



# Westminster Scrutiny Commission

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## **1. Executive Summary**

At the last Westminster Scrutiny Commission, Members of the Commission asked for a report into the Policy & Scrutiny budget of the last municipal year. The discretionary budget for the function, located within 'Member Services', is in place to support the research, engagement and operation of the Committees was £10,000 in 2012 / 2013. In 2013 / 2014, this budget remains at £10,000.

## 2. Financial information

Type of Cost incurred	Cost	Chairman
Hire of venue for public meeting about NHS changes to hospitals	£357.50	Adults & Health (12 /13)
Membership to the London Scrutiny Network	£200	Westminster Scrutiny Commission (12 / 13)
Stakeholder event for health inequalities	£492	Health Inequality Task Group – VASW (Cllr Rowley) under Adults & Health Chairman
Prize for Children and Young People’s Mental Health Survey	£80 (later down to £40)	Children’s (12 / 13)
Costs associated with events or meetings held involving external stakeholders	£362.64	<b>All Chairman</b> where relevant
Training sessions for Police, third sector and external stakeholders about Community Safety	£1,750	Health Inequality Task Group – VASW (Cllr Rowley) under Adults & Health Chairman
Commissioned research into the public health implications of Shisha smoking	£3,750	Adults & Health (12 / 13)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Circa £6,952.14</b>	

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### BACKGROUND PAPERS

None