

10 November 2025

Dear ,

ATISN 26285 - Request for documentation relating to assessment of Maendy quarry site

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 21 October 2025. You asked for the:

- release of all documentation showing how Welsh Government is currently assessing the risk of Maendy quarry subsurface exothermic reactions near the buried explosives resulting in catastrophe;
- where that formal risk sits in terms of COMAH; and
- what changed in the description of the land from the 1980s onwards and if this was to the polluters advantage.

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.

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