

2 February 2026

Dear

### **Request for information - ATISN 26625**

Thank you for your request for information which I received on 28 January. I apologise for the delay in responding to you.

### **Your Request**

You asked for the following information regarding the funding given to Powys CC by the Welsh Government for the Arwain project a few years ago:

1. What the funding was for
2. How much was provided over how many years
3. How much per annum.
4. What results came from this funding and if it is continuing.

### **Our response**

I can confirm that the Welsh Government holds the information you have requested.

For questions one to three, through the Welsh Government Rural Communities - Rural Development Programme (RDP) 2014-2020, two tranches of funding were awarded (£3,510,470.00 / £508,699.00) to Powys County Council (PCC) to deliver and manage the LEADER (Arwain) Programme over its 7-year duration. Payments were made in arrears based on claims evidencing defrayed project expenditure.

The RDP Programme supported a wide range of activities designed to increase the sustainability and resilience of our natural environment, land-based sector, food businesses, and communities, with funding awarded to PCC to deliver against the objectives set out in their Local Development Strategy.

For your final question, an evaluation of the LEADER (Arwain) Programme was commissioned by PCC and can be found here - [Microsoft Word - Powys RDP MTR final - 19.06.20.docx](#)

The Rural Development Plan closed in 2023.

### **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  
CF10 3NQ

or Email: [Freedomofinformation@gov.wales](mailto:Freedomofinformation@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.

### **Personal Information**

The request you sent contains personal information about you - for example, your name and email address. The Welsh Government will be the data processor for this information and, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation, it will be processed in order to fulfil our public task and meet our legal obligations under the Act to provide you with a response. We will only use this personal information to deal with your request and any matters which arise as a result of it. We will keep your personal information and all other information relating to your request for three years from the date on which your request is finally closed. Your personal information will then be disposed of securely.

Under data protection legislation, you have the right:

- to be informed of the personal data we hold about you and to access it
- to require us to rectify inaccuracies in that data
- to (in certain circumstances) object to or restrict processing
- for (in certain circumstances) your data to be 'erased'
- to (in certain circumstances) data portability
- to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) who is our independent regulator for data protection

For further information about the information which the Welsh Government holds and its use, or if you wish to exercise your rights under the GDPR, please see contact details below:

Data Protection Officer  
Welsh Government

Cathays Park  
CARDIFF  
CF10 3NQ

Email: [DataProtectionOfficer@gov.wales](mailto:DataProtectionOfficer@gov.wales)

Any information released under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 or Environmental Information Regulations 2004 will be listed in the Welsh Government's Disclosure Log (at <https://gov.wales/about/open-government/freedom-of-information/responses/?lang=en>).

Yours sincerely