

## Electoral Commission Register of Gifts and Hospitality 2016-17 – March 2017

Offer made to/Received by	Details of Gift/Hospitality	Individual/ Organisation making offer	Event / circumstances of offer	Date received	Accepted/ refused	Sign off	Date signed off
Sir John Holmes	Overnight accommodation and dinner	Association of Electoral Administrators	Annual conference	6-7 February 2017	Accepted	Claire Bassett	21 February 2017
Claire Bassett	Overnight accommodation and dinner	Association of Electoral Administrators	Annual conference	6-7 February 2017	Accepted	Sir John Holmes	21 February 2017
Sir John Holmes	Reception	Public and Health Service Ombudsman	Reception to say farewell to Dame Julie Mellor, Chair and Ombudsman, and celebrate 50 years of the PHSO	31 January 2017	Accepted	Claire Bassett	30 January 2017
Claire Bassett	Awards dinner	Political Studies Association	Annual awards dinner	29 November 2016	Accepted	Jenny Watson	6 December 2016
Claire Bassett	Reception	Crimestoppers	Annual Rewarding Partnerships reception	3 November 2016	Declined	Jenny Watson	5 October 2016
Bob Posner	Ceremonial gold plate earrings (est value £150)	National Election Commission of Republic of Korea	Official visit to UK, meeting to exchange learning with Electoral Commission	2 November 2016	Accepted (and given to Secretariat for display in the cabinet)	Claire Bassett	3 January 2017
Craig Westwood and Emma Hartley	Lunch for Craig Westwood and Emma Hartley (est value £30)	Kirsteen Scoble at MullenLowe	– relationship-building with new Director	20 September 2016	Accepted 26	Claire Bassett	
Campaigns Team in Communications	Lunch for 9 staff (est value £300 in total)	MEC (media planning agency which has our contract)	Nine Commission staff had attended a presentation about MEC's work at their offices. Offered unexpectedly on the day, at restaurant at office.	22 August 2016	Accepted	Craig Westwood	26 September

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Bob Posner	Lunch at City University Club (est value £25)	Anthony Cooper, Chairman of British Malaysian Society	Follow-up to visit by a Malaysian delegation, Mr Cooper wanted to discuss ways in which the Society's work for elections and democracy in Malaysia might be furthered.		Accepted	Claire Bassett	23 August 2016
Bob Posner	Reception and buffet (est value £50 - £100)	French Embassy	14 July Fête Nationale		Accepted	Claire Bassett	23 August 2016
Jenny Watson	Summer reception	Constitution Unit, University College London	Annual summer reception	27 June 2016	Accepted	Claire Bassett	28 June 2016
Jenny Watson	Dinner	Sir Howard Bernstein, Chief Executive of Manchester City Council	EU Referendum briefing (see below)	21 June 2016	Accepted	Claire Bassett	28 June 2016
Jenny Watson	Plaque	United Election Commission, Myanmar/Burma	EU Referendum briefing (see below)	20 June	Accepted (and given to Secretariat for display)	Claire Bassett	28 June 2016
Jenny Watson	Reproduction of a piece of Rogozen treasure	Republic of Bulgaria Election Commission	Bulgarian delegation attended the International Visitors' Briefing Day prior to the EU Referendum.	21 June 2016	Accepted (and given to Secretariat for display)	Claire Bassett	12 July 2016
Andrew Scallan	Copper, silver and gold-plated decorative plaque	Republic of Bulgaria Election Commission	Bulgarian delegation attended the International Visitors' Briefing Day prior to the EU Referendum, where AS was a speaker.	21 June 2016	Accepted (and given to Secretariat for display)	Claire Bassett	12 July 2016

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Gareth Halliwell	Buffet lunch and Reception	Welsh Senedd	Opening of Senedd on 7 June		Accepted	Jenny Watson	2 June 2016
Tom Hawthorn	Reception and Dinner	Crimestoppers	Annual Dinner	25 May 2016	Accepted	Andrew Scallan	
Claire Bassett	Reception and Dinner	Crimestoppers	Annual Dinner	25 May 2016	Accepted	Jenny Watson	31 May 2016
Alex Robertson	Lunch	Jamie MullenLow	On learning that AR had taken another job	6 May 2016	Accepted	Claire Bassett	2 June 2016