Ysgolion yr 21ain Ganrif 21st Century Schools

Y Grŵp Addysg a Gwasanaethau Cyhoeddus Education and Public Services Group



Eich cyf/Your ref Ein cyf/Our ref ATISN 10155

Dear,

Request for Information – reference ATISN 10155

I wrote to you on **5 February 2016** following your request for information. In your request you asked for:

- 1. Correspondence between the Welsh Govt. and the UK Govt. Officials and Agendas, minutes of meetings and/or other discussions relating to the Asbestos Working group over the last 2 years.
- 2. The dates of the UK Govt.'s Asbestos Group attended by a WG Observing official, and agendas and minutes of those meetings.
- 3. The date of the first meeting of the Welsh Asbestos Working Group and dates of any previous such meetings, names of members of that group and agendas and minutes of their meetings.

Please note that there is not a Welsh Asbestos Working Group. The information that is included under this request is for the Asbestos Management in Schools Working Group for Wales. Please also note that the UK Government group is referred to as the Asbestos in Schools Steering Group.

In response to your request we hold no information which would be covered under part 1 although we have had initial discussions; there have not been any recorded exchanges with DfE officials to date.

In response to part 2, Welsh Government has not yet attended a UK Asbestos in Schools Steering Group meeting. However, we have recently been invited to a meeting in March and the invite for this is included.

The remainder of the information enclosed is specifically in response to part 3. These include the agenda and, draft minutes and terms of reference of the Welsh Asbestos Management in Schools Working which will be finalised shortly.

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ

or Email: <u>FreedomOfInformationOfficer@wales.gsi.gov.uk</u>

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House,

Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely