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## Ceredigion County Council

I am writing in response to your email dated 28 September 2021. For ease of reference, I have reproduced your questions below in bold and set out our corresponding responses:

**Please could you confirm when this years audit results for all councils in Wales re. planning decision overturns etc. will be publicly available.**

As per our previous response dated 14 September 2021, we are not in a position to give an estimate date for the publication of Ceredigion's report given that the report is being drafted and there are checks we need to follow before we issue the report in final form to the Council, and upload onto our website 4 weeks afterwards. We have made a note that you would like to be informed once this is uploaded.

It may be helpful to make you aware that Welsh Government collates all the national data relating to the performance of each Local Planning Authority and publishes that on its website. We have provided some links below:

- The Welsh Government's All Wales Annual Planning 2018-19 report is the latest annual performance data available in comparing the performance of the 25 Local Planning Authorities in Wales - [All Wales Planning Annual Performance Report 2018-19](#), December 2019. Welsh Government require Local Planning Authorities to report performance for 19 national indicators.
- While Welsh Government has not published an All-Wales Annual Planning Performance report since 2018-19, the Local Planning Authorities have still been required to submit quarterly performance returns to Welsh Government for some of the 19 national indicators. These returns are publicly available on the Welsh Government website. Our understanding is that Quarter 3 (October to December) 2020-21, is the most recently comparable available data - [Development management quarterly surveys](#).

You may wish to contact the Welsh Government directly to make requests for information in relation to the above.

**Also, could you send me a link to the results of last years audit (2019-20).**

Please note that:

- In 2019, Audit Wales published a national report on the 'Effectiveness of Local Planning Authorities in Wales - [The Effectiveness of Local Planning Authorities in Wales \(audit.wales\)](#). In support of this report, Audit Wales issued a call for evidence and the findings were published in 2017 [Findings of our Call for Evidence on Planning Services Value for money of planning services \(audit.wales\)](#).
- Other Audit Wales publications on Planning Services include:
  - [Review of Planning Services - Carmarthenshire County Council \(audit.wales\)](#).
  - [Snowdonia National Park Authority - Delivering with Less: Planning Services | Audit Wales](#)
  - [Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority - Delivering with Less: Planning Services | Audit Wales](#)
  - [Brecon Beacons National Park Authority - Delivering with Less: Planning Services | Audit Wales](#)

Please let me know if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Officer