

11 July 2023

Dear

Request for information - ATISN 18621

I wrote to you on 23 June regarding your request for information.

Your request

You asked for the following information regarding TrawsCymru services:

1. When the new TrawsCymru contracts are set to become effective (and the start date of new timetables).

2. Draft timetables for TrawsCymru Bus Services T1C, T2 and T3 under the new contracts, currently tendering, with the deadline of 30th June 2023 11:00.

Our Response

For question one, the following table sets out the details of the current contract expiry dates:

Service	Contract Expiry date	Scheduled new Contract date
T1 Carmarthen to Aberystwyth	28 th March 2028	29 th March 2028
T1C Aberystwyth to Cardiff	31 August 2023	1 September 2023
T2 Aberystwyth to Bangor	31 August 2023	1 September 2023
T3 Wrexham to Barmouth	31 August 2023	1 September 2023
T4 Newtown to Cardiff	31 st August 2025	1 st September 2025
T5 Aberystwyth to Haverfordwest	31 st January 2024	1 st February 2024
T6 Swansea to Brecon	31 August 2023	1 September 2023
T7 Chepstow to Bristol	31 st January 2026	1 st February 2026
T8 Corwen to Chester	31 st January 2025	1 st February 2025
T9 Cardiff Airport Express	Service currently suspended. No contract in place.	
T10 Corwen to Bangor	31 August 2023	1 September 2023
T11 Fishguard to Haverfordwest	31 st October 2024	1 November 2024

T14 Hereford to Brecon	This route is commercially operated by Stagecoach.	
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For question two, Transport for Wales are responsible for tendering new contracts for the TrawsCymru T1C, T2 and T3 services all commencing on the 1 September 2023. There is a live procurement exercise currently underway for these new service contracts, and I can confirm that the Welsh Government do not hold information relating to the detailed timetables which were shared with bus companies expressing an interest in bidding for these new contracts. You may wish to contact Transport for Wales directly to request this information. The email contact at Transport for Wales is: -
freedomofinformation@tfw.wales

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: Freedomofinformation@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