

5 February 2026

Dear

ATISN 26588

Thank you for your request which I received on 16 January. You asked for the information as listed at Annex 1.

Our response

I have reached the conclusion that it will cost more than the appropriate limit established in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 to consider your request. The appropriate limit specified for central government is £600. When calculating whether or not your request exceeds the appropriate limit, I am allowed to consider the time it is likely to take to establish if we hold the information, locate the information, retrieve the information and extract it. If these tasks are estimated to take more than 24 hours of working time, the limit will have been exceeded.

The information requested will require multiple searches of multiple systems to be identified and collated. A preliminary search reveals 628 potential records in one system that may contain relevant information. All of these records would have to be manually opened and checked. Doing so would take on average 4 minutes per record which would take 2512 minutes (1.75 days)

In addition, the complexities of the search required to identify accurate information mean that searches across even a small number of the other systems that may contain records (as we would require multiple search terms) would take 2.9 days. This is before any records returned are checked.

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 e-mail: 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

Website: 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

Annex 1

Please provide the following information for the period 1 January 2022 to the date of this request:

1. A list of meetings, briefings, or formal engagements between Welsh Government Ministers, Deputy Ministers, Special Advisers, or senior officials and:
 - Plaid Cymru Members of the Senedd
 - Plaid Cymru MPs
 - Plaid Cymru officials acting in a formal political capacityIncluding, where recorded:
 - date
 - attendees
 - subject or purpose of meeting
2. Copies of agendas, minutes, briefing notes, or official records of those meetings where disclosure is permitted.
3. Copies of any correspondence (emails or letters) between Welsh Government Ministers or senior officials and Plaid Cymru representatives relating to:
 - policy development
 - funding decisions
 - legislative proposals
 - regulatory or public body oversight
4. Details of any grants, contracts, or formal funding arrangements where Plaid Cymru or its representatives were directly involved in discussions or decisions, including:
 - funding programme
 - amount
 - dates
 - stated purpose