

5 May 2023

Dear

ATISN 17378 – Installation of Average Speed Checks on A4067

Thank you for your request which I received on 11 April 2023.

Your request

You asked for:

1) all information on record pertaining to the decision to install average speed checks on the A4067 road between Pontardawe and Ynysforan, including:

- a) Raw data/data reports on accidents, congestion, and flow on the A4067 for 2019-present;
- b) Meeting minutes in meetings where this decision was discussed/approved for 2019-present;
- c) Ministers and senior officials involved in recommending and approving the implementation of the average speed check on this road;
- d) Planned benefits from implementation;
- e) Capital expenditure and recurring investment on implementation and maintenance.

Our response

I can confirm that we hold some of the information you have requested.

- a) The Welsh Government does not hold data relating to congestion and flow on the A4067. Road collisions data can be found at Doc.1
- b) There are no meeting minutes available. We do not hold this information. A panel assessment is undertaken and each bid is scored and assessed against the criteria. The assessment score sheets are attached at Doc 2. The application from Swansea Council is at Doc 3 with a digital map of the scheme at Doc 4.
- c) Funding was approved by Lee Waters MS, Deputy Minister for Climate Change. He was the Deputy Minister for Economy and Transport at the time of the decision.
- d) Please see Doc 3.
- e) £207,100 was originally awarded to Swansea Council to deliver the scheme in financial year 2021/22. Due to ongoing delays as a result of the pandemic, technical

and procurement issues the scheme was not completed and only £41,000 was claimed.

The scheme was rolled over into financial year 2022/23. Since the original application, costs escalated and £240,000 was awarded.

No further implementation and maintenance costs are expected from Welsh Government. The local authority is responsible for ongoing maintenance costs.

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Yours sincerely