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Dear

Freedom of Information Request: ATISN 27399

Thank you for your request for information which was received on 24 August 2026.

Your request relates to land registered under HM Land Registry title WA803841 (Land at Nercwys Road, Mold).

Specifically, you requested information relating to:

- (1) The relevant Side Roads Order and associated plans.
- (2) Documentation identifying the land comprised within title WA803841 in relation to that Order.
- (3) The recorded information relied upon by Welsh Government officials in concluding that responsibility for the land rests with Flintshire County Council.

The Welsh Government's response to each part of your request is set out below.

Our response

(1) Please find attached a copy of the relevant Side Road Order – The Dolgellau – South of Birkenhead Trunk Road (A494) (Mold By-pass Side Roads) Order 1990 (attachment 1 of 3). The relevant plan is appended to the Order on page 12.

(2) The land in question was acquired for essential landscaping for the side road (attachment 2 of 3 – Land reference plan). When the trunk road opened, the side road and associated lands became the responsibility of the relevant local authority.

(3) We have also attached the Transfer of Responsibility letter (attachment 3 of 3.)

Whilst the land remains registered in the name of the Welsh Government/Welsh Ministers, this is the result of an anomaly arising from HM Land Registry's Voluntary First Registration process undertaken in the early 2000s. In these circumstances, the provisions of the Side Roads Order supersede title.

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: Freedomofinformation@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:

Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.org.uk

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely