Gagging orders and Settlement agreements

15 March 2016

Request for Information.

Thank you for your request received 17 February in which you asked:

How many Gagging orders have the NAfW applied for and how many Settlement agreements have been created since January 2010.

Zero gagging orders have been applied for by the National Assembly for Wales during the period of your request.

The number of settlement agreement is published within our annual report. The table below provides you with the relevant links to these reports that are published on our website.

Financial Year Annual Report	Page Number
2009-10	103
2010-11	115
<u>2011-12</u>	59
<u>2012-13</u>	110
<u>2013-14</u>	109
2014-15	162

In 2015-16, up to January 2016 there were no settlement agreements.

As this information is available on our website 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.

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 Bae Caerdydd

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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 and Project Support Officer 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/concomplaint/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 Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF