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Freedom of Information Act Request 250908_004

You asked us...

(1) Current Certifications

Please disclose which national or international cybersecurity standards the organisation currently holds a formal certification for. This should include, but is not limited to, standards such as Cyber Essentials (CE), Cyber Essentials Plus (CE+), IASME Level 1 & 2, and ISO/IEC 27001.

(2) Welsh Government Directives

Kindly specify any national or international cybersecurity standards for which the Welsh Government has formally mandated or requested certification from your organisation. This pertains to recorded communications, contracts, or policies where such a directive is explicitly stated.

(3) Historical Certifications

Provide details of any national or international cybersecurity standards to which the organisation was previously certified, but for which the certification has since lapsed or expired. For each expired certification, please include the corresponding expiry date.

(4) In-Progress Certifications

Please detail any national or international cybersecurity standards for which the organisation is currently undertaking the certification process.

(5) Assessment Outcomes

Disclose whether the organisation has failed any formal assessments for national or international cybersecurity standards. If a failure has occurred, please provide the name of the standard and the date of the failed assessment.

RESPONSE

The information which you have requested falls within the definition of 'information recorded in any form' stated in Section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the FOIA'). Your request has therefore been considered under the terms of the FOIA.

The information requested in Paragraph (1) (above) is exempt from release by virtue of the following exception-

Section 21 of the FOIA – information which is accessible to the applicant via other means; All Cyber essentials certificates are available online from the IASME website: [NCSC Certificate Search - Cyber Essentials](#)

Paragraphs (2) to (5) (above) may invite exemption under FOI. However, we'd like to offer the requestor the opportunity to find out more in a direct conversation with a representative. Would they be prepared to share their contact details in order to have a conversation with a cyber security lead at the organisation? Please note that information shared in person may be subject to prior signing of a Non-Disclosure Agreement and may therefore fall outside of scope of the FOIA.

Yours sincerely,

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Appeal Rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, please write to the Risk and Compliance Manager at either Global Centre of Rail Excellence, Building 20, Nant Helen Site. SA10 9PD or FOI@GCRE.Wales . Your request must be submitted within 40 working days of receipt of this letter. 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 (ICO) can be contacted at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or you can contact the ICO through the 'Make a Complaint' section of their website on this link: <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/>

The relevant section to select will be "Official or Public Information".