

7 March 2024

Dear

ATISN 20311 Tidal Limits

Thank you for your request which I received on 05/03/2024. You asked for:

- A copy of Welsh Government's explanatory advice to relevant planning departments in relation to changes to tidal mapping in Ordnance Survey mapping for the Afon Dysynni from 1987 onwards. **[Request 1]**
- Information explaining why metadata on the Wales Marine Planning Portal describes the landward boundary of the Welsh National Marine Plan area as extending to mean high water spring tides, rather than the mean high water mark. **[Request 2]**

Request 1

Your request does not provide a sufficiently clear description of the information for me to identify and locate the information you are seeking. In particular, it would be useful to know:

- What is meant by the "relevant planning departments" to whom Welsh Government would have given the advice that you seek a copy of?
- What changes in Ordnance Survey mapping would the advice that you seek a copy of relate to? When were each of these changes made, and to which Ordnance Survey map or mapping product?

Please note that the Welsh Government was established in 1998.

I will be unable to process your request any further without this clarification.

Request 2

I have decided that your request is exempt from disclosure under section(s) **21** of the **Freedom of Information Act**, which exempts information that is already reasonably accessible by other means. The requested information can be obtained from the following publicly available sources:

- Paragraph 4 of the Welsh National Marine Plan published November 2019. Available at: <https://www.gov.wales/welsh-national-marine-plan>
- Section 42(3) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, which defines the UK marine area. Available at: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2009/23/section/42>

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CF10 3NQ
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Yours sincerely