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By email

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Freedom of Information Act - Request For Information

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Dear 

**Thank you for your email in which you request information concerning external legal costs including Barristers.**

Ofwat confirms it does hold the information requested.

The total sum for external legal spend is £1,063,199.03. There was no spend for GLD (Government Legal Department) and its predecessor the TSoL (Treasury Solicitor's Department).

If you have any queries or concerns with regard to the content of this email please contact me at [Foi@ofwat.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Foi@ofwat.gsi.gov.uk)

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