**Date issued:** 9th of August 2023

**Freedom of Information Request** 141/23

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 US…**

**Please could you provide me with the below information regarding electrification work on the Rhymney valley line**

**1. Details of the clearing of vegetation between Heath High level and Llanishen train stations**

**2. Details and plans with locations of the OLE infrastructure planned along the track directly behind South Rise (CF14 0RF)and west rise in Llanishen . Foundations , mast design , mast spacing , fencing (height, type).**

**RESPONSE**

Question 1

As part of our continued programme of works, Transport for Wales will be undertaking clearance of any vegetation up to a minimum of 6 metres from the Overhead Line Equipment. This is to achieve the initial clearance that we require to safely proceed with key engineering works.

A future maintenance regime will later extend these limits up to a minimum of 10m from the Overhead Line Equipment, but these works aren’t currently dated.

Question 2

Please see attached document.

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/>

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