



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

Ein Cyf/Our ref: ATISN 13074  
Dyddiad/Date: 29 April 2019

## COMPLAINT IN RESPECT OF REQUEST FOR INFORMATION - REFERENCE NUMBER 13074.

Your complaint dated 28 March was referred to me for an internal review. The review has been undertaken as you have made the following complaint in relation to our response dated 28 March to your information request dated 20 March 2019:

“The only reference to “exceptional circumstances” is that cited as government policy, which in itself cannot be regarded as exceptional. Therefore I regard your response as misleading in its incompleteness and request a review of your mishandling of my request within the legislated time period.”

The Welsh Government enclosed with the disclosure letter, a copy of the former Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs’ decision which, in paragraph 66, included reference to the “exceptional circumstance” she determined was sufficient reason for granting the appeal for Hendy Wind Farm. As such, I do not uphold your complaint that the information you requested was not provided.

I have considered your complaint in accordance with the procedure outlined in the [Welsh Government's Practical Guide for Making Requests for Information](#) which is available by post on request or via the internet.

If you remain dissatisfied with this response you 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.

Yours sincerely

**NEIL HEMINGTON**

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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.