



Ein cyf/Our ref: ATISN 19741

5 August 2024

Dear ,

**Request for Information - ATISN 19741**

I wrote to you on 11 July 2024 regarding your request for information.

You asked for the following information:

The cost of the A465 section 5&6 Dowlais Top to Hirwaun:

- Total amount spent so far on the project
- Predicted total cost by the time of completion
- Breakdown of spend for the years 2020 to 11 July 2024

**Our response:**

I can confirm the Welsh Government hold the information you requested.

Information for spend from June 2013 to 30 June 2023 was previously released available at [ATISN 18667 .pdf \(gov.wales\)](#) this includes twenty nine point seven million pounds spent on the development of the scheme prior to the approval for construction which was approved in Oct 2020.

Since 1 July 2023 to 11 July 2024 the Welsh Government has spent nineteen point one million pounds (the figure below shows nineteen point five million pounds for FY23/24 but four hundred thousand pounds is included in the aforementioned Fol for FY23/24 Apr to Jun 2023).

The Welsh Government's predicted spend on construction by the time of completion in 2025 will be one hundred and three point nine million pounds.



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Below is the breakdown of spend for the years since construction was approved in October 2020 to 11 July 2024:

FY Oct 2020-21 = £16.7m

FY 2021-22 = £17.2m

FY 2022-23 = £21.5m

FY 2023-24 = £19.5m

FY 2024-25 = £72,139 (up to 11 July 2024)

### **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,  
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or Email: [Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales](mailto: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