

# Filming Dr Who episodes in the Senedd

25 April 2013

## Request for Information.

Thank you for your request received on 5 April in which you asked,

*Please could you tell me how much the Welsh tax payer receives as a result of renting out the Senedd for filming Dr Who episodes?*

The Assembly is keen for the Senedd to be used as widely as possible in ways that might benefit Wales and the Assembly. It therefore does not request fees from broadcasters for filming carried out on the estate, unless the filming would result in additional costs being incurred by the Assembly. The Assembly's view in this respect has been that it is beneficial to encourage TV coverage. Accordingly we did not receive a fee or income for the filming of Dr Who.

We do recharge any additional operating costs incurred as a result of any filming and recharged the following costs to the BBC as follows:

08 January 2011	£277.50 recharged (security overtime)
19 October 2012	£4,897.16 recharged (£1,580.97 security overtime, £2,500.00 South Wales Police costs)

Your request has been considered according to the principles set out in the Code of Practice on Public Access to Information. The code is published on our website at [http://www.assemblywales.org/abthome/about\\_us-commission\\_assembly\\_administration/abt-foi/abt-foi-cop-pub.htm](http://www.assemblywales.org/abthome/about_us-commission_assembly_administration/abt-foi/abt-foi-cop-pub.htm)

If you have any questions regarding this response please contact me. If you feel you have cause for complaint, please follow the guidance at the end of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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Cause for concern or complaint with your FOI response?

If you believe that I have not applied the Code correctly or have not followed the relevant laws, you may make a formal complaint to the Chief Executive and Clerk at the National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay. Details of the Assembly's complaints principles are set out in the Code of Practice on Complaints available on the Internet at <http://www.assemblywales.org/conhome/con-complaint.htm>. Please advise me if you wish to receive a printed copy.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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