3 November 2023

Dear

ATISN 19219 – Request for Information

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 26 October 2023. You asked for:

- 1. All 30mph roads in Wales that have legally been reduced to 20mph with either a traffic order or equivalent road management order.
- 2. Provide the names of the roads that have or haven't a legal 20mph order whatever is the lowest amount.
- 3. Is the lower 20mph just advisory?

Our response

Welsh Government does not hold the data you requested. Other than trunk roads, individual roads are the responsibility of local authorities, and this information I not provided to Welsh Government.

Some authorities have included their 20 mph limit roads in DataMap Wales, but the primary purpose of DataMap Wales map is to show the exceptions. It is likely that most of the information you require can therefore be found on DataMap Wales here:

https://datamap.gov.wales/maps/roads-affected-by-changes-to-the-speed-limit-on-re/

Please also bear in mind that the restricted roads speed order applies by default to all such roads. You may find more information here:

Introducing default 20mph speed limits | GOV.WALES

For question 3, please see our frequently asked questions link:

Introducing 20mph speed limits: frequently asked questions | GOV.WALES

The 20mph limit is a legal limit and not advisory. The law changes the default speed limited on restricted roads.

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: 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, 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