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Dear ,

Request for Information – ATISN 10598

I wrote to you on 27 July regarding your request for information. You asked for information relating to the amount of public money that has been spent by the Welsh Government and its predecessors on the development and promotion of the M4 Corridor around Newport project since the establishment of the National Assembly for Wales.

I can confirm that we hold information relating to your request. The current total expenditure on the development of a solution to the problems on the M4 around Newport is £57.6 million. This expenditure has covered historical investigation of the problems and consideration of a long list of options to solve those problems at a strategic level including strategic environmental assessment, health impact assessment and equality impact assessment, with associated stakeholder consultation. Expenditure has then covered development of a preferred solution with the associated environmental surveys, assessment and mitigation development. Most recently expenditure has covered production of draft Statutory Orders, an Environmental Statement and associated reporting covering matters including economic assessment and traffic modelling work, and the associated stakeholder liaison work. Further information on the project can be found at www.gov.wales/m4newport.

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
FreedomOfInformationOfficer@wales.gsi.gov.uk.



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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.

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