

Consultancy spend and external recruitment exceptions – December 2014

During **December 2014**, the following exceptions to the consultancy freeze above £20,000 have been considered by the Chief Executive in his capacity as Accounting Officer; and the requests for consultancy below £20,000 have been considered by the Director of Corporate Operations.

Approval date	Ref: No. & Directorate	Summary of application	Decision
08/12/2014	37C RME	Identifying the benefits of an improved understanding of Network Rail's costs and cost drivers, £80,000	Approved
16/12/2014	39C RME	Incentivising better capacity management in GB rail: Case study evidence from other industries and railways, £60,000	Approved
17/12/2014	18C(3) RME	Assessment of aspirations for track access on the East Coast Main Line (extension to Ref: 18C(2) RME), £20,000	Approved
17/12/2014	38C RSD	Data analysis and comparison of health data for rail workers, versus other industrial sectors, £5,000	Approved
18/12/14	40C RSD	Review of Birmingham New Street Escalators, £11,400	Approved
19/12/14	41C RSD	Case studies on fatigue management indicators, £19,980	Approved