

26 June 2025

Dear

ATISN 24776

Thank you for your requests which I received on 2 and 3 June. You asked:

- *The amount that Welsh Government has spent on postal fees for the last two years.*

The expenditure recorded in Welsh Government's finance system for Postage and Carriage is:

2023-24: £330,536

2024-25: £442,866

I have reached the conclusion that it will cost more than the appropriate limit established in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 to provide information for postage only.

The Welsh Government finance systems does not have a separate nominal code (description of expenditure)) for postage. To provide information in this area would require a manual exercise to locate, extract and retrieve the information from in excess of 600 line items on the finance system, which at 5 minutes per line item, would exceed the 24 hour appropriate limit.

Please note that postage and carriage is the most relevant spend category in our finance system but narrowing the scope of your request and limiting it to a particular supplier may bring you question to within the limit. However, please note that a manual exercise to locate, extract and retrieve information against a particular supplier (and original invoices) may again be required which could exceed the limit.

If you do refine your request in this way, this will be treated as a new request, please be as specific and focused as possible.

- *Which officer (if public facing), or department is responsible for decisions of the work environment, involving supervision of staff complying with the environmental usage of post and its subsequent cost, over the use of internet communications.*

There is no information held by the Welsh Government.

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

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