Dear

Request for Information - ATISN 20216

Thank you for your request for information dated 14 February.

Information requested

Following on from the report "The Future of Road Investment in Wales", please provide an update on the latest status of the following schemes mentioned in this report:

- Cardiff Eastern Transport Corridor
- Mid Wales Safety Schemes on the A470/A487
- A487 Dorglwyd Comins Coch
- A487 Rhiwstaerdywyll
- A487 Llwyn Mafon
- A48 Cross Hands to Pensarn

Our Response

The link referred to in the request is to advise the Welsh Government. The actual Welsh Government policy in response can be found here Roads Review: Welsh Government response | GOV.WALES.

The schemes we are taking forward are all listed here <u>National transport delivery</u> <u>plan 2022 to 2027 | GOV.WALES</u> (NTDP).

All the schemes will follow the new WelTAG transport appraisal guidance found here Welsh transport appraisal guidance (WelTAG) | GOV.WALES.

- The Eastern Bay Corridor scheme is a Cardiff Council led study. Should Cardiff Council wish to proceed with the Eastern Bay Corridor scheme, they will need to develop it in such a way that aligns with the recommendations of the roads review Panel to secure Welsh Government support to deliver
- Mid Wales Safety Schemes on the A470/A487 WelTAG 0 has been drafted and ready to meet with TfW and Regional team for Mid Wales for A470 Caersws. All other projects are in abeyance since the Roads Review recommendations were accepted in the Welsh Government's Roads review response – see above link.
- A487 Dorglwyd Comins Coch scheme incorporated into A487 North of Aberystwyth Active Travel scheme and in progress.

- A487 Rhiwstaerdywyll WelTAG 0, case for change, has been approved and Welsh Government are meeting with TfW and the Regional Team for Mid Wales to progress to the next stage.
- A487 Llwyn Mafon WelTAG 0, case for change, has been drafted and awaiting approval before arranging to meet with TfW and Regional Team for Mid Wales.
- A48 Cross Hands to Pensarn WelTAG 0 drafted, and bridging document nearing completion. Further stakeholder engagement required once drafts are completed. Stakeholder engagement plan produced. Progressing low impact safety measures to include consideration of speed limit reduction. Active Travel improvements incorporated in scheme at crossing points and the main Active Travel scheme is separate but engagement has taken place.

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Yours sincerely