

18 February 2026

Dear

**ATISN 26604 – Craig-yr-Hesg Quarry, Pontypridd – Appeals
APP/L6940/A/20/3265358 and APP/L6940/A/21/3282880**

Thank you for your request submitted on 21 January, which I received on the 22 January.

Your request asked for:

- Please confirm which Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations were applied in the determination of the following appeals relating to Craig-yr-Hesg Quarry, Pontypridd:
- In particular, I request the following information:

Please state the specific Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (including the year and full title) that were applied when assessing:

- the Environmental Statement submitted in 2015, and
- the Supplementary Environmental Statement submitted in 2021, and when issuing the final decision on these appeals.

Please provide any internal records, briefing notes, guidance, emails, legal advice, or decision documents held by Welsh Government that identify or confirm which Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations applied to the Environmental Statement, the Supplementary Environmental Statement, and the determination of the appeals.

If no document explicitly identifies the applicable Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations in relation to the Environmental Statement and/or the Supplementary Environmental Statement, please confirm this.

The information caught by your request constitutes environmental information and has been considered for disclosure under the Environmental Information Regulations (“EIRs”).

Our response

The Environmental Statement was prepared to fulfil the requirements set out in the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2017 regarding the content of environmental statements (Schedule 4) as set out on page 6 of the Environmental Statement, a copy of which I attach for your information. I also attach a copy of the Inspectors Report relating to the planning appeals referred to above.

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.

Any information released under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 or Environmental Information Regulations 2004 will be listed in the Welsh Government's Disclosure Log (at <https://gov.wales/about/open-government/freedom-of-information/responses/?lang=en>).

Yours sincerely,