

## BÒRD NA GÀIDHLIG

### PUBLIC SERVICES REFORM (SCOTLAND ACT) 2010: STATEMENT FOR 2019/20

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 2019-20	
Activity	Spend 2019/20
Public relations	£79,004.36
Overseas travel	£796.11
Hospitality and entertainment	£6,027.57
External consultancy	£0.00
Payments with a value in excess of £25,000	Refer to list below
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.

The National Performance Framework – 'Scotland Performs' – measures and keeps track of how Scotland is performing in relation to the Scottish Government's purpose and strategic objectives. It sets out 16 National Outcomes that describe what the Government wants to achieve.

Alignment to the National Outcomes helps to sharpen the focus of government agencies and provides a clear structure for delivery. Although our work contributes to some extent to all these outcomes, Bòrd na Gàidhlig will monitor our performance against seven of them.

#### 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 costs are contained within funding available, principally 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	Amount £
23.04.2020	An Comunn Gàidhealach	Development Grant Instalment	50,000.00
26.04.2019	Comunn na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	113,750.00

26.04.2019	Theatair gu Leor	Development Grant Instalment	27,500.00
08.05.2019	Comhairle nan Leabhraichean	Development Grant Instalment	89,500.00
10.05.2019	Feisean na Gaidheal	Development Grant Instalment	70,000.00
10.05.2019	Acair	Development Grant Instalment	28,500.00
10.05.2019	Cèolas Uibhist	Development Grant Instalment	28,500.00
10.05.2019	Faclair na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	37,500.00
14.05.2019	Ionad Chalum Chille Ìle	Development Grant Instalment	25,875.00
30.05.2019	Storlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	77,500.00
30.05.2019	Ainmean Àlta na h-Alba	Development Grant Instalment	40,000.00
05.07.2019	Comunn na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	113,750.00
19.07.2019	Argyll & Bute Council	Development Grant Instalment	26,960.00
19.08.2019	Ionad Chalum Chille Ìle	Development Grant Instalment	25,875.00
10.09.2019	Storlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	77,500.00
10.09.2019	Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	Development Grant Instalment	32,000.00
25.09.2019	Ainmean Àite na h-Alba	Development Grant Instalment	40,000.00
25.09.2019	Highland Council	Development Grant Instalment	26,400.00
07.10.2019	An Comunn Gaidhealach	Development Grant Instalment	50,000.00
07.10.2019	Comunn na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	113,750.00
30.10.2019	Storlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	77,500.00
30.10.2019	Comhairle nan Leabhraicheab	Development Grant Instalment	89,500.00
30.10.2019	Faclair na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	37,500.00
31.10.2019	Cèolas Uibhist	Development Grant Instalment	28,500.00
31.10.2019	Ionad Chalum Chille Ìle	Development Grant Instalment	25,875.00
05.11.2019	Theatair Gu Leor	Development Grant Instalment	27,500.00
13.11.2019	Acair	Development Grant Instalment	28,500.00
18.11.2019	North Lanarkshire Council	Development Grant Instalment	36,000.00
26.11.2019	Feisean na Gaidheal	Development Grant Instalment	70,000.00
13.01.2020	Comunn na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	113,750.00
30.01.2020	Storlann Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	Development Grant Instalment	77,500.00
05.02.2020	Ionad Chalum Chille Ìle	Development Grant Instalment	25,875.00
11.02.2020	Newbattle Abbey College	Development Grant Instalment	29,040.00
04.03.2020	Sabhal Mor Ostaig	Development Grant Instalment	45,000.00
12.03.2020	Reach Publishing	Sponsorship Education Awards	30,000.00
17.03.2020	Giglets	Development Grant Instalment	39,200.00
18.03.2020	Young Scot	Development Grant Instalment	35,000.00
26.03.2020	University of Strathclyde	Development Grant Instalment	27,094.00
27.03.2020	Tobar an Dualchais	Development Grant Instalment	25,000.00