



Energy Sources

12 December 2023

Request for Information.

Thank you for your request received on 13 November in which you asked:

- 1. As Wales Government has progressed to be of major importance to Wales, and as our Energy Electric Grid is becoming so variable, does the Wales Government's main Senedd / Government building in Cardiff have installed emergency generators to enable business to continue in times of grid Power Cuts?*
- 2. If they are installed, what is the energy source to drive them e.g. diesel or wind or solar?*
- 3. If they are installed, what is their capacity, and could they share their power with other essential users e.g. nearby health clinic surgeries etc during grid power cuts?*
- 4. The large regional hospital near my home has several large emergency diesel driven generators, will they be required, like diesel vehicles, by Wales Government carbon free policies, to change to storage battery driven generation, to enable the hospital to continue during any grid supply problems?*

Please find our response below.

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The Welsh Parliament estate in Cardiff Bay has two on-site back-up generators, which serve the Tŷ Hywel and Senedd buildings.

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As previously stated when the request was acknowledged, we only hold information in relation to the Senedd estate and not the Welsh Government. If you wish to request information from the Welsh Government, please email:

Freedomofinformation@gov.wales

- 2. If they are installed, what is the energy source to drive them e.g. diesel or wind or solar?*

Diesel.

- 3. If they are installed, what is their capacity, and could they share their power with other essential users e.g. nearby health clinic surgeries etc during grid power cuts?*

One generator has a capacity of 800kVA and the other has a capacity of 625kVA. There is no capacity to share their power with others.

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We hold no recorded information in relation to your request.

Yours sincerely

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Your request has been considered according to the principles set out in the **Code of Practice on Public Access to Information**. If you have any questions regarding this response please contact me. If you feel you have cause for complaint, please follow the guidance below.

Cause for concern or complaint with your FOI response?

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Information-request@senedd.wales or in writing to

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