



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

ATISN 14443

16 November 2020

Dear

### **ATISN 14443 – firebreak minutes and evidence**

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 16 October. You requested the following information regarding a 'second lockdown', specifically:

1. *Copies of minutes for all meetings last week (12th - 18th October) regarding the discussions on the recently announced firebreak.*
2. *Names & job titles of those attending the above meetings.*
3. *Copies of all scientific evidence given to all to above meetings.*
4. *Names & job titles of all those who submitted scientific evidence mentioned above, including those who submitted paper / electronic evidence.*
5. *Any scientific evidence to suggest two week fire break will work.*

In response to your first and second request this information falls within scope of an exemption category under section 22, "Information intended for future publication". Meetings of cabinet are published at <https://gov.wales/cabinet-meetings#Cabinetmeetings:2020> and the relevant meeting minutes will be published on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> November. Other meetings where the firebreak may have been discussed but formal minutes were not taken have not been included in the response.

The Technical Advisory Group firebreak paper summarises the scientific evidence provided to Welsh Government ministers, along with how consideration of the impact and effectiveness of the firebreak. This is available at <https://gov.wales/technical-advisory-group-fire-breaks>.

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](mailto: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,