



## Manifesto Summary: Welsh Labour Party

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### Economy, Skills and Fair Work

- Everyone under the age of 25 guaranteed an offer of work, education, training, or self-employment.
- 125,000 all-age apprenticeships during the next Senedd term, including expanded shared and degree apprenticeships.
- Will take forward Economic Resilience and Reconstruction Mission for Wales and promote good quality skills including through strengthened Regional Skills Partnerships.
- Will build a genuine system of lifelong learning for everyone who needs help finding work and re-training, especially those most disadvantaged. Will expand Personal Learning Accounts.
- Will fund childcare for more families where parents are in education and training.
- Will put the social partnership approach with employers and unions into law, to improve workers' rights, drive up the quality of jobs and public services, and strengthen the economy.
- Will strengthen the Economic Contract so inclusive growth, fair work, decarbonisation and improved mental health at work are at the heart of everything done.
- Using the power of the public purse, will use all levers at the Government's disposal to advance the fair work agenda in Wales.
- Will seek a 30 per cent target for working remotely to achieve a better work-life balance. Will develop new remote working hubs in communities.
- An equalities legal service will provide support on unfair or discriminatory employment practices. Will explore legislation to address pay gaps based on gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity, disability and other forms of discrimination.
- £500 million Wales Flexible Investment Fund will support economic recovery. Development Bank of Wales' patient capital funds will be expanded to provide long-term lending to SMEs, entrepreneurs and start-ups. Will increase the use of equity stakes in business support. Will secure the creation of a Community Bank for Wales.
- Will provide greater support for worker buyouts and, with the cooperative sector, seek to double the number of employee-owned businesses.
- Will develop masterplans for towns and high streets.
- Will help businesses to work co-operatively to support local supply chains, including local delivery and logistics services to enable communities to become more sustainable and more agile economically.



- Will consult on legislation permitting local authorities to raise a tourism levy, ring fenced to support improving the visitor experience and to help the local economy.

### Health and Social Care

- Will put the NHS Recovery Plan into action on day one.
- New medical school in North Wales.
- Over the next five years will train 12,000 doctors, nurses, allied health professionals and psychologists.
- Will keep prescriptions free.
- A National Social Care Framework will set fair commissioning, fair workforce conditions, and a more balanced care market between public, voluntary, and private providers.
- £40 million into the integrated care of older people with complex needs, especially dementia care, developing more than 50 local community hubs to collocate frontline health and social care and other services.
- Real Living Wage for all social care staff.
- Will continue to cap non-residential care fees and maintain the £50,000 capital limit.
- Will eliminate private profit from the care of looked after children during the next Senedd term.

### Schools and Young People

- Major schools catch up plan, with 1,800 additional tutoring staff so that no young person is left behind.
- More than £1.5 billion invested in next phase of the 21st Century Schools and Colleges Programme.
- Maintain commitment to free breakfasts for all primary school pupils. Will build on School Holiday Enrichment Programme. Will extend entitlement to Free School Meals as far as resources allow.
- Will explore reform of the school day and the school year.
- Will take the Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Bill through the Senedd.
- Will work with local government and partners to legislate for a new framework for youth services.
- Cymraeg 2050 Welsh Language Education Bill will strengthen and increase Welsh language school provision.

### Tax

- Will not take more in Welsh rates of income tax for at least as long as the economic impact of coronavirus lasts.



- Commitment to reforming council tax to ensure a fairer system for all.
- Will keep the 1 per cent increase in Land Transaction Tax charged on second home purchases, and work with communities to explore and develop effective tax, planning and housing measures - which could include local rates of Land Transaction Tax - to ensure the interests of local people are protected.

### **Procurement**

- Across government, will explore where services and contracts can sustainably and affordably be brought back into a strengthened public sector.

### **Net Zero and Sustainability**

- Greener homes, hospitals, schools, town centres and transport, driving new jobs in a radical transition to a zero carbon Wales.
- Will expand renewable energy generation by public bodies and community groups in Wales by over 100MW by 2026, working towards target of 1GW in public sector and community renewable energy capacity by 2030.
- Will abolish the use of the most littered, single use plastics.
- Will extend the new National Forest for Wales.
- Clean Air Act for Wales.
- Will develop a Wales Community Food
- Strategy to encourage the supply of locally sourced food in Wales.

### **Tech, Data and ICT**

- Will take forward the new Digital Strategy for Wales and upgrade digital and communications infrastructure.

### **Infrastructure and Transport**

- Will launch a new 10-year Wales Infrastructure Investment Plan for a zero-carbon economy.
- New target of 45 per cent of journeys by sustainable modes by 2040. More stretching goals where possible.
- Will deliver on the 10-year £100 million Tech-Valleys programme and complete major projects including the £1 billion dualling of the Heads of the Valleys road. Will take forward the Burns Commission report for Newport.
- £800 million new rolling stock for railways to be delivered. 95 per cent of train journeys on new trains by 2024.
- Will progress plans for a metro in North Wales and Swansea Bay. Will explore opportunities for multi-modal extensions to Metro networks, such as North West Corridor and across the South Wales valleys.



- Will develop a Tidal Lagoon Challenge and support ideas that can make Wales a world centre of emerging tidal technologies.
- Will create a modern legislative basis for transport in Wales.
- Will implement the new Wales Transport Strategy.
- Will give Transport for Wales new powers to integrate rail, bus and active travel.
- Will work with local authorities to develop new Regional Transport Plans.
- New major routes fund to improve the attractiveness and biodiversity of areas alongside major transport routes into Wales.
- Will explore options for workers to take an ownership stake in national transport assets.
- 20mph the default speed limit in residential areas.

### **Crime**

- Maintain funding of 500 Police Community Support Officers and will expand their number by 100 over the term of the next Senedd.

### **Housing and Local Government**

- Will deliver 20,000 new low carbon social homes for rent.
- Will strengthen the autonomy and effectiveness of local government.
- Support coordinated regional transport and land use planning.
- Will develop a national scheme restricting rent to local housing allowance levels for families and young people.

### **Constitution**

- Support UK based on a far-reaching federalism. Will press the UK Government for a more thoroughgoing federal reform.
- Will establish an independent, standing commission to consider the constitutional future of Wales.
- Will pursue the case for the devolution of policing and justice, as set out by the Thomas Commission.
- Will make the case for clear and stable tax devolution.