



Cyfarfod Aelodau EVA Cymru

EVA Cymru Members Meeting

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Cymdeithas Cerbydau Trydan - Electric Vehicle Association Cymru

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Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Senedd 2026 Elections: Context
- Hawl i Wefru - The Right to Charge: Our 2026 manifesto
- Making the most of the manifesto
- Q&A

Your Board



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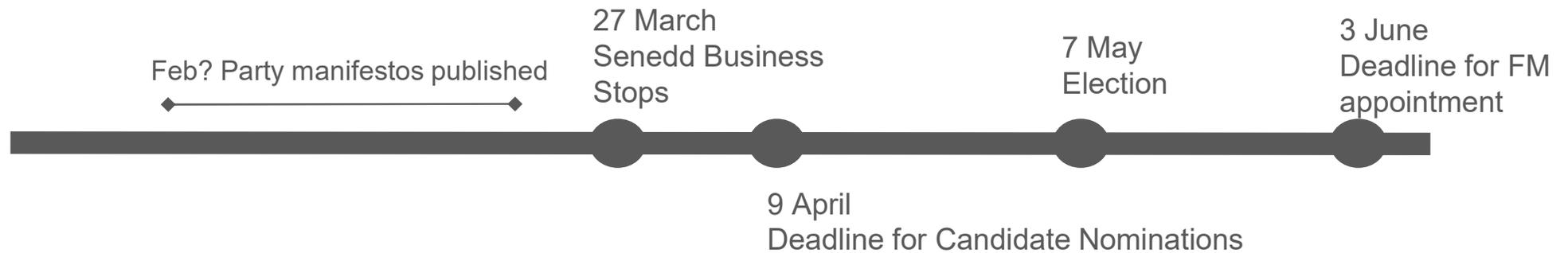


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Senedd Elections: Context

2026 Senedd Elections: Will be different



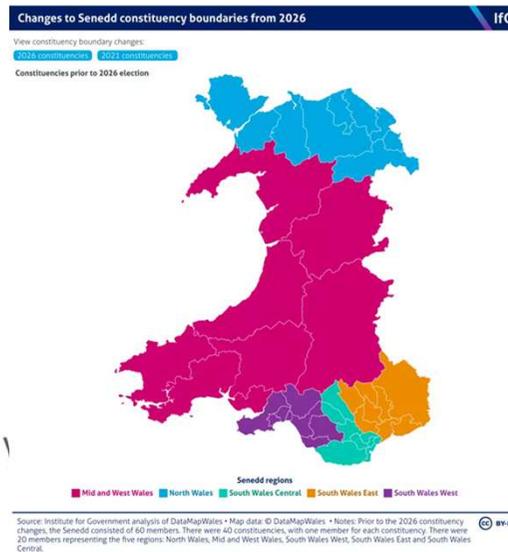
Three key differences:

1. Electoral System
2. Numbers and retiring MSs
3. Likely results

2026 Senedd Election: Electoral System Changes

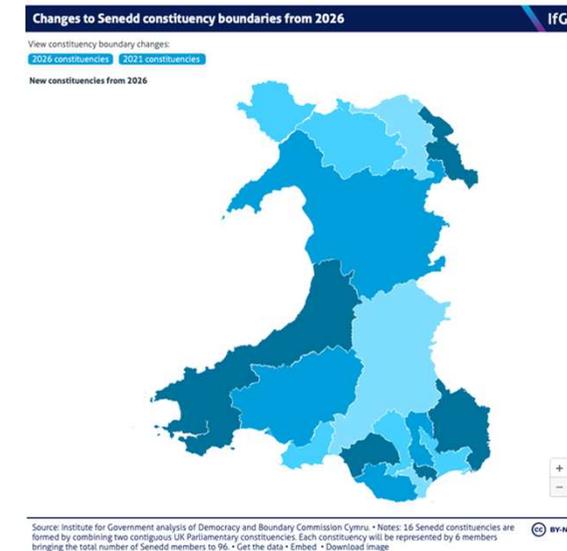
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- 60 Members: 40 'constituency' and 5 regions x 4 members
- Voters vote twice: once for a constituency candidate and once for a regional party candidate
- 5 year terms



