## High Earners Salaries Released

The Cabinet Office's new list updates a previous list published in June of 171 senior civil servants who earn £150,000 or more.

The updated list adds high earners in NDPBs who also fall into this category. It takes the number at UK level up to 328.

The Scottish list includes nine individuals in Scottish NDPBs and Public Corporations – Scotland also has three SG civil servants who earn more than £150,000 and these are included in the UK list (as pay for the Senior Civil Service is reserved).

A Scottish Government spokesman said:

"This information is being published in the same place for the first time in Scotland – however most of it is already publicly available. Those appearing in this list who work for the Scottish Government or Scottish NDPBs is only around 3 per cent of the total across the UK.

"It also should be noted that the majority of Scottish employees at NDPBs are at Scottish Water — the equivalent of which south of the Border is in the private sector, so earners in this area will not appear on the UK-wide list.

"We are facing a period of real financial constraint, which is why every effort is being made to ensure that pay – especially for the highest paid people in the public sector – is affordable and sustainable.

"Scottish Government Ministers have already shown a lead in pay issues by taking a pay freeze both last year and this. "Our Public Sector Pay Policy for Senior Appointments, which covers Chief Executives of NDPBs, Public Corporations and, for the first time, NHS Executives and Senior Managers, states there will be no basic award in 2010-11, reflecting the decision by Scottish Ministers to impose a pay freeze.

"And Finance Secretary john Swinney has written to NDPB and Public Corporation Chief Executives, who may have earned a bonus in respect of exceptional performance in 2009-10, asking them to consider waiving some or all of the payment."

You can download the list <u>here.</u>