



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

Our ref: ATISN 11826 – internal review

Date: 26 March 2018

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

**Request for Information – ATISN reference 11826 - Internal Review**

Thank you for your request which was received by the Welsh Government on 26 February 2018. You stated:

*Copies of an email sent from the First Minister's Private Secretary to the private office of the Minister for Public Services on 4 December 2014, and the reply on 8 December 2014.*

I have considered your complaint in accordance with the procedure outlined in the Welsh Government's Practical Guide for Making Requests for Information, which is available by post on request or via the internet. I have also further considered the position regarding the exemptions previously cited, those being:

- (a) the relevant information falls within the exemption from disclosure under section 35(1)(c) FOIA, as it relates to advice provided by the Law Officer;
- (b) some of the information falls within the exemption under section 42 FOIA, as it is subject to legal professional privilege; and
- (c) in relation to both section 35(1)(c) and section 42 FOIA, the public interest in maintaining the exemptions outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

In summary, I am content that the original position as stated is correct and the information requested remains exempt under section 35(1)(c) and section 42 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

If you remain dissatisfied with this response you 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.

Yours sincerely  
Peter Greening