oighreachd Ghabhsainn	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£26,140.00
26.01.2018	Stòrlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£30,400.00
06.02.2018	MG ALBA	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£45,000.00
06.02.2018	Strathclyde University	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£65,000.00
14.02.2018	Comhairle nan Leabhraichean	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£59,000.00

14.02.2018	Fèisean nan Gàidheal	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£31,000.00
01.03.2018	Stòrlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£66,250.00
01.03.2018	Comunn na Gàidhlig	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£101,250.00
01.03.2018	Trinity Mirror Publishing	Gaelic Awards	£30,000.00
22.03.2018	Young Scot Enterprises	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£50,000.00
22.03.2018	Giglets	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£39,200.00
22.03.2018	North Lanarkshire Council	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£27,043.00
28.03.2018	Glasgow City Council	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£90,354.00
29.03.2018	Strathclyde University	Grant Instalment Development Grant	£115,066.00