



18 December 2017

Dear ,

ATISN 11585 - Internal Review

I wrote to you on 29 November regarding your e-mail of complaint which we received on 22 November, 2017.

I have conducted an internal review of your request in accordance with the procedure outlined in the [Welsh Government's Practical Guide for Making Requests for Information](#) which is available by post on request, or via the internet.

I note in your request you asked for a full and un-redacted copy of all of the Due Diligence Report into the Circuit of Wales Racetrack. I further note that our response explained that the Report consists of five separate documents provided to the Welsh Government by external advisors and also both external and internal legal advice. You were provided with web links to four summary documents for four of the external documents which have been published on our website, namely:

- Economic Impact report (Regeneris Consulting Ltd.)
- Construction Cost and Main Contractor Procurement (Chandler KBS)
- Due Diligence Review (Grant Thornton UK LLP)

The response also confirmed that the fifth report is the Corporate Intelligence Review (otherwise known as the Fit and Proper Person Test), prepared by Grant Thornton.

I note that the response concluded that the full and un-redacted reports of the five external reports, together with the legal advice, were not disclosed. The exemptions which were relied upon were:

- Section 36, effective conduct of public affairs
- Section 40(2), personal data
- Section 41, information provided in confidence



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- Section 42, legal professional privilege
- Section 43, prejudice to commercial interests

You were provided with full reasoning for applying the above exemptions as well as which exemption was being relied upon for each piece of information.

I have considered the response you received, the application of the above exemptions and your subsequent complaint. In doing so, I am satisfied it was correct to rely on these exemptions and that the information should continue to be withheld under them, as outlined in the response you received. For this reason, your complaint is not upheld.

If you remain dissatisfied with this response you also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Tel: 01625 545 745
Fax: 01625 524 510
Email: casework@ico.gsi.gov.uk

Also, if you think that there has been maladministration in dealing with your request, you have the option to make a complaint to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales who can be contacted at:

Public Services Ombudsman for Wales
1 Ffordd yr Hen Gae, Pencoed, Bridgend, CF35 5LJ

Telephone: 0845 6010987 (local rate)
Email: ask@ombudsman-wales.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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