



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Our ref: ATISN 11947
Date: 21 February 2018

Dear ,

Request for Information – ATISN references 11947 / 11948 / 11949 / 11950

Thank you for your multiple requests, which were received by the Welsh Government on 24 January 2018. These are listed at Annex 1.

In response to your requests, I have determined that to provide the information would cost more than the appropriate limit, which is £600 for central government - my reasons for doing so are set out at Annex 1. However, we may be able to reconsider your request if you were more specific about the information you require.

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

Annex 1

ATISN 11947

Details of ministerial diary meetings between Carwyn Jones and Plaid AMs between 1 April 2016 and 31 December 2017. Please include any minutes, agendas, or attendees associated with the meetings; and

all correspondences (including text messages) between Carwyn Jones and Plaid Cymru AMs between 1 April 2016 and 31 December 2017.

ATISN 11948

Details of ministerial diary meetings between Mark Drakeford and Plaid Cymru AMs between 1 April 2016 and 31 December 2017. Please include any minutes, agendas, or attendees associated with the meetings.

All correspondences (including text messages) between Mark Drakeford and Plaid AMs between 1 April 2016 and 31 December 2017.

ATISN 11949

Details of ministerial diary meetings between Jane Hutt and Plaid AMs between 1 April 2016 and 31 December 2017. Please include any minutes, agendas, or attendees associated with the meetings; and

All correspondences (including text messages) between Jane Hutt and Plaid AMs between 1 April 2016 and 31 December 2017.

ATISN 11950

Details of meetings and correspondences (including texts) between Welsh Government special advisors and Plaid Cymru AMs and/or Plaid Cymru AMSS between 1 April 2016 and 31 December. Please include any minutes, agendas, or attendees associated with the meetings.

Summary

The Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 allow a public authority to aggregate requests for the purposes of calculating the appropriate limit where they are made:

(a) by one person, or

(b) by different persons who appear to the public authority to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign,

Where they are, the Regulations state that the estimated cost of complying with any of the requests is to be taken to be the total costs of complying with all of them. This applies in circumstances in which—

(a) the two or more requests relate, to any extent, to the same or similar information, and

(b) those requests are received by the public authority within any period of sixty consecutive working days.

I consider that both sections a) above have been satisfied, as the requests are all from the same person and they all relate to the same or similar information.

Therefore, in calculating the appropriate limit I have aggregated each request above and the combined total time to locate the information would be 47.16hrs, more than the 24hrs set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

In conclusion, I have determined that to provide the information requested in relation to these combined requests would cost more than the appropriate limit, which is £600 for central government, so I am refusing your requests on this basis.