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West Wales Regional Partnership Board

WEST WALES REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD NEWSLETTER
CAPITAL EDITION

Capital 2026

A very warm welcome to this months edition of the West Wales Regional Partnership Board Newsletter.

This newsletter focuses the WWRPB Capital Programme Management Office and capital developments/updates over the last 6 months since the previous capital issue was released in January 2026.

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Gweithio mewn partneriaeth gyda **Llywodraeth Cymru**

Working in partnership with **Welsh Government**

West Wales Capital Progress January to June 2026

Following a busy first 6 months of the year the WWRPB Capital Project Management Office (PMO) has supported partners across the region to progress and realise a number of transformational health and social care capital projects.

Housing with Care Fund (HCF) - During 2025/26, HCF provided funding just under £4m million pounds to 20 projects under objective 1 and 2 of the grant. These accommodation-based projects ranged from supported living to development fees for a childrens residential project, addressing various population groups.

Integration & Rebalancing Capital Fund (IRCF) - During 2025/26 funding of approximately £10.2 million was attributed to 5 projects via IRCF monies, including childrens residential accommodation projects, residential nursing home and integrated hubs.

The programme continues to develop with further projects presented to the RPB and WG for approval recently.

- Approval for Initial Application funding under IRCF for Bandi Childrens Centre to progress to Business Justification Case (BJC) stage.
- Submission of two Business Justification Cases for childrens residential accommodation projects under IRCF.
- Approval of further fees for Cross Hands Health and Wellbeing Centre project to progress under IRCF

Following the submission of the draft WWRPB Capital Strategy in April 2026, a final version is expected uploaded to the RPB website in early July, once approved by WWRPB Strategic Capital Board on 30th June 2026.

Ty Haverfordia, Pembrokeshire

Pembrokeshire County Council has started construction work on the Tŷ Haverfordia development. This joint-funded scheme brings together two Welsh Government funding streams, with **Housing with Care Fund (HCF**) investment enabling the provision of a 12-bed reablement centre and Social Housing Grant (SHG) supporting the delivery of 26 sheltered housing apartments for older people. The reablement development is designed to **support individuals to regain independence and return home** following hospital discharge, **aligning with the strategic priorities** to reduce hospital admissions, facilitate timely discharge, and promote independent living within community settings. The scheme is set to complete end of 2027. .

Min Y Mor, Ceredigion

Housing with Care Fund **(HCF) Objective 3** funding of £20,000 was awarded to **Ceredigion County Council** in 2025/26 to enhance the physical environment at Min y Môr Residential Care Home, **supporting improved outcomes for residents living with dementia**.

The project focused on **adapting the care setting** to provide a more accessible, supportive, and enabling environment that **promotes independence and wellbeing**. In line with recognised best practice, including the King's Fund and University of Worcester's dementia-friendly assessment tool and the All-Wales Dementia Care Pathway of Standards, the scheme supported works for environmental improvements such as appropriate colour contrast within communal spaces, calming and responsive lighting, and measures to reduce ambient noise.

Collectively, these **enhancements** have helped create a therapeutic, **dementia-sensitive setting that improves residents' day-to-day experience** and **supports person-centred care.**

IRCF Revenue funded Integration Case Study at Carmarthenshire Living Well Centre

IRCF revenue funding was spent in West Wales during 2025/26 to **support and produce** a number of **feasibility reports** and **case studies**, which are **aimed at informing and supporting future capital projects**.

One of the funded projects was the Carmarthenshire Living Well Centre, located in Parc Dewi Sant Carmarthenshire. This centre brings together a range of **primary care health, third sector and support services,** ranging from mental health, dementia and carer support to information and advice, education, arts and exercise classes, amongst other activities. It provides clients and visitors, with a **coordinated, and joined up approach**, that empowers the individual within a co-located "hub" setting.

During 2025/26 IRCF revenue funding supported an evaluation case study on the **Living Well project**, which has provided rich insight into the centre and showcases the **blueprint for IHSCH's in West Wales**. The evaluation was presented with a focus on three broad domains of people, place and process and the funded case study clearly demonstrates improved collaboration, access and coordination between statutory and third-sector services. Co-location has reduced bureaucratic delay, improved informal referrals, and enabled more holistic support for service users ("one-stop shop"). From a WWRPB Strategic Capital Plan perspective this project embodies the integrated hub blueprint "in action".

The **outcome of the funding** is **enhancements to the integrated hub blueprint** based on **learning from this project**. The blueprint is intended to inform future integrated hub developments.

RIF Gateway 3 Review

In consideration of the end of Regional Integration Funding (RIF), during Autumn of 2025, Senior Leaders across Health and Social Care in West Wales agreed to undertake a full-scale gateway review of the RIF portfolio, to inform post RIF funding decisions and budget setting in Autumn of 2026.

Gateway 1 submissions were assessed against Welsh Government guidance and criteria for future funding, with 15 projects either choosing not to submit, or being designated non-compliant. Gateway 2 projects were required to evidence regional strategic fit, integration, staffing and right sizing, in-line with population need. Of the 33 Gateway 2 submissions received, 30 are expected to submit their business cases by 29*th* May for scrutiny at Gateway 3. Gateway 4 will review the resulting Gateway 3 report and proposed portfolio of compliant projects, to agree a final regional portfolio of projects (including those subject to ringfenced funding) to be prioritised as funding becomes available in 2027-2028.

Dementia Experience Bus

The West Wales Dementia Experience Bus events, held during Dementia Action Week in May 2026, were well received by both unpaid carers and professionals. The immersive sessions helped participants better understand the lived experience of dementia, offering practical tips to improve support in everyday settings. Alongside the bus, Admiral Nurse presentations and local organisation showcases provided valuable information, advice, and support. Overall, the events were a positive and impactful learning opportunity, strengthening awareness and support for people living with dementia and those who support them.

Reviewing our Engagement Channels in West Wales

There is growing interest from people with lived experience, third sector, and private organisations in engaging with the WWRPB. The Citizen and Third Sector Board has been running for two years and has over 100 members, and we are now reviewing how people can be more involved. Plans include themed meetings linked with our engagement drop-in (with over 260 members), enabling open discussion with service leads and early involvement in service design. This is an exciting development with strong engagement across West Wales.

Clynfyw Trip

On 29 April, members of the WWRPB network with lived experience and from third sector, public and private organisations visited Clynfyw Care Farm in Pembrokeshire. We heard the farm's journey, challenges faced, and how community-based care can be delivered differently. We look forward to further conversations to support others to achieve similar outcomes.

Check out our case study on Clynfyw which highlights how the Capital team supported them to secure Housing with Care funding: Clynfw Care Farm Final

West Wales Learning Disability Strategy Consultation

Over the last 2 years Pembrokeshire, Ceredigion and Carmarthenshire County Council and Hywel Dda University Health Board have been engaging with neurodivergent people and people with learning disability as part of discussion around the Learning Disability

strategy. There are currently 3 very similar Learning Disability (LD) strategies in Pembrokeshire, Carmarthenshire and Ceredigion. This strategy will be a single regional strategy covering all areas. The strategy has been reviewed by the Regional Improving Lives Partnership (RILP) which is a 3-county group including people from:

- Carmarthenshire County Council,
- Ceredigion County Council,
- Pembrokeshire County Council,
- Hywel Dda University Health Board,
- Dream Team,
- Carmarthenshire People First,
- Pembrokeshire People First,
- West Wales Regional Partnership,
- Various projects funded by the Regional Integration Fund.

The strategy is informed by the Population Needs Assessment issued by the West Wales Partnership Board. We would like to hear your views about the recommendations that have emerged from the engagement.

Consultation closes on the 5th July.

Click here for more information.

Pembrokeshire Regional Working Conference

The Pembrokeshire Relational Working Conference brought together professionals, practitioners and leaders from across health, social care and partner organisations to explore how relational working can strengthen services and improve outcomes for people and communities. The event created space for shared learning, reflection and collaboration.

The programme featured a range of national and regional voices, including RPB Chair and CAVO CEO Hazel Lloyd Lubran, Nick Andrews (Swansea University), Emyr Williams (Social Care Wales) and Mark Smith (Manchester Metropolitan University). Contributions from Rhoda Emlyn-Jones and SBCC mentors highlighted how strengths-based collaborative communication is being applied in practice. Additional insights were shared by Jessie Buchanan, alongside Joe Badman and Megan Davies (Basis), who supported reflection and embedding learning throughout the day.

A central message was that relationships should be the foundation of good practice, supported by whole-system alignment across leadership, governance and commissioning.

The conference emphasised that embedding relational working consistently can strengthen trust, reduce fragmentation and create more responsive, person-centred services.

Looking ahead, there is a clear regional focus on building momentum from the conference, continuing to embed relational approaches, align systems and translate learning into coordinated action across Pembrokeshire and the wider region to deliver more connected, compassionate and effective support.

