19 February 2025

Dear

ATISN 23287 – Welsh Government office Merthyr Tydfil

Thank you for your request which I received on 22 January 2025. You asked for the following information:

How much does it cost per year to keep the Welsh Government office in Merthyr Tydfil open? Can you also provide a breakdown of these costs?

Following our acknowledgement in which you were directed to the Welsh Government's annual "State of the Estate" reports, you confirmed you were seeking a breakdown of any additional costs which are incurred to keep the building open - breakdown of utility costs, catering. The costs for 2023/24 (last full financial year) were:

- Business rates £221,480
- Water £4159
- Gas £178,402
- Electricity £257,072
- Catering £47,757.98

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

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

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