

Dear

6 October 2022

Request for Information – ATISN 16636

Thank you for your request for information dated 7 September.

Information requested

A copy of correspondence by letter and email between Knight Frank and the Welsh Government during 2022.

Our response

Having considered your request and made some initial searches I believe it will be very time consuming to deal with. Requesting a broad scope of information as described makes the search very difficult and time consuming. There are many different teams and departments within the Welsh Government, which have had correspondence with Knight Frank.

I have undertaken an initial search using the term 'Knight Frank' for the timeframe specified, which yielded more than 10,000 results. At an average estimate of one minute per result to check whether it is relevant to your request and then extracting the relevant information, it would take one official well in excess of 24 hours to complete the exercise.

I have therefore concluded that it will cost more than the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 to deal with your request. I have therefore decided to refuse your request under Section 12 of the Act as it would exceed the appropriate limit.

Making your request more specific could narrow the parameters of the scope and time it will take to process the request. If you decide to refine your request in this way, this will be treated as a new request.

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. 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