

Dear

Request for information - ATISN 17326

Thank you for your request for information which I received on 26 March.

Your request

You asked for:

1. Information pertaining to Cwmni Eginio's strategy for nuclear energy development in Wales
2. The current costs of Cwmni Eginio – and the financial and logistical/organisational support it has received from Welsh Government, Cyngor Gwynedd, and Ynys Mon council.
3. The projected costs of Cwmni Eginio – including remuneration, office space hire, and other costings.
4. The interaction of Cwmni Eginio with the Welsh Government and Cyngor Gwynedd and Ynys Mon Council.
5. The current strategic vision of Cwmni Eginio, and how success will be measured against this vision.
6. Whether or not the setting up and continuing work of Cwmni Eginio has been subjected to a test on the principles of the Wellbeing of Future Generation's Act, and what the result of that test was if it was conducted.
7. The projected timeline for the release of the annual report and accounts of Cwmni Eginio, and where they can be accessed.

Our Response

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

For question one, I can confirm that Cwmni Eginio does not have a strategy for 'nuclear energy development in Wales' per se, given its single site remit to bring forward development at Trawsfynydd. However, I am releasing to you their 2022 Strategic Plan that is focused on the Trawsfynydd site's development, appended at Annex A.

For question two, approval of £2.5m for the Trawsfynydd Site Development Programme and the creation of Cwmni Eginio was given by Welsh Government in August 2020 with Cwmni Eginio eventually incorporated in June 2021. The company currently has funding up to the end of March 2024. Cwmni Eginio receives no logistical support directly from Welsh Government, it is an arm's length company that operates independently on a day-to-day basis, but it does collaborate with other Welsh Government arm's length organisations to procure various services.

It receives no support, direct or otherwise, from either Cyngor Gwynedd or Ynys Môn County Council.

For question three, please find attached at Annex B, the audited accounts for the period 21 June 2021 (date of incorporation) to 31 March 2022. The audited accounts for 2022/23 will be published by Cwmni Eginio in mid-July.

For question four, the Welsh Government owns Cwmni Eginio (it is currently the sole shareholder) and manages its day-to-day interaction through a partnership arrangement. Cyngor Gwynedd is a key stakeholder given Trawsfynydd's location and is treated as such by Cwmni Eginio. For clarity, Cwmni Eginio is not involved with the Wylfa site and therefore its interaction with Ynys Môn County Council is limited.

For question five, the Welsh Government issues an annual Remit Letter to Cwmni Eginio which frames the company's subsequent in-year activities. The current Strategic Plan (attached above) was drafted to respond to the Welsh Government's 2022/23 Remit Letter and Cwmni Eginio's success this year will be measured against the Objectives for 2022/23, which are outlined on page 10 of the Plan.

Whether or not the setting up and continuing work of Cwmni Eginio has been subjected to a test on the principles of the Wellbeing of Future Generation's Act, and what the result of that test was if it was conducted.

For question six, the Wellbeing of Future Generation's Act was given consideration at the time of the Trawsfynydd Programme's approval in 2020 – see document appended at Annex C.

For your final question, the Annual Report will be completed by July, therefore we do not hold the completed information. The intention is for Cwmni Eginio to release the report at that time. Welsh Government may also publish the report via a Written Statement update.

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Yours sincerely