

05 February 2026

Dear

**ATISN 26580 – Caldey Island and Abbey**

Thank you for your request to Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 15 January 2026. You requested the following:

In relation to information on safeguarding, governance, oversight, or regulatory involvement concerning Caldey Island, Caldey Abbey, or the Caldey Abbey Trust:

1. *Safeguarding Concerns, Reports, or Audits Any safeguarding concerns, referrals, alerts, or reports involving Caldey Island or Caldey Abbey*
  - *Any internal or external safeguarding audits, assessments, or reviews*
  - *Any documents relating to safeguarding risks, incidents, or historical concerns*
2. *All Correspondence - including emails, letters, memos, meeting notes, Teams/Zoom notes, and internal briefings involving:*
  - *Any third-party safeguarding consultants (including Jan Pickles OBE)*
3. *Decisions, Oversight, and Internal Discussions Any decisions, discussions, or internal deliberations regarding oversight of safeguarding on Caldey Island*
4. *Multi-Agency Meetings:*
  - *Minutes, agendas, or notes from any multi-agency meetings where Caldey Island or Caldey Abbey was discussed*
  - *Any communications with the West Wales Safeguarding Board (CYSUR/CWMPAS)*
5. *Complaints or Escalations*
  - *Any complaints received relating to safeguarding or governance on Caldey Island*
  - *Any responses, internal handling notes, or outcomes*

**Our Response**

We can confirm that Welsh Government holds information that is captured by your request. However, 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 would require searches of our electronic filing system. Initial searches of our electronic files have retrieved potentially 165 documents of various sizes and complexity.

Each of these documents would need to be manually reviewed to consider whether they are wholly or partially within scope of your request. Consequently, after considering the regulations and applying the timescales for review, I have decided not to provide you with the information you have requested.

You may wish to refine your request by being more specific about what information you particularly wish to obtain and include 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.

## **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](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

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

Yours sincerely,