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Dear

## **ATISN 19113 - Books Council Wales**

### **Information requested**

Thank you for your request which I received on 02 October 2023. You asked for:

1. How many Black led magazines have been awarded funding by Books Council Wales from 2020-2023?
2. How many Asian led magazines have been awarded funding from Books Council Wales 2020-2023?
3. How many minority ethnic led magazines have been awarded funding from Books Council Wales 2020-2023?
4. How much money has been spent on equality diversity and inclusion training from 2019 for Books Council Wales?

### **Our response**

In response to questions 1 to 4, the Welsh Government does not hold this information. The Welsh Government provides an annual grant to the Books Council for Wales (BCW) to support the publishing sector, including magazines. While information on amounts awarded to magazines and costs associated with different budgets is provided by the BCW to the Welsh Government and available publicly through its annual report - [Annual-Report-and-Accounts-for-2020-21-Nov-2021-T.pdf \(llyfrau.cymru\)](#) - a breakdown of information at the level of detail as requested in your questions is not shared with the Welsh Government by the Books Council of Wales.

### **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