

We were asked:

Q1. Details of any office accommodation your organisation provides to staff to carry out trade union business. Please include details of:

- space measured in square feet
- how much of this space is contained within entirely separate buildings (i.e. occupied solely by staff carrying out trade union business)
- whether a professional valuation of the market rental value of the space has been sought either in-house or externally, and if so, what the valuation of the space was
- any charges the council levy for office space given to trade unions.

Q2. Any estimates for other costs met for those staff on trade union facility time apart from salaries including travel expenses, office supplies, telephone expenses and energy bills.

We replied:

A1. The Wales Office does not provide any accommodation for trade union business or have any costs relating to trade unions.

The Wales Office is not an employer and therefore staff receive trade union services from the Ministry of Justice.

You may, therefore, wish to approach the Ministry of Justice for the details you have requested.