Dear

ATISN 26279

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 21/10/25. You asked for the following documents related to Welsh Government funding (including through Ynni Cymru, Development Bank of Wales and the Welsh Government Energy Service) to Community Energy Wales and Ynni Teg Cyf from 01/01/2024:

- 1. Final decision documents, ministerial submissions and approval papers.
- 2. Grant offer letters and contracts (including any amendments or variations).
- 3. Due-diligence and value-for-money assessments covering governance and executive remuneration.
- 4. Monitoring and evaluation requirements, reports and progress updates.
- 5. Correspondence between Welsh Government officials and CEW or Ynni Teg relating to oversight, transparency or remuneration arrangements.
- 6. Any Welsh Government guidance or policy on assessing governance and executive pay for third-sector bodies receiving grants of £100,000 or more.

Our response

We would encourage you to make an information request for information held with Development Bank Wales directly. Welsh Government is not involved in decisions to award loan funding by the Bank. We have shared in this response all the information which is held by Welsh Government directly or information relating to Welsh Ministers' decisions about funding captured by this request.

- You have requested we share all final decision documents, Ministerial submissions and approval papers. We provided Ministerial advice documents for the current year (2025/2026) in the response to ATISN 25184. Please find attached additional Ministerial advice documents from 01/01/2024 - 2025 with this request.
- 2. All grant offer letters for this period related to Community Energy Wales and Ynni Teg Cyf were shared in our response to ATISN 25085.
- 3. We do not undertake any tailored or specific due diligence or value for money assessments covering governance or executive renumeration. We monitor the effectiveness of delivery of the actions set out in the grant offer letter to Community Energy Wales through regular meetings and reports. A summary of these was shared in annex 3 in our response to ATISN 25085. Welsh Government does not assess Community Energy Wales or Ynni Teg's remuneration of its staff. This is a matter for Community Energy Wales and Ynni Teg.

- 4. In response to ATISN 25085 we provided in Annex 3 a summary of the evidence collected for monitoring, and we have provided examples of that evidence including copies of the state of the sector reports which are produced by Community Energy Wales. We also confirmed that an evaluation was undertaken by the Foundational Economy Team in Welsh Government, who funded work by Community Energy Wales. No other formal evaluation has been undertaken to date.
- 5. We have not identified any correspondence between Welsh Government and Community Energy Wales or Ynni Teg on oversight, transparency or remuneration arrangements. Remuneration of people within these organisations is a matter for the organisations and their employees.
- 6. We are not aware of any guidance or policy on assessing governance and executive pay for third-sector bodies receiving grants of £100,000 or more. If you would like to speak with the sector body who represents the third sector, I would encourage you to speak with the WCVA who may be able to support your request further.

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

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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