



ATISN 27297

5 August 2026

Dear ,

ATISN 27297 - Electronic weapons

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 03 August 2026 relating to electronic weapons. You requested the following:

1. *Whether any UK government department, MOD unit, MOD research laboratory, subcontracted research organisation, MOD-affiliated university, or police department is conducting research, testing, or operational activity involving electromagnetic, psycho-electric, neurological-interference, or remote neuro-stimulation technologies capable of producing effects similar to the symptoms listed above.*
2. *If such research or testing exists, please provide:*
 - *The name of the programme or project*
 - *The responsible department or unit*
 - *Any publicly available documentation, safety guidelines, or ethics oversight procedures*
 - *Any external regulatory bodies involved in oversight*
3. *Whether any individuals in the UK have been enrolled, selected, monitored, or observed as part of such research, and if so:*
 - *The number of individuals involved*
 - *The criteria for selection*
 - *Any consent or safeguarding requirements*
 - *Whether vulnerable groups (students, migrants, temporary workers) are included*
4. *Any publicly available patents, technical descriptions, or research documentation held by UK institutions relating to:*
 - *electromagnetic stimulation technologies*
 - *remote neural interaction systems*
 - *psycho-electric or neuro-interference devices*
 - *directed-energy research*

5. Any internal MOD, policing, or research-institution policies relating to:

- *human subject protection*
- *non-consensual exposure safeguards*
- *testing limitations*
- *reporting or whistleblowing procedures*

Response

Following a search of our records, the Welsh Government does not hold the information requested.

Defence is not a devolved matter therefore you may wish to contact the Ministry of Defence, as they may have information you are seeking. Further contact details are available [here](#).

Next Steps

The request you sent me contains personal information about you - for example, your name and address. The Welsh Government will be the data processor for this information and, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation, it will be processed in order to fulfil our public task and meet our legal obligations under the Act to provide you with a response.

We will only use this personal information to deal with your request and any matters which arise as a result of it. We will keep your personal information and all other information relating to your request for three years from the date on which your request is finally closed. Your personal information will then be disposed of securely.

Under data protection legislation, you have the right:

- to be informed of the personal data we hold about you and to access it
- to require us to rectify inaccuracies in that data
- to (in certain circumstances) object to or restrict processing
- for (in certain circumstances) your data to be 'erased'
- to (in certain circumstances) data portability
- to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) who is our independent regulator for data protection

For further information about the information which the Welsh Government holds and its use, or if you wish to exercise your rights under the GDPR, please see contact details below:

Data Protection Officer
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
CARDIFF
CF10 3NQ

Email: DataProtectionOfficer@gov.wales

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,