23 February 2023

Dear

ATIS17179

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 18th February 2023. You asked for:

a copy of the viability assessments undertaken by Welsh Government for these 10 pre-assessed areas for wind energy in Future Wales.

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. There were no assessments of viability as any decisions would be taken by the applicants or developers. The identification of these areas was however underpinned by empirical published research which is published on the Welsh Government's website and can be found at this link <u>Assessment of on-shore wind and solar energy potential in Wales | GOV.WALES</u>

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