

Item no 5.1

QUESTION NO 1

**By Councillor Rust for answer by the
Convener of the Economy Committee
at a meeting of the Council on 26
June 2014**

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- (1) In respect of the 42 international trips undertaken by the economic development service during the period from February 2012 to February 2014 please list (a) the locations, (b) name of event, (c) number of officials and (d) number of councillors in attendance?
- (2) What is the total costs of those trips?
- (3) How many procurement cards are held by Economic Development?
- (4) What is the total spend on those cards for years 2012/13 and 2013/14?
- (5) What criteria is used when selecting accommodation, such as the Platinum Five-Star "The Garden Hotel" in Guangzhou or Hilton Doha Hotel?
- (6) Why did the response to the Economy Committee e-mailed on 25 April to the further information I sought at Committee on 6 March in respect of the Property Conference in London last November refer to £333 in respect of "travel and accommodation" yet omit £953 spent at *Latium*, Italian Restaurant?