

Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service

Gifts and Hospitality Register 2021

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1. Introduction

The Gifts and Hospitality Register 2021 is a record of all gifts, hospitality invitations and rewards offered to SCTS employees regardless of value or whether they have been accepted by the individual.

The Gifts, Hospitality and Rewards policy seeks to protect the SCTS and its employees. The SCTS does not consider that it is appropriate for employees to accept anything other than token gifts or hospitality from court users, suppliers or any other person from an organisation with which the SCTS has business connections.

2. Publication and analysis of information on the register

The register, published in January 2022 for the previous calendar year (see Appendix 1), includes the date the gift/ hospitality was recorded, who the gift/ hospitality was provided by, the type of gift/hospitality, a brief description of the item, whether it was accepted or refused and the name of the court/ business unit. No personal data is included in the published data - any staff or third party names have been redacted.

Of the 51 items recorded on the 2021 register, 46 were gifts and 5 were hospitality invitations. All 51 were accepted.

Breakdown by value

Value	Number of Entries
Under £15	35
Between £15 and £30	10
Over £30	6

Breakdown by Business area

Area	Number of Entries
North Strathclyde	2
Grampians, Highlands and Islands	13
South Strathclyde, Dumfries and Galloway	10
Lothian & Borders	5
Tayside, Central & Fife	16
Glasgow and Strathkelvin	1
Office of the Public Guardian	1
Tribunals Operations	1
Supreme Courts	1
Property Services Unit	1

3. Next steps

HRU will review and publish information recorded during 2022 by 28 February 2023.



Appendix 1 – Gifts and Hospitality Register 2021

Date Recorded	Provided By	Gift/Hospitality	Nature of Gift / Hospitality	Accepted/Refused	Court/Unit
18/02/2021	Member of the public	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Kilmarnock Sheriff Court
18/02/2021	Member of the public	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Kilmarnock Sheriff Court
29/04/2021	Judicial Council of Ireland	Gift	Stationary set	Accepted	Tribunals Operations
29/04/2021	Member of the public	Gift	Flowers	Accepted	Office of the Public Guardian
19/05/2021	Member of the public	Gift	Flowers	Accepted	Forfar Sheriff Court
27/05/2021	Member of the public	Gift	Flowers	Accepted	Glasgow Sheriff Court
09/06/2021	Member of the public	Gift	Flowers	Accepted	Peterhead Sheriff Court
10/06/2021	Hall Norrie Warden	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Dundee Sheriff Court
16/07/2021	MacKenzie & Cormack	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Tain Sheriff Court
30/07/2021	SCRA	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Kirkwall Sheriff Court
31/08/2021	Member of the public	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Elgin Sheriff Court
08/09/2021	MacDonald Law	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Kirkwall Sheriff Court
18/10/2021	GeoAmey	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Tain Sheriff Court
01/11/2021	Caesar & Howie Solicitors	Hospitality	Dinner	Accepted	Livingston Sheriff Court
04/11/2021	Aberdeen Bar Association	Hospitality	Dinner	Accepted	Aberdeen Sheriff Court
10/11/2021	Allcourts	Hospitality	Dinner	Accepted	Livingston Sheriff Court
10/11/2021	Fairfield Family Law	Hospitality	Dinner	Accepted	Livingston Sheriff Court
17/11/2021	Atalian Servest	Hospitality	Dinner	Accepted	Property and Services Unit
07/12/2021	MacDonald Law	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Kirkwall Sheriff Court
13/12/2021	Member of the Judiciary	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Forfar Sheriff Court
14/12/2021	Virgil Crawford	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Stirling Sheriff Court
15/12/2021	MacKenzie & Cormack	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Tain Sheriff Court
16/12/2021	Member of the Judiciary	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Stirling Sheriff Court
16/12/2021	D and H Law	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Kirkwall Sheriff Court
20/12/2021	Criminal Justice Services	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Livingston Sheriff Court

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20/12/2021	JK Cameron	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Stirling Sheriff Court
21/12/2021	Optimum Advocates	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Supreme Courts
21/12/2021	Geo Amey	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Stirling Sheriff Court
21/12/2021	Member of the Press	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Stirling Sheriff Court
21/12/2021	SPRANG TERRAS	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Ayr Sheriff Court
22/12/2021	Bell Brodie	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Forfar Sheriff Court
22/12/2021	Dalling Solicitors	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Stirling Sheriff Court
22/12/2021	COPFS	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Tain Sheriff Court
22/12/2021	JK Cameron	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Airdrie Sheriff Court
22/12/2021	Member of the Press	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Tain Sheriff Court
22/12/2021	Geo Amey	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Forfar Sheriff Court
22/12/2021	Member of the Press	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Stirling Sheriff Court
23/12/2021	Fraser Shepard	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Falkirk Sheriff Court
23/12/2021	Blackadder & McMonagle Solicitors	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Falkirk Sheriff Court
23/12/2021	Falkirk Herald	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Falkirk Sheriff Court
23/12/2021	Member of the Press	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Falkirk Sheriff Court
23/12/2021	Cartys Solicitors	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Airdrie Sheriff Court
23/12/2021	Craig Wood Solicitors	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Inverness Sheriff Court
23/12/2021	D W SHAW	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Ayr Sheriff Court
29/12/2021	Member of the Press	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Livingston Sheriff Court
31/12/2021	COPFS	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Lanark Sheriff Court
31/12/2021	Hill Solicitors	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Lanark Sheriff Court
31/12/2021	Hilland McNulty	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Lanark Sheriff Court
31/12/2021	Morison Smith Solicitors	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Lanark Sheriff Court
31/12/2021	Davidson & Shirley	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Lanark Sheriff Court
31/12/2021	COPFS	Gift	Confectionary	Accepted	Lanark Sheriff Court