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You requested the following information:

- 1) The number of fruitless* payments in excess of £30,000 made by or paid for by your department in the following financial years: 2013/2014, 2014/2015, 2015/2016.
- 2) What each payment was for
- 3) The value of each payment
- 4) The reason why the payment was made
- 5) The reason why the payment was classified as fruitless
- 6) Whether any disciplinary action was taken as a result of the payment (If there was any disciplinary action, please specify what the action was)

We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Wales Office did not make any fruitless payments in 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16.