



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Ein cyf/Our ref ATISN 15104

25 May 2021

Dear

Request for Information – ATISN 15104

I wrote to you on 5 May regarding your request for information.

Information requested

1. Confirmation of whether the Welsh Government holds any information produced since the UK Government's announcement of e-scooter trials in Great Britain in May 2020 which relates to the matters of:
 - a. The amendment of road traffic legislation in order to practically permit e-scooter trials to take place in Wales;
 - b. Whether, how and when the Welsh Government should support, and/or prioritise, the establishment of e-scooter trials in Wales.

Our Response

The Freedom of Information Act provides a right to ask for recorded information held at the time a request is made. It does not require an authority such as the Welsh Government to provide information, views or opinions where that information is not already recorded. This is confirmed by the Information Commissioner's guidance 'The Guide to Freedom of Information', page 7:

"The Act does not cover information that is in someone's head. If a member of the public asks for information, you only have to provide information you already have in recorded form. You do not have to create new information or find the answer to a question from staff who may happen to know it."



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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 .

With the above in mind, I can confirm that the Welsh Government does not hold on record the specific information you have requested. Your request does not provide a sufficiently clear description of what it is you want me to identify and locate. Rather than ask for confirmation of whether we hold the information, please can you provide a more specific request for the information you believe the Welsh Government may hold in relation to e-scooter trials in Wales.

To refine your request, it may be helpful for you to know that the Welsh Government liaised with the UK Department for Transport to understand the scope of the trials for e-scooters and clarify that Welsh local authorities could participate. Participation in the trials was dependent on local authorities themselves deciding that they wanted to undertake a trial. The Welsh Government publicised the opportunity to participate in the trials to local authorities but as there was no interest from local authorities in Wales no further action was taken with regard to road traffic legislation in Wales.

If you do refine your request in this way, this will be treated as a new request.

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.of.information@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