



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

28 October 2020

Dear

**ATISN – 14414 Holyhead Deep Underwater Kite Field**

Thank you for your request which I received on **2 October 2020** about **Holyhead Deep Underwater Kite Field**. The information you requested is enclosed.

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



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**Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth Gymraeg. Cewch ateb Cymraeg i bob gohebiaeth Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.**

**We welcome correspondence in Welsh. Correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not involve any delay.**

The information requested is set out below:-

**Q1 How was the money spent, precisely?**

Minesto UK Ltd was awarded a European Regional Development Grant (ERDF) to partly support the company's project to design, manufacture, deploy and test a 0.5MW Deep Green low velocity tidal energy device in Holyhead Deep, off the coast of Holyhead, Anglesey, Wales. This project is known as the "Deep Green" operation.

To date the operation has declared £ xxxxx of project costs with £xxxx of ERDF Grant paid on a reimbursement basis.

Expenditure on the project have been as follows:-

	<b>Project Cost</b>	<b>ERDF</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
• Environment Issues and Improvements		
• Site Works		
• Rent and Rates		
• Equipment Leases		
• Estates – other		
• ICT Hardware & Licence Rental		
• Consultancy Fees		
• Professional Services - other		
<b>Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>

**Q2 How much electrical energy was produced?**

The information you require is not held by the Welsh Government, it was not an indicator for the project. We do however understand that the power conversion method was proved.

**Q3 What was the achieved capacity factor?**

The information you require is not held by the Welsh Government, it was not an indicator for the project.

**Q4 Are you content with the results and do you intend to continue funding this project?**

The project set out to achieve the following indicators:-

- Energy support site preparation scheme
- Renewable energy prototype tested

The project successfully met these indicators. A further European Regional Development Fund Grant has been approved to design, manufacture and test an enhanced prototype.