11 December 2023

Dear

ATISN 19287 - Request for Information.

I refer to your email of 14 November 2023 requesting the following information regarding tree planting schemes on Welsh farmland:

- 1. Copy of the approved protocol used by Welsh Government for processing grant applications under the "Glastir Woodland Creation Scheme", and
- 2. Copy of the protocol to be used by Welsh Government for processing grant application for the successor scheme aimed at planting trees on 10% of farmland in Wales.

Our response

- Latest rules for the Glastir Woodland Creation scheme can be found at: <u>www.gov.wales/glastir-woodland-creation-window-11-september-2021-rules-and-guidance</u>
- 2. The Welsh Government's successor scheme, the Sustainable Farming Scheme, is currently in the design and consultation stage prior to the planned implementation in 2025. Further information can be found at: www.gov.wales/sustainable-farming-scheme-guide#84768

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