

Date issued: 12 Oct 2021

Freedom of Information Request

We are writing in response to your Freedom of Information request. Your request has been considered in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act and our information access policy.

Your Questions Answered

Category 1

"I am applying for a request in relation to the line known as Blaenau Ffestiniog to Trawsfynydd Lake Halt.

I am looking for any detail of any plans (either proposed or finalised) that Transport for Wales has for the mothballed section of line, this can include plans for maintenance, renewals, clearance or opening of the line."

TfW currently have no plans for the section of line in question beyond Blaenau Ffestiniog. The line from Blaenau Ffestiniog to Trawsfynydd Lake Halt is owned by Network Rail, and vegetation clearance has previously been conducted by interested third parties with Network Rail's permission. TfW does not hold information pertaining to these activities.

At present, TfW is working with Network Rail to ensure the Conwy Valley Line provides a robust and reliable train service. New trains will be introduced on the line over the coming years to further enhance customer experience, more details can be found here.

Category 2

"I am applying for a request in relation to the line known as Blaenau Ffestiniog to Trawsfynydd Lake Halt.

I am looking for details of any discussions, concerns or complaints that Transport for Wales has had with any third parties regarding this line."

As TfW does not have plans for the mothballed section of the line beyond Blaenau Ffestiniog, no discussions have taken place and as such, there are no details to provide. TfW has not received any complaints or details of any concerns about the line. Any concerns or complaints received relate only to the existing route, and TfW works closely with customers, stakeholders and the local authority alike to address these issues.

We hope this information is of use to you.

Yours sincerely,

Transport for Wales



Appeal Rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, please write to the Head of Freedom of Information at either Transport for Wales, 3 Llys Cdwyn, Pontypridd, CF37 4TH or freedomofinformation@tfw.wales. Your request must be submitted within 40 working days of receipt of this letter. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

The Information Commissioner (ICO) can be contacted at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or you can contact the ICO through the 'Make a Complaint' section of their website on this link: https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/

The relevant section to select will be "Official or Public Information".