**Date issued:** 11th of March 2024

**Freedom of Information Request** 37/24

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 trees have been felled, cut down or damaged I connection with the work to electrify the line and associated works between Pontypridd and Treherbert?**

**2)           Has the impact of this felling work and destruction of trees releasing considerable amounts of sequestered carbon in the middle of a climate crisis, been included in any calculation/s of metrics or performance indicators about the green credentials of this project? Or is it just conveniently left out of the equation?**

**RESPONSE**

Questions 1 & 2

Transport for Wales do not hold information to answer your request.

Under Section 16, the duty to provide advice and assistance, please see the below link to our FAQ’s which may be of interest.

https:tfw.wales/projects/metro/building-our-metro/vegetation-management

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.

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".