

2011-12 Register of Gifts and Hospitality offered or received

Electoral Commission Register of Gifts and Hospitality 2011-12 (as at 20 March 2012)

Received by	Details of Gift/ Hospitality	Individual/ Organisation making offer	Event / circumstances of offer	Date received	Accepted/ refused	Sign off	Date signed off
Jenny Watson	Invitation to attend Anniversary Dinner	De La Rue	Invitation to attend 80 th Anniversary Annual Dinner in Honour of the Diplomatic Corps on 31 May 2012	08/02/2012	Refused	Peter Wardle	09/02/2012
Peter Wardle	Lunch	Association of Council Secretaries and Solicitors (ACSeS)	Annual Presidents Lunch	03/02//2012	Refused	Jenny Watson	16/01/2012
Jenny Watson	Lunch	Association of Council Secretaries and Solicitors (ACSeS)	Annual Presidents Lunch	03/02/2012	Refused	Peter Wardle	17/01/2012
Jenny Watson	Book launch	The De Borda Institute	Launch of <i>Defining Democracy</i> by Peter Emerson	31/01/2012	Refused	Peter Wardle	17/01/2012
Peter Wardle	Two bottles of wine	Ambassador Rajesh N. Prasad, Acting High Commissioner of India	Christmas gift of two bottles of wine (Mouton Cadet – Baron Phillippe de Rothschild)	23/01/2012	Accepted (by default – passed to Secretariat)	Jenny Watson	30/01/2012
Ann Blackmore	2 glasses of wine at ERS reception	Electoral Reform Society (ERS)	New Year Reception	19/01/2012	Accepted	Alex Robertson	16/02/2012

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Peter Wardle	ERS New Year Reception (with drinks and canapés)	Electoral Reform Society (ERS)	New Year Reception	19/01/2012	Refused	Jenny Watson	16/01/2012
Jenny Watson	ERS New Year Reception (with drinks and canapés)	Electoral Reform Society (ERS)	New Year Reception	19/01/2012	Refused	Peter Wardle	18/01/2012
Campaigns & Public Information Team	Drinks (approximate value £35)	DLKW Lowe and MEC	Christmas drinks for EC Campaigns and Public Information Team	19/12/2011	Accepted	Alex Robertson	22/12/2011
Matt Longley	Christmas card scratch card (from which a bottle of champagne was won)	DLKW Lowe	DLKW Lowe (advertising agency) sent a Christmas card scratch card to all members of the Commission's Campaigns Team. Matt Longley won the only prize available (a bottle of champagne)	16/12/2011	Refused	Alex Robertson	21/12/2011
Jenny Watson	Reception in Parliament	Ann Abraham, Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman	Reception for the retirement of Ann Abraham as Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman	15/12/2011	Refused	Peter Wardle	30/11/2011
Peter Wardle	Dinner	Ambassador Rajesh Prasad, Acting High Commissioner of India	Dinner event	09/12/2011	Accepted	Jenny Watson	13/12/2011
HR Team	Box of Thornton Continental chocolates	Excel Recruitment Agency	Christmas gift	07/12/2011	Accepted	Carolyn Hughes	07/12/2011
Tony Stafford	Return flight London to Prague,	British Embassy (Czech	Attendance as Electoral Commission speaker at a	21 – 22/11/2011	Accepted	Lisa Klein	06/12/2011

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	overnight accommodation and meals (£275 approx)	Republic)	seminar on the regulation of party political financing co-funded by the British Embassy				
Jenny Watson	Lecture	The Magna Carta Institute	Annual lecture	22/11/2011	Refused	Peter Wardle	09/11/2011
Peter Wardle	Lecture	The Magna Carta Institute	Annual lecture	30/11/2011	Accepted	Jenny Watson	08/11/2011
Jenny Watson	Networking Reception	Employers' Forum on Disability	20 th anniversary networking reception	24/11/2011	Refused	Peter Wardle	18/10/2011
Peter Wardle	Lecture	Electoral Reform International Services (ERIS)	Annual Democracy Lecturer	09/11/2011	Refused	Jenny Watson	24/10/2011
Peter Wardle	Evening lecture and networking drinks	Whitehall and Industry Group (WIG)	Annual Interview with Sir Gus O'Donnell invitation	13/10/2011	Refused	Jenny Watson	31/08/2011
Peter Wardle	Lecture and private reception	Windsor Leadership Trust	Annual Lecture invitation	06/10/2011	Refused	Jenny Watson	31/08/2011
Jenny Watson	Book launch and drinks reception	Political Quarterly	Book launch and drinks reception – " <i>Reassessing New Labour: Market, State & Society under Blair and Brown</i> "	22/09/2011	Refused	Peter Wardle	12/09/2011
<u>Offered by:</u> Jenny Watson, John McCormick & Andy O'Neill	Dinner – offered to Mary Pitcaithley	Electoral Commission	Dinner with Mary Pitcaithley, Convener of the Interim Electoral Management Board for Scotland	07/09/2011	Accepted	Peter Wardle	05/10/2011
Jenny Watson	Dinner	WRAP (Waste & Resources)	Dinner for Board Members	06/09/2011	Accepted	Peter Wardle	13/09/2011

