

**Mr Tom Watson (West Bromwich East): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, how much Arts Council England spent on (a) Christmas parties and (b) staff entertainment in the last three years. (309778)**

Answer:

Arts Council England has spent the following combined amount on events for staff. We do not separately record an amount spent on Christmas parties.

	£s
2006-07	18,394
2007-08	27,659
2008-09	20,784