

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_87_22

You asked:

I write to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to the "**Wales Virtual Hospital**" project in which **Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board** is a partner/stakeholder. I request the following information under the Act.:

1. Who funded this project, how was the funding applied for, under which scheme was the funding applied for, on what date was the funding applied for, when was the decision for funding approved by the funder and by whom was the funding applied by.
2. What meetings were held prior to and after applying for funding and where are the meeting minutes held? Can you provide a copy of the meeting minutes?
3. Which organisations received funding for the Wales Virtual Hospital project and how much did they each receive?
4. How do you plan to fund the development of Wales Virtual Hospital following the project completion?
5. When will Wales Virtual Hospital be available for HEI's, Health Boards and HEIW in Wales?
6. As Wales Virtual Hospital will be free to access by all HEI's, Health Boards and HEIW, will source code also be made available? If not, why not?
7. What companies(s) will undertake maintenance of the software development? Why were they chosen and what due diligence was undertaken to ensure their suitability?
8. Why has the Wales Virtual hospital project not been subjected to a formal tender process?
9. What opportunities will there be to open development of the platform to other organisations, including other businesses?
10. Have conflicts of interest among the participating organisations and the people involved in Wales Virtual Hospital project been considered? Were any conflicts of interest found and if so, how were they addressed?
11. Who has ownership of Intellectual Property that has been developed or will be developed in future of the Wales Virtual Hospital?
12. What software-related security arrangements have been put into place in regard to Wales Virtual Hospital?
13. What academic evidence has been used to determine the approach of the Wales Virtual Hospital?
14. What data has been collected from users of the Wales Virtual Hospital and will this data be published? If so, when will data be published and where?

Our response:

We can confirm that the Welsh European Funding Office, an executive agency of the Welsh Government, have made available funding to deliver the Welsh Health Innovation Technology Accelerator (ACCELERATE).

Accelerate are running the programme (Wales Virtual Hospital), Cwm Taf Morgannwg is one of a number of collaborators.

The Health Board does not hold the detailed information requested. The Accelerate programme is led by the [Life Science Hub Wales](#) in partnership with [Swansea University](#), [Cardiff University](#) and [University of Wales Trinity Saint David](#). Therefore, you may wish to contact them directly via the links provided.