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Our ref: IG001051

Dyddiad/Date: 10th September 2021

RE: Request for Information held by SWFRS

Your request ref: IG001051 has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked us:

It is understood that commercial providers of goods and equipment to fire and rescue services are offering hospitality to officers, elected members and fire service staff during the period of the Emergency Services Show (ESS) at the NEC, 7-8 September 2021.

Please provide the following information regarding invitations to hospitality events whilst attending the ESS. Such hospitality is understood to include: lunches/dinners, hotels, transport costs, golf sessions etc

- 1) what invitations have been received by commercial companies for Officers or Members of your Fire and Rescue Service to attended hospitality events funded by the company during the period of the above Emergency Services Show? Several staff members are attending from across the SWFRS however, they have not received any offers of any kind and have procured and paid for tickets through the recognised organisational processes/departments.
- 2) what invitations referred to in 1 above have been accepted by officers or Members of your Fire and Rescue Service? **N/A**
- 3) please provide the name of the commercial company and the hospitality event to which each invitation relates to? N/A
- 4) what is the estimated individual value of each hospitality event to which officers or Members have been invited to participate in? **N/A**

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5) please provide a copy of your Fire and Rescue Authority receipt of hospitality policy. **Please find** attached.

If you have any queries regarding your Freedom of Information request, please contact us at Dataprotection@southwales-fire.gov.uk quoting the reference number above in any future communication.

If you are dissatisfied with the way that your information request has been handled, you can request an internal review by emailing Dataprotection@southwales-fire.gov.uk

We would like to thank you for your patience at this time.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office-Wales, 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH.

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours Faithfully

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UPDATE COVID-19: Information Requests

We are kindly asking that any data protection correspondence come to Information Governance & Compliance via email, as due to Government advice many of our support staff are working flexibly and we may not be in receipt of physical post as normal. SWFRS anticipates that it may take us longer than 20 working days to complete Freedom of Information Requests and Subject Access Requests. The Information Commissioner recognises that there might be delays as our services and resources may be being utilised in slightly different ways, under the current unprecedented circumstances. At current, we are no longer accepting physical postal cheques, however we can accept BACs payments for items that carry a fee (such as IRS Reports and Interviews, where appropriate following standard procedure and charges).

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