

12 March 2025

Dear

ATISN 24376 Nation of Sanctuary

Thank you for your request which I received on 12th February 2025. You asked:

1. How much in total to date has the Welsh Government spent on its "Nation of Sanctuary" plan?
2. Please provide a breakdown of total expenditure for each financial year since the plan was introduced

Our response

1. The total net spend (expenditure minus income from external sources) on the Nation of Sanctuary plan is approximately £54,879,744.15.
2. The total net spend for each financial year since the plan was introduced is as follows:

2019-2020	£1,088,481.45
2020-2021	£1,200,529.79
2021-2022	£1,073,229.66
2022-2023	£21,064,491.02
2023-2024	£27,707,451.27
2024-2025	£2,745,560.96

The higher figures since 2022-2023 mostly relate to supporting Ukrainian arrivals to 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