

Our ref: ATISN 16469 Date: 2 August 2022

Dear

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Thank you for your request which I received on 13 July 2022. You asked for the amount of money that the Welsh Government spends annually on translation services between Welsh and English.

In my acknowledgement letter dated 20 July, I interpreted your request as below. As I received no response from you, I have proceeded based on this interpretation:

Costs of commissioning external translation providers to translate text from Welsh to English and English to Welsh, to enable the Welsh Government to provide services to the public or otherwise comply with its obligations under the Welsh language standards or Senedd standing orders, for the last full financial year (2021-22).

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Please note that the SAP (Welsh Government's finance system) report on which the figure above is based may include some other translation costs, but for us to quantify and remove these other costs would exceed the appropriate limit under the Freedom of Information Act.

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 e-mail: 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

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