

Our ref: ATISN 18930

Date: 11 October 2023

Dear

Thank you for your request which I received on 12 September 2023. You asked the following:

- a breakdown of costs (consultancy, travel, legal counsel etc...) incurred to date in relation to the legal case with Pablo Star Ltd.; and
- the current status of the case and if settled, the amount of any settlement paid or due to be paid.

Welsh Government does not hold recorded information in respect of the legal case with Pablo Star Ltd (PSL). However, for the period covering 07 July 2014 – to date, the cost which includes all related and connected litigation involving PSL, related companies and their owner is approximately: £1,023,646.90. Welsh Government does not hold the information in any further broken-down format.

In respect of your second question, a settlement was made on 9 November 2021 between Pablo Star Ltd and Welsh Ministers in respect of £160,000.

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:

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Welsh Government
Cathays Park
Cardiff
CF10 3NQ

Or e-mail: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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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