

29 April 2024

Dear

ATISN 20416 – Neath Council Wards

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 2 April 2024. You asked for:

Information relating to the naming of electoral wards / divisions in the former Borough of Neath.

Specifically, you are interested in how the ward covering the westernmost part of the Community of Neath came to be named “Neath East” and whether the South and East wards were inadvertently given the incorrect names during a Review of ward names and boundaries in the early 1980s.

You are interested in reading a copy of the report(s) relating to Neath published by the Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales, which would have been compiled in 1981 or 1982.

You have also asked for a subsequent report published around 1995, establishing the electoral boundaries of the wards of the Neath Port Talbot unitary.

You have also requested a copy of the following Order: The Borough of Neath (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1983.

You would like a map of the wards of the Borough and their names before and after the 1983 local boundary changes.

Our response

The information you requested is provided in the attached pdf documents.

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

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