



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

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Dear

ATISN 10910: Request for correspondence between the Cabinet Secretary for Education / The Minister for Education and Skills and Sir Ian Diamond regarding the review of higher education funding and student finance arrangements in Wales

Thank you for your request which I received on 9 November. You asked for:

- I request to see correspondence between the Cabinet Secretary for Education/Minister for Education and Skills (pre 2016 election) and Sir Ian Diamond regarding the review into higher education funding arrangements in Wales. I am looking for correspondence covering the period since September 2014 until September 2016.

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have identified two items of correspondence that appear to fall within the scope of your request:

1. Email from Sir Ian Diamond to the Cabinet Secretary for Education dated 19 November 2015 submitting the interim review report
2. Email from Sir Ian Diamond to the Cabinet Secretary for Education dated 2 September submitting the final review report.

Copies of both emails are attached. A link to the reports attached to the emails is below.

<http://gov.wales/topics/educationandskills/highereducation/review-of-he-funding-and-student-finance-arrangements/?lang=en>

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Yours sincerely

Higher Education Division