

13 September 2023

Dear

ATISN 18940 – Speed Limits

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 11 September 2023. You asked:

The introduction of the 20mph limit in Wales is justified with claims of reduced road deaths, reduced numbers of seriously injured, and a greater uptake of walking and cycling. If these benefits are not delivered, is there recourse to reverse the speed limit change, or to revise it accordingly?

Our response

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you require is not held by the Welsh Government. The Freedom of Information Act requires an authority to supply recorded information held by the authority, but does not require that new information be created in response to a request. No information is recorded with respect to your question.

However, in general terms I can confirm that we will monitor and evaluate the change to 20mph to inform future policy decisions, which would be subject to parliamentary scrutiny and other democratic processes.

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