Dear

ATISN 18926 - Funding to Nation Cymru

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 07 September 2023. You asked for:

- 1. How much funding the Welsh Government provides to the news outlet Nation Cymru (https://nation.cymru/)
- 2. What the terms are of providing such funding

Our response

1. The Welsh Government provides no direct funding to Nation Cymru.

The Welsh Government channels its support for the publishing sector through the Books Council of Wales (BCW). In 2020, Nation.Cymru was awarded £20,000 per annum for a four year period by the BCW as part of an open tender process held in 2019. In addition, one-off grants have been awarded to Nation.Cymru through the BCW's New Audiences Fund (£42,000) and Cost of Living grant (£7,200).

Nation.Cymru also received £9,400 through the Independent Community News Network (ICNN) led 'Independent News Accelerator Fund, an initiative funded by budget set aside by Welsh Government's Co-operation Agreement with Plaid Cymru for media financial support.

2. The Welsh Government does not hold this information. Terms for funding are set by the grant funders.

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