

17 January 2023

Dear

ATISN 16990 – Y Bryn Wind Farm

Thank you for your request submitted on 17 December, which I received on 19 December 2022. You asked for:

- All correspondence from the Welsh Government to any organisation, including private or public sectors, on the delay of the most recent planned statutory consultation for y Bryn Windfarm.
- Any correspondence from the Welsh Government to NATS (National air traffic services) in relation to Y Bryn wind farm or Coroilis.

You further advised on 19 December, the information sought was for correspondence between the 1 January to 17 December 2022.

Our response

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you require is not held by the Welsh Government.

In respect of the consultation undertaken by the prospective developers of Y Bryn windfarm, it is entirely a matter for the developer when to undertake its statutory pre-application consultation, so long as it occurs within one year of their receiving a Notice of Acceptance of Notification Intention to Submit their Development of National Significance (DNS) from the Welsh Ministers. This process is entirely developer-led and the Welsh Ministers have no role in it at this stage. Once the application has been submitted, the Welsh Ministers will verify whether the developer's consultation met minimum statutory requirements and it has been documented correctly. Furthermore, assuming the application is accepted for examination, there is a further statutory period of publicity and consultation which will be administered by Planning and Environment Decision Wales (PEDW) on behalf of the Welsh Ministers.

Next steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at: Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely