5 November 2026

Dear

ATISN 27597

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 30 September. You asked for the information as listed at Annex 1.

Our response

The URL(s) at which any version of the Fines Notice PDF or Fines Notice Page has been published, including on any beta.gov.wales site.

We can advise that the content was published at the following URLs

- https://www.beta.gov.wales/landfill-disposals-tax-qualifying-mixtures-materials-fines
- https://www.gov.wales/landfill-disposals-tax-qualifying-mixtures-materials-fines
- https://www.gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2018-07/qualifyingmixtures-of-materials-fines-notice.pdf
- https://www.beta.gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2018-07/qualifyingmixtures-of-materials-fines-notice.pdf

The PDF file was published as an HTML publication in August 2019 – the URL of the HTML publication was https://www.gov.wales/landfill-disposals-tax-qualifying-mixtures-materials-fines-notice-html

Confirmation of the content management system on which the Welsh Government operates the gov.wales platform (and formerly beta.gov.wales).

The GOV.WALES website operates on the Drupal content management system.

CMS database timestamps. The system-generated creation date and time, and any system-generated modification dates and times, recorded in the content management system for the Fines Notice Page record and for the Fines Notice PDF file entity, including any predecessor record on beta.gov.wales. We are not seeking the user editable "First published" or "Last updated" fields.

The recorded system creation time of the following pages was 10:16:58 on 27 July 2018. This is when the page was created in the content management system and not when it was published.

- https://www.beta.gov.wales/landfill-disposals-tax-qualifying-mixtures-materials-fines
- https://www.gov.wales/landfill-disposals-tax-qualifying-mixtures-materials-fines

We do not hold a creation date for the PDF that was published at https://www.gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2018-07/qualifyingmixtures-of-materials-fines-notice.pdf

The HTML at https://www.gov.wales/landfill-disposals-tax-qualifying-mixtures-materials-fines-notice-html has a recorded system creation time of 10:49:49 on 27 August 2019. This is when the page was created in the content management system and not when it was published.

CMS audit trail and version history. Any audit trail, version history or editorial workflow records for the Fines Notice Page, including any backup, archive or export predating any rolling deletion of version history.

We do not hold this information.

Server access logs. Any web server access logs (or records derived from them) showing HTTP requests to the Fines Notice Page URL and/or the Fines Notice PDF URL, on gov.wales and beta.gov.wales, for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 August 2019.

We do not hold this information.

Web analytics data. Any analytics data (Google Analytics, Matomo or equivalent) showing pageview or visitor data for the Fines Notice Page, on either domain, for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 August 2019.

From a backup of a previous version of Google Analytics we have identified recorded traffic to the URLs below, between 1 July 2018 to 30 August 2019. This information can be found at Annex 2.

- https://www.beta.gov.wales/landfill-disposals-tax-qualifying-mixtures-materials-fines
- https://www.gov.wales/landfill-disposals-tax-qualifying-mixtures-materials-fines

We do not hold any record of analytics for the PDF at https://www.gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2018-07/qualifyingmixtures-of-materials-fines-notice.pdf.

XML sitemap records. Any archived versions of the gov.wales and beta.gov.wales XML sitemaps from July 2018 to August 2019 showing whether the Fines Notice Page URL was included.

We do not hold this information.

The WRA instruction and related correspondence. The instruction received from and sent to WRA in relation to publishing the Fines Notice, to include all correspondence between the Welsh Government web team and WRA relating

to its publication between 1 July 2018 and 30 August 2019; and any record confirming whether, when and at what URL publication was effected.

We do not hold this information.

Migration records. Records relating to the migration from beta.gov.wales to gov.wales insofar as they concern the Fines Notice Page: the date of the domain switch, URL mapping or redirect records, and any record showing whether and from when the Fines Notice Page existed on beta.gov.wales.

We do not hold this information.

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 e-mail: 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

Website: www.ico.org.uk

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely

Annex 1

2. This request is made to the Welsh Government as operator of the GOV.WALES platform (and formerly beta.gov.wales), on which pages of the Welsh Revenue Authority ("WRA") are hosted. The Welsh Government web team has already retrieved information about this page for WRA (WRA response WRA-EIR-0003, Annex A, email of 29 June 2026); the underlying records are therefore held by the Welsh Government.
3. Landfill disposals tax is an environmental levy, and the notice to which this request relates is a measure affecting the elements and factors of the environment, or one designed to protect them, within regulation 2(1)(c) EIR. The information requested is therefore environmental information, subject to the presumption in favour of disclosure (regulation 12(2) EIR).
4. The request relates to:
4.1 the webpage at https://gov.wales/landfill-disposals-tax-qualifying-mixturesmaterials-fines (the "Fines Notice Page");
4.2 the PDF at https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2018-07/qualifyingmixtures-of-materials-fines-notice.pdf (the "Fines Notice PDF"); and
4.3 any predecessor page or file hosted on beta.gov.wales;
5. The date on which the notice was first published is material to ongoing proceedings between our client and WRA.
6. We request any and all independently verifiable evidence as to when the Fines Notice PDF was first published on gov.wales or beta.gov.wales, including but not limited to the following information:
6.1 The URL(s) at which any version of the Fines Notice PDF or Fines Notice Page has been published, including on any beta.gov.wales site.
6.2 Confirmation of the content management system on which the Welsh Government operates the gov.wales platform (and formerly beta.gov.wales).
6.3 CMS database timestamps. The system-generated creation date and time, and any system-generated modification dates and times, recorded in the content management system for the Fines Notice Page record and for the Fines Notice PDF file entity, including any predecessor record on beta.gov.wales. We are not seeking the usereditable "First published" or "Last updated" fields.
6.4 CMS audit trail and version history. Any audit trail, version history or editorial workflow records for the Fines Notice Page, including any backup, archive or export predating any rolling deletion of version history.
6.5 Server access logs. Any web server access logs (or records derived from them) showing HTTP requests to the Fines Notice Page URL and/or the Fines Notice PDF URL, on gov.wales and beta.gov.wales, for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 August 2019.
6.6 Web analytics data. Any analytics data (Google Analytics, Matomo or equivalent) showing pageview or visitor data for the Fines Notice Page, on either domain, for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 August 2019.
6.7 XML sitemap records. Any archived versions of the gov.wales and beta.gov.wales XML sitemaps from July 2018 to August 2019 showing whether the Fines Notice Page URL was included.
6.8 The WRA instruction and related correspondence. The instruction received from and sent to WRA in relation to publishing the Fines Notice, to include all correspondence between the Welsh Government web team and WRA relating to its

publication between 1 July 2018 and 30 August 2019; and any record confirming whether, when and at what URL publication was effected.
6.9 Migration records. Records relating to the migration from beta.gov.wales to gov.wales insofar as they concern the Fines Notice Page: the date of the domain switch, URL mapping or redirect records, and any record showing whether and from when the Fines Notice Page existed on beta.gov.wales.
7. To the extent that any of the requested information is held by a hosting, analytics or other provider on the Welsh Government's behalf, it is held by the Welsh Government for the purposes of this request (regulation 3(2)(b) EIR; section 3(2)(b) FOIA).
8. Under regulation 5(2) EIR the information must be made available as soon as possible and no later than 20 working days after the date of receipt; under section 10(1) FOIA the same period applies. If any part of this request is refused, we will be entitled to make representations for reconsideration under regulation 11 EIR (or to an internal review in accordance with the code of practice issued under section 45 FOIA), and thereafter to complain to the Information Commissioner.