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Dear

ATISN 26626 Flood funding to Wrexham County Borough Council on the River Ceiriog

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 28/01/2026. You asked for:

Details of any funding awarded by Welsh Government to Wrexham County Borough Council in the last 18 months relating to riverside works, flood mitigation, river management, or temporary or permanent works on the River Ceiriog in Glyn Ceiriog.

In particular, you have requested confirmation of:

1. Whether any funding award (including but not limited to the sum of £20,000) has been made for works on the River Ceiriog during the last 18 months.
2. The amount(s) awarded, the date(s) of award and the funding programme or budget from which the award was made.
3. The stated purpose and scope of the funded works.
4. Any conditions attached to the funding, including requirements for approval from Natural Resources Wales.
5. If no such funding has been awarded, you have asked us to confirm this explicitly.
6. If this funding has been spent, or has it been returned to Welsh Government for any reason, and if so, what were the reasons?

You have also asked whether the information requested is held by another public authority and, if so, for us to advise accordingly.

Our response

Welsh Government do not hold any information on funding awarded to Wrexham County Borough Council in the last 18 months relating to riverside works, flood mitigation, river management, or temporary or permanent works **on** the River Ceiriog in Glyn Ceiriog. The River Ceiriog at this location is designated Main River. This means Natural Resources Wales are the Risk Management Authority responsible for managing the risk of flooding associated with the Ceiriog. The local authority is responsible for the adjacent ordinary watercourses and surface water risk. As such, they would not typically carry out works on the river Ceiriog itself.

However, I can confirm that Welsh Government have provided Wrexham County Borough Council with £104,357.63 to carry out emergency repair works to damaged Flood Risk Management infrastructure in the aftermath of Storms Bert and Darragh in 2024. The funding was awarded from the Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management

Programme. The funding was provided for works which occurred in the vicinity of the River Ceiriog, although not actually on the watercourse itself.

Please find attached the following documents which answer your query:

Doc 1: Emergency funding application forms from Wrexham County Borough Council

Doc 2: The associated Grant Offer Letter

Doc 3: The local authority's final claim form.

For completeness, I have also provided a specific response to each of your queries below:

1. The attached emergency funding application form and final claim form provide details of the works completed. I can confirm that these works occurred within the last 18 months.
2. The attached Grant Offer Letter provides details of the amount(s) awarded, the date(s) of award and the funding programme or budget from which the award was made. I can confirm that the works were funded from the Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Programme.
3. The stated purpose of the works is included in the attached application forms at Doc 1.
4. The conditions attached the funding are specified in the Grant Offer Letter at Doc 2.
5. No funding has been awarded for the explicit purpose of riverside works, flood mitigation, river management, or temporary or permanent works on the River Ceiriog in Glyn Ceiriog. However, to assist with your enquiries, we are sharing information regarding wider works undertaken in the vicinity.
6. The local authority completed works at 4 of the 5 locations. Works to repair assets on the B4500 were not taken forward by the local authority as they did not consider additional construction work to be required. This information is provided in the final claim form at Doc 3.

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

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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