

Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government

ATISN 15499

04 October 2021

Dear

ATISN 15499 – Cost of COVID-19 tests

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 27 August. You requested the following -

- How much the third party company responsible for the provision of international testing is being paid to facilitate these tests
- Why is the cost of the NHS test £68.00 per person and who is getting the money?

Response

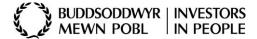
Corporate Travel Management (CTM) are the booking agent for NHS tests, they are not the test provider. The UK Government's Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) holds the contract with CTM. Welsh Government does not, therefore, hold any information with regard to payment from DHSC to CTM.

The price for NHS tests is the same across the UK, and is set by the UK Government. They have advised that NHS Test and Trace tests were made available at the market mid-point to ensure tests are available at an appropriate cost. If you require any further details, please contact <u>dhsctesttrace.customerfeedbackteam@nhs.net</u>.

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 Email: <u>Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales</u>

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,