

10 August 2022

Dear ,

## **ATISN 16465 - Credit Union Strategy for Wales Progress**

### **Information requested**

Thank you for your request which I received on 13 July 2022. You asked for information on:

1. What demonstrable progress has been made against the 12 actions contained in the revised Credit Union of Wales Strategy 2020 *Building a Credit Union Nation*, funded by Welsh Government?
2. Whether Welsh Government required that the revised Credit Union strategy be for all Credit Unions in Wales, as was the 2016 strategy?

### **Our response**

1. The Credit Unions of Wales (CuW) Strategy 2020 *Building a Credit Union Nation* is owned by Credit Union of Wales who have sole responsibility for the progress and delivery of its 12 actions. Whilst Welsh Government supported the development work of the strategy at the request of the sector, the priorities and delivery of the strategy are solely led by the sector. You may wish to request this information from Credit Unions of Wales.
2. Welsh Government did not set out any requirements on how CuW took forward the development of their strategy. Whilst Welsh Government would like to see all credit unions working together to share learning and resources, it also accepts this is not always possible. All Welsh credit unions were invited to participate in the strategy development, and had the opportunity to provide their views, but whether they agreed to take part or to sign up to the strategy was a matter for individual credit unions.

## 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,  
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or Email: [Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales](mailto:Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales)

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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,