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#### **Annual Publication**

The next regular publication of MP's business costs and expenditure will be on 16 November 2017. This also includes data that is only published annually, including details of the costs of staffing for each MP, and the aggregate spending on security across all MPs. Over the next few days we will email all MPs, except those elected for the first time in June 2017, with details of what will be published. If there are any questions about this or corrections that are needed, please let us know.

#### **MP's Commentary**

This year MPs will once again have an opportunity to include some comments of their own about their expenditure, on the IPSA website. This will be published alongside aggregated data. The purpose of this commentary is to add context to MP's spending. Last year around 40 MPs chose to add some words of their own to the page on the IPSA website about them. The deadline for submissions is 13 November. This is entirely voluntary, and any MP who was in post during 2016/17, that wants to submit some words can send them to us via email.

#### **MP Staff Group**

Earlier this week we met with representatives of MP's staff. As well as getting feedback about the 2017 General Election, we also looked forward to the introduction of new IPSA Online systems, the first phase of which is due to launch before the end of the year. Some extra details can be <u>found</u> <u>here</u>.

#### **MP Staff Pensions**

Legal and General visited Westminster this week to give a presentation about the pension scheme for MPs' staff. A version of this will be available online next month and we will send details. Details of the pension scheme can be <u>found here</u>.

#### **Trainline Machine**

The machine to collect train tickets in the Palace of Westminster has been relocated to the corridor with the cash machines. Train tickets can be collected from here, or at any national rail station.

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