**Date issued:** 24th of August 2023

**Freedom of Information Request** 166/23

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…**

This is a freedom of information (FOI) request about unpaid fares as an estimated percentage of customers on your rail network and the number among these that resulted in prosecution. Also your overall passenger numbers per year.

**RESPONSE**

* Estimated ticketless travel rate of 6.6-7.7% for 22/23 (this relates to the % of passenger journeys that were estimated to be ticketless for the TfW Rail network as a whole)
* 1,186 convictions relating to fare evasion were made in 22/23 (this relates to individual cases)
* 23,158,114 ticketed passenger journeys were made on TfW Rail services in 22/23 (this does not include ticketless journeys)

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".