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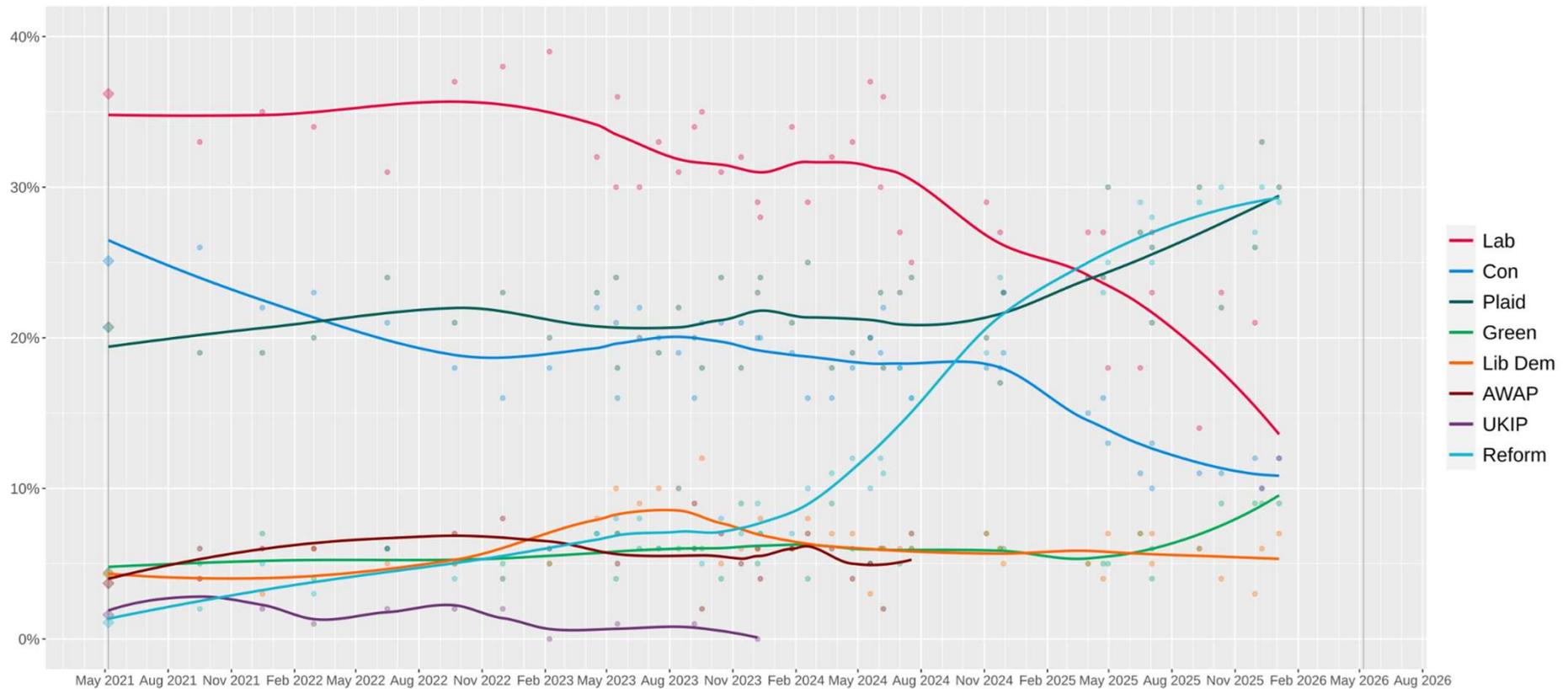
- 96 Members: 16 Constituencies x 6 members
- Voters vote once for one party, candidates get 0-6 candidates based on a proportion of voting choices
- 4 year terms



2026 Senedd Election: Numbers & Retirements

- 96 members (up from 60)
- At least 15 retiring members (14 labour, 1 independent)
- This means even if every current MS is re-elected, there will be a *minimum* of 51 new MSs (53%).
- Plaid, Labour, Lib-Dem, some Green, some Conservative, and no Reform UK candidates currently announced (Reform UK expected March).

