Dear

Request for Information – ATISN 24745

Thank you for your request for information dated 21 May.

Information requested

Between 12 May 1999 and 9 February 2000 -

- 1...Does the Welsh government hold copies of any correspondence and communications written by Prince Charles to Alun Michael. Please note that I am only interested in that correspondence and communication which mentions and or which in any way relates to any of the issues listed below. If the answer is yes, can you please provide copies of this correspondence and communication.
- (i).... Hunting
- (ii)...The state of rivers and or canals and other water ways in Wales.
- (iii)...Climate change and or its impact on the UK and or Wales and or the world generally.
- (iv).... The Welsh government's policies on climate change and or the environment generally.
- (v)...Organic food and or organic farming and or the prince's passion for organic food/farming.
- (vi)...GM crops and or the prince's concerns about GM crops and GM foods.
- (vii)...Food production and or farming in Wales.
- 2... Did the Welsh government ever hold correspondence and communication of the kind described above? Have you transferred the documentation to an internal or external archive. If so, can you identify the archive and can you state when the material was transferred. If you have destroyed the requested material, can you state when it was destroyed and why.
- 3...Does the Welsh government hold copies of any correspondence and communications written by Alun Michael to Prince Charles. Please note that I am only interested in that correspondence and communication which mentions and or which in any way relates to any of the topics listed in question one. If the answer is yes, can you please provide a copy of this correspondence and communication.
- 4...If the Welsh government does not hold correspondence and communications of the kind described in question three can you answer the following. Did you ever hold correspondence and communication of the kind described above? Did you transfer the documentation to an internal or external archive. If so, can you identify the archive and can you state when the material transferred. If you have destroyed the requested material, can you state when it was destroyed and why.
- 5...During the period did Prince Charles and Alun Michael have an audience together. If the answer is yes, can you provide state the date, time, and location for this meeting. If you have a formal or informal agenda for this meeting, can you please provide it. If

any briefing notes (or similar) were prepared for Mr Michael, can you please provide them.

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Our response

Having searched our records, I can confirm that we do not hold any information as described by your 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: <u>Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales</u>. 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