



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Our ref: ATISN 27493
Date: 28 September 2026

Dear ,

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Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 11 September. You asked for the information listed at Annex 1.

Our response

The Welsh Government press office holds a number of subscriptions to print and online publications for media monitoring purposes. Our records show that since 1 October 2024, the Welsh Government has recorded a total spend of £820 on subscriptions to the Will Hayward Newsletter. This is for a multi-user subscription held by the press office. There are no other records of payments or reimbursements.

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 details of any expenditure from Welsh Government funds on paid access to *The Will Hayward Newsletter* from 1 October 2024 to the date of this request.

Please include:

- payments made directly from Welsh Government funds, including centrally purchased access, such as subscriptions purchased by library, knowledge, communications, press, policy or other corporate services; and
- payments initially made personally by a Minister, special adviser, civil servant or other Welsh Government employee and subsequently reimbursed from Welsh Government funds.

This includes individual, group, corporate or multi-user subscriptions.

For each payment identified, please provide:

1. the date;
2. the amount; and
3. the number of subscriptions, accounts or users covered by the payment, where recorded.

Relevant records may identify the publication or supplier as Will Hayward, The Will Hayward Newsletter, willhaywardwales, willhaywardwales.substack.com, or Throstle Worde Media Ltd (company no. [15984234](#)). Please also include payments processed through Substack, Stripe, Apple or another intermediary, where information held in connection with the transaction identifies it as relating to *The Will Hayward Newsletter*.