

14 February 2024

Dear

ATISN 20153 – Request for Information

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 1 February 2024. You asked for:

- Total funding provided by Welsh Government in the last financial year available probably 2022-2023
- Number of employees
- Total salary bill
- Number of Directors at executive leadership level and respective remuneration
- Number of non-executive directors and respective remuneration

For all of:

1. Adnodd Cyfyngedig
2. Arts Council of Wales
3. Bannau Brycheiniog National Park Authority
4. Cadw
5. Cardiff International Airport
6. Care Inspectorate Wales
7. Careers Wales
8. Centre for Digital Public Services
9. Citizen Voice Body for Health and Social Care
10. Commission for Tertiary Education and Research
11. Cwmni Eginio
12. Design Commission for Wales
13. Development Bank of Wales
14. Education Workforce Council
15. GCRE
16. Healthcare Inspectorate Wales
17. Higher Education Funding Council Wales
18. Industry Wales (Sector Development Wales Partnership Limited)
19. Life Sciences Hub Wales
20. Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales
21. Meat Promotion Wales
22. National Academy for Educational Leadership
23. National Library of Wales
24. National Museum Wales
25. Natural Resources Wales
26. Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority
27. Planning and Environment Decisions Wales
28. Qualifications Wales
29. Regeneration Investment Fund for Wales

30. Renewable Energy Developer for Wales
31. Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales
32. Snowdonia National Park Authority
33. Sport Wales
34. Student Loans Company
35. Transport for Wales
36. Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
37. Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
38. Cardiff and Vale University Health Board
39. Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board
40. Hywel Dda University Health Board
41. Powys Teaching Health Board
42. Swansea Bay University Health Board
43. Velindre University NHS Trust
44. Welsh Ambulances Services NHS Trust
45. Public Health Wales
46. Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW)
47. Digital Health and Care Wales
48. NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership

Our response

From my preliminary assessment I estimate it will cost more than the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 to answer your request. 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.

Your request asks about 48 different bodies. In approaching policy divisions that hold data on these, I ascertained that much of the information is available, for instance at Companies House. See, for instance, [CARDIFF INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT LIMITED](#). Or published in annual reports. For instance, [Natural Resources annual report and accounts 2022 23](#), or the [RCAHMW-Annual-Report-2022-23.pdf](#). Such published information is exempt from disclosure under FOIA Section 21 (Information accessible by another means), but for each of the 48 policy areas you ask about, work needs to be carried out to do both of the following:

1. Locate published information and review it to see to what extent your questions are answered.
2. Locate and extract the information that is not published.

The first task is relatively easy where officials are aware of what is published, but still took at least 15 minutes to both locate and review the information. The second task, however, took longer. Where a division has the information to hand, it would take 15 minutes to locate, extract and review information for release, but in a sample exercise of eight policy divisions, estimates of time taken required to do this work estimated from 15 minutes (where information was to hand) to four-five hours (where queries of our finance system were required). Based on a sample average of 2 hours

work per body, I find that it would take 96 hours of work to collate and extract the information you have requested. It is therefore withheld.

It is very likely that we would not hold some of the requested information, and for bodies outside of Welsh Government and not managed by us, to obtain all the information you require, you should approach these directly. Care Inspectorate Wales, Healthcare Inspectorate Wales, Planning and Environment Decisions Wales, however, are just parts of Welsh Government.

Next steps

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