2026 Senedd Election: Likely results

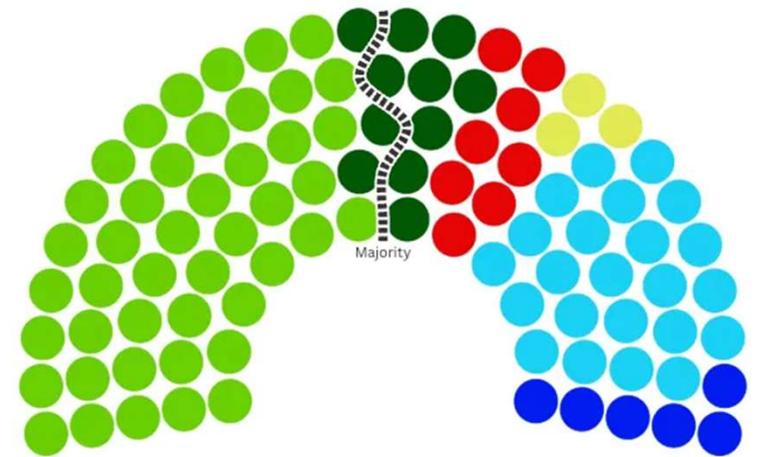
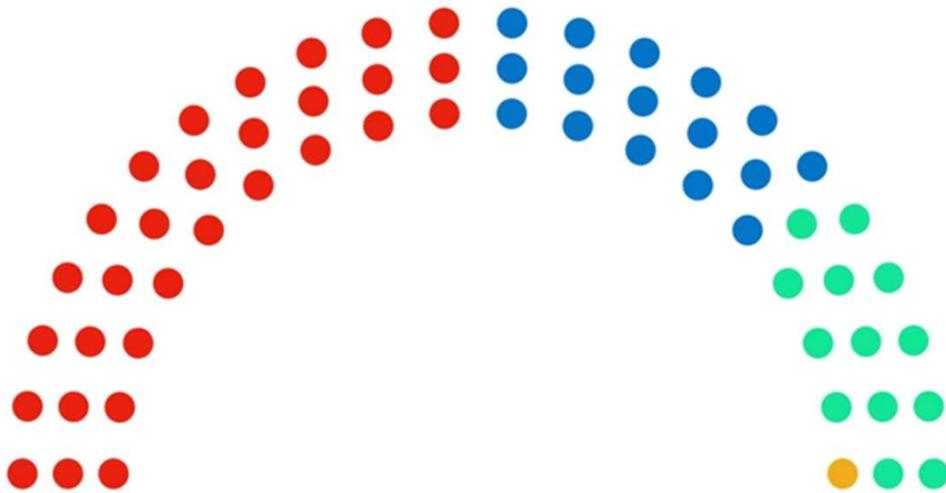


2026 Senedd Election: Likely results

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Polling Predictions

● Conservative
 ● Labour
 ● Liberal Democrat
 ● Plaid Cymru
 ● Proposed new Me



Party	Projection
Plaid Cymru	45
Green	11
Labour	8
Lib Dem	3
Reform UK	23
Conservatives	6

Source: YouGov for ITV Cymru Wales and Cardiff University

What does this mean for EV Drivers and EVA Cymru

- Important to engage with as many candidates as possible (576++)
 - Many will be new to us and may have existing views about EVs
 - Large constituencies are better for understanding road transport issues
 - Changes will mean opportunities (but also risks) for EV Drivers
- All parties are important
 - We are and must remain non-political
 - Unclear who will lead Welsh Government
 - Unlikely to see a clear majority, even smaller parties or candidates may have influence
 - Opposition also likely to be a large group in Senedd

= we need your help!

What is the Welsh Government responsible for?

