



Ein Cyf/Our ref: ATISN 11737  
Eich Cyf/Your ref:  
Dyddiad/Date: 5 December 2017

Dear ,

**ATISN 11737 – REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

Thank you for your request for information received on the 20 November 2017. You asked for:

"as Caerphilly County Borough Council does not have a five year housing plan in place how many appeals have been referred to the Secretary for Rural Affairs and when refused at a Council level how many are overturned by the AM I would like if possible the information in the following format covering a period of the last Five years .

Date. Site location. Developers. Greenfield Y/N. Number of houses. Housing Inspector .

Appeal overturned Y/N. Presiding Minister"

I interpreted your request as asking for a list of Welsh Ministers' decisions on called-in planning applications or recovered appeals for residential development within Caerphilly County Borough Council between 20 November 2012 until 20 November 2017, which were determined by the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs, formerly the Cabinet Secretary for Environment and Rural Affairs or her predecessors, between the aforementioned dates, following the refusal of planning permission by Caerphilly County Borough Council. On 28 November you confirmed I had correctly interpreted your request.

I am writing to inform you the Welsh Government holds information which falls within the scope of your request which is detailed in the attached disclosure list.

I treated your request under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIRs) in accordance with advice provided by the Information Commissioner. The Commissioner has advised that any requests for information in respect of matters relating to 'planning' should be considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs) rather than under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIs).

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: [FreedomOfInformationOfficer@wales.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:FreedomOfInformationOfficer@wales.gsi.gov.uk)

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

#### Disclosure List – Request for recorded information - Reference Number (11737)

| Item number | Item date  | Item title or description                                        | Reason for withholding information |
|-------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 001         | 07/06/2016 | Pandy Road, Caerphilly – Inspectors Report                       | None                               |
| 002         | 31/01/2017 | Pandy Road, Caerphilly – Welsh Ministers' Decision Letter        | None                               |
| 003         | 11/05/2017 | Hendredenny Road, Caerphilly - Inspectors Report                 | None                               |
| 004         | 04/10/2017 | Hendredenny Road, Caerphilly - Welsh Ministers' Decision Letter  | None                               |
| 005         | 20/06/2017 | Oakdale Golf Club, Caerphilly - Inspectors Report                | None                               |
| 006         | 15/11/2017 | Oakdale Golf Club, Caerphilly - Welsh Ministers' Decision Letter | None                               |