

# Summary of investigation

May to June 2023

## Organisation or person investigated

Businessfore

## Matter(s) investigated

Whether Businessfore conducted unregistered consultant lobbying

## Registrar's decision

Based on assurances received, Businessfore has not conducted unregistered consultant lobbying activity.

## Summary of rationale for decision

Based on unequivocal and complete written assurances, Businessfore meets the three tests as a representative organisation, exempt from registration under the Transparency of Lobbying, Non-Party Campaigning and Trade Union Administration Act 2014 ('the Act'). This exemption applies to an organisation if:

- It represents a particular class or body of people; and
- its income is derived wholly or mainly from those people; and
- its communications on behalf of those people is no more than an incidental part of its general activity.

## Chronology

Date	Action
17 May 2023	Politico article regarding an event hosted in parliament on behalf of Businessfore.
24 May 2023	Enquiry letter from the Registrar sent to Kerry London Limited, to find out more about Businessfore and the relationship between them.

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31 May 2023	Full response from Kerry London limited.
1 June 2023	Formal letter from the Registrar to Businessfore giving background on the requirement for registering and asking if its activities, or those of Kerry London Limited or Kelliher Insurance Group fall within the criteria to be registered with particular reference to, but not limited to, a POLITICO report on 17 May regarding a Businessfore event in the House of Commons hosted by Amanda Solloway, MP.
12 June 2023	Response from Businessfore, including details on how Businessfore meets the representative organisations exemption under the Act.
23 June 2023	Letter from the Registrar concluding his investigation

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