



Ein Cyf/ Our ref ATISN 13167

31 May 2019

Dear ,

ATISN 13167 – Welsh Independent Living Grant

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 15 May 2019.

You asked for information in relation to the Welsh Independent Living Grant (WILG), specifically:

For those former recipients of the WILG who have transitioned to funding by their Local Authorities; how many at the point of transition were receiving (from their Local Authority)

- a) THE SAME grant funding
- b) An INCREASE in grant funding
- c) A REDUCTION in grant funding

As you know from the response of 15 May to your earlier FOI request on this subject, the Welsh Government does not hold personal data on those people who received payments under the WILG. This includes the level of funding each recipient received under the WILG. It also includes the subsequent level of any direct payments each received from their local authority to meet their care and support needs following their transition to local authority support. As a result it is not possible to answer the question you pose.

The request you sent me contains personal information about you - for example, your name and address. The Welsh Government will be the data processor for this information and, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation, it will be processed in order to fulfil our public task and meet our legal obligations under the Act to provide you with a response. We will only use this personal information to deal with your request and any matters which arise as a result of it. We will keep your personal information and all other information relating to your request for three years from the date on which your request is finally closed. Your personal information will then be disposed of securely.

Under data protection legislation, you have the right:

- to be informed of the personal data we hold about you and to access it
- require us to rectify inaccuracies in that data

- to (in certain circumstances) object to or restrict processing
- for (in certain circumstances) your data to be 'erased'
- to (in certain circumstances) data portability
- to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) who is our independent regulator for data protection

For further information about the information which the Welsh Government holds and its use, or if you wish to exercise your rights under the GDPR, please see contact details below:

Data Protection Officer
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
CARDIFF
CF10 3NQ
Email: DataProtectionOfficer@gov.wales

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: 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.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Any information released under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 or Environmental Information Regulations 2004 will be listed in the Welsh Government's Disclosure Log (at <https://gov.wales/about/open-government/freedom-of-information/responses/?lang=en>).

Yours sincerely,