

21st April 2017

Dear,

## Complaint in respect of Request for Information – reference ATISN 11171 – PISA analysis

Thank you for your e-mail of 4 April expressing dissatisfaction with the Welsh Government's response to your information request:

After the initial analysis of PISA carried out by UCL and published early in December 2016 the Welsh Government contracted to have further analysis carried out by Drs Jerrim and Shure.

Please can you supply me with a copy of this further analysis?

Please can you supply me with any unpublished further analysis of PISA 2012 Wales carried out by nfer. (I have the April 2015 further analysis).

It was confirmed that no unpublished analysis exists for the purposes of the second of these request and that information held by the Welsh Government under the first request was considered exempt under section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information intended for future publication.

This information amounts to further Analysis of PISA 2015 completed by the Institute of Education. This will include:

- Regional reports;
- PISA/GCSE Link; and
- Factors associated with high and low achievers

I have carried out a review of the handling of this request and have concluded that the decision to withhold the information was appropriate. The reason for my decision is that the information you have requested is intended for future

publication. The information will be quality assured and formatted into documents fit for publication. I therefore consider that the Section 22(1) exemption remains valid.

As Section 22 is a qualified exemption, I have also reviewed the application of the Public Interest Test for this request and agree with the conclusion that, on balance, the public interest arguments are in favour of withholding the data at this time.

If you remain dissatisfied with this response you also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 01625 545 745 Fax: 01625 524 510

Email: <a href="mailto:casework@ico.gsi.gov.uk">casework@ico.gsi.gov.uk</a>

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

Public Services Ombudsman for Wales 1 Ffordd yr Hen Gae Pencoed Bridgend CF35 5LJ

Telephone: 0845 6010987 (local rate) Email: ask@ombudsman-wales.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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