

Freedom of Information requests

2011

Reference number: 11-005

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to make a request for information, under the Freedom of Information Act, regarding the eight museums in your organisation.

For each museum, I would like to know the number of items curated that have been listed as stolen or missing. I would like the list broken down by item description, value and calendar year. I would also like to know which items have been recovered.

I would like to limit my request from 1 January 2005 to the present day.

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Dear,

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION – *information relating to the number of items curated that have been listed as stolen or missing from 1 January 2005 to present day.*

Thank you for your request for information. As Head of Knowledge and Information Management for Amgueddfa Cymru - National Museum Wales, I will be responsible for responding to your request for information.

I refer to your emails of the 21 March 2011, in which you asked for the following information:

The Number of items curated that have been listed as stolen or missing. I would like the list broken down by description, value and calendar year. I would also like to know which items have been recovered.

The Museum has reviewed its records for the time requested and have summarised the information as per your request. Please see Appendix A.

Your request was considered according to the principles set out in the National Assembly's Code of Practice on Public Access to Information (third edition). The Code is published on the Internet at www.information.wales.gov.uk.

If you believe that I have not applied the Code of Practice on Public Access to Information correctly or have not followed the relevant laws, please contact me to request a first-stage review. If, after that, you are still not satisfied you may request a formal review by the Museum. When dealing with any concerns, we will follow the principles of the National Museum of Wales' Code of Practice on Complaints, which is available on the Internet at www.nationalmuseumwales.org/en/45/ or by post to:

Mr. Robin Gwyn
Director of Communications
National Museum Wales
Cathays Park
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You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. Normally, however, you should pursue the matter through our internal procedure before you complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Yours sincerely,

Head of Knowledge & Information Management

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Appendix A

ITEMS REPORTED STOLEN OR LOST

Date Reported	Description of Item	Estimated Value	Museum	Stolen	Missing / Lost
4 May 2006	1 knitting needle	£10.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
4 May 2006	1 Dairy Milk Prop	£5.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
16 th May 2006	China Teapot	£5.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
16 th May 2006	Robin Starch Powder	£2.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
9 November 2006	Dish, Saucer, Christmas Card, 2 Wooden Spoons, Nut Cracker, Post Card, Oat Cake Slice	Total Value £132.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
9 November 2006	Razor	£200.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
15 February 2007	Wooden Spoon	£25.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
17 May 2007	Handset	£54.75	National Waterfront Museum	✓	
12 July 2007	Wooden Spoon	£10.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
12 July 2007	Police Truncheon	£50.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
31 July 2007	Book	£5.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
10 August 2007	Small ornament	£5.00	National Slate Museum	✓	
10 August 2007	7 items	Total value £33.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
14 August 2007	Pewter Tankard	£200.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
10 Sept 2007	Small ornament, Green	Total value	National Slate Museum	✓	

	Shield Stamp & Remington Shaver	£20.00			
6 September 2007	Darning Mushroom	£3.00	St. Fagans: National History Museum	✓	
20 November 2008	1 small item	£10.00	National Slate Museum	✓	
20 November 2008	6 metres of lead	£1200	Big Pit: National Coal Museum	✓	
19 November 2009	Tea and sugar box	£10.00	National Slate Museum	✓	
March 2011	Disc Record	£10	National Slate Museum		✓
March 2011	Liqueur glass	£20	National Slate Museum		✓
March 2011	Liqueur glass	£20	National Slate Museum		✓
2 March 2011	Figure	£250	St. Fagans: National History Museum		✓
18 March 2011	White Cup	£3	St. Fagans: National History Museum		✓
24 March 2011	Brown ceramic dish	£5	St. Fagans: National History Museum		✓ recovered