

Summary of political parties' donations and borrowing for quarter two 2013 (April-June)

The Electoral Commission is an independent body set up by the UK Parliament. We regulate party and election finance and set standards for well-run elections.

Registered political parties are required to report quarterly donation and loan returns to us within 30 days of the end of each calendar quarter. As part of our commitment to transparency in party and election finance, we publish this information within 10 working days of that deadline.

This document is a summary of donations and borrowing reported to us in the quarter two 2013 returns.

- Find full analysis and breakdown of the figures for quarter two 2013 at www.electoralcommission.org.uk/party-finance/party-finance-analysis/party-funding/party-finance-analysis-Q2-2013
- Read our news release on the quarter two 2013 donations and loans at: www.electoralcommission.org.uk/news-and-media/news-releases/electoral-commission-media-centre/news-releases-donations/political-parties-latest-donations-and-borrowing-figures-published12

Donations

Table 1: Donations to all political parties over the last four quarters

Quarter	Donations excluding public funds	Public funds	Donations total
Quarter 2 2013 (Apr-Jun)	£8,529,619	£3,293,324	£11,822,943
Quarter 1 2013 (Jan-Mar)	£9,106,015	£1,874,340	£10,980,355
Quarter 4 2012 (Oct-Dec)	£7,371,410	£2,440,179	£9,811,588
Quarter 3 2012 (Jul-Sept)	£7,074,495	£3,091,242	£10,165,737
Total	£32,081,539	£10,699,086	£42,780,624

Table 2: Donations to political parties accepted in quarter two 2013

Party	Donations excluding public funds	Public funds	Total accepted in Quarter one 2013
British National Party	£97,879	£0	£97,879
Conservative and Unionist Party	£4,116,006	£369,473	£4,485,479
Co-operative Party	£76,651	£0	£76,651
Democracy 2015	£1,717	£0	£1,717
Fulham Group	£25,000	£0	£25,000
Green Party	£27,242	£10,412	£37,654
Labour Party	£3,136,447	£2,241,419	£5,377,867
Liberal Democrats	£801,448	£351,656	£1,153,104
Plaid Cymru – The Party of Wales	£82,441	£134,625	£217,066
Scottish Green Party	£0	£13,252	£13,252
Scottish National Party (SNP)	£4,500	£172,485	£176,985
UK Independence Party (UK I P)	£160,289	£0	£160,289
Total	£8,529,619	£3,293,324	£11,822,943

Table 3: Donations accepted in previous quarters and reported late in quarter two 2013

Party	Central Party		Accounting unit	
	Value	Number	Value	Number
Co-operative Party	£10,000	1	£0	0
Liberal Democrats	£5,000	1	£32,096	10
Total	£15,000	2	£32,096	10

Table 4: Top donors for quarter two 2013

	Donor Name	Total amount (£)	Recipient
1	Unite the Union	£772,195	Labour Party
2	Ms Joan L B Edwards (bequest)	£519,999	Conservative and Unionist Party (£420,576) Liberal Democrats (£99,423)
3	GMB	£485,830	Labour Party
4	UNISON	£458,080	Labour Party
5	Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers	£411,137	Labour Party
6	Mr Michael S Farmer	£280,770	Conservative and Unionist Party
7	Mr James R Lupton	£263,600	Conservative and Unionist Party
8	National Conservative Draws Society	£165,000	Conservative and Unionist Party
9	Communication Workers Union CWU	£143,121	Labour Party
10	Offshore Group Newcastle Limited	£117,300	Conservative and Unionist Party

Public funds

Table 5: Total of public funds accepted by parties in quarter two 2013 by type

Party	Short money (House of Commons)	Cranborne money (House of Lords)	Financial assistance to parties (Scottish Parliament)
Conservative and Unionist Party	£0	£0	£28,166
Green Party	£10,412	£0	£0
Labour Party	£1,744,540	£38,274	£117,299
Liberal Democrats	£0	£0	£10,350
Plaid Cymru – The Party of Wales	£0	£0	£0
Scottish Green Party	£0	£0	£13,252
Scottish National Party (SNP)	£43,861	£0	£0
Total	£1,798,813	£38,274	£169,067

Party	Policy Development Grant (Electoral Commission)	Homes and Places Division (Welsh Government)	Total
Conservative and Unionist Party	£341,307	£0	£369,473
Green Party	£0	£0	£10,412
Labour Party	£341,307	£0	£2,241,420
Liberal Democrats	£341,307	£0	£351,656
Plaid Cymru – The Party of Wales	£113,605	£21,021	£134,625
Scottish Green Party	£0	£0	£13,252
Scottish National Party (SNP)	£128,624	£0	£172,485
Total	£1,266,149	£21,021	£3,293,324

Late reporting

All parties required to submit a quarter two 2013 donation or loan report, did so on time.

Borrowing

Table 6: Total outstanding borrowing by party as at 30 June 2013

Party	Loans ¹	Credit facilities ²	Connected transaction ³
Conservative and Unionist Party	£2,611,933	£10,128,000	£0
Labour Party	£12,785,305	£107,000	£0 ⁴
Liberal Democrats	£345,797	£1,054,500	£40,000
Pensioners Party	£8,436	£0	£0
Plaid Cymru - The Party of Wales	£9,413	£50,000	£0
Scottish National Party (SNP)	£161,553	£0	£0
Scottish Socialist Party	£63,000	£10,000	£0
Scottish Voice	£200,000	£0	£0
The English Democrats	£108,041	£0	£0
The People's Party for Better Government	£7,800	£0	£0
The Progressive Party	£100,000	£5,000	£105,000
The Respect Party	£18,417	£0	£0
UK Independence Party (UK I P)	£11,638	£0	£0
Total	£16,433,333	£11,354,500	£145,000

¹ This is the maximum value of loans entered into by a party. In some instances, amounts may have been repaid and converted to donations. Further detail is available on PEF Online

² Credit facilities are an agreement where a registered party is entitled to receive a loan of money from time to time from another person (or organisation). The credit facility will generally have an upper limit specified in the credit facility agreement. Examples of common credit facilities include overdrafts and credit cards. The amount displayed is the maximum that can be borrowed and not the amount that is drawn upon at any one time

³ Connected transactions are an arrangement where a person (or organisation) gives any form of security on behalf of a political party in respect of a loan or a credit facility arranged with someone other than the party or the person giving security. Where a person (or organisation) has provided security or a guarantee, it is the maximum that they could be liable to pay.

⁴ The Labour Party reported 4 unlimited amounts of security linked to 2 new loans in Q2 2013

Table 7: New loans reported in quarter two 2013

Full details of loans, including the date on which the loan was entered into, date repayable, interest rate (whether fixed, variable or nil), whether security was given and details of the lender are available at:

<https://pefonline.electoralcommission.org.uk/search/searchintro.aspx>

Party	Total amount of new loans
Conservative and Unionist Party	£10,000
Labour Party	£2,435,000
Liberal Democrats	£15,800
UK Independence Party (UK I P)	£2,000

Table 8: Loans repaid in full or converted to donation in quarter two 2013

Changes to terms and conditions of borrowings (such as changes to interest rate and repayment or review date) must also be reported to us. These details are available to view at

<https://pefonline.electoralcommission.org.uk/search/searchintro.aspx>.

Party	Loans converted to donations (including partial conversion)	Loans repaid in full
Conservative and Unionist Party	£0	£32,409
Total loans ended	£0	£32,409