

Our reference: **ATISN 27426**

16 September 2026

Dear

Thank you for your e mail of 27 August which has been passed to the Residential Property Tribunal in the Welsh Tribunal Unit to respond. We are handling your request in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

To make you aware, under section 32 Court records of the freedom of information act 2000:

(1) Information held by a public authority is exempt information if it is held only by virtue of being contained in—

(a) any document filed with, or otherwise placed in the custody of, a court for the purposes of proceedings in a particular cause or matter,

(b) any document served upon, or by, a public authority for the purposes of proceedings in a particular cause or matter, or

(c) any document created by—

(i) a court, or

(ii) a member of the administrative staff of a court,

for the purposes of proceedings in a particular cause or matter.

(a)“court” includes any tribunal or body exercising the judicial power of the State,”

However, I can confirm the following limited responses to your request:

Question - The total number of individual application forms received by the Residential Property Tribunal Wales/LVT concerning the Cardiff Pointe development (comprising Empire Way and Plas Bowles, Cardiff). Please provide this data from 1 January 2013 to the present day. Where individual applications were consolidated or joined together to be heard under a single lead case reference, please indicate how many individual applications were grouped into each consolidated case.

Answer – The information requested is exempt from disclosure under section 32(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The information is held solely by virtue of being contained within tribunal case files and associated records created, received or maintained for the purposes of proceedings in a particular matter. Section 32 is designed to protect the confidentiality and integrity of court and tribunal records, including documents filed with, served upon, or created by a tribunal or its administrative staff for the purposes of those proceedings. Accordingly, where the requested information exists only within those case records, it falls within the scope of this exemption and cannot be disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act.

Additionally, you have requested where possible the following question which are answered accordingly under each question below.

Question - The subject matter of each application.

Answer – All subject matter of applications that have progressed to decisions are published on the RPT website: [Welcome to the | Residential Property Tribunal](#)

Question - The name and address of the applicants if this is not in breach of GDPR.

Answer – Information pertaining to names of previous applicants that have progressed to a decision can be found in the decisions page of the RPT website: [Welcome to the | Residential Property Tribunal](#)

Question - The date the application was submitted.

Answer – The information requested is exempt from disclosure under section 32(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The information is held solely by virtue of being contained within tribunal case files and associated records created, received or maintained for the purposes of proceedings in a particular matter. Section 32 is designed to protect the confidentiality and integrity of court and tribunal records, including documents filed with, served upon, or created by a tribunal or its administrative staff for the purposes of those proceedings. Accordingly, where the requested information exists only within those case records, it falls within the scope of this exemption and cannot be disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act.

Question - The outcome and date of outcome.

Answer – The date a decision was circulated and published can be found on the final decision report. Please follow the link to access all decision reports on the RPT website: [Welcome to the | Residential Property Tribunal](#)

Question - The cost of dealing with an average LTV application from start to finish.

Answer – We do not hold this information in the form requested. The cost of dealing with an individual LVT application from start to finish is not calculated or recorded as a standard item of management information. Each application is managed on its own facts and circumstances and may vary significantly in terms of complexity, duration, the number of parties involved, whether a hearing is required, the amount of administrative work undertaken, and the level of judicial or panel member input required.

As a result, there is no single average cost figure that can be reliably provided for an LVT application. The Tribunal does not routinely apportion staff time, panel member time, venue costs, administrative resources, or other associated expenditure to each individual case in a way that would allow an accurate average cost to be produced.

Question - The average cost per day of staging a hearing at RPT/LVT.

Answer – The daily cost of staging a Residential Property Tribunal hearing is £1,881. This figure represents the daily composition cost of convening a tribunal panel.

Question - The number of Tribunal days that have been consumed in dealing with applications related to Cardiff Pointe.

Answer – The information requested is exempt from disclosure under section 32(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The information is held solely by virtue of being contained within tribunal case files and associated records created, received or maintained for the purposes of proceedings in a particular matter. Section 32 is designed to protect the confidentiality and integrity of court and tribunal records, including documents filed with, served upon, or created by a tribunal or its administrative staff for the purposes of those proceedings. Accordingly, where the requested information exists only within those case records, it falls within the scope of this exemption and cannot be disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act.

Question - Please provide me with any information relating to the cost of running LVT Tribunals which may be used for controlling costs and demonstrating value for money.

Answer – Applications are made to the Tribunal by members of the public and are considered on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the relevant statutory framework. Each application is assessed against the applicable legislative requirements and, where an application is accepted as being within the Tribunal's jurisdiction, it must proceed through the appropriate tribunal process.

The Tribunal is therefore required to deal with eligible applications properly and fairly, in accordance with its statutory functions and procedural obligations.

For that reason, the Tribunal does not control the number, nature, complexity, or duration of applications that are submitted to it. Costs may vary depending on the circumstances of each case.

In terms of controlling costs and demonstrating value for money, the Tribunal's principal focus is to ensure that cases are managed efficiently, proportionately, and in accordance with the relevant legislation and procedural rules.

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Tribunals 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 Tribunals Unit at:

Welsh Tribunal Unit
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: WelshTribunals@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.

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