

9 November 2017

Dear,

## Request for Information – ATISN 11627

I wrote to you on 18 October regarding your request for information. You asked for:

 Copies of all correspondence between the Heads of the Valleys Development Corporation and/or Michael Carrick or his representatives and/or Martin Whittaker or his representative(s) and Welsh Government officials and/or Welsh Government Ministers between 1 May 2017 and 11 October 2017, as referred to by the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure during Ministerial Questions in the Senedd on 11 October 2017.

In my letter of 18 October, I explained that your request does not provide a sufficiently clear description of the information for me to identify and locate the information you are seeking. I also explained that I would be unable to process your request until I received clarification from you. Whilst you are asking for *all* correspondence for what is an almost six month period, you are also asking for information specifically as referred to by the Cabinet Secretary on 11 October during his Ministerial questions over the same six month period. I provided you with a link to the <u>transcript</u> of the Ministerial questions which had since been published on the National Assembly for Wales website, which may have assisted you with being more specific in your request. Given I have not received any such clarification from you, I am unable to process your request on this occasion.

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



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<u>FreedomOfInformationOfficer@wales.gsi.gov.uk</u>. 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