



Response Date:20/10/2025

2025/1063 - 30mph to 20mph

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

and I am currently undertaking my dissertation as part of my BEng (Hons) in Civil Engineering at Coleg Llandrillo/Bangor University. I plan to evaluate compliance with the 2023 Welsh Government policy which reduced speed limits on restricted roads from 30mph to 20mph, in particular in north Wales.

To support my analysis, I am seeking access to any speed monitoring data that North Wales Police may hold for restricted roads within your authority that have undergone this change. In particular, I am interested in:

Pre- and post-implementation speed monitoring data (e.g. mean speeds, 85th percentile speeds, compliance rates [that is % of vehicles travelling at or below 24mph]). Initial implementation occurred in September 2023, I am seeking 3 years of pre-implementation data if possible and all available subsequent post-implementation data.

Data for a range of road types, within the category of a restricted road (residential, urban, semi-rural, rural where applicable), to compare compliance by location.

Any accompanying contextual information (e.g. dates of data collection, locations of monitoring equipment, or relevant traffic counts).

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. To obtain the information in the format you have requested would involve manually reviewing each record on our force system. The cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (FOI) Fees and Appropriate Limit regulations 2004.

Therefore, in accordance with the FOI Act 2000 the information you have requested is exempt under Section 12 (1), and this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under section 17 (5) of the legislation.

However, please see a link below to information already in the public domain:

<https://tfw.wales/national-monitoring-report-july-2025>

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You may also wish to redirect your enquiry to Transport for Wales or the relevant local authority to establish if they hold any information in relation to your request.

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UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 17/10/2025