

## E-mail request

Our ref: ATISN 15540 Date: 15 October 2021

Dear

## **ATISN 15540**

Thank you for your request which I received on 24 September 2021. You asked for the following information:

## Copies of all emergency legislation brought into use since March 2020 in relation to the Coronavirus pandemic

The Welsh Government has published a list of all subordinate legislation made by Welsh Ministers in response to the coronavirus pandemic from 4 February 2020 to 31 August 2021 here:

- Coronavirus pandemic legislation: 4 February 2020 to 10 August 2020: https://gov.wales/coronavirus-pandemic-legislation-4-february-2020-10-august-2020
- Coronavirus pandemic legislation: 10 August 2020 to 31 August 2021: https://gov.wales/coronavirus-pandemic-legislation-10-august-2020-31-august-2021

All legislation is publically available on the <a href="www.legislation.gov.uk">www.legislation.gov.uk</a> website. The Welsh Government also makes available copies of Welsh Coronavirus legislation at <a href="https://gov.wales/coronavirus-law">https://gov.wales/coronavirus-law</a>. Both sources also include legislation made since 1 September 2021.

## Copies of any briefing documents sent to local authorities in order for them to deal effectively with the pandemic

I have concluded that this part of your request as currently submitted will exceed 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.

I have searched Welsh Government's internal saved folders and initially found 455 documents that would need to be reviewed as part of your request. On average, it would take 4 minutes to review each document for consideration. This would total 30 hours to complete and exceeds the 24 hour time limit. In addition, there could be documents related to this Freedom of Information request not yet saved to our system that could fall within scope. This would require further searches on email



systems, which would require additional time and resources to complete. Consequently, we will not be able to provide you with the information you have requested.

You may wish to refine your request by narrowing its scope to be more specific about what information you wish to obtain. If you do refine your request in this way, this will be treated as a new request.

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.

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Yours sincerely