

4 January 2024

Dear

ATISN 20045 – Asylum Seekers Basic Income

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 2 January. You asked for information regarding labour party proposals to give £1,600 per month to asylum seekers, including legal authority to do so and details of any Senedd vote on the proposals.

Our response

We do not hold information in relation to your request as there is no labour party proposal to give £1600 a month to asylum seekers.

However, I believe you are referring to the Basic Income for Care Leavers in Wales pilot, which was subject to misleading press stories last year. The pilot was launched in July 2022 and was open to young people turning 18 and leaving care between 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023. The pilot is explained in more detail here: [Basic income pilot for care leavers: overview of the scheme | GOV.WALES](#).

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

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