

14 May 2024

Dear

### **ATISN 19556 – Ministerial communication**

Thank you for your request which I received on 9<sup>th</sup> May. You asked for the disclosure of the entire ministerial iMessage group chat dated August 2020 which included a message from the Vaughan Gething in which he stated: "I'm deleting the messages in this group. They can be captured in an FOI and I think we are all in the right place on the choice being made."

### **Our response**

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you require is not held by the Welsh Government. We do not hold a copy of the entire message.

### **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](mailto: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