

30 June 2026

Dear

**ATISN 27048 – Welsh Government budget**

Thank you for your request which I received on 3 June. You asked for the information as listed at Annex 1.

**Our response**

Further to your agreement on 4 June, parts a-g of your request were transferred to Senedd Cymru. The remaining information for parts h-k is attached separately with this response.

**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](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

Website: [www.ico.org.uk](http://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**

a) The total expenditure incurred by Senedd Cymru/Welsh Parliament.

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b) A breakdown of this expenditure by major spending category.

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c) The total expenditure incurred by the Senedd Commission.

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d) The total cost of Members of the Senedd, including salaries, staffing allowances, office costs, travel expenses, accommodation expenses, and any other allowances or expenses.

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e) The total cost of Senedd elections (and, in this instance, by-elections too) borne by public bodies.

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f) The estimated additional annual cost resulting from the increase in the number of Members of the Senedd from 60 to 96.

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g) The total number of staff employed by the Senedd Commission and the total cost of their employment.

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h) The total budget of the Welsh Government for the 2025-26 financial year.

i) The total cost of the Welsh Government's central administration during the same financial year.

j) The total number of Welsh Government civil servants and the total cost of their employment during the same financial year.

k) The total expenditure on communications, public affairs, international relations / overseas offices during the same financial year.