Thirlwall Inquiry

THIRLWALL INQUIRY FINANCIAL REPORT

First six months of Financial Year (FY) 2025-2026 from 1 April 2025 to 30 September 2025

1. Overview

This report sets out expenditure for the Thirlwall Inquiry from 1 April 2025 to 30 September 2025. FY 2023-2024 (covering 4 September to 31 March 2024) and FY 2024-2025 (covering 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025) is presented alongside.

Since the last financial report ending 31 March 2025, the Inquiry has been in the report writing stage and preparing for report publication.

The total expenditure for the first six months of FY 2025-2026 is £1,345k, with the breakdown given in the table below:

	FY 2023-2024 £ 000	FY 2024-2025 £ 000	6m 2025-2026 £ 000
Salaries and related expenses	301	1,201	609
Secretariat team	168	749	372
Chair	133	452	237
Legal costs	2,356	8,634	506
Counsel to the Inquiry team	742	1,983	239
Solicitor to the Inquiry team (incl. paralegals)	1,397	3,762	264
Family legal fees (Core Participants)	216	2,877	2
Legal fees of non-Core Participants assisting the Inquiry	-	12	-
Experts and analysis (questionnaire and survey)	-	211	-
Emotional support	27	194	8
IT (incl. evidence disclosure platform, info. management system, website costs)	133	601	107
Media services and media monitoring	16	226	2
Office accommodation	-	153	102
Hearings	-	1,863	-
Hearings venue	-	245	-
Hearings AV	-	1,274	-
Hearings other expenses	-	344	-
Publication costs	-	-	9
Administration and other expenses (incl. travel)	2	15	3
Total	2,834	13,098	1,345

Note: These figures are rounded to nearest £000 and exclude VAT.

2. Notes on financial figures

Every attempt has been made to ensure the figures presented are accurate as of 7 November 2025. However, these figures have not been compiled by accountants and are intended to give an overview of the level of expenditure over the Inquiry's work. The amounts are not intended to be equivalent of company accounts. The costs reflect spend incurred in the year and are based on supplier invoices and information rather than on a cash basis.

The Inquiry publishes its financial reports half yearly.

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