Y Grŵp Newid Hinsawdd a Materion Gwledig Climate Change and Rural Affairs Group



2 August 2023

Ein cyf/Our ref ATISN 18788

Dear .

ATISN 18788 - Request for Information

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 31 July 2023. You asked for the following information:

- 1. That we confirm that we are aware that the new 20mph speed limits will lead to an increase in deaths due to increased air pollution.
- 2. That we confirm that we are aware that the forecast number of deaths saved on the roads, as a result of the 20 mph speed limits, will be significantly less than the increase death rate due to the forecast increase in pollution levels.
- 3. A full and detailed copy of the data used to justify the new 20 mph zones in Wales.

Our response

Questions 1 and 2 are not asking us for recorded information that we hold, but rather are asking us to provide comment or opinion on the statements you have raised. As such these are not valid requests for information. The right of access is to recorded information, and does not require the authority provide opinions or new information.

On question 3, the information you require is already published by Transport for Wales, and can be found here:



Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government Parc Cathays / Cathays Park CF10 3NQ

FOI.ETCC@gov.wales

<u>Default 20mph Speed Limit on Restricted Roads Phase 1 | Transport for Wales</u> (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: 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