



Our ref: ATISN 13057
Date: 12 April 2019

Dear ,

Request for Information reference ATISN 13057

Thank you for your request which I received on 15 March 2019. Further to our acknowledgement, you confirmed you were seeking access to all companies that have applied or received a grant (just the name of the company and url) for the last 2 financial years.

I have concluded that it will cost more than the appropriate limit established in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 to consider the your request. The appropriate limit specified for central government is £600. When calculating whether or not your request exceeds the appropriate limit, I am allowed to consider the time it is likely to take to establish if we hold the information, locate, the information, retrieve the information and extract it. If these tasks are estimated to take more than 24 hours of working time, the limit will have been exceeded.

The Welsh Government's finance system does not hold details of the specific information you have requested and as such, officials would need to manually review master data records to extract information that falls within the scope of your request – including whether we hold url information.

Welsh Government issues 10,000 award letters a year and many of these will have multiple applications. It would therefore be necessary to review this documentation to extract the information requested. I estimate it would take at least 5 minutes to review documentation to determine the information requested – this process would take 833 hours to complete ($5 \times 10000 / 60 = 833$) – 1666 hours for the 2 year period.

You may wish to narrow the scope of your request to focus on a smaller time frame or a particular grant area e.g. farming grant, school grant etc. as this may bring your request within the appropriate limit.

Welsh Government also publishes expenditure over £25,000 – which includes grants. Information can be found, here [Welsh Government expenditure over £25,000](#).

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