

20 April 2026

Dear

ATISN 26820 – Innovating Democracy Advisory Group

Thank you for your request which I received on 21 March. You asked for:

Salaries and administrative cost of the Innovating Democracy Advisory Group (annual costs and what allowances or salaries are paid out for each panel).

Our response

Members of the Innovating Democracy Advisory Group are not salaried employees. Rather they are public office holders who can claim remuneration as set out in the terms and conditions agreed on appointment. Based on payments recorded between 4 December 2024 and 15 April 2026, the costs are:

- Remuneration (daily rates). The Chair and Members of the Group can claim remuneration initially set at £150 per day and £100 per day, respectively. From 1 January 2026, these rates increased to £155 per day and £104 per day. The total remuneration paid is £16,635.15.
- Travel and other reasonable expenses. Travel and other reasonable expenses incurred properly and necessarily in respect of appointment to the Advisory Group can be claimed within recognised limits. The total paid is £5,219.27.
- The administrative cost associated with the Innovating Democracy Advisory Group is £3,982.80.

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