Swyddfa'r Prif Weinidog a Swyddfa'r Cabinet

Office of the First Minister and Cabinet Office



Our ref: ATISN 11244 Date: 23 June 2017

Dear,

Request for Information – ATISN reference 11244 (Internal Review)

Thank you for your request which was received by the Welsh Government on 25 May 2017. Following our disclosure letter dated 23 May 2017, you requested an internal review into our decision to withhold procurement card information under section 22 of the Freedom of the Freedom of Information Act (and our omission of the necessary public tested argument in our first response to you).

I can confirm the arguments necessary to be put forward in our original disclosure under the exemption referred to above were incorrectly omitted. Whilst this information has now been provided to you, I uphold this part of your complaint.

Following my review; notwithstanding the omission of arguments as outlined above, I am satisfied Welsh Government cited the correct exemption for non disclosure. I do not believe the public interest argument for the release of information (then or now) outweighs that for withholding given the stated intention in our original disclosure to publish in due course.

Welsh Government information on Procurement cards will be published imminently (within a week) and as such, I have not upheld this part of your complaint.

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: casework@ico.gsi.gov.uk



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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