

07/10/2026

Dear

Thank you for your request which I received on 25/09/2026.

ATISN 27570 – FOI Request – Castell Howell

Information requested

1. financial support paid to Castell Howell Foods Ltd (or any company in its group), between 1 March 2020 to 31 March 2022:
2. Loans received under the Covid-19 Wales Business Loan Scheme, Development Bank of Wales fund
3. Amount paid by the Welsh Government to each local authority in lieu of centrally supplied shielding food boxes, by authority.
4. Contracts or agreement relating to the supply or distribution of food during the Covid-19 pandemic, with its value

Our response

1. Castell Howell and companies within its group received the following between 1 March 2020 to 31 March 2022:

A. Castell Howell Foods	-	£520K (COVID fund – August 2021)
B. Farm Fresh	-	£58,361 (COVID funds - June 2020)
C. Farm Frozen Foods	-	£23,900 (COVID funds - April 2021)
E. Celtica Foods Ltd	-	£87K (Covid funds – June 2020)
2. The Welsh Government does not hold this information.
3. The following Local Authorities received funding in lieu of centrally supplied shielding food boxes:

A. Ceredigion = £447,704,
B. Carmarthen Council = £282,790.26
4. The Welsh Government does not hold this information.

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:

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Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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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