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## Welsh Government's 2025-26 budget for public services & communities

A budget for a **BRIGHTER FUTURE**

- More than **£600m** extra funding for the NHS in Wales
- £181m** to modernise our railways
- Extra funding to fix **potholes**
- More money to **tackle pollution** in our rivers and seas
- £1** bus fares for 16-21 year olds
- £81m** to ensure everyone in Wales has a place to call home

The Senedd has approved the Welsh Budget 2025-26, releasing £1.6bn of extra funding for the NHS, councils, schools and public transport, benefitting people and communities across Ogmore and throughout Wales.

This funding will strengthen our NHS, cut waiting times, support our schools, and empower communities to thrive, directly addressing the needs of people after years of difficult circumstances. This budget means real change and real improvement:

<https://www.gov.wales/16bn-extra-unlocked-welsh-public-services-budget-passes>



More than £600m extra for the NHS and social care, supporting efforts to reduce waiting times and improve mental health and women's health services.



Extra £600m



- Extra £3m for bereavement services to help ensure everyone can access the support they need, when they need it.
- £2.2 million to the Disabled Facilities Grant to support housing adaptations for older and disabled people, enabling them to live more independently and safely in their own homes for longer.
- Extension of NHS Wales Bursary Scheme arrangements as part of Welsh Government's ongoing commitment to train the NHS workforce of the future.

# A strong voice in the Senedd and around the constituency

**OVER  
35 MILLION  
FREE SCHOOL MEALS  
SERVED IN WALES**



Ogmore's schools and young learners are the core of our communities. From early childhood through to their chosen career, we're investing in their future.

Welsh Government initiatives like Free School Meals, expanded childcare, Young Person's Guarantee, extended EMA and cheaper student travel are just some examples of directly addressing the challenges of poverty, empowering our students to reach their full potential.

I'm always impressed by the energetic engagement of Ogmore's students, whether it's welcoming Ysgol Llanhari to the Senedd with their international visitors from Guadeloupe France or discussing key transport and education issues with sixth formers at Coleg Cymunedol Y Dderwen. It is also a pleasure to join with colleagues and Welsh Government Ministers during visits, to witness the exceptional work happening in our schools, like at Heronsbridge, and to advocate for the resources they need.



Community outreach at Noddfa in Caerau with the Employability Bridgend Team for one of their regular drop in sessions.

We have so many fantastic support services in Ogmore. Today the focus was about training, employment, further education and volunteering.

## FUNDING ADVICE DAY 2025

This year's packed Funding Advice Day at Brackla Community Centre connected local groups with key funders!

Jointly hosted by myself, Chris Elmore MP and Sarah Murphy MS we welcomed a host of funders who were keen to provide invaluable advice to the many local community groups, charities and organisations in attendance.

Attendees gained new contacts, ideas, and crucial insights into funding opportunities for projects across Ogmore, Bridgend and Porthcawl. Another huge success for our community!





## HAVE YOUR SAY ON TRAINS

VALID FOR MULTIPLE QUERIES

DESTINATION:

TONDU RAILWAY CLUB

TONDU, BRIDGEND

CF32 9BE

DATE:

10/04/2025

ARRIVE:

4:30PM

DEPARTURE:

6:30PM

DOORS OPEN FROM 4:30PM FOR 5PM START

TRAIN:

197

PLATFORM:

1

CARRIAGE:

3

SEAT:

L8



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Following last year's successful Transport for Wales public rail meetings in Maesteg and Pencoed, Chris Elmore MP and I have arranged a further public drop-in session on Thursday 10th April in Tondy - further along the Maesteg to Cardiff rail line, so as many people as possible can have their say.

This is another great opportunity for local residents to put their concerns, comments, or suggestions directly to TfW representatives and hear all about TfW's future plans.

As another drop-in session, people can turn up anytime between 4:30pm and 6:30pm to speak to TfW representatives.



## New Facilities Boost for Llangynwyd Rangers BGCW

Thrilled to see the amazing new facilities at Llangynwyd Rangers BGCW.

Thanks to a £400,000 investment from the Cymru Football Foundation and the UK Government, the clubhouse is renovated, creating a welcoming community hub.

It's fantastic to see the club thriving, especially for women and girls.



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



Record funding for safety works at coal tips

On a visit to Dyffryn Rhondda in the Afan valley with Finance Cabinet Secretary Mark Drakeford, we announced record investment of close to £34m to deliver safety works at more than 130 coal tip sites throughout Wales. With a contribution from UK government, this shows the benefits of two governments working in partnership for our former coal-mining communities.



Working with UK Water Minister Emma Hardy and key partners to improve water quality in our rivers. Bringing together expertise from both sides of the border and working closely with local groups to better understand the challenges and find solutions.

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



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## 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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Co-hosting an event with Welsh Secretary Jo Stevens to celebrate the best of Welsh business and the opportunities for growth in the run up to St David's Day. Wales is open for business!



Visiting the Dogs Trust's impressive new centre in Cardiff to discuss a range of animal welfare related issues with the team and to meet some of the residents.



## 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



## Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change & Rural Affairs

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