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Cc: Toni Favill; Carl Banton; Cheryl Jordan

**Subject:** RE: 24 April 2024 - Restoration of opencast mining sites

Good morning Lukas,

Thank you for your patience, please find below information provided by our Operations and Sustainability Director, Carl Banton for the Committee. We are also happy for our response to be published as you kindly informed us on 30 April.

Following the Ffos y Fran technical meeting we said we would respond to the CCEI committee with an estimate on the volume of water within the void at the site.

At this stage the Coal Authority are only able to provide a high level estimate on the volume of water within the void at the site as we have been unable to obtain the detailed 3D excavation model required to calculate something more accurate. The water level reported at the technical meeting on 24 April was 281m AOD. Using this and the limited information we hold, we have estimated the water to be in the range of 1.4 to 1.7 million m3.

We would be happy to assess a more accurate water volume once we receive the 3D model of the excavation.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Best wishes.

Clare



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My pronouns: she / her / hers

How to pronounce my name

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Subject: [External] 24 April 2024 - Restoration of opencast mining sites

Dear Carl,

Thank you for giving oral evidence at the Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee's meeting on Wednesday 24 April in relation to the restoration of opencast mining sites.

I'm writing to follow up a question asked by Delyth Jewell MS during yesterday's Committee meeting in relation to the potential compulsory purchase of the land and the possibility of water drainage - you mentioned you would be able to share a note of the discussions at the technical meeting you were in afternoon.

Thank you for your support and kind regards, Lukas