

## Consultancy Expenditure: Year 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

The Scottish Government defines ‘consultancy’ as including a wide range of professional services such as management consultancy, IT consultancy, financial consultancy, construction and infrastructure related consultancy, research and evaluation and policy development. Therefore, the expenditure contained in this section reflects this definition of external consultancy.

Audit Scotland mainly uses external consultancy to undertake specific pieces of work which requires expertise which is not readily available in house.

The following report shows the expenditure by Audit Scotland in relation to external consultancy for the period **1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024**

| <b>Payee</b>              | <b>Amount</b>     | <b>Date</b> | <b>Description</b>                |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| MHR International         | £180.00           | 25/04/2023  | Consultancy - Recruitment Project |
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| MHR International         | £180.00           | 25/05/2023  | Consultancy - Recruitment Project |
| MHR International         | £180.00           | 25/05/2023  | Consultancy - Recruitment Project |
| The Corra Foundation      | £15,718.72        | 07/12/2023  | Digital Exclusion Project         |
| The Corra Foundation      | £6,697.00         | 07/12/2023  | Digital Exclusion Project         |
| The Corra Foundation      | £1,352.00         | 29/03/2024  | Digital Exclusion Project         |
| The Corra Foundation      | £15,718.72        | 29/03/2024  | Digital Exclusion Project         |
| Ability Net               | £3,072.00         | 06/02/2024  | Audit of Website accessibility    |
| Ability Net               | £844.80           | 06/02/2024  | Audit of Website accessibility    |
| Ability Net               | £1,632.00         | 21/02/2024  | Audit of Website accessibility    |
| <b>Total year to date</b> | <b>£45,755.24</b> |             |                                   |