

5 April 2024

Dear

## **ATISN 20294**

Thank you for your request which I received on 1 March 2024. You asked for:

- financial sponsorship or donations that have been made to any part or member of the Welsh Assembly including ministers (made by the list of provided officers and or companies).

Further to our request, you clarified:

- the request was in relation to Ministers and Welsh Government officials;
- 'made' is any offer and whether or not it was accepted;
- information was sought on each financial sponsorship and/or donation received by the listed official or organisation (split by accepted and/or declined – with the associated value); and
- The time period should cover the last 10 financial years (or as much of that as you are able to, broken down by year).

Information for Ministers/Officials is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) – information reasonably accessible to the requester by other means.

### **Ministerial Information**

Registration of sponsorship and donations is a requirement under the standing orders of the Welsh Parliament and are available to view online for each MS, which includes Ministers. The sixth assembly register can be found here [Register of Members' Interests \(senedd.wales\)](#) – the webpage includes archives of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Senedd terms which covers the requested time period.

### **Officials**

Details of any sponsorship and donations to officials would be recorded in Group Gift and Hospitality registers. Welsh Government Gift and Hospitality information has previously been published and covers most of the time period of your request – the most recent was:

ATISN [FOI release 19016: Gifts | GOV.WALES](#) which asked for Gifts and Hospitality received by Welsh Government officials, and in particular the total value of gifts and hospitality received for the years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023.

Within the response to ATISN 19016 is reference to earlier disclosures of Gift and Hospitality information:

- ATISN 14894:  
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*Scope: Gift and Hospitality information for all officials 2017 – 15 March 2020*

- ATISN 17140: [FOI release 17140: Hospitality and gifts | GOV.WALES](#)  
*Scope: Gifts and Hospitality of Senior Civil Servants and Private Office staff between 2018 – 2023*
- Senior Officials declarations [Senior officials: register of interests | GOV.WALES](#):  
*Published information 2021 – 2022 (updated 6 April 2023)*
- The remaining information in scope of ATISN 19016 covered the period 16 March 2020 – 19 September 2023 and is included at Annex 1 to the published disclosure response.

For the period 2014 to 2016 (prior to Welsh Government's first publication of information) and 20 September 2023 (the first date following the last disclosure of information under ATISN 19016) and 7 March 2024 (the date on which you clarified your Freedom of Information request), I can confirm no information is held in line with your question.

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 e-mail: [Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales](mailto: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

Telephone: 0303 123 1113  
Website: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely