**Budget information and strategy document 2017 - 2019**

1. Request:

Further to the UK the Freedom of Information Act 2000, could you please provide the following information:

1.1 Budgets/funding or any other resources directly allocated by the Authority towards anti-trafficking activities and/or activities to combat ‘modern slavery' in 2017/18 and 2018/19 financial years (i.e. dedicated projects, anti-trafficking operations, members of staff, information campaigns etc.) and what these activities are.

1.2 If available, a copy of the organisational strategy or any other document which sets out what actions are to be taken by the Authority to combat trafficking in human beings and/or ‘modern slavery’ as mandated by the UK Modern Slavery Act (2015).

1. Response:

2.1 For ease of comparison, I have put the reported spend by the Independent Anti-Slavery Commission (IASC) between 2017 – 2019 into two tables at Annex A. The data held by the IASC does not cover the total period requested and you may wish to approach the Home Office with a further information request for the full period. I have included below a link to the IASC Annual report 2016/17 that includes at page 41 the budget information from which the table at Annex A was populated. You will note that the reporting period is October 1, 2016 through to 30, September 2017. There was no Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner in post between May 2018 and May 2019 and no annual report was published. The data to populate the second table at Annex A (IASC spend 1 April 2018 through to 31 March 2019) was taken from information provided to the incoming Commissioner Dame Sara Thornton. It has not been publicly reported and later testing of the detail behind the numbers failed to verify it as wholly accurate. The spend information held by the IASC for both periods does not provide detail other than that included in the tables at Annex A although reference to the annual report for 2016/17 and the strategic plan for 2019/21 provides a good indication of how the funding was used. The IASC does not hold financial spend data for the period 1 October 2017 through to 31 March 2018.

[IASC Annual Report 2016/17](https://www.antislaverycommissioner.co.uk/media/1164/iasc_annual-report-16-17-web.pdf)

* 1. I have attached a link below to the IASC Strategic Plan 2019-2021. The plan includes the Commissioner’s strategy and sets out the actions being taken to

combat human trafficking and/or ‘modern slavery’ as mandated by the UK Modern Slavery Act (2015).

[IASC Strategic Plan 2019-2021](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/842396/CCS207_CCS0919032100-001_Independent_Anti-Slavery_Commissioner_Strategic_Plan_Web_Accessible.pdf)

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to iasc@iasc.independent.gov.uk if you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request would be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you were to remain dissatisfied after an internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the FOIA.

IASC

14 August 2020

**Annex A**

Independent Anti-Slavery Commission

2016/17 October to September reported financial outturn

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| --- | --- |
| Pay costs | 486,829 |
| Travel | 55,887 |
| IT & Telecommunications | 19,039 |
| Office Supplies & Publishing | 9,741 |
| Research | 23,933 |
| Training & Consultancy | 14,881 |
| Conferences and Hospitality | 653 |
| Estates | 8,029 |
| Awareness/Training Materia | 6,000 |
| Other | 5,173 |
| Income | 42,140 |
|  |  |
| Total | 588,025 |

Independent Anti-Slavery Commission

2018/19 April to March reported financial outturn

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| --- | --- |
| Pay costs | 496,084 |
| Contingency labour | 17,534 |
| Travel and subsistence | 26,962 |
| Office supplies and services | 6,413 |
| Training and recruitment | 2,202 |
| IT and Comms | 2,144 |
| Legal costs | 14,400 |
| Other costs and services | 64,616 |
| Income | 600 |
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| Total | 629,755 |