**Date issued:** 7th of February 2024

**Freedom of Information Request** 24/24

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…**

**1. how many Overhead Steel stanchions have been made for these new lines in South Wales in total?**

**2. How much did each one cost?**

**3. Where was the steel manufactured?**

**4. Where were they assembled?**

**RESPONSE**

Question 1

- For clarity, these answers consider ‘stanchions’ being Main Part Steel (MPS) and therefore include masts, booms (Twin Track Cantilevers and portals), ties and struts.

- The total number of pieces of steelwork is 4379. This number is the requirement across current scope and have not all been made yet.

Question 2

- The average price per piece using recent prices is £3,979.  Across the different types of steelwork, it varies from £1,347 to £9,135.

Question 3

- The raw steel was rolled in UK and Europe (only used where a particular type is not available from UK). Further information below:

* Parallel Flange Channel (PFC) material – no mills are capable of rolling this in the UK, this had to come from Spain.
* Universal Columns (UC) - British Steel rolled in UK.
* Box sections– TATA steel rolled in the UK.

Question 4

- All the fabrication has taken place in the UK.

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 Cadwyn, 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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