28 November 2023

Dear

ATISN 19264 Home education

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 9 November 2023. You asked for:

All information held on the use of the term "active refusers" in reference to home educators, including written communications, meeting notes, email correspondence between the Minister for Education/Welsh government officials and other official bodies, including local authorities and Children's Commissioner for Wales, between 01/01/2020 and 08/11/2023.

Our response

The information you requested is enclosed (Documents 1-3). Please note that Document 1 is an earlier draft of Document 3.

The information you requested is also contained within Appendix B of the Children's Commissioner for Wales' Review of the Welsh Government's exercise of its functions, February 2021. This is available publicly at the following link: <u>ReviewofWG_ChronologyEHE.pdf (childcomwales.org.uk)</u>

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