

Our ref ATISN 14703



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

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Dear

### **Request for Information – ATISN 14703**

I wrote to you on 5 January regarding your request for information relating to the A483 speed cameras.

### **Information requested**

You asked for:

1. On what date did the average speed cameras on the A483 at Wrexham become operational?
2. What was the cost of installing these average speed cameras?
3. Since they became operational what revenue has been raised?
4. Since implementation how many drivers have been fined or cautioned for speeding as measured by the average speed cameras?
5. How much do Welsh Government pay North Wales Police Justice Services to process the fines?
6. Since they became operational have the cameras been successful in reducing pollution or in other words have they achieved the outcomes expected when average speed cameras were first installed?

### **Our Response**

I can confirm that we hold information captured by your request. For question 1, the cameras were activated and began monitoring data on 6 September 2019.



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For question 2, the cost was approximately £334,703. An accurate figure cannot be provided, as the cameras were installed as part of a wider commission that also included installation of average speed cameras at the A494 Deeside air quality 50mph speed limit location.

For question 3, I can confirm that no revenue has been raised as the data recorded by the cameras has been used for monitoring purposes only.

For question 4, no drivers have been fined or cautioned as a result of the monitoring data recorded. However, North Wales Police may have carried out enforcement by other methods.

For your final question, the air quality monitoring results based upon the monitoring undertaken before and after installation of the fixed speed limit traffic signs and average speed cameras are contained in our Annual Data Report published in March 2020. This report can be accessed via the following link: <https://gov.wales/annual-data-no2-concentrations-motorway-and-trunk-road-2018-2019>. Further monitoring data for 2020 pre and post the start of restrictions associated with the COVID-19 pandemic will be included within our update to our NO2 plan, which we intend to consult on in spring 2021.

### **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 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