



18 April 2017

Dear ,

ATISN 11195 – Spending on air quality measures in Wales from 2011

Thank you for your request, which I received on 20 March 2017. You asked for:

- *A summary of the total government budget committed by the Welsh Government to measures to improve air quality in the UK from 1 April 2011 to present date, broken down by financial year and government department and measure.*
- *A summary of the total actual expenditure by Welsh Government on measures to improve air quality in the UK from 1 April 2011 to present date, broken down by financial year and government department and measure.*

The total budget and expenditure for measures which may improve air quality is likely to entail a very large number of interventions operated or supported by the Welsh Government. In line with the principles of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015, Welsh Government seeks to integrate air quality policy with other policy areas so that they support each other and work together to deliver multiple well-being benefits across all of the seven goals set out in the Act. To identify all budgeted and actual expenditure relating to measures that directly and indirectly address air quality would therefore require a significant expenditure of resource – in excess of 24 hours in my estimation. I consider it would amount to a manifestly unreasonable use of resources, within the terms of regulation 12 of The Environmental Information Regulations 2004, and I have therefore decided to refuse the request.

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.

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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