



Our Ref: ATISN 10462

15 June 2016

Dear ,

Thank you for your email of 23 May requesting the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

- The total annual cost of all smoking control and smoking cessation related activities and projects (salary, consultancy, advertising, research, research grants, publications, IT, equipment etc) for the last 5 years, broken down by year and by category of spend.

Section 14(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 does not oblige a public authority to consider a Freedom of Information request if it is substantially similar to one that has been received previously by the same requestor. Section 14(2) states: **“Where a public authority has previously complied with a request for information which was made by any person, it is not obliged to comply with a subsequent identical or substantially similar request from that person unless a reasonable interval has elapsed between compliance with the previous request and the making of the current request.”**

The Welsh Government has previously dealt with an identical request from you; I attach a copy of our reply issued on 12 May. Consequently, we have decided not to deal with your request on the basis of section 14(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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
Email: FreedomOfInformationOfficer@wales.gsi.gov.uk

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.

Also, if you think that there has been maladministration in dealing with your request then you may make a complaint to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales who can be contacted at:

Public Services Ombudsman for Wales
Ffordd yr Hen Gae
Pencoed
Bridgend
CF35 5LJ

Yours sincerely