Bristol International travel data July to September 2026

NOTE: We have provided the name, title and position of Members and Senior Officers third tier and above. Where names and job titles have been withheld, this is in accordance with section 40 (2) of the Freedom of information Act 2000. Where costs have been converted from international currencies, HMG official exchange rates have been used."

Name of Traveller	Job title	Team	Directorate	Departure Date	Departure to (Destination)	Return Date	Return to (Destination)	Main method of travel	Service Operator	Ticket type (e.g. economy)	Main travel costs (e.g. Flight/trains)	Reason for travel	Value to Bristol	Name of hotel	Location of hotel e.g. City, Country	No of nights	final hotel costs	Any additional costs e.g. food, visa, local travel in UK or in destination	How funded - internal or external or both	Funder if external e.g. EU project title
Name withheld	Job title withheld	International Affairs	Resources	14 September 2026	Bristol to Bordeaux, France	17 September 2026	Bordeaux to Bristol	Air	Easyjet	Economy	Unknown, externally funded	Participation in the Community of Purpose Bristol Together project where primary school children from across Bristol take part in an exchange in Bordeaux.	Bordeaux is one of Bristol's twin city relationships and 2027 will mark the 80th anniversary of this relationship. The UK has recently rejoined the Erasmus+ programme which will facilitate further funding opportunities for local benefit. Participation in this programme enabled the Officer to learn more about the youth mobility programme, explore how this scheme can be expanded to include opportunities for more young Bristolians and connect further with key partners in Bordeaux ahead of the anniversary year.	Auberge de jeunesses HI Bordeaux-Blanquefort	Bordeaux, France	3	Unknown - Externally funded	£16 Return bus to/from Bristol Airport	Both - all costs covered exterally with the exception of £16 for local travel.	Community of Purpose
Name withheld	Job title withheld	City Leap Client Function	Growth and Regeneration	14 September 2026	Bristol to Copenhagen, Denmark	17 September 2026	Copenhagen to Bristol	Air	Easyjet	Economy	£108.35 Return flight	Heat Network Mentor Programme UK - delegation visit to Copenhagen.	The study visit supported the development of Bristol's Heat Network, a key component of the city's heat decarbonisation and net zero ambitions. Denmark is a global leader in heat networks, and the visit formed part of a mentoring programme designed to help UK local authorities learn from international best practice.	Wakeup Copenhagen Bernstorffsgade	Copenhagen, Denmark	3	£371.33	£16 Return bus to/from Bristol Airport £5.30 Local travel (to/from Copenhagen airport) £20.99 Subsistence Transporation in Copenhagen and some meals were provided by the organiser (Costs unknown).	Internal	N/A
Name withheld	Job title withheld	Sustainable Cities and Climate Change Team	Growth and Regeneration	21 September 2026	Bristol to Lille, France	23 September 2026	Lille to Bristol	Train	Eurostar and local trains	Economy	Eurostar return fare London to Lille £170. Return train fare from Bristol to London £76.	Net Zero Cities Twinning Learning Programme visit to Lille.	Bristol is paired with Lille City Council in this project to learn from them on carbon budgeting and citizen engagement/just transition to carbon neutrality. This trip was an obligatory part of the twinning learning project and complemented online knowledge exchange meetings.	Ibis Styles Lille Centre	Lille, France	2	£277.26		External	European Commission via ICLEI as part of the Net Zero Cities programme
Name withheld	Job title withheld	Sustainable Cities and Climate Change Team	Growth and Regeneration	21 September 2026	Bristol to Lille, France	23 September 2026	From Lille Europe to Bristol Temple Meads	Train	Eurostar and local trains	Economy	Eurostar return fare London to Lille £170. Return train to London £60.50.	Net Zero Cities Twinning Learning Programme visit to Lille.	As above.	Hotel Maurice	Lille, France	2	£272.65	£14.20 Local travel	Both - all costs covered exterally with the exception of £14.20 for local travel.	European Commission via ICLEI as part of the Net Zero Cities programme
Cllr Tony Dyer	Leader of the Council	N/A	N/A	18 September 2026	London Heathrow to New York, USA	21 September 2026	London Heathrow	Air	American Airlines	Economy	£531.29 Return flight	Invited to attend and participate in 2026 Urban 20 (U20) Mayors/City Leaders Summit.	The 2026 Urban 20 (U20) is a platform for cities to collectively inform the G20 country negotiations. The USA is the host country for 2026. The U20 Mayors Summit was an opportunity to build on the U20 agenda, exchange practical experiences and solutions, and strengthen cooperation among cities working to advance affordability, sustainability and belonging for their communities. It was a priority event for the both Bristol and Core Cities UK. CCUK is a key member of the Urban7 (U7) - the official representative of the voice of UK cities, towns and regions in the G7 process. Bristol was invited as the only observer city in the UK, joining London (U20 member) and Greater Manchester City Region (G20 host city region in 2027) representing Bristol and the region but also Core Cities UK. Participation is also helping planning for UK's preparations for hosting the G20/U20 Summit in 2027 and U7/G7 in 2028. This opportunity has strengthened Bristol's relationship with the network, other cities, key international instititions (e.g. U.N.) as well as national government including UK US Consular representation and provided further opportunity for future collaboration and potential future investment.	Park Central Hotel	New York, USA	3	£590.29 (Incl taxes)	£58.37 return bus to/from Heathrow £20.70 local travel (Airtrain and Subway) in NY	Internal	N/A
Name withheld	Job title withheld	International Affairs	Resources	18 September 2026	London Heathrow to New York, USA	21 September 2026	London Heathrow	Air	American Airlines	Economy	£531.29 Return flight	Invited to attend and participate in 2026 Urban 20 Mayors/City Leaders Summit.	Supporting Bristol and Core Cities UK contribution to U20 Summit and network and related side meetings.	Park Central Hotel	New York, USA	3	£590.29 (Incl taxes)	£58.37 return bus to/from Heathrow £35.63 local travel (Airtrain and Subway) in NY £94.18 subsistence (for both myself and Leader). Some other refreshments/lunches and local travel were provided by host as part of the event programme. (Both)	Internal	N/A

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Name withheld	Job title withheld	Film Services / Culture	Economy of Place	27 September 2026	Bristol to Dublin, Ireland	04 October 2026	Belfast to Bristol	Air	Ryanair/Easyjet	Economy	£44.34 Outbound £71.98 Return	United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) Cities of Film Annual Meeting.	Attending the annual meeting of the UNESCO Cities of Film allowed Bristol to network with other leading international cities and learn and bring back best practice to the city. It was even more important to attend this year as we will be hosting next year's meeting and therefore were able to bring back useful intel on how to deliver the programme in 2027. Whilst there we also met with Terrassa, Busan and Yamagata Cities of Film to promote the University of Bristol's Vertical Filmmaking Challenge and will be connecting them up. We also met with Yamagata City of Film to discuss some funding for a cultural exchange and Bristol based filmmaker to visit Japan for a funded Artist residency.	The Galway Bay Hotel	Galway, Ireland	3	Unknown - Externally funded	£13.80 - Return bus to/from airport £17.58 Subsistence	Both (hotel costs covered by host city)	Note that the City of Film partnership receives funding from University of Bristol and UWE Bristol - via the MOU held with both.
Cllr Ani Townsend	Bristol City Councillor	N/A	N/A	27 September 2026	Bristol to Dublin, Ireland	29 September 2026	Dublin to Bristol	Air	Ryanair	Economy	£107.97 Return flight	United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) Cities of Film Annual Meeting.	As above.	The Galway Bay Hotel	Galway, Ireland	2	Unknown - Externally funded	£16 - Return bus to/from airport	Both (hotel costs covered by host city)	UNESCO City of Film - Bristol & Galway
Name withheld	Job title withheld	Arts Development	Growth and Regeneration	29 September 2026	London Heathrow to Gothenburg, Sweden	04 October 2026	Gothenburg to London Heathrow	Air	British Airways	Economy	£183.95 Return flight	Attending Eurocities Culture Forum.	Eurocities is a key international network for Bristol. Particiation in the Cultural Forum allowed Officers to: • gather learnings from Eurocities to inform Bristol's cultural strategy - ensuring alignment with the city's social, economic, and environmental goals. • participate in two Working Groups - Art and Culture in Public Spaces Working Group and Cultural services and culture for inclusive cities. • contribute to discussions on 'Freedom of expression in a new era – How cities can strengthen democratic resilience as agents for art and culture'. • demonstrate support for Bristol's cultural sector including highlighting it's UNESCO City of Film designation and Bristol Public Art policy. • demonstrate Bristol and Core Cities UK's commitment to our relationship with Europe through the network and bilaterally with European cities.	AirBnB	Gothenburg, Sweden	5	£283.80	£120 train travel to/from Heathrow £35.34 Local travel £41.55 Subsistence	External	Levelling Up (Filwood Broadway)
Name withheld	Job title withheld	Arts Development	Growth and Regeneration	29/09/2026	London Heathrow to Gothenburg, Sweden	04 October 2026	Gothenburg to London Heathrow	Air	British Airways	Economy	£114 Return flight	Attending EuroCities annual Culture Forum.	As above.	AirBnB	Gothenburg, Sweden	5	£283.80	£120 train travel to/from Heathrow £84.36 Local travel (incl costs due to flight delay) £81.78 Subsistence (incl some joint meal costs)	External	Levelling Up (Filwood Broadway)