

27 February 2019

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 (FOI) REQUEST

Thank you for your request, received on 4 February 2019.

Specifically you requested:

1 Is the £1,000 per day paid to Lord Deben, subject to Income Tax provisions, or paid as a tax-free honorarium?

All remuneration relating to Lord Deben's appointment is taxable and PAYE in respect of income tax is deducted at source before payment to Lord Deben.

2 For what periods of time are these monies paid? Is it paid only when the Committee has meetings with official Minutes?

Fees are payable for time spent in his capacity as the Chairman of the Committee on Climate Change. This includes time spent preparing for meetings.

3 Are these Minutes open to public scrutiny?

Minutes of Committee Meetings are available to review on the CCC website at this address: <https://www.theccc.org.uk/about/minutes-of-meetings/>

4 Are monies paid to Committee Members under provisions similar to those of the Chair?

Monies paid to other Committee Members are paid under provisions similar to those of the Chair.

5 I note, incidentally, that Lord Deben is a History Graduate of Selwyn College Cambridge. Having spent the intervening years in politics and business, from where does his lordship derive the physical scientific knowledge needed on the scientific aspects of climate matters properly to discharge his responsibilities in the Chair. I would include this matter in my FoI request.

Lord Deben is appointed by the Secretary of State for the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS). Requests for information held in relation to that process should be requested from BEIS at this address: foi.requests@beis.gov.uk or Information Rights Unit, 1 Victoria Street, London, SW1H 0ET, United Kingdom.

This concludes our response to your request.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. If you are not content with the outcome of the review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

In keeping with our transparency policy, the information released to you will be published on www.theccc.org.uk. Please note that this publication will not include your personal data.

Kind regards,

Committee on Climate Change