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Welsh Government

## E-mail request

Our ref: ATISN 14688  
Date: 21 January 2021

Dear

### **ATISN 14688**

Thank you for your request which I received on 19 December 2021. You asked for the following:

all the Data used by the Welsh Government to formulate the current Lockdown restrictions in Wales?

The information you have requested is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) – information readily accessible to the applicant by other means. The information requested can be found at the links at Annex 1 of this letter.

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,  
Welsh Government,  
Cathays Park,  
Cardiff,  
CF10 3NQ

or Email: [Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales](mailto:Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales)

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,  
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However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely

## **Annex 1**

Welsh Ministers met on the 19 December to discuss the increasing prevalence of Coronavirus in Wales and the impact of a new variant. They agreed to amend the regulations to move Wales into alert level 4 at midnight on 19 December. It was also agreed to amend the provisions for extended households over the Christmas period to apply to Christmas Day only.

Links to the primary sources of, and summaries of, data used to support the decision to amend the 'The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 5) (Wales) Regulations 2020' are set out below. These also include links to further sources of information, such as the Technical Advisory Cell reports, which synthesise data from a range of sources including the UK Scientific Advisory Group for Emergencies (SAGE).

### **Welsh Government statistics and research on coronavirus**

#### **Coronavirus (Covid-19) related statistics and research**

<https://gov.wales/coronavirus-covid-19-related-statistics-and-research>.

**Welsh Government Survey of public views on the coronavirus (COVID-19): 4 to 7 December 2020 (published 14 December)**

<https://gov.wales/survey-public-views-coronavirus-covid-19-4-7-december-2020>

**Welsh Government Test, Trace, Protect (contact tracing for coronavirus (COVID-19)): up to 12 December 2020 (published 17 December)**

<https://gov.wales/test-trace-protect-contact-tracing-coronavirus-covid-19-12-december-2020-html>

### **Office of the National Statistics data**

**Office of the National Statistics Coronavirus (COVID-19) Infection Survey, UK: (24 December)**

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/healthandsocialcare/conditionsanddiseases/bulletins/coronaviruscovid19infectionsurveys/pilot/24december2020#percentage-of-those-testing-positive-for-the-new-variant-compatible>

### **Public Health Wales data**

#### **PHW Headline summary**

<https://public.tableau.com/profile/public.health.wales.health.protection#!/vizhome/RapidCOVID-19virology-Public/Headlinesummary>

### **Technical Advisory Cell reports**

**A summary of what TAC do including publications of all reports**

<https://gov.wales/technical-advisory-cell>

**Welsh Government Technical Advisory Group Policy Modelling - December 2020 and January 2021 (published 18 December 2020)**

<https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2020-12/technical-advisory-group-policy-modelling-december-2020-and-january-2021.pdf>

**Welsh Government Technical Brief: Viral Variant VOC-202012/01 (published 23 December 2020)**

[https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2020-12/technical-brief-viral-variant-voc-20201201-23-december-2020\\_0.pdf](https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2020-12/technical-brief-viral-variant-voc-20201201-23-december-2020_0.pdf)

**Technical Advisory Group High level summary of evidence on costs and benefits and potential mitigations for measures to address Covid-19 in Wales (published 25 November 2020)**

<https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2020-12/technical-advisory-group-summary-of-evidence-on-costs-and-benefits-and-potential-mitigations-for-measures-to-address-covid-19-in-wales.pdf>

### **Supporting documents for the decision**

**Chief Medical Officer Statement on Amendments to the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 5) Regulations 2020 (published 19 December 2020)**

<https://gov.wales/chief-medical-officer-statement-amendments-health-protection-coronavirus-restrictions-no-5>

**Welsh Government Impact Assessment Alert levels and restrictions in Wales: children's rights (published 21 December 2020)**

<https://gov.wales/alert-levels-and-restrictions-wales-childrens-rights-html>

**Welsh Government Impact Assessment Pre-Christmas restrictions 4 December 2020: summary impact assessment (published 14 December 2020)**

<https://gov.wales/pre-christmas-restrictions-4-december-2020-summary-impact-assessment-html>

### **Strategy documents**

**Link to the Welsh Government Strategy and evidence: Coronavirus page**

<https://gov.wales/strategy-evidence-coronavirus>

**Welsh Government Coronavirus Control Plan: alert levels in Wales (published 14 December 2020)**

<https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2020-12/coronavirus-control-plan-alert-levels-in-wales.pdf>

<https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2020-12/alert-levels-in-wales-simple-guide.pdf>