Grŵp yr Ysgrifennydd Parhaol Permanent Secretary's Group



Our ref: ATISN 15111 Date: 26 May 2021

Dear ,

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Thank you for your request which I received on 27 April 2021. You asked for:

copies of emails and contracts between Gatenby Sanderson and Welsh Government from 01/09/2020 to 01/05/2021.

Where questions are broad in their nature they may require a trawl for information across Welsh Government.

To date, I have identified a significant amount of information containing the phrase 'Gatenby Sanderson.' As such and as it has not been possible to determine the exact information you are seeking following our initial interpretation, I have concluded that to provide a response would likely exceed the appropriate limit established in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004. When calculating whether or not a request exceeds the limit, we are allowed to consider the time it is likely to take to establish if we hold the information, locate the information, retrieve the information and extract it. If these tasks are estimated to take more than 24 hours of working time, the limit will have been exceeded.

In light of the above, if you are able to reframe your question with a clearer description of the information you are seeking, it can be reconsidered (for example, are you seeking information on business support contracts, public appointment contracts or something else?). Please note, any reformulated questions will be treated as a new request for information.

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

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.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely