Adran yr Economi, Gwyddoniaeth a Thrafnidiaeth Department for Economy, Science and Transport

Eich cyf/Your ref Ein cyf/Our ref ATISN 10245



29 March, 2016

Dear,

Request for Information – ATISN 10245

I wrote to you on 2 March regarding your request for information relating to the Superfast Cymru Project. You asked:

- 1. How long has the project been running and how many times has its intended 'life' been extended?
- 2. How much public funding was originally allocated for the initial project?
- 3. Has extra public funding been provided each time the project-length was extended?
- 4. The total Welsh Government project spend/allocation to date?
- 5. What percentage of the funding has gone to private sector 'partners' and what percentage covers public administration of the project?
- 6. Have any private sector partners other than BT/Openreach been involved in the project and in receipt of public funds?

The contract was signed in July 2012 and work started on the ground in January 2013. The project life has been extended twice. £205 million was originally allocated to the project, a further £19 million was made available when the project was extended by 42,000 premises. To date, £159 million of public funding has been spent, all £159 million of grant funding has gone to BT. Public administration costs do not come from project funding. BT employs a range of subcontractors to help deliver the project.

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 <u>FreedomOfInformationOfficer@wales.gsi.gov.uk</u>.



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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