

12/03/26

Dear

**ATISN 26751**

**Request 1 Timeline of Combustible Cladding Identification**

**Request 2 NATIONAL Records of ACM cladding and Celotex RS5000 Identification (Cardiff Region)**

**Request 3 National Building Safety Data (Combustible Materials)**

**Information requested**

Thank you for your request which I received on 24/02/26. You asked for:

**Request 1**

Record of when the Council first identified or was notified of the presence of Reynobond PE (ACM) cladding or Celotex RS5000 insulation on buildings within its jurisdiction.

A list of all buildings within the Cardiff Council local authority area (both residential and non-residential) that have been identified as having the following materials in their external wall systems:

- Reynobond PE (Polyethylene) Aluminium Composite Material (ACM) cladding.
- Any other ACM cladding with a polyethylene core or equivalent combustible core.
- Celotex RS5000 PIR insulation.

For each building identified as containing these materials, please provide: **Adran Tai ac Adfywio Department for Housing and Regeneration**

- Date on which the presence of these materials was first recorded or identified by the Council.
- The date on which the building owner or residents were officially notified of the safety risk by the Council.
- Whether the identification occurred as part of the nationwide Building Safety Programme audits initiated in June 2017.

**Request 2**

2.1 Information held by the Welsh Government concerning buildings within the Cardiff Council local authority area identified as having the following materials in their external wall systems:

- Reynobond PE (Polyethylene) Aluminium Composite Material (ACM) cladding.

- Any other ACM cladding with a polyethylene core or equivalent combustible core.
- Celotex RS5000 PIR insulation.

2.2 For each building in Cardiff identified within our records as containing these materials:

- The name and address of the building.
- The date the Welsh Government was first notified (by the local authority, fire service, or building owner) of the presence of these materials.
- The date the Welsh Government officially recorded the building as "high risk" or requiring remediation.
- Whether the identification occurred as a direct result of the Building Safety Programme audits initiated in June 2017.

### **Request 3**

3.1 A comprehensive list of all residential and non-residential buildings (over 11 meters in height) that the Welsh Government has identified as having the following materials in their external wall systems:

- Reynobond PE (Polyethylene) Aluminium Composite Material (ACM) cladding.
- Any other ACM cladding with a polyethylene core or equivalent combustible core.
- Celotex RS5000 PIR insulation.

3.2 For each building identified, please provide the following data in a structured electronic format (e.g., Excel or CSV): **Adran Tai ac Adfywio Department for Housing and Regeneration**

- Building Name and Address (including the Local Authority area).
- Identification Date: The date the building was first identified as containing these materials in the Welsh Government's records.
- Notification Date: The date the "Responsible Person" or building owner was officially notified of the requirement for remediation.
- Current Status: Whether the building is currently undergoing remediation, has completed remediation, or is awaiting works.

- Programme Origin: Whether the building was identified via the Building Safety Programme audits (post-June 2017) or the Welsh Building Safety Fund

## **Our responses**

### **Request 1**

We will not be able to provide the information requested as Welsh Government do not have access to information held by Cardiff City Council. If you have not done so already, please send this request to Cardiff City Council: **SupportDesk SupportDesk / FOI Helpdesk**

### **Request 2.1 and 3.1**

- Welsh Government do not hold some of the data requested. Welsh Government only maintains records of buildings with Aluminium Composite Cladding (ACM) cladding with polyethylene core that were found to be non-compliant with Building Regulations and was subsequently remediated.
- Welsh Government does not maintain records of buildings where other types of compliant Aluminium Composite Cladding (ACM) was used.
- Welsh Government have no records of any buildings that contain Celotex RS5000 PIR.

### **Request 2.2 and 3.2**

A copy of the information I have decided to release is enclosed. I have decided that some of the information requested is exempt from disclosure under sections 38 and 43 of the Freedom of Information Act and is therefore withheld. The reasons for applying these exemptions are set out in full at Annex 1 to this letter.

Your request allows for the information to be anonymised by Postcode District (e.g., CF10) and Local Authority. The accompanying data set provides the information available using the anonymised format.

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. **Adran Tai ac Adfywio Department for Housing and Regeneration**

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](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

## **Annex 1 - Application of exemptions/exceptions**

The Freedom of information Act/Environmental Information Regulations provide a right for anyone to ask a public authority to make requested information available to the wider public. As the release of requested information is to the world, not just the requester, public authorities need to consider the effects of making the information freely available to everybody. Any personal interest the requester has for accessing the information cannot override those wider considerations.

I have decided to withhold the following information: <b>Information being withheld</b>	<b>Section number and exemption name</b>
Addresses of buildings with Aluminium Material Cladding	Section 38 – Endangering health and safety
Addresses of buildings with Aluminium Material Cladding	Section 43 – Commercial Interests

### **Engagement of Section 38 – Endangering health and safety**

This exemption applies to when the request would or would likely endanger anyone's physical or mental health or safety. The Welsh Government believes that disclosing the full addresses of the buildings would have a detrimental impact on the people living in those buildings. Disclosure would make public the full address of buildings previously identified as being at higher risk of fire related issues. We consider this a health and safety issue as there is the potential for these buildings to be targeted by those with malicious intent and/or to cause harm.

In line with the terms of this exemption, we have considered whether it would be in the public interest for us to provide you with the information, despite the exemption being applicable, for reasons of transparency. We believe that the impact of physical or mental health or safety of those residing in these properties outweighs any wider public interest that would be served by disclosing that information.

### **Engagement of Section 43 – Commercial prejudice**

The exemption applies when complying with the request would prejudice or would likely prejudice commercial interests.

the building, effecting property prices, insurance premiums and service charges for apartments within these buildings.

In line with the terms of this exemption, we have considered whether it would be in the public interest for us to provide you with the information, despite the exemption being applicable, for reasons of transparency.

Welsh Government acknowledges the public interest in the safety of medium and high-rise buildings in Wales. It also accepts there is public interest in progress being made to remediate buildings that have been affected.

It is not in the public interest for people living in these buildings to suffer financially.

As such, on balance, we feel there is no specific or sufficiently strong countervailing interest to allow leaseholders to suffer such a loss, so the balance of public interest lies with withholding this information.