

16 February 2024

Dear

ATISN 20115 - Anti-racist Wales Action Plan

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 19 January 2024. You have asked for a copy of the report on the experiences of women from ethnic minorities in the criminal justice system as referenced within the Anti-racist Wales Action Plan.

Our response

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you require is not held by the Welsh Government.

The Anti-racist Wales Action Plan originally references a report on the experiences of women from ethnic minorities in the criminal justice system. This is referring to an informal literature review, to help officials understand issues which might be contributing to racial disparity within pre-court diversionary approaches for women in Wales which will focus on women. This informal work has been commissioned through the Women's Justice Blueprint and should not be understood as a formal report. This reflects the fact that the evidence base is still developing in this area.

I apologise for the unhelpful description of the work contained within the Anti-racist Wales Action Plan, which gives the impression of a more formal and conclusive report than the activity which has been delivered in practice. As part of the revision of the Plan that is currently being undertaken the Welsh Government will take steps to clarify the work which has been undertaken in this area.

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.of.information@gov.wales

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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