E-mail request

Our ref: ATISN 15625

Date: 19 November 2021

Dear

ATISN 15625

Thank you for your request which I received on 24 October 2021. You asked for a wide range of documents relating to Neath Port Talbot Council's participation in the 21st Century Schools and Colleges Programme

Due to the volume of information requested I estimate that it will take longer than the "appropriate limit" set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 to source and supply the relevant documents to you. The appropriate limit specified for central government is £600. This represents the estimated cost of it taking over 24 hours of time to determine whether we hold the information requested and to thereafter locate, retrieve and extract it.

I estimate it would take approximately 6 hours to extract and review the documents for each project. Neath Port Talbot Council had 6 projects within Band A of the 21st Century Schools and Colleges Programme; the limit is therefore exceeded (6 x 6 hours = 36 hours) without collating the further information which you had requested.

You may wish to narrow your request to focus on a specific question with respect to any one or more of these projects. Please note, however, that any narrowed request which requires the Welsh Government to undertake the exercise to locate, extract and retrieve information from our database may still exceed the appropriate limit. Any redefined questions will be treated as a new requests for information.

Some of the programme and project information that you are requesting is available online on the council's website and in the public domain. If you read what is already freely available, this may help you formulate a more focused request for the specific information you are requiring and cannot access. Neath Port Talbot Council will also be able to assist with your query as they hold information relevant to your request.

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,