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Creating a stronger, fairer Wales through apprenticeships

Apprenticeships are vital for Ogmore! They open doors to exciting careers. The Welsh Government's pioneering apprenticeship programme is making a real difference and transforming lives via wide-ranging innovative schemes.

During 'Apprenticeship Week' I saw this firsthand when I visited the Persimmon Training Academy in Llanharan where apprentices from Bridgend College, local schools and alongside the Construction Industry Training Board CITB, are training the next generation of learners and shaping the future of construction.

Apprenticeships are key to unlocking potential and building a stronger Ogmore and the Welsh Government's commitment to 100,000 apprenticeships by the end of this term is fantastic news for our community.



Opening Doors to Better Health

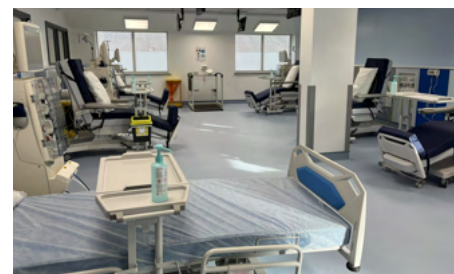


A brand new, state-of-the-art Dialysis Unit has officially opened in Brackla, Bridgend as a direct result of dedicated work alongside colleagues, passionate campaigners like Mari Major MBE (pictured), the Morgannwg Endeavour Trust, BAVO and many others.



Having this fantastic purpose built facility on our doorstep will mean residents no longer have to travel to Llantrisant or Morrision for vital treatment.

A £70 million investment in renal services across Wales by Welsh Government is also developing another new dialysis unit in Port Talbot.



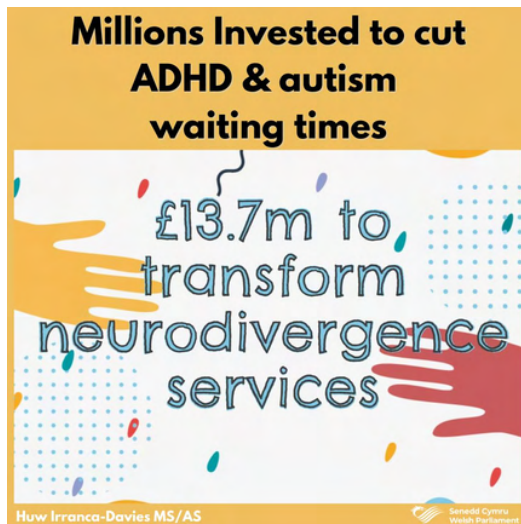


Breaking Down Barriers, Building Bridges

The fantastic independent charity 'The Bridge' work to enhance community well-being and to break down barriers of social exclusion that prevent people from building bridges to a more positive future.

I was delighted to join with colleagues in welcoming the Cabinet Secretary for Education Lynne Neagle MS to the charity to hear about their work and the positive impact they have on our communities.

The Bridge provides a number of services and opportunities which are open to all members of the public, including training, mentoring and volunteering.



Transforming Neurodivergence Services in Wales

Demand for neurodivergence services has grown rapidly in recent years, with increased awareness of neurodivergent conditions leading to thousands of people seeking assessments and support.

Too many families are left waiting for too long.

The Welsh Government are providing £13.7 million to reduce waiting times for Autism and ADHD assessments so that people can access the support they need sooner.

More: <https://rb.gy/792am0>



More Ogmore students to benefit from EMA

Great news for learners in Ogmore as more young people will now be eligible for the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) following an increase in claiming thresholds.

2022/2023 saw 700 students living in the Bridgend County Borough and over 1,350 in the Rhondda Cynon Taf area receive EMA but the Welsh Government has announced more pupils and students will be eligible for the fortnightly £80 payment from September.

Applications open in April 2025

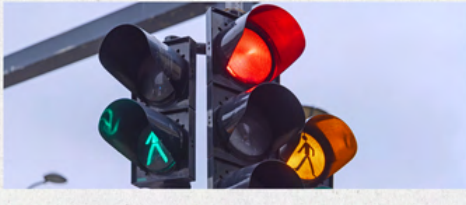
More: <https://rb.gy/ez5kwz>

Protecting our environment is a shared responsibility

My long-standing commitment to clean waterways continues. Here I joined colleagues and stakeholders to discuss tackling pollution in the Ogmore river catchment (Ogmore, Ewenny, Llynfi, Garw) with Alun Phillips and his charity 'A Peace for Nature'. Protecting our environment is a top priority for our communities and a lot of work is ongoing to improve the quality of our rivers.



