

Date issued: 19 May 2021

Freedom of Information Request

Your query dated 13 April 2021 sent to TfW Stakeholder Manager [REDACTED] has been treated as a 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.

You asked for the following information:

"I was having a discussion with one of our members a few days ago and he is under the impression that Bow Street has a 6 car platform. In the plans we saw the land was being purchased for a possible platform extension to the west, but the initial construction was going to be a 4 car platform. Is it 4 or 6?"

And just for interest - the road and car park construction was changed significantly from the initial plan. Has anything been published regarding the actual construction costs vs the budgeted NSF cost?"

Having reviewed your questions, we are able to provide the following information:

The actual length of Bow Street Station Platform is 100 metres. It is currently a four-car platform. We have included a station diagram; the platform length is shown in green. An extra length of 50 metres is shown in blue, though this is not in use. This extra length was included as a future option to extend the platform based on demand. This is not being considered at present and we cannot advise when we may do so in the future.

The break down of the estimated costs vs the actual cost of the project is outlined in the table below. The difficulties experienced relating to the flooding risks encountered largely accounts for the overspend detailed.

Item	2017 Estimated Cost	Actual Cost on Completion
1. Design & Assurance	£741,351	£1,201,805
2. Construction	£4,551,805	£6,948,465
3. Engagement, Compensation and Training	£101,271	£190,013
4. Project Management	£605,573	£852,300
Total (excluding VAT)	£6,000,000	£9,192,583

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".