

Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government

E-mail request

Our ref: ATISN 15139 Date: 2 July 2021

Dear

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Thank you for your request which I received on 17 May 2021. You asked for the following information:

the cost to taxpayers of the legal battle over the Internal Market Act.

The Welsh Government has paid a total of £87,458 to counsel instructed to advise and represent the Counsel General for Wales. This figure is up to the point of the Divisional Court Judgment in the legal challenge to the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020. In addition, court fees of £682 have been incurred. An appeal of the Judgment has been submitted but not yet decided. As a result, the costs figures provided are not final.

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

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Yours sincerely