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Dear Reem Ibrahim

Our ref: FOI2026/14032

Thank you for your email of 26 July in which you make a request for information under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Your full request is attached. I can confirm that we hold some recorded information of relevance to your queries at the time of writing.

No10 North was established to drive the Government's devolution and economic growth agenda. Its purpose is to bring policy-making and decision-making closer to communities across the country, supporting the Government's objective of spreading opportunity, investment and economic growth more evenly beyond Westminster and Whitehall.

No10 North is based in existing Government occupied premises in Manchester, and is funded from existing Cabinet Office budgets. Since its inception, it has hosted Cabinet Ministers, junior Ministers, Permanent Secretaries, mayors and local government leaders for meetings supporting the Government's agenda. Further information will be published in the Cabinet Office Annual Reports and Accounts in due course.

The office space was already in use by the Government, and is being provided for use of the Prime Minister's Office at no cost. In order to provide a working space for No10 North, 24 meeting chairs were sent from London to Manchester at a cost of £954.16. The replica No10 door was moved from London to Manchester at a cost of £978.87, and five sign frames were purchased for £17.20. A logo for No10 North was designed by an existing team at no additional cost, while physically branding the office cost £10,527.20.

Event equipment, lighting and flag poles were purchased for £6,082.38. Crockery items cost £1,768.43 and sundries purchased from Amazon totalled £971.86. Enabling works to the office space were completed at a cost of £8,799. The IT and communications infrastructure for No10 North cost £18,718.23.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Officer

Reem Ibrahim

Incoming request

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request copies of any information held relating to the estimated costs of establishing and operating “No. 10 North.”

This includes, but is not limited to:

Any estimates of the capital or setup costs.

Any estimates of the annual operating costs.

Any estimates of security-related costs.

Any Treasury submissions, approvals, or funding requests relating to the project.

Any briefing papers or reports setting out the anticipated costs



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If you are unhappy with the level of service you have received from this office in relation to any aspect of your request, you may ask for an internal review.

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You should note that the Cabinet Office will not normally accept an application for internal review if it is received more than two months after the date that the reply was issued.

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