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Freedom of Information Request

Dear Councillor Webster,

We are writing in response to your email dated 25 March 2021 entitled 'Breach of Good Practice and ?law by Welsh Government/TfW'. This email was sent to the following recipients: James Price, Paul Orders, James Clemence, Kevin Brennan, Mark Drakeford, Rhian Jones, and Cardiff Council Democratic Services. A number of others were also CC'd into your email.

In the body of your email, you asked the following question:

"I am asking the question: has TfW or an allied agency of Government taken actions to prepare the ground for the proposed bridge?"

Your query has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act. We can confirm that no devegetation work has been undertaken specifically to enable construction of the bridge. We have conducted some ground investigation work and access was agreed with both the owners of Gelynis Farm and the surrounding land. The devegetation work that has taken place in the area to date was within the rail corridor and was completed for safety reasons (such as train driver sighting).

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.

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