



Our ref: ATISN 16220
Date: 28 July 2022

Dear _____,

ATISN 16220

Thank you for your request which I received on 31 March 2022.

Welsh Government generally 'self-insures' – this is the case for example for our administrative estate. Where any insurances are in place, I have included information on other 2021/22 information at Annex 1. I have however concluded that some of the information requested is exempt under Section 43 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000). I have set out at Annex 2, the reasons for the exemption.

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Information Rights Unit
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
Cardiff
CF10 3NQ

or e-mail: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire



SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.org.uk

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

Yours sincerely

Annex 1

| QUESTION 1 | QUESTION 2 | QUESTION 3 | QUESTION 4 | QUESTION 5 | QUESTION 6 |
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| Please confirm the name, position and contact details (telephone number and email address) of the person responsible for arranging and administering the Authority's insurances. | Which classes of commercial insurance do the Authority currently procure? When are these policies due for renewal? | Please confirm the name of the Authority's current insurance broker/advisor (if applicable). | When was the contract for insurance broking services last reviewed/ tendered? | When will the current contract for insurance brokerage services expire? Is this subject to a potential extension | Annual spend |
| WGTyHywelFacilities@gov.wales | Vehicle Fleet Insurance 1/4/23 | Section 43 | N/A | N/A | £10,394 |
| WGTyHywelFacilities@gov.wales | Fleet Breakdown Cover 1/4/23 | Section 43 | N/A | N/A | £991.33 |
| Cadw, PIC Branch | Building Insurance. Part of rental agreement of Crumlin workshop renewal was June 2022. | Insurance included as part of rental agreement, therefore paid to landlord (Workman LLP) | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Cadw, PIC Branch | Motor Insurance, renewal due Aug 2022. | Section 43 | 2016 (when Cadwreath fleet was leased) | Under no contract, therefore free to change/stop at any time | 10% of renewal cost £1,438 in 2021-22 (£13,421.69 was total cost of insurance incl. broker fee) |
| Head of Policy Development | Staff travel insurance, April each year | Section 43 | New broker was procured for 1st April 2022 | 31-Mar-25 | £6,000 |
| Vessel Contract & Assets Manager | 22/05/2023 | Section 43 | 23/05/2020 | 22/05/2024 Yes 1 year extension possible | £56,540.02 |
| Vessel Contract & Assets Manager | 22/05/2023 | Section 43 | 23/05/2020 | 22/05/2024 Yes 1 year extension possible | Section 43 |
| Vessel Contract & Assets Manager | 22/05/2023 | Section 43 | 23/05/2020 | 22/05/2024 Yes 1 year extension possible | £550 |

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| Vessel Contract & Assets Manager | 22/05/2023 | Section 43 | 23/05/2020 | 22/05/2024 Yes 1 year extension possible | £5,471.29 |
| Vessel Contract & Assets Manager | Fully Comprehensive 22/05/2023 | Section 43 | 23/05/2020 | 22/05/2024 Yes 1 year extension possible | £350 |

Administrative estate Welsh Government generally 'self-insures'. That is the case for the administrative estate. The exceptions are where we are tenants of private landlords and are required to take out insurance as a condition in the lease - the most recent costs relating to this are: Bedwas - £48,361.56; Milford Haven - £43.60 (Quarterly); Wrexham - £870.00; Oak House - £913.45

Economic property Economy Property takes out 3 insurance policies covering i) Property Risk; ii) Airside Insurance and iii) Terrorism Risk. The total value per annum is estimated at £333,000. The contract was last reviewed during December 2021 and it will expire 30 September 2025.

Annex 2

Section 43(2)

This exemption states:

(2) Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it).

Public interest arguments in favour of release

There is a public interest in openness and transparency within government, particularly in terms of ensuring transparent and accountable government with regards to spending public money and that the money is spent wisely.

Public interest arguments in favour of withholding

The names of brokers (in conjunction with the release of any cost information) would be likely to damage the brokers commercial interests in current work and future tendering opportunities if other potential bidders could access this information which could lead them to, for example, determining pricing mechanisms.

Because of the nature of this business information, putting this into the public domain would place the brokers (bidders) at commercial disadvantage which would be likely to lead to commercial loss.

I am aware that as a general rule, the sensitivity of information is likely to reduce over time, so that the age of information, or timing of the request may be relevant in determining whether to apply the exemption, or where the public interest may lie. In this case, however, the information captured is very much current information.

In conclusion, I believe that the balance of the public interest therefore falls in favour of withholding the information relating to the names of brokers.