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		Action Programme)					
Peter Wardle	Keynote speech by Deputy Prime Minister and policy seminar	British Council and Westminster Foundation for Democracy	Invitation to keynote speech and policy seminar – Supporting Open Societies in the Middle East and North Africa	22/08/2011	Refused	Jenny Watson	31/08/2011
Peter Wardle	3 books: <i>Cutting Across Cambridge</i> (LC Kindersley); <i>Cutting through the Colleges</i> (LC Kindersley); and <i>Why we disagree about Climate Change</i> (M Hulme).	University of Cambridge Malaysian Centre for Commonwealth Studies	Cambridge Conference on Electoral Democracy in the Commonwealth	28/07/2011	Accepted	Jenny Watson	31/08/2011
Peter Wardle	Tie	Election Commission Malaysia	Cambridge Conference on Electoral Democracy in the Commonwealth	28/07/2011	Accepted	Jenny Watson	31/08/2011
Jenny Watson	Scarf and felt bag	Chief Election Commissioner of Pakistan and prof. Dr. Mrs. Qamar Hamid	Cambridge Conference on Electoral Democracy in the Commonwealth	28/07/2011	Accepted	Peter Wardle	01/09/2011
<u>Offered by:</u> Jenny Watson,	Dinner – offered to Ed Killesteyn	Electoral Commission	Dinner offered to Ed Killesteyn, Australian Electoral Commission	26/07/2011	Accepted	Peter Wardle	18/10/2011
Jenny Watson	Dinner offered by Veredus	Veredus (Executive Recruitment company)	Catch-up meeting with Veredus.	25/07/2011	Accepted	Peter Wardle	26/07/2011
Andrew Scallan	1x masai sheet, 1x small pack of tea	Kenyan Electoral	Following presentation to Kenyan Electoral	29/06/2011	Accepted	Peter Wardle	07/07/2011

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	bags, 1x wooden antelope, 1x key ring	Commission	Commission as part of their benchmarking study tour.				
Ailsa Irvine	1x masai sheet, 1x pack of tea bags, 1x key ring, 1x wooden model elephant	Kenyan Electoral Commission	Following presentation to Kenyan Electoral Commission as part of their benchmarking study tour.	29/06/2011	Accepted	Andrew Scallan	07/07/2011
Christie Dennehy	1x masai sheet, 1x pack of tea bags, 1x wooden water buffalo model, 1x key ring	Kenyan Electoral Commission	Following presentation to Kenyan Electoral Commission as part of their benchmarking study tour.	29/06/2011	Accepted	Andrew Scallan	07/07/2011
Max Caller	1x tee-shirt, 1x key-ring, 1x wooden rhino, 1x small packet of tea bags.	Kenyan Electoral Commission	Following presentation to Kenyan Electoral Commission as part of their benchmarking study tour.	29/06/2011	Accepted	Jenny Watson	31/08/2011
Peter Wardle	Lunch	Indian Journalists' Association	In honour of visit to London of the Chief Election Commissioner of India	24/06/2011	Accepted	Jenny Watson	31/08/2011
Jenny Watson	A4 leather document folder and pen	Australian Electoral Commission	Part of the Four Countries Workshop	10/06/2011	Accepted	Peter Wardle	01/09/2011
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Jenny Watson	Working lunch on 8 June and lunch on 9 June	Australian Electoral Commission	Part of the Four Countries Workshop	09/06/2011	Accepted	Peter Wardle	01/09/2011
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Phillippa Saray	Vase of flowers	David Cook, CEO of Kettering Borough Council and East Midlands RCO	Delivered at Bunhill row. Thank you for work over referendum period	10/05/2011	Accepted	Andrew Scallan	11/05/2011