Dear

## Information requested

## ATISN 20121

Thank you for your request which I received on 23 January 2024. You asked for:

- any relevant documents that refer to the Welsh Governments response to the recommendations outlined in the Expert Groups report on the cost-of-living crisis from September 2023 to now.

## Our response

From my preliminary assessment I estimate that it will cost more than the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 to answer your request. The appropriate limit specified for central government is £600. This represents the estimated cost of it taking over 24 hours of time to determine whether we hold the information and to thereafter locate, retrieve and extract it.

In order to provide you with the information that you have requested it would require a review of all relevant related correspondence for that period and all relevant related documentation. Consequently, I have decided not to provide you with the information you have requested.

You may wish to refine your request by narrowing its scope by being more specific about what information you particularly wish to obtain, including any dates or period of time relevant to the information required. If you do refine your request in this way, this will be treated as a new request.

I would note however in relation to your request that the Welsh Government published a Written Statement responding to the recommendations of the Expert Group on the cost-ofliving crisis on the 23 January 2024. A copy of the Written Statement is available on the Welsh Government web site on <u>https://www.gov.wales/written-statement-welsh-governments-response-report-wales-expert-group-cost-living-crisis</u>.

## **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