



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

E-mail request

Our ref: ATISN 14573
Date: 29 December 2020

Dear

ATISN 14573

Thank you for your request, which I received on 23 November 2020. I have set out at Annex 1 the questions you submitted.

Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act allows a public authority to refuse a request if it calculates that dealing with it would exceed the appropriate limit. 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.

For wide ranging meetings such as this any information held would potentially be kept on multiple files relating to the subject areas under discussion.

Due to the date of the meeting, any such information would be held on paper based files, which could require manual searches relating to any topic that could conceivably have been discussed. As such, and for the purposes of calculating the appropriate limit, I have assessed that the combined total time to locate any information requested would be over 120 hours.

In conclusion, I have determined that to provide the information requested in relation to this request would cost more than the appropriate limit, which is £600 for central government, so I am refusing your request on this basis.

Next steps

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

Annex 1

My request concerns a meeting which took place between the Prince of Wales and the late Rhodri Morgan, the then First Minister of Wales on 11 February 2008.

The Court Circular lists the meeting has having taken place at Clarence House.

Please note that the reference to the Prince of Wales should include the Prince himself (irrespective of which of his titles he his using), his Principal Private Secretary (ies), his Assistant Private Secretary (ies), any other private secretary (ies) and any other member of staff in his private office and the Royal Household who is able to correspond and communicate on his behalf.

Please note that the reference to Mr Morgan in the questions below should be taken to mean Mr Morgan, any Principal Private Secretary (ies), any other assistant (s) and private secretary (ies) and anyone in his private office able to correspond and communicate on his behalf.

Please note that the reference to written communications in the questions below should be taken to mean all traditional forms of correspondence such as letters, faxes, telegrams, and memos. It should also include all emails irrespective of whether they were sent through private or official accounts. It should also include all messages sent through encrypted messaging services.

Please note that in each case I am interested in receiving actual copies of any written correspondence and communications and not just extracts. So, in the case of a letter, for instance, this should include any letter heads, dates, and signatures. If you are minded to redact any information can you identify the location of the redaction in the document provided. This way I should be able to ascertain where in the communication the redacted material occurs and the extent of any redaction.

1...Can you provide a full list of those present at the meeting on 11 February 2008.

2...Was an agenda (or similar) prepared in advance of the meeting. This agenda may have been a formal document, or it may have been an informal affair. It may have produced by the Prince's team. OR it may have been approved by staff working for the First Minister and the Welsh government. I am interested in receiving copies of all agendas produced. Can you also provide a list of topics discussed at the meeting?

3...Prior to the meeting taking place did Mr Morgan write to the Prince of Wales about the meeting or the issues to be discussed at the meeting. If the answer is yes can you, please provide copies of this written correspondence and communication.

4...Prior to the meeting taking place did the Prince of Wales write to Mr Morgan about the meeting or the issues to be discussed at the meeting. If the answer is yes can you, please provide copies of this written correspondence and communication.

5...After the meeting took place did Mr Morgan write to the Prince about the meeting or the issues discussed at the meeting or issues emanating from the meeting. If the answer is yes can you, please provide copies of this written correspondence and communication.

6...After the meeting took place did the Prince write to Mr Morgan about the meeting or the issues discussed at the meeting or any issues emanating from the meeting. If the answer is yes can you, please provide copies of this written correspondence and communication

7...During the material did the Prince present Mr Morgan with any written or visual material. If so, can you, please provide copies of this material.

8...Prior to the meeting taking place were any briefing notes produced for Mr Morgan. If so, can you, please provide copies of these briefing notes.

9...If information relevant to points 1 to 8 of this request has been destroyed can you please provide the following details.

a...Can you identify exactly which information has been destroyed and why. In the case of each destroyed document can you state when it was destroyed.

b...In the case of each piece of destroyed correspondence and communications can you please provide details of author (s), recipient (s) and date generated.

c...If destroyed documentation of any kind continues to be held in another form can you please provide copies of that destroyed information.