LESS PEOPLE KILLED ON WELSH ROADS THIS YEAR



Safest summer on Welsh roads new statistics show

Less people were killed and seriously injured on Welsh roads in the year since the 20mph default speed limit began.

The right speeds on the right roads are making our communities safer.

More: <https://tinyurl.com/bde2rhk7>

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FUNDING ADVICE DAY 2025

Friday 7th March
10am - 12noon
Brackla Community Centre,
Bridgend, CF31 2PQ

Get an overview of funding opportunities available along with the chance for one to one discussions with funders!

Book your place!
Email Chris.elmore.mp@parliament.uk or call 01656 860034

Our annual Joint Funding Advice Day, with Chris Elmore MP and Sarah Murphy MS, provides a vital link between local clubs, charities, and community groups and a wide range of funding organisations.

The growing popularity of this event confirms its importance to the community.



It was great to accompany Jane Hutt, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice during her visit to Special Families in Maesteg to hear about the incredible work they do, helping people in the community day in day out.

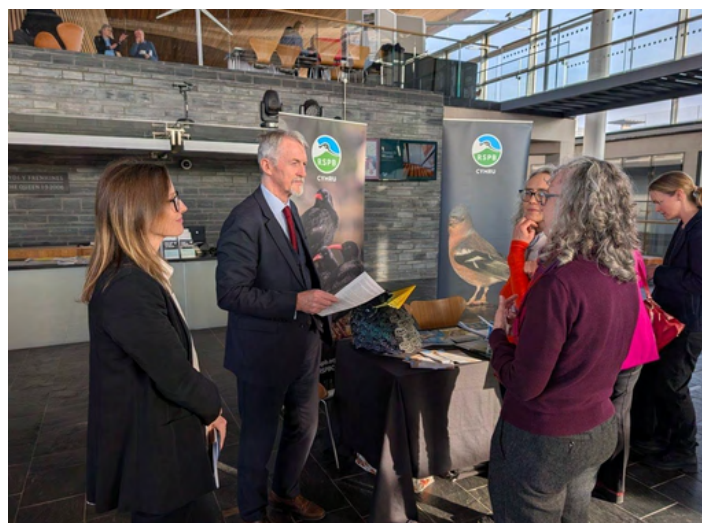
An incredible and big hearted group of people providing support to families and children with additional needs and learning disabilities and so much more too.



Meeting the Next Generation of Filmmakers at Dragon Studios

It was a pleasure to join the First Minister during a visit to Dragon Studios Wales - the largest film and TV complex in Wales! and to meet apprentices gaining valuable experience.

Wales has a growing reputation for film and TV production, with its fantastic studio facilities and outdoor locations, and I'm proud that our local Dragon Studios based in Llanharan is playing its part in that success.



Delivering for Wales: building a Wales that works for everyone as Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change & Rural Affairs

**£100,000
IN
RECOVERING
SEAGRASS**

- ✓ CREATING GREEN JOBS
- ✓ INCREASING BIODIVERSITY
- ✓ LOCKING AWAY CARBON DIOXIDE

—The National Forest for Wales has—
**OVER 100
WOODLAND
SITES**
**OVER 168,031
ACRES ACROSS
WALES**

**£40 MILLION
TO**
✓ **IMPROVE
WELSH WATER
QUALITY**
✓ **RESTORE OUR
RIVERS**

—A fairer, greener Wales—

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



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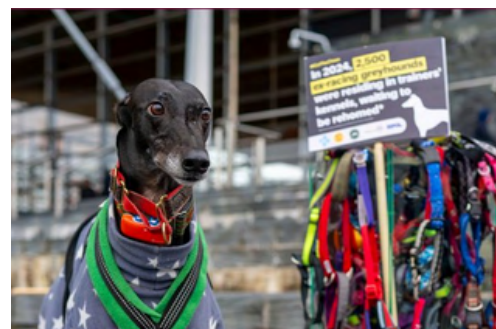
£150m has been used to restore nature this Senedd term

With one in six species at risk of extinction in Wales, it has never been more important to restore and strengthen people's connection to nature. The best legacy we can leave future generations is a recovering natural environment that can support them as it has us.

Read more: <https://tinyurl.com/4en7ct99>



Wales moves to ban greyhound racing



Greyhound racing is to be banned in Wales following overwhelming public support, including a 35,000+ signature petition and strong consultation responses.

This sits alongside campaign work by the Cut the Chase coalition, which includes Blue Cross, Dogs Trust, Greyhound Rescue Wales, Hope Rescue, and the RSPCA. More: <https://tinyurl.com/4zsebdu6>

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.

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

**Integrated public & community
transport in Ogmore**



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