

Welsh Youth Parliament

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Request for Information.

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Thank you for your request received on 10 December in which you asked:

- 1. What is the total cost of staging the recent Welsh Assembly Youth Parliament election?***
 - Website costs.*
 - Advertisements / Marketing Literature / Leaflets etc.*
 - Administrative, staffing costs.*

The total cost of staging the recent Welsh Youth Parliament election was £16,745.50.

- This cost includes the website cost www.youthparliament.wales (which is an annual subscription of £340, and not specific to the election).
- The cost of advertisements was £1,345.50. Marketing literature and leaflets were all done in house and therefore didn't incur an additional cost.
- A part-time member of staff on Management Band 1 was employed internally to manage the project. All other administrative functions carried out in relation to staging the Welsh Youth Parliament election were carried out by existing staff.

- 2. How many paid staff were involving in running and co-ordinating the recent Welsh Assembly Youth Parliament election?***

The National Assembly for Wales has had an Education and Youth Engagement service since 2000. There are 8 members of staff in this team who run various services including school visits to the Assembly estate, and outreach visits to schools and youth groups across Wales. Members of this team, as part of their day to day work, raised awareness of the Welsh Youth

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Parliament election, and encouraged young people to register to vote, nominate themselves, and then vote in the election.

An additional member of staff was employed on a part-time basis to manage the project. The election was carried out within this existing resource.

3. *Stemming from Question 2. What are the salaries of the paid staff involved in running and co-ordinating the recent Welsh Assembly Youth Parliament election?*

One member of staff on [Management Band 1](#).

4. *How many times per year will the Welsh Assembly Youth Parliament meet for chamber debate, discussions, etc?*

The 60 Welsh Youth Parliament Members (WYPM) will meet three times over the two year term for main debates and discussions in the Senedd Chamber. Outside of these meetings, WYPMs will meet in their regions as smaller groups every 6-8 weeks.

5. *What is the estimated ongoing annual running costs of the Welsh Assembly Youth Parliament including associated staffing costs, expenses, room hire, etc.*

The annual running costs of the Welsh Youth Parliament is estimated to be £88,000 per year, £103,000 per election year.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Manager
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