

1 November 2023

Dear

Request for information - ATISN 19185

Thank you for your request for information which I received on 19 October.

Your request

You asked for the following information:

1. The original budget for the redevelopment of the TfW Metro as funded by the Welsh Assembly.
2. The original date or year the redevelopment was to be finished.
3. The amount spent to date on the redevelopment.
4. The projected date currently predicted for the completion of the project.
5. The amount of future funding to be allocated separate from the £125,000,000 mentioned in the statement.

Our Response

I can confirm that the Welsh Governments holds the information you have requested.

For question one, Phase 1 of the South Wales Metro original budget was £77m. Phase 2 of the South Wales Metro programme, Core Valley Lines Transformation (CVL) Programme, original budget was £738m:

- £445m from Welsh Government
- £158m from the European Regional Development Fund
- £125m from the UK Government
- £10m from the Cardiff Capital Region local authorities

Metro Plus original budget was £50m:

- £15m from Welsh Government
- £15m from the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal
- £20m for local authorities and local investment

For question two, the CVL Transformation Programme was originally scheduled for completion in 2023.

For question three, the spend to September 2023 on the CVL Transformation Programme was £843,846,000.

For question four, the South Wales Metro is an ongoing programme of works containing projects which will continue to integrate bus and active travel options to the CVL. The majority of works on the CVL transformation will be complete in 2024.

For your final question, the £125m allocated on 17 October 2023 is revenue funding to support delivery of Wales & Borders rail franchise services.

Transport for Wales receive a subsidy from Welsh Government for the operation of rail services each year. The subsidy is the difference between operational costs and income from tickets, which varies each year.

The current Anticipated Final Cost of the CVL Transformation Programme is £1.05bn.

Next step

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.

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
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CARDIFF
CF10 3NQ

Email: DataProtectionOfficer@gov.wales

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Yours sincerely