

23 December 2022

Dear

ATISN 16938 – Wavehill Contract

Information requested

Thank you for your request dated 6 December 2022.

You asked:

1. *For Wavehill's application to the Welsh Government to undertake consultation work for the Wales Race Equality Action Plan*
2. *How much money did the Welsh Government award to Wavehill?*
3. *How did Wavehill give their due regard to the Welsh language act?*
4. *What % of engaged organisations were Welsh language speakers?*
5. *What % of respondents responded to Wavehill's research in Welsh?*
6. *What % of engaged groups have received funding from the Welsh government over the past 10 years?*
7. *Please provide appendices of the consultation forms and responses that were disseminated and received.*
8. *Please provide your strategic equality impact assessment for this work.*
9. *What % of report writers are non-BAME?*
10. *How did report writers give due regard under the public sector equality duty?*
11. *What % of report writers are White?*
12. *Of engaged organisations, what % belong to Race Council Cymru?*

Responses are provided on the following pages.

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

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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

Responses:

1. Please provide Wavehill's application to the Welsh Government to undertake consultation work for the Wales Race Equality Action Plan

The bid document from Wavehill may contain commercially sensitive information. As such we are considering the public interest tests against the s43(2) 'Commercial interests' exemption of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We will require an extension until 31 January 2023 to respond to this part of your FOI request. Apologies for the delay.

To clarify further, Wavehill's bid was for a tender to provide an analytical report on the Community Engagement undertaken for the Race Equality Action Plan (now the Anti Racist Wales Action Plan).

2. How much money did the Welsh Government award to Wavehill?

£18,100 + VAT (£21,720) was awarded to Wavehill for analysis of the Community Engagement for this Plan.

3. How did Wavehill give their due regard to the Welsh Language Act?

The tender document required the bid winner to produce Welsh and English language reports and not to treat the Welsh language less favourably than English.

4. What % of engaged organisations were Welsh language speakers?

We do not hold this information.

5. What % of respondents responded to Wavehill's research in Welsh?

We do not hold this information. Wavehill provided analysis of the community engagement, and so did not receive direct responses.

The organisations providing community engagement were expected to engage with respondents in English and Welsh. It's not possible to extract from the documents held the exact percentage of respondents who engaged in the Welsh language.

6. What % of engaged groups have received funding from the Welsh government over the past 10 years?

100% of the organisations which facilitated Community Engagement received funding from the Welsh Government.

7. Please provide appendices of the consultation forms and responses that were disseminated and received.

We do not hold documents identifiable as appendices of the consultation forms for the Community Engagement process.

Community engagement was conducted by the organisations listed in the analysis report by Wavehill and provided in the form of reports. We do not hold the response forms related to this work.

8. Please provide your strategic equality impact assessment for this work.

This is published as part of the Integrated Impact Assessment, here:

[41912 An Anti-Racist Wales: Integrated Impact Assessment \(gov.wales\)](#)

9. What % of report writers are non-BAME?

We do not hold this information.

10. How did report writers give due regard under the public sector equality duty?

The Welsh Government and other public bodies are bound by the public sector equality duty. As a private company Wavehill is not bound by it in the same way. Consideration was given to the PSED by the Welsh Government in commissioning work on the plan.

11. What % of report writers are White?

We do not hold this information.

12. Of engaged organisations, what % belong to Race Council Cymru?

We do not maintain a list of the membership of Race Council Cymru.

The community engagement undertaken in the development of the plan involved an open call for organisations to apply for funding to engage their communities.

The list of organisations which received funding can be found on p.49-57 the published report: [Race Equality Action Plan: Community Engagement Analysis - March 2021 \(gov.wales\)](#)

More information about Race Council Cymru, including members, can be found on their website:

<https://racecouncilcymru.org.uk/>