



Our ref: ATISN 20403  
Date: 27 June 2024

Dear ,

### **ATISN 20403**

Thank you for your request which I received on 27 March 2024. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding.

You asked for the following information:

a list of all taxpayer funded chauffeur driven journeys Mr Antoniw has taken since his appointment as Counsel General for Wales in 2016 and the total cost of those journeys.

I have reached the conclusion 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 your request. The appropriate limit specified for central government is £600. When calculating whether or not your request exceeds 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.

In relation to the number of journeys in the first part of your request, this would involve locating and extracting the information from a minimum of 6720 daily log sheets. At an estimate of taking 30 seconds to investigate each document to see if it contains any relevant information and to then extract it would take more than 56 hours for this exercise alone. Because this exceeds the appropriate limit established in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate limit and Fees) Regulations 2004, I have decided not to process that part of your request.

With reference to the costs part of your request. The Welsh Government does not record the cost of individual journeys.

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 e-mail: [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

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely