



18 June 2019

Dear _____,

**ATISN 13181:
Welsh Government funding and its financial support for the YMCA Arts Development project in Pontypridd**

Thank you for your request which I received on 21 May 2019 regarding Welsh Government financial support for the YMCA Arts Development project in Pontypridd. The information you requested is outlined below.

- **Confirmation of who is involved in the funding of the YMCA project:**

The Pontypridd YMCA Arts Development project is primarily being funded by Arts Council of Wales and Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council (RCTCBC). It is understood there has also been some funding contribution to this project from the Charitable Trust Sector.

- **Whether the Welsh Government is investing in this project via the Local Authority; if so, how much and from which source:**

The Welsh Government provided funding of £291,783.00 for the Pontypridd YMCA project via RCTCBC between 2015 and 2017. This funding was allocated through the Vibrant and Viable Places Regeneration Programme.

- **When the Welsh Government anticipates the completion of the project:**

The Welsh Government is informed works are due to commence on the project by the end of June 2019. The construction programme is of 64 weeks duration with the works expected to be completed in Autumn 2020.

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- **Whether appropriate due diligence has been undertaken on the project management**

The Welsh Government is informed the project is being managed by an independent Project Management Consultancy.

- **What is the Welsh Government's understanding about the delays;**

The Welsh Government is informed the YMCA Arts Development Project in Pontypridd has been delayed due to an external review of project designs, funding and project delivery.

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Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

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SK9 5AF.

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Yours sincerely