

21 February 2023

Dear

Request for information - ATISN 17074

I wrote to you on 3 February regarding your request for information.

Your request

You asked for the following information regarding Croesbychan roundabout:

Recently I reported on a series of collisions at the Croesbychan roundabout (a recently installed roundabout which the Welsh Government has responsibility for), that connects side roads from Hirwaun and Llwydcoed onto the A465: <https://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/wales-news/dangerous-roundabout-changed-after-series-25974112>

- **Could I be provided with a list of all road traffic collisions and road accidents reported at this location since the start of May 2022. The list should include dates, times, a description of how each incident occurred, the vehicles involved, any damage or injuries, and any Welsh Government action taken in response.**

Our Response

I can confirm we hold some of the information you have requested.

Since 20 May 2022 the contractors traffic management / recovery team have attended two Road Traffic Collisions:

1. 31st December 2022. Eastbound A465 vehicle drove into the rear quarter of a vehicle entering from Swansea Road at night. Emergency services in attendance. Action taken: additional lighting installed to make it harder for an eastbound driver to miss the advance warning signs, road markings and roundabout Give Way.
2. 18th January 2023. Westbound A465 vehicle planning to go straight on failed to make the full turn to go around the roundabout and drove through the barrier into the works during the day. No emergency services attendance. Action taken: no issues with alignment or visibility, upgrade to barrier underway to prevent incursion into worksite.

Please note that the Welsh Government does not receive Police or medical reports.

Approximate daily vehicles flow on A465 at Croesbychan average just over 24,000 day.

Approximate number of vehicles passing through the junction since operational (to 24 January) 6,000,000.

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