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Further to the response provided to Councillor Douglas, the annual costs of Area Committees that can be identified immediately are as shown below.

Travel for both Officers and Members can only be identified by analysing each minute of each Committee to confirm attendance, and then identifying/allocating the travel costs claimed by analysing each travel claim submitted. This is a significant task that will take time to collect.

A written reply will be prepared for the next Council Meeting.

Annual Costs of Area Committees include:-

Area Leaders' enhancement (5)	£ 42,060
Venue Hire • Caithness and Sutherland 684 • Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey 97	781
 Travel Costs for Business Support staff 	8,300
	<u>51,141</u> =====

Derek Yule Director of Finance 17 December 2014