

19 September 2023

Dear

Request for information - ATISN 18943

Thank you for your request which I received on 9 September 2023.

Your Request

You asked for the following information regarding air quality A483 Wrexham bypass:

- There has been a 50mph restriction in place on the A483 stretch of the Wrexham bypass for many months now. Will you please provide me with details of air quality measurements taken prior to the restriction being put into place, together with an update of recent air quality measurements.
- I should also like to see any analysis showing what improvements (if any) have been achieved.

Our Response

The 50mph speed restriction on the A483 at Wrexham was implemented in June 2018. We have published an analysis of air quality changes following the introduction of the reduced speed limits online at:

[Interim data](#)

[Annual data 2018-19](#)

[Annual data 2020-21](#)

[Annual data 2022](#)

We will continue to monitor pollution values as traffic volume returns following the Pandemic and as changes to cleaner vehicle progresses, and we will review the speed limit once we are confident that sustained compliance can be achieved. The request you sent me contains personal information about you - for example, your name and email address. The Welsh Government will be the data processor for this information and, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation, it will be processed in order to fulfil our public task and meet our legal obligations under the Act to provide you with a response. We will only use this personal information to deal with your request and any matters which arise as a result of it. We will keep your personal information and all other information relating to your request for three years from the date on which your request is finally closed. Your personal information will then be disposed of securely.

Under data protection legislation, you have the right:

- to be informed of the personal data we hold about you and to access it
- to require us to rectify inaccuracies in that data

- to (in certain circumstances) object to or restrict processing
- for (in certain circumstances) your data to be 'erased'
- to (in certain circumstances) data portability
- to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) who is our independent regulator for data protection

For further information about the information which the Welsh Government holds and its use, or if you wish to exercise your rights under the GDPR, please see contact details below:

Data Protection Officer
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
CARDIFF
CF10 3NQ
Email: DataProtectionOfficer@gov.wales

Any information released under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 or Environmental Information Regulations 2004 will be listed in the Welsh Government's Disclosure Log (at <https://gov.wales/about/open-government/freedom-of-information/responses/?lang=en>).

Next steps

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: Freedomofinformation@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,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.

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

Yours sincerely