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PRIORITES TO DELIVER FOR WALES



Over the summer months we listened to hundreds of Welsh people's hopes and concerns for their futures. Their words have shaped our Government's priorities for Wales. They are:

'**lechyd da' - A Healthier Wales** – cutting NHS waiting times, including for mental health; improving access to social care and services for women's health.

Green jobs and growth – creating green jobs that tackle the climate crisis and restore nature, while making families better off.

Opportunity for every family – boosting standards in schools and colleges and providing more homes for social rent.

Connecting communities – transforming our railways and delivering a better bus network; fixing our roads and empowering local communities to make choices on 20mph.

WELSH ROADS SAFER NOW THAN THEY WERE

Collisions on 20 and 30mph roads have fallen by nearly a quarter this spring compared to last.



Collisions and casualties on 20mph and 30mph roads combined are down by 24% *spring 2024 compared with spring 2023 In the first nine months since the introduction of 20mph in September 2023, the number of collisions (26%) and casualties (28%) on 20mph and 30mph roads (combined) were down by more than a quarter.

The three quarterly reductions within this period are the three largest quarterly reductions outside the pandemic period.

A year on year fall in collisions and casualties is good news.

We want safer roads- they mean happier, more accessible communities.

BUDGET WINS FOR WALES IN UK BUDGET

The UK Labour Government's recent budget announcement will provide the greatest increase that we've seen in the Welsh budget in decades, providing £1.7 billion over 2 years.

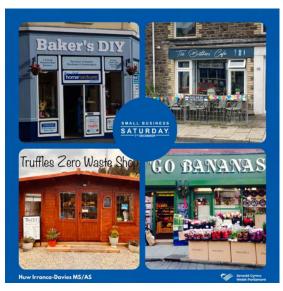


- £80 million to support Tata workers
 - Miners pensions supported
 - National Living Wage uplifted
 - £25,000,000 to help clear our coal tips
 - Contaminated blood compensation
 - Horizon scandal compensation
 - Increase in pension and fuel duty frozen

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BANGING THE DRUM FOR LOCAL BUSINESS



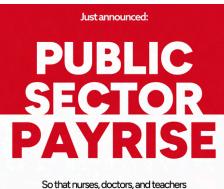


As a dedicated supporter for many years of the annual Small Business Saturday campaign, I am always delighted when business owners across Ogmore get in touch so I can give them a shout out on my on my social media and website platforms.

Our local high streets and small businesses are the life-blood of the local economy and the cost-of-living crisis is causing them added pressure. It is essential that we do all we can to support them throughout the year not just in the run up to Small Business Saturday.

In previous years, small businesses from across Ogmore have received prestigious awards, from being invited to a reception at 10 Downing Street to winning Bridgend Business Forum's 'Entrepreneur of the Year' awards, amongst others.

PAY RISE AWARDED FOR PUBLIC SECTOR WORKERS IN WALES



So that nurses, doctors, and teachers can get the pay they deserve. An above-inflation pay rise has been announced for hundreds of thousands of public sector workers across Wales.

These workers are the backbone of our society and provide services every day that we all rely on, and enables our community to function and thrive. I am pleased that this work is being recognised by the Welsh Government.

Among those who will receive the pay rise are teachers and NHS staff who will receive a 5.5% pay award. Doctors, GPs and dentists will receive a 6% pay award, with an additional \pounds 1,000 awarded for junior doctors.

COMMUNITY MATTERS - SUPPORTING WARM HUBS

The Welsh Government has announced £1.5m to support and expand safe and warm hubs across Wales including Ogmore.



The hubs have provided a lifeline for residents and families and for people of all ages and backgrounds.

The funding will help ensure that these vital spaces remain open and accessible to all, offering warmth, company, and advice to those in need. It will be distributed to local authorities, through the Welsh Local Government Association, for a range of venues including in the statutory and voluntary sectors such as faith, sport and community venues.

Working for a Greener, Fairer Wales as Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change & Rural Affairs

WALES AND THE NETHERLANDS MARK 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH LIBERATION



As Deputy First Minister for Wales, I was honoured to join with Wales Office Minister, Dame Nia Griffith and others to attend commemorations of the city's liberation from the Germans in 1944 by the 53rd Welsh Infantry Division.

The commemorations served as a poignant opportunity for us to remember, reflect and recognise those who served and those who paid the ultimate price for the liberation of Den Bosch; they will be remembered. Their sacrifices enable us all to live our lives with the freedom we have today.

Wales has an important relationship with Den Bosch, and we hope to see this continue and grow through economic and cultural ties.



£14 MILLION AVAILABLE TO FARMERS FOR FURTHER SFS PREPARATORY PHASE SCHEMES

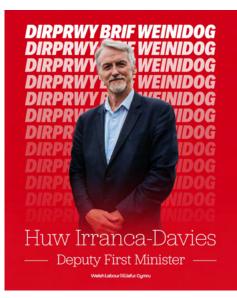
We continue to listen to, and work in partnership with Wales' farmers and have made £14 million available for further Sustainable Farming Scheme Preparatory Phase schemes with application windows now open.

These schemes will enable farmers to encourage greater protection and enhancement for the environment and will also provide stability to continue the sustainable production of food.

This funding is intended to give reassurance to farmers and growers that support will continue to be available in the lead up to 2026

£14m available to farmers for further SFS Preparatory Phase schemes

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CONSTITUENCY CASEWORK

Housing, Transport and Health continue to dominate my daily caseload.

I have often previously highlighted issues raised by my constituents directly with Ministers during Plenary sessions or via Written Parliamentary Questions.

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You can find a record of this work via this link: https://rb.gy/phsb8s

Contact Me!

Get in touch if you need help or support. Or if you wish to highlight issues or share ideas.

Advice Surgeries

I hold regular Advice Surgeries and 'Coffee Mornings' in all parts of the constituency and these are advertised via my website and social media channels

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