**Date issued:** 4 October 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:**

*I noticed that a new station is planned to be built, 'Waterhall'. Waterhall Rd is at the other end of Ashdene Close and their is an old subway where the disused coal line used to run.*

*I want to know where this station will be built*

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

The new station “Waterhall” which you refer to is one of several possible station locations being considered as part of the North West Corridor Study. This study is investigating the development of improved sustainable transport links between Cardiff City Centre, new housing developments at Plasdwr and land to the north of M4 Junction 33, and communities in Rhondda Cynon Taf including Talbot Green and Beddau. The first stage of this study was published in February 2021 and is now in the [public domain](https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/development-monitoring/Documents/NWC%20Development%20Activity%20Monitoring%20(Autumn%202019E)%20FINAL.pdf). The report outlined the reasons why improved sustainable transport links are needed and sets out the wide range of transport options that are being considered.

The reopening of the disused rail alignment which you refer to in your enquiry is just one of several options under consideration as part of the study, which cover a number of different transport modes including light rail, bus rapid transit, transport interchange improvements, and improved walking and cycling links.

We do not at this point know where any new stations will be. The precise station locations will be informed by further scheme and business case development. They would also be subject to public consultation, funding approval, planning and consents.

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](mailto: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".