

The Cross Party Group

28 June 2010

Dear

Request for Information.

Further to your email received on 23 June in which you asked;

I would like to know how much it costs to run the Cross Party Group on Beer and the Pub, and how much its current and upcoming events will cost. I would also like to know where the funding for these events comes from.

All party groups are not formal Assembly groups and have no formal role in policy development. Whilst the groups have access to the Assembly's accommodation facilities, they have no access to Assembly staffing services or the Assembly budget. The individual groups must cover running costs themselves.

Consequently the Assembly does not hold the information that you have requested.

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/abt-foi/abt-foi-cop-pub.htm>

If you have any questions regarding this response please contact me.

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.assemblywales.org/conhome/con-complaint.htm> , please advise me if you wish to receive a printed copy.

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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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Yours sincerely

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