



Committee of Privileges

Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP
House of Commons

14 July 2022

Dear Boris,

I am writing on behalf of the Committee of Privileges in connection with the matter referred to the Committee by the House on 21 April 2022 concerning your conduct.

The Committee wishes you to supply it with the documents set out in the annexed list insofar as they are in your possession. I also attach a timeline of events to which reference is made in the list.

I am writing separately to the Cabinet Secretary with a request for documents.

The Committee would be grateful to receive from you the specified documents by not later than 15 August.

Yours ever,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Harriet Harman".

Rt Hon Harriet Harman MP
Chair, Committee of Privileges

Requested Evidence

1. PM diaries for the following days:

- 15 May 2020
- 20 May 2020
- 19 June 2020
- 13 November 2020
- 27 November 2020
- 15 December 2020
- 17 December 2020
- 14 January 2021

2. Event email invites

- All email/electronic (including WhatsApp) invites for all events included in the attached timeline.

3. No. 10 Entry Logs for the following days:

- 19 June 2020
- 13 November 2020

4. Briefings

- All Prime Minister briefing packs for all HoC appearances between 1 December 2021 and 25 May 2022, including Urgent Questions, Statements, and Prime Minister's Questions, where briefing related to the matter referred to the Privileges Committee; including details of the clearance process and who cleared the briefing packs in each instance.

5. Electronic diary schedulers for PMQs briefing sessions

- Evidence of who attended the briefing sessions ahead of PMQs appearances.

6. Internal No. 10

- Any notes or evidence of any inquiries that were made by the Prime Minister's office/Mr Johnson, particularly on 30 November 2021, following the publication of articles by the Daily Mirror on 30 November and 1 December 2020, (online and print), entitled "Boris Johnson 'broke Covid lockdown rules' with Downing Street parties at Xmas" and "Boris party broke covid rules".

7. Resignation emails

- Any resignation emails, or correspondence relating to the resignation (including WhatsApp messages), of No.10 staff.

8. Advice and assurances

- All advice (including legal advice) and assurances received by Mr Johnson, or commissioned by the Prime Minister's office, relating to the events included in the attached timeline.

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9. No.10 photographer

- All photos for days where Mr Johnson attended any event included in the timeline, including those by the PM's official photographer Andrew Parsons.

10. Covid status of No. 10 staff

- Information on the number of No 10 staff off work with Covid on the dates of each of the events on the timeline.

11. Civil servants disciplined

- Number of civil servants disciplined in relation to any event included in the timeline, broken down by grade.

12. Documents deleted

- Any documents in any of the above categories known to have existed which was subsequently deleted.

Timeline of events

| Event No. | Date | Event title as in Sue Gray report (Findings of Second Permanent Secretary's investigation into alleged gatherings on Government premises during Covid restrictions) |
|------------------|-------------|--|
| 1 | 15-May-20 | A photograph showing a number of groups in the garden of No. 10 Downing Street |
| 2 | 20-May-20 | A gathering in the garden of No. 10 for No. 10 staff |
| 3 | 18-Jun-20 | A gathering in the Cabinet Office, 70 Whitehall on the departure of a No. 10 official |
| 4 | 19-Jun-20 | A gathering in the Cabinet Room in No. 10 Downing Street on the Prime Minister's birthday |
| 5 | 13-Nov-20 | A gathering in No. 10 Downing Street on the departure of a special adviser |
| 6 | 13-Nov-20 | A gathering in the No. 10 Downing Street flat |
| 7 | 27-Nov-20 | A gathering in No. 10 Downing Street on the departure of a special adviser |
| 8 | 10-Dec-20 | A gathering in the Department for Education ahead of the Christmas break |
| 9 | 15-Dec-20 | A gathering in No. 10 Downing Street for an online Christmas quiz |
| 10 | 17-Dec-20 | A gathering in Cabinet Office, 70 Whitehall to hold an online Christmas quiz for the Cabinet Secretary's Private Office |
| 11 | 17-Dec-20 | A gathering in No. 10 on the departure of two No. 10 Officials |
| 12 | 17-Dec-20 | A gathering in Cabinet Office, 70 Whitehall on the departure of a Senior Cabinet Office Official and a No. 10 Official |
| 13 | 18-Dec-20 | A gathering in No. 10 Downing Street ahead of the Christmas break |
| 14 | 14-Jan-21 | A gathering in No. 10 Downing Street on the departure of two No. 10 officials |
| 15 | 16-Apr-21 | A gathering in No. 10 Downing Street on the departure of a senior No. 10 official |
| 16 | 16-Apr-21 | A gathering in No. 10 Downing Street on the departure of another No. 10 official |