**Date issued:** 26th of October 2023

**Freedom of Information Request** 210/23

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 send me information on the decision to put the new train stock on the Penarth line. Please include all correspondence between ministers and staff around discussions**

**RESPONSE**

As part of Transport for Wales’s commitments for Wales’s rail network, originally announced back in October 2018, almost all of the fleet across the network are to be replaced by new trains. The recent introduction of the new fleet on services to Penarth are part of this.

There was no specific decision around services to Penarth as this is an integral part of the South Wales Metro. Details of the plans for the South Wales Metro are on our website in the following location -

[South Wales Metro Project | Transport for Wales (tfw.wales)](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ftfw.wales%2Fprojects%2Fmetro%2Fsouth-wales-metro&data=05%7C01%7CFreedomofinformation%40tfw.wales%7C40ab6d84ace04c36662408dbd60440c8%7C87dcd024301948269956ba76b2a04ff4%7C0%7C0%7C638339085973626543%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Alna653YpZCny3O1dIemXgTwlKCUrBV2c7EITY%2FpuDQ%3D&reserved=0)”

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](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".