



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Eich cyf/Your ref
Ein cyf/Our ref ATISN 14386

02 November 2020

Dear

I write further to my letter of 6th October and email of 13th October responding to your request for information. You asked for: the Welsh Government to “*provide information regarding instructions / guidance / regulation provided to local authorities on human rights and the human rights act and the procedure local Authorities should apply when considering human rights when making policy and procedures and updating existing procedures*”.

I promised to respond to you by **02 November 2020**.

Your request does not provide a sufficiently clear description of the information for me to identify and locate the information you are seeking. In my letter of 6th October and subsequent email of 13th October you were asked to clarify the information required. No response has been received. Consequently, I am not able to provide you with the information you have requested.

Without this clarification I estimate that it will cost more than the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 to answer your request. The appropriate limit specified for central government is £600. This represents the estimated cost of it taking over 24 hours of time to determine whether we hold the information and to thereafter locate, retrieve and extract it.

You may wish to refine your request by narrowing its scope by being more specific about what information you particularly wish to obtain. If you do refine your request in this way, this will be treated as a new request.

Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

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.

If we have provided guidance then that guidance would have been drawn from, and would be in line with, the guidance provided by the Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC).

The EHRC is an independent statutory body with the responsibility to encourage equality and diversity, eliminate unlawful discrimination, and protect and promote the human rights of everyone in Britain.

It enforces equality legislation on age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation – these are known as protected characteristics. I attach a link to the EHRC website, which you may find useful <https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/advice-and-guidance>.

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