



Our ref: ATISN 12952
Date: 15 February 2019

Dear _____,

Request for Information Reference ATISN 12952

Thank you for your request which I received on 7 February 2019. You asked for:

All correspondence (emails, letters and text messages) sent and received by Welsh Government ministers, special advisors and officials which references the 'Brexit Minister' since his appointment by Mark Drakeford in his first Welsh Government cabinet on 13th December 2018?

Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act allows a public authority to refuse a request if it calculates that dealing with it would exceed the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit specified for central government is £600. This represents the estimated cost of it taking over 24 hours of time to determine whether we hold the information and to thereafter locate, retrieve and extract it.

For the purposes of calculating the appropriate limit, I have assessed that the combined total time to locate the information requested would be over 3,700 hrs.

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

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: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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