Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales

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**Information Requested:**

I’m continuing to pursue a claim for Business Interruption losses through our insurers, and am really encouraged that the FCA have agreed to include the *Cottagesure* policy within their forthcoming action.

As I continue to compile evidence, I’m trying to track down the first reported case on the island (our insurance refers to a 25 mile radius and as the whole island is within that radius, it’s a good place to start!). So far, the only reference to this “first case” is this newspaper article of 13th March which refers to the first confirmed case “on Friday”. I’m assuming that is the day the news was reported ie 13th March.


I understand that PHW posted the news on their channels on the day the test was confirmed with a link to their statement (see this [tweet](https://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/new-details-emerge-anglesey-coronavirus-17920023)). The link isn’t helpful, however, as it directs you to PHW's statement that updates daily, as opposed to the statement issued on that particular day, as it were - nor does the tweet/corresponding Facebook post directly reference 'Anglesey'

Can you provide me with a copy of the original statement of that day, or any other confirmation of a first case on Anglesey

**Information provided for the answer:**
Thank you for your request received 28 May 2020, my apologies for the slight delay in responding to you.

We have recently published an interactive dashboard that allows the user to look at data around testing and confirmed cases by local Health Board as well as the Local Authority area. The link to the dashboard is below as you may find it useful:

Covid-19 Surveillance

This can also be found on the Public Health Wales internet page under Topics.

There is a facility to download the data but I have attached a copy.

Copy of Rapid COVID-19 surveillance data.xlsx

For your specific questions, please find responses below.

1) First confirmed case - Anglesey – 11th March 2020

2) I’ve attached the statements from the 11th and 12th March but it doesn’t specifically mention Anglesey.

STATEMENT_Novel Coronavirus Update_11032020 V1.docx

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If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of the decision, you should write to the Corporate Complaints Manager, Public Health Wales NHS Trust, 3, Number 2, Capital Quarter, Tyndall Street, Cardiff, CF10 4BZ.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint or review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner for Wales

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