26 January 2023

Dear

ATISN 17044 - Aberystwyth office

Thank you for your request which I received on 12 January 2023. You asked for the following information:

The actual v budget total running costs for the WG office in Aberystwyth for 2021 and 2022.

For context, I would like to understand the total annual cost for keeping the building open, so fuel, light, maintenance, rates etc and staff costs for this purpose should be included.

The annual costs for the running of the Aberystwyth office for 2021 and 2022 calendar years are shown below. The figures include business rates, utility costs and site maintenance including the associated staffing costs.

2021 - £1,311,918 2022 - £1,364,576

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

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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