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Tim Loughton MP
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Christine Gilbert
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Dear Mr. Loughton,

PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NUMBER 309187: To ask the Secretary of State for Children, Schools and Families, what the salary is of the Children's Rights Director of England; how many people are employed in his office; and what the total annual cost to the public purse is of running his office.

Your recent parliamentary question has been passed to me, as Her Majesty's Chief Inspector, for a response.

As the Children's Rights Director is not an Executive Board member with executive responsibility, there is no mandatory requirement to disclose his salary in Ofsted's remuneration report. Permission would therefore need to be sought from the Children's Rights Director before disclosing his salary details. I can, however, say that the Children's Rights Director's pay falls into the Senior Civil Servant Pay Band 1 scale, as published by the Cabinet Office.

For the year ended 31 March 2009, there were 6 people employed in the office of the Children's Rights Director of England. The total cost of running the office, including the Director's and staff salaries and other direct costs was £635,000.

A copy of this reply has been sent to Vernon Coaker MP, Minister of State for Schools and Learners, and will be placed in the library of both Houses.

*Yours sincerely
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