

19 July 2022

Dear

ATISN 16472 – Llantrisant to Cardiff METRO

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 14 July 2022. You asked for:

I wish to obtain FOI information regarding “The Case for a Llantrisant to Cardiff METRO” and refer to a report produced by Cogitamus Ltd in April 2022 on behalf of, and paid for by the Welsh Government.

1. How many providers were requested to tender for the work to produce this document?
2. What determined that Cogitamus Ltd was the chosen provider?
3. What due diligence was carried out on Cogitamus Ltd before deciding to award them the contract?
4. The report by Cogitamus Ltd notes that "the cost of the publication has been met by the Senedd Commission by public funds" - how much were Cogitamus Ltd paid to produce the report?
5. What were the tender amounts put forward by the unsuccessful providers?
6. How many contracts have Cogitamus Ltd been awarded by the Welsh Government in the past 5 years?

Our response

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you require is not held by the Welsh Government.

The report was not commissioned by the Welsh Government, but by two Members of the Senedd acting in that capacity. The Senedd may hold the requested 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: Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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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