All West Wales Fire Stations are a Safe Haven

A message from Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service:

It might not be something many of us are aware of, but all fire stations are safe havens - for Domestic Abuse victims, teenagers in an unsafe situation or any other threatening situation for anyone in need for a safe haven until help can be organised from an appropriate service, being police, parents, domestic violence service or any other service.

If the nearest station is not manned 24/7 people can ring 999 and the fire station will be opened remotely for them to take shelter whilst trained fire service crew is on their way.

Please can we ask you to display these flyers where you are able to as well as share this knowledge with the people that you know.

Upcoming Events

Citizen and Third Sector Engagement Board

Want to get more involved in your area? The Citizen and Third Sector Board is a great way to do that. You can help create and improve services in West Wales. You can help change how things are done and we will show you how your feedback makes things better.

We welcome new members to the board all year round.

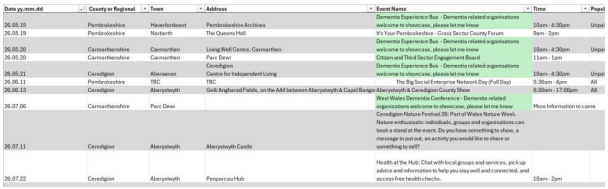
Our Carmarthenshire meetings are held at Parc Dewi Sant and are hybrid for everyone in West Wales.

Please message us at wwrpb@carmarthenshire.gov.uk.

What's on in West Wales?

If you would like ot see a full list of events (which includes promotional material and booking links) across West Wales that have been shared at the West Wales Communication and Engagement Board, please email wwrpb@carmarthenshire.gov.uk.

Screenshot of events below:



Date yy.mm.dd	County or Regional	Town	Address	Event Name	Time	Popul
26.05.19	Pembrokeshire	Haverfordwest	Pembrokeshire Archives	Dementia Experience Bus - Dementia related organisations welcome to showcase, please let me know	10am - 4:30pm	Unpai
26.05.19	Pembrokeshire	Narberth	The Queens Hall	It's Your Pembrokeshire - Cross Sector County Forum	9am - 2pm	
26.05.20	Carmarthenshire	Carmarthen	Living Well Centre, Carmarthen	Dementia Experience Bus - Dementia related organisations welcome to showcase, please let me know	10am - 4:30pm	Unpai
26.05.20	Carmarthenshire	Carmarthen	Parc Dewi	Citizen and Third Sector Engagement Board	11am - 1pm	
26.05.21	Ceredigion	Aberaeron	Ceredigion Centre for Independent Living	Dementia Experience Bus - Dementia related organisations welcome to showcase, please let me know	10am - 4:30pm	Unpai
26.06.11	Pembrokeshire	TBC	TBC	The Big Social Enterprise Network Day (Full Day)	9.30am - 4pm	All
26.06.13	Ceredigion	Aberystwyth	Gelli Angharad Fields, on the A44 between Aberystwyth & Capel Bangor	Aberystwyth & Ceredigion County Show	8:30am - 17:00pm	All
26.07.06	Carmarthenshire	Parc Dewi		West Wales Dementia Conference - Dementia related organisations welcome to showcase, please let me know	More Information to come	
26.07.11	Ceredigion	Aberystwyth	Aberystwyth Castle	Ceredigion Nature Festival 26; Part of Wales Nature Week. Nature enthusiastic individuals, groups and organisations can book a stand at the event. Do you have something to show, a message to put out, an activity you would like to share or something to sell?		
26.07.22	Ceredigion	Aberystwyth	Penparcau Hub	Health at the Hub; Chat with local groups and services, pick up advice and information to help you stay well and connected, and access free health checks.	10am - 2pm	

