



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

E-mail request

Our ref: ATISN 14166

Date: 21 August 2020

Dear

ATISN 14166

Thank you for your request which I received on 17 July 2020. You asked:

Please can you provide a breakdown of the number of times each AM/MS has written to the government on behalf of their constituents per year from each year since the last elections so that the public can be provided with an idea of how much work each AM/MS does/has done.

I have concluded that this information is not held. While the Welsh Government holds information on how often Members of the Senedd (MS) and previously Assembly Members (AMs) have written to the Welsh Government, it is not possible to disaggregate the number of times they have done so on behalf of constituents, as this is not recorded separately. They may have also written as committee chairs, on behalf of cross party groups or following up on questions raised in the Senedd. In order to quantify correspondence on behalf of constituents, we would need to manually examine over 15000 items of correspondence, which would take us over the appropriate limit of 24 hours work.

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:

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Cathays Park
Cardiff
CF10 3NQ

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Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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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