

21 November 2022

Dear

ATISN – 16790 – Food Festivals

Thank you for your request which I received on 26.10.2022.

Our response to your request is below:

1. You have asked for information with regards to the make up of the funding available to Food Festivals in 2022 and the value.

Welsh Government Covid Recovery Funding was made up of multiple funding sources, the breakdown of that funding is not available.

The total budget allocated to Food Festivals in 2022 was £209,955

2. Supply a full list of all festivals that received funding and the amounts received.

Published details are available [Food Tourism and Culture | Business Wales - Food and drink \(gov.wales\)](#)

3. Any festivals that applied for funding for 2022 but were not successful in their application and clarify why these festivals were rejected.

No Festival applications were rejected.

4. Welsh Government food festival funding criteria for 2022, applied only to festivals that ran in 2019, but why weren't any new festivals for 2022 given any consideration?

Acknowledging the detrimental impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on Food Festivals and their finances, the Welsh Government's Food Division established the Food Festivals Recovery Fund in order to support organisers in re-introducing successful events in 2022.

5. What is the Welsh Government's policy for funding for 2023?

No information is held regards future policy.

6. Have the Welsh Government commissioned any research of individual food festivals that were funded for 2022?

No research has been commissioned.

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