SUMMER
ROADSHOW 2026
FREE ACTIVITY DAYS
Plascrug Leisure Centre – Friday the 24th of July
Cardigan Leisure Centre – Tuesday the 28th of July
Lampeter Wellbeing Hub – Wedsnesday the 12th of August
JOIN US FOR FREE ACTIVITIES, CRAFTS AND INFORMATION STANDS FOR CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES! 10:00A.M – 14:00P.M
· Arts and Crafts ·
· Inflatable Games ·
· Games Consoles ·
· Try Golf ·
· Face Painting ·
· Information Stands including HCT, Barod, Dyfed Powys Police and much more!
For more information please email:
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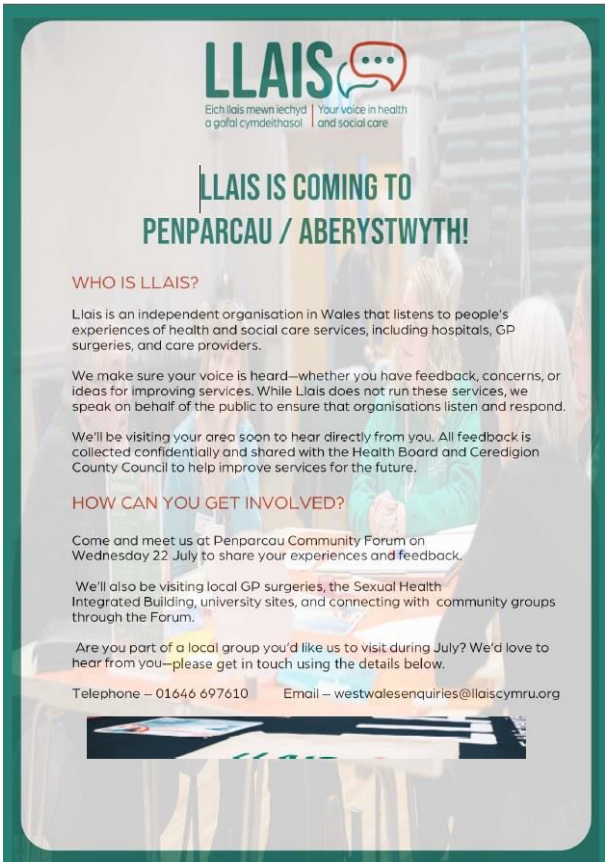
LLAIS
Eich llais mewn iechyd a gofal cymdeithasol | Your voice in health and social care
LLAIS IS COMING TO PENPARCAU / ABERYSTWYTH!
WHO IS LLAIS?
Llais is an independent organisation in Wales that listens to people's experiences of health and social care services, including hospitals, GP surgeries, and care providers.
We make sure your voice is heard—whether you have feedback, concerns, or ideas for improving services. While Llais does not run these services, we speak on behalf of the public to ensure that organisations listen and respond.
We'll be visiting your area soon to hear directly from you. All feedback is collected confidentially and shared with the Health Board and Ceredigion County Council to help improve services for the future.
HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?
Come and meet us at Penparcau Community Forum on Wednesday 22 July to share your experiences and feedback.
We'll also be visiting local GP surgeries, the Sexual Health Integrated Building, university sites, and connecting with community groups through the Forum.
Are you part of a local group you'd like us to visit during July? We'd love to hear from you—please get in touch using the details below.
Telephone – 01646 697610
Email – westwalesenquiries@llaiscymru.org

West Wales Communication and Engagement Drop-In

This is a monthly informal West Wales Communications and Engagement Drop-in. A meeting open to the public sector, private organisations, third sector organisations and support groups (with over 260 members!). The meeting has a recurring agenda, with the aim to reduce duplication and improve communication and engagement across the region. The agenda includes:

- Introductions
- Any ongoing engagement work, its purpose and intended outcomes (e.g. surveys, consultations, workshops or marketing campaigns across the West Wales – a space to discuss sharing resources and identifying relevant collaboration.)
- Any planned events ongoing across the region (e.g. target audience, purpose, who is supporting/ attending)
- Any research required (e.g. a space to share previously conducted research, engagement, consultation, etc. (following GDPR))
- AOB

The meetings are either the first Tuesday or Wednesday of the month, message us for the diary marker and please share with your network who may be interested.

Are you following us?

We have recently started a LinkedIn page, give us a follow and mention us in your posts when you get involved with the work we do. We would love to hear it!

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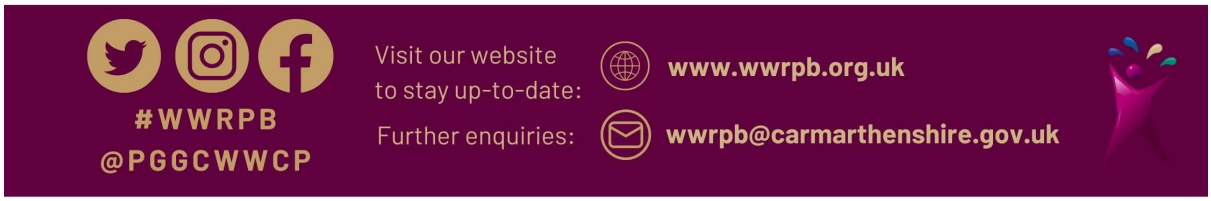
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