



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

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Dear

Request for Information – ATISN 13763

I wrote to you on 6 February regarding your Freedom of Information request regarding the SA1 annual service charge. You asked for:

1. The purpose and use of the £330 annual service charge.
2. Confirmation that the monies are used primarily and solely for the purpose to which they are sought.
3. Detailed accounts of its expenditure.

I confirm the Welsh Government holds some information caught by your request. For your first and second questions, the purpose and use of the service charge payable by residential occupiers of Yr Hafan, Emily Court and Langdon Road properties at SA1 is specified in the Deed of Covenant and Transfer agreement which purchasers enter into when they acquire the properties. The site area covered by the service charge covers all of the common areas within the estate boundary and waterfront areas which the Welsh Government is liable to maintain. The funds are used to cover the expenditure detailed in the Deed of Covenant and Transfer for running and maintaining the estate including maintenance and repair of external common areas, landscaping, drainage, roadways and lighting (including electricity). The service charge for residential properties is a fixed annual amount (increased with RPI to allow for inflation). This is all-inclusive covering service charge and waterfront expenditure. It means residential tenants are protected from any increase in expenditure on areas such as the dock or river walls or any other unforeseen expenditure.



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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding .

I can confirm that the monies sought are used solely for the purpose set out in the Deed of Covenant and Transfer agreement.

In relation to your third question, the £330 service charge is applied to the overall expenditure for the whole of SA1 Swansea Waterfront as outlined above.

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.

Yours sincerely