

Ministerial resettlement grant

27 July 2018

Request for Information.



Thank you for your request received on 3 July in which you asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please list the resettlement grant paid to each Minister that has left the Government since Carwyn Jones was elected First Minister, date of payment, and the formula used to calculate the amount. If the individuals concerned left the Assembly at the same time as they left the Government, please include only that resettlement grant involving their Ministerial role.

Carwyn Jones was elected First Minister in December 2009.

Ministers may leave Government at any time but only receive the office holders payment when they leave the Assembly as Assembly Members, either by standing down at an election or if they are defeated. This payment is not necessarily received the same time as the main resettlement grant it could be received later.

The table below shows the Office Holder Resettlement Grant paid to a Minister (Assembly Member) and the date that payment was received. Assembly Members were paid according to the calculation for Members elected prior to 2011.

Members Name	Year left the Assembly	Office Holder Resettlement Grant	Date Office Holder payment received
Jane Davidson	2011	£10,487.50	31 May 2011
Alun Ffred Jones	2016	£10,487	31 Mai 2016
Jocelyn Davies	2016	£6,596	29 April 2016

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Edwina Hart	2016	£10,487	31 May 2016
Huw Lewis	2016	£10,487	31 May 2016
Jeff Cuthbert	2016	£10,487	29 April 2018
Gwenda Thomas	2016	£6,596	29 April 2018
Leighton Andrews	2016	£10,487	31 May 2016

In a response published on our [disclosure log](#) (dated 24 June 2016) we have previously released information about the formula used to calculate the amount. As this information is already published, this part of your request is subject to section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) which exempts information that is already reasonably accessible by other means i.e. already published on our website.

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:

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