Dear

## **ATISN 19158**

Thank you for your request which was received on 12 October 2023. You asked for the following:

Information on each of Cardiff's roads regarding accidents where the 20mph has now been imposed.

I have reached the conclusion that it will cost more than the appropriate limit established in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 to consider this part of your request. The appropriate limit specified for central government is £600. When calculating whether or not your request exceeds appropriate limit, I am allowed to consider the time it is likely to take to establish if we hold the information, locate the information, retrieve the information and extract it. If these tasks are estimated to take more than 24 hours of working time, the limit will have been exceeded.

You have requested information relating to collisions occurring on roads that were 30mph, and are now 20mph. This would require extracting data from the Highway Authorities to identify roads that have a speed limit of 30mph. It would then need to be overlaid with Ordnance Survey Highway data to identify which of these roads are now 20mph. This would then require a detailed level of validation to ensure that no sections of road are included that have not changed speed limit. Once this part is completed, collisions would need to be matched to the roads identified.

It would take in excess of 24 hrs to complete this exercise. Because this exceeds the appropriate limit established in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate limit and Fees) Regulations 2004, I have decided not to process that part of your request.

The Welsh Government does intend to carry out analysis in future on roads that were 30mph and have changed to 20mph. This will be published in due course.

Information about the rationale for introducing a 20mph default speed limit on restricted roads can be found at: <a href="Introducing 20mph speed limits: frequently asked questions">Introducing 20mph speed limits: frequently asked questions</a> | GOV.WALES

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Information Rights Unit Welsh Government Cathays Park Cardiff CF10 3NQ

or e-mail: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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Wycliffe House
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Wilmslow
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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