

11 October 2023

Dear

### **Request for information - ATISN 18966 – Festival funding**

Thank you for your request for information submitted on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023 and further clarification on 21<sup>st</sup> September.

### **Your request**

You asked for the following information:

Pt1 - All funding awarded from the Welsh Government to the 'Llangollen International Music Eisteddfod', 'In It Together', and 'Westival' festivals over the period January 2014 to September 2023

Pt2 - All funding awarded from the Welsh Government to the 'Love Trails', 'Between the trees', 'FOCUS Wales' festivals over the period January 2014 to September 2023.

Pt3 - All funding awarded from the Welsh Government to the 'Llais', 'Swan', 'Inside Out', Cowbridge Music festival, 'Gottwood', 'HUB' festivals over the period January 2014 to September 2023.

Pt4 - Any public body or venue over the period January 2015 to September 2023 in receipt of government funding with the intention to produce any cultural events (to include but not be limited to one-off music events, literature events, comedy events and any festivals).

### **Our response**

<b>Pt1-3</b>	<b>Date of Award</b>	<b>Value</b>	
<b>Llangollen International Music Eisteddfod</b>	February 2019	£75,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme (2019-21 events)
	April 2023	£270,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme (2023-25 events)
<b>In it Together</b>	April 2022	£29,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme
<b>Westival</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>Love Trails</b>	May 2019	£90,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme (2019, 2021 and 2022)

	July 2023	£155,850	events) Event Wales Grant Support Scheme (2023-25 events)
<b>Between the Trees</b>	June 2023	£33,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme
<b>FOCUS Wales</b>	April 2017	£100,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme (2017-19 events)
	November 2019	£184,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme (2020-22 events)
	March 2023	£100,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme (2023-25 events)
<b>Llais</b>	February 2018	£200,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme
	March 2020	£275,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme
	July 2022	£150,00	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme
	August 2023	£250,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme
<b>Swn</b>	June 2022	£75,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme
	August 2023	£100,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme
<b>Inside Out</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>Cowbridge Music Festival</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>Gottwood</b>	April 2020	£25,000	Creative Wales - Grassroots Music Relief Fund
	June 2022	£50,000	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme
	June 2023	£123,495	Event Wales Grant Support Scheme (2023-24 events)
<b>HUB festival</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a

\*Due to the Covid-19 pandemic a number of these events were cancelled or delivered digitally in 2020 and 2021. As a result some awards were reduced or amended during the funding period.

A number of organisations responsible for staging these events also received support from the (Covid-19) Wales Cultural Recovery Fund during this time. Details of these awards are already published here:

[Wales Cultural Recovery Fund Awarded Organisations Phase 1 | Business Wales \(gov.wales\)](#)

[Wales Cultural Recovery Fund Awarded Organisations Phase 2 | Business Wales \(gov.wales\)](#)

[Wales Cultural Recovery Fund Awarded Organisations Phase 3 | Business Wales \(gov.wales\)](#)

**Pt4** – From my preliminary assessment I estimate 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 answer your request. The appropriate limit specified for central government is £600. This represents the estimated cost of it taking over 24 hours of time to determine whether we hold the information and to thereafter locate, retrieve and extract it.

In order to provide you with the information that you have requested would require a search of all funding awards across Welsh Government and detailed review of the terms and conditions of those awards. Consequently, I have decided not to provide you with the information you have requested.

You may wish to refine your request by narrowing its scope by being more specific about what information you particularly wish to obtain. If you do 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](mailto: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,