



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Our Ref: ATISN 13549

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Dear

Request for Information – ATISN 13549

I wrote to you on 14 November regarding your request for information on the Noise Action Plan Priority Area sites.

I can confirm we hold information captured by your request. Please see a response below to each question:

1. Where does our development (Swn Dwr Farm) rank from 1 - 7 on the Noise Action Plan Priority Area sites identified in our previous correspondence?

The current prioritisation of this site is 33rd out of 209 sites in Wales. This equates to Priority 2 on the scale of 1-7.

2. Where does our development (Swn Dwr Farm) rank compared to the other Noise Action Plan Priority Area sites identified?

As above.

3. Results of the noise monitoring quoted as being carried out in financial year 2017/18 and whether any changes were noted compared to previous monitoring exercises in our area? Any professional interpretation of these results.

Please visit the following link to access the Noise and Soundscape action plan for Wales 2018-23.

<https://gov.wales/noise-and-soundscape-action-plan-2018-2023-0>



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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.

4. Whether the extent of the works required at our location has been assessed and/or costs associated.

Not yet. Prioritisation has been given to concrete carriageways as the noise experienced adjacent to these roads is considered to be worse than asphaltic surfaces due to the transverse joints in the material.

5. Why there is no crash barrier protection along our stretch to protect the development from vehicles leaving the A55, has a risk assessment related to this been carried out along this stretch?

A safety barrier assessment has not been undertaken along this section of the A55 (immediately adjacent to Swndwr Farm) nor are there any immediate plans to undertake one. In line with Welsh Government policy, the length is not considered a high priority location when taking into account road alignment and historical collision data. The site will be monitored until such time the need to assess is met.

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.

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Yours sincerely