

24 May 2022

Dear

### **Request for information**

Thank you for your letters of 30 April, 1 May and 3 May 2022 sent to Mr Owen Evans, and forwarded to me in my capacity as Freedom of Information officer.

I am also in receipt of your more recent letter of 18 May and note your comments.

We note your concerns in relation to the Welsh for Adults service. In relation to Freedom of Information, I note the following requests that you have made:

- 1 Confirmation under the Freedom of Information Act that Welsh for Adults tutors are required to teach.
- 2 Confirmation under the Freedom of Information Act that the quality of services to be offered to learners should be commensurate with an Estyn inspected service, mirroring school and further education practice – the aspiration to apply QTS standards of practice

When dealing with requests for information made under the FOIA, Estyn's obligations include:

- a) confirming or denying whether it holds information of the description specified in the request; and
- b) communicating the information requested to the applicant.

In response to queries, I attach a copy of our latest guidance for the inspection of Welsh for Adults, which is also available on our website. The guidance has been developed in tandem with the inspection guidance designed for other education

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sectors, and the same standards are applied in relation to our inspection activity. We do not have a view on the qualifications status of Welsh for Adults tutors – our findings are based on the evidence accumulated as part of inspection, in accordance with our guidance.

If you are not satisfied with the decision Estyn has taken regarding your request for information, you are entitled to request that we review the matter. Your request for a review should be addressed to the Feedback and Complaints Manager, and received no later than 20 working days after the date of this communication.

If you are still not satisfied, you also have a right to complain to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at:

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'RW Gairey'.

**Robert Gairey**  
Freedom of Information Officer