**Date issued:** 1 July 2022

**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 Data and Information Management Policy.

**You asked for the following information on relation to the extension of Coryton train line:**

1. **Any and all correspondence Transport for Wales has had with Cardiff Council, Welsh Government, Velindre NHS Trust and Cardiff and Vale University Health Board, and/or their representatives/contractors in relation to the extension of the Coryton train line.**

We are currently reviewing our response to this part of the request to determine whether it will exceed the time and cost limit allowed for processing a request under the Freedom of Information Act (£600/24 hours of staff time at a cost of £25 an hour). The calculation of this cost can include:

1. determining whether the requested information is held
2. determining whether the information is subject to an exemption
3. locating the information
4. extracting the information
5. compiling the response including redacting

Please note that public bodies are only required to estimate whether this limit would be exceeded and are not required to provide a breakdown of their estimations. Your refinement could relate to a specific timescale or a particular issue in regard to the subject matter.

1. **Any and all correspondence Transport for Wales has had in relation to the extension of the Coryton train line with political representatives and anyone else of relevance in this matter.**

TfW has not had any correspondence with political representatives in relation to the current work. The local MS has been made aware of the current WelTAG 1 study through communications about the wider Core Valley Line Transformation programme.

1. **A breakdown of any and all monetary figures paid to Cardiff Council from Transport for Wales or associated bodies involved, for pre-application planning advice in relation to this matter.**

£0. No pre-application discussions have taken place.

1. **Any plans/timescales for further actions in relation to this matter, including but not limited to: surveying, community consultation etc.**
* Early 2022-23 completion of WelTAG 1 study and engineering feasibility
* 2022-23 WelTAG 2 study, further engineering design and single option selection – the brief for this is being finalised but will possibly include a topographic survey, initial ecological/habitat survey and a public consultation event.

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".