

Our ref: ATISN 11123 Date: 20 March 2017

Dear,

Request for Information – ATISN reference 11123

Thank you for your request which was received by the Welsh Government on 20 February 2017. You asked for the following information:

- 1. Does your organisation have an agreement set up with any public service unions in relation to facility time?
 - Yes
- 2. How many unions represent your employees?
 - 3 the Public and Commercial Services Union (PCS), Prospect, and the FDA
- 3. How many employees in your organisation are employed full-time on facility time as union representatives?
 - 12
- 4. Are these full-time employees paid by your organisation or the Union?
 - They are paid by the organisation
- 5. If so, how many hours per week to they devote to union facility time, by Union?
 - 37 hours average per week FDA
 - 37 hours average per week Prospect
 - 370 hours per week PCS
- 6. How many employees in your organisation are employed part-time on facility time as union representatives?
 - We have approximately 70 staff who are accredited representatives for their Trade Unions and are allowed a percentage of their working time as union facility time
- 7. If so, how many hours per week do they devote to facility time by Union?
 - As a result of our annual check on usage of facility time, these representatives have indicated so far that they spend an average of one hour per week on union duties.



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: 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.

Yours sincerely