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Dear

ATISN 17358 FOI request - intensive poultry units and phosphate pollution

Thank you for your request which was received on 31 March 2023. You asked for:

1. Who are the invitees to the forthcoming summit of key partners aimed at tackling excessive levels of phosphates in Welsh rivers (e.g., organisations or individuals positions for the latter if necessary)?
2. Which organisations and individuals (e.g., positions) attended the previous 'Phosphates summit'?
3. On what basis are organisations/individuals being invited to attend the forthcoming summit (e.g., what are the criteria)?
4. On what basis were organisations/individuals invited to the previous 'Phosphates summit' (e.g., what were the criteria)?
5. What were the outcomes of the previous 'Phosphates summit'?
6. When is the forthcoming scheduled for?
7. What are the terms of reference and forms of outcome intended for the forthcoming summit?

Our response

1. Who are the invitees to the forthcoming summit of key partners aimed at tackling excessive levels of phosphates in Welsh rivers (e.g., organisations or individuals positions for the latter if necessary)?
 - a. **Attachment 1** – contains the invitee list to the second River Pollution Summit.
2. Which organisations and individuals (e.g., positions) attended the previous 'Phosphates summit'?
 - a. **Attachment 2** – contains the confirmed attendance of the first River Pollution Summit.
3. On what basis are organisations/individuals being invited to attend the forthcoming summit (e.g., what are the criteria)?
 - a. Organisations/individuals were selected based on attendees from the first River Pollution Summit and organisations identified as having a role to play in developing solutions – see confirmed attendee list of the first River Pollution Summit (attachment 2).
4. On what basis were organisations/individuals invited to the previous 'Phosphates summit' (e.g., what were the criteria)?
 - a. No documentation is held in response to this question. Organisations from key industries with a role to play in identifying, developing and delivering solutions to address phosphorus pollution were identified, and the representatives were of sufficient seniority within each organisation to agree decisions and commitments.

5. What were the outcomes of the previous 'Phosphates summit'?
 - a. **Attachment 3** - The First Ministers Written Statement, dated 1 August 2022, outlines the outcomes of the first River Pollution Summit.
6. When is the forthcoming scheduled for?
 - a. **Attachment 4** - The invitation to the second River Pollution which took place on Wednesday 8 March 2023.
7. What are the terms of reference and forms of outcome intended for the forthcoming summit?
 - a. **Attachment 5** – The River Pollution Summit does not have a term of reference; however, an agenda was prepared.
 - b. **Attachment 6 and 7** - The FM's Written Statement, dated 20 March 2023, and the "Relieving Pressures on SAC River Catchments to Support the Delivery of Affordable Housing" Action Plan outlines the outcomes of the second River Pollution Summit.

Next steps

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Yours sincerely