

Thirlwall Inquiry

THIRLWALL INQUIRY FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial Year (FY) 2025-2026 from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026

1. Overview

This report sets out expenditure for the Thirlwall Inquiry from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026, the full financial year. 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 30 September 2025, the Inquiry has continued in the report writing stage, preparing for report publication.

The total expenditure for the full financial year of FY 2025-2026 is £2,651k, with the breakdown given in the table below:

	FY 2023-2024 £ 000	FY 2024-2025 £ 000	FY 2025-2026 £ 000
Salaries and related expenses	301	1,201	1,226
Secretariat team	168	749	752
Chair	133	452	474
Legal costs	2,356	8,634	1,028
Counsel to the Inquiry team	742	1,983	405
Solicitor to the Inquiry team (incl. paralegals)	1,397	3,762	619
Family legal fees (Core Participants)	216	2,877	4
Legal fees of non-Core Participants assisting the Inquiry	-	12	-
Experts and analysis (questionnaire and survey)	-	211	-
Emotional support	27	194	13
IT (incl. evidence disclosure platform, info. management system, website costs)	133	601	205
Media services and media monitoring	16	226	10
Office accommodation	-	153	148
Hearings	-	1,863	-
Hearings venue	-	245	-
Hearings AV	-	1,274	-
Hearings other expenses	-	344	-
Publication costs	-	-	16
Administration and other expenses (incl. travel)	2	15	5
Total	2,834	13,098	2,651

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 28 July 2026. 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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