

Members' Pension Scheme

13 February 2018

Request for Information.

Thank you for your request received on 31 January in which you asked:

Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act I would like to request the following information as an XLS (Microsoft Excel) spreadsheet.

1. List of investments of the National Assembly for Wales Members' Pension Scheme

Please provide a list of the National Assembly for Wales Member's Pension Scheme investments for the end of the 2016-17 financial year, or if this is not available, the most recently available data, in an XLS spreadsheet.

For each investment, please provide the asset class. For equity investments please include the full name of individual equities, the quantity of each share held, and the total and unit value of each equity.

2. Fund managers

Please provide a list of any external managers and/or advisors employed by the National Assembly for Wales for the purposes of managing pension fund assets, with a copy of the corresponding procurement brief and the total cost of their services for the corresponding financial year.

1. The information requested is published in the [Assembly Members' Pension Scheme Annual Report and Accounts](#). Previous annual reports and accounts are also available on our [website](#).

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As this information is already available your request is subject to section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which exempts information that is already reasonably accessible by other means.

2. Again, this information is available in the [Assembly Members' Pension Scheme Annual Report and Accounts](#).

Please note, the National Assembly for Wales ('the Assembly') holds information relating to the Assembly Members' Pension Scheme on behalf of the Trustees of the Members' Pension Scheme.

Under section 3(2) of the Freedom of Information Act '*information is held by a public authority if—*

(a) it is held by the authority, otherwise than on behalf of another person'.

So, information held by the Assembly on behalf of another person (in this case on behalf of the Trustees) is not to be regarded as 'held' by the Assembly for the purposes of the Act. In the circumstances, the Assembly is unable to disclose this information.

If you wish to request the disclosure of information not already published, you may wish to contact the Trustees directly at the following address, bearing in mind, however that the Trustees are not a 'public authority' under the Freedom of Information Act and would therefore not be under any legal obligation to comply with Freedom of Information Act requests.

The Scheme Secretary
National Assembly for Wales Members' Pension Scheme
c/o National Assembly for Wales
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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

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

**Freedom of Information Manager
National Assembly for Wales**

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.assembly.wales/en/help/contact-the-assembly/con-complaint/Pages/con-complaint-procedure.aspx>. 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:

Information Commissioner's Office
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Water Lane
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