[For Wales only]	UK Government	Welsh Government	Transport for Wales	Regional 'CJCs'	Local Councils
<u>Policy and Legislation</u>	Vehicle Standards Road Tax Traffic Laws and Standards Chargepoint Regulations Energy Market & Costs Motorway legislation	Transport policy Environment policy Some Energy Policy Planning & Building regulations	[Standards and guidance e.g. EV Charging design guidance for councils]		
<u>Funding</u>	Car incentives Tax breaks Some Chargepoint funding (e.g. businesses)	All transport funding (including EV Charging funding) Some Energy funding (but not grid)	Administration of EV Funding to local councils (currently) Advising on use of EV Funding (from 2026-27)	Regional allocation of all transport funding (from 2026-27) Regional Energy Plans	Spending EV funding
<u>Delivery</u>	None	Strategic Road Network	Delivery of some EV Schemes (e.g. trunk network charging, railway station chargers, support for grid developments)	Potentially regionally significant EV schemes including charging and promotion	Planning consent for EV Charging etc Delivery and management of local-authority run charging



Hawl i Wefru - the Right to Charge Our Senedd 2026 Manifesto

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Our Manifesto

- Building on key themes from EV Drivers
- Focused on what the Welsh Government can deliver
- Reflected feedback from Autumn 2026 Members discussion
- Five key asks with detail under each



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THE RIGHT TO CHARGE

The Electric Vehicle Association (EVA) Cymru is Wales' national representative body for Electric Vehicle owners and drivers. Electric Vehicles are an evolution in Wales' most relied on mode of transport. They are a proven and mature technology, provide safety and other improvements on combustion cars and vans, and are an essential tool in reducing carbon emissions.

The world is switching to EV's and we believe that Wales needs to be ready for the change. In our 2026 Senedd Manifesto we call upon all parties to ensure the next Welsh Government commits to a right to charge for all EV owners and drivers by undertaking to:

- 1 Arwain twf mewn seilwaith gwefru cyhoeddus**
Lead the growth in public charging infrastructure
- 2 Datgloi gwefru o gartref ledled Cymru**
Unlock home charging throughout Wales
- 3 Cefnogi mynediad teg at Gerbydau Trydan**
Support fair access to Electric Vehicles
- 4 Sicrhau seilwaith teg o ansawdd uchel**
Ensure equitable and high quality infrastructure
- 5 Ymrwymo i drydaneiddio fflyd Llywodraeth Cymru a'r Senedd**
Commit to electrifying the Welsh Government and Senedd fleet

Read our full manifesto at www.eva.cymru



Arwain twf mewn seilwaith gwefru cyhoeddus

Lead the growth in public charging infrastructure

- Councils should focus on on-street
- Welsh Government should focus on high density, ultra-rapid, key sites
- Promotion to accommodation providers
- Include voice of EV owners and drivers into plans

Ers cyhoeddi Strategaeth Gwefru CT Trydan Llywodraeth Cymru 2021, bu twf o 400% yn nifer y pwyntiau gwefru sydd ar gael, ond mae hyn yn parhau i fod yn ôl y targedau a osodwyd.

Rydym yn galw ar Lywodraeth Cymru nesaf i fynd ymhellach wrth arwain y twf sydd ei angen mewn seilwaith gwefru cyhoeddus trwy:

- sicrhau bod buddsoddiad Llywodraeth Leol yn canolbwyntio ar atebion ar y stryd sy'n diwallu anghenion trigolion nad oes modd iddynt wefru gartref
- canolbwyntio buddsoddiadau Llywodraeth Cymru ar ryddhau mannau gwefru dwys a uwch-gyflym gan y sector preifat mewn lleoliadau allweddol, gan gadw Cymru'n symud
- hyrwyddo manteision seilwaith gwefru i ddarparwyr llety o bob math
- dod â llais perchnogion a gyrwyr Cerbydau Trydan i'r broses o gynllunio buddsoddiadau seilwaith

Since the publication of the 2021 Welsh Government EV Charging Strategy there has been growth of 400% in available charging points, but this continues to lag behind the targets set.

We call on the next Welsh Government to go further in leading the required growth in public charging infrastructure by:

- ensuring Local Government investment is focused on on-street solutions which meet the needs of residents who cannot charge at home
- focusing Welsh Government's investments on unlocking private sector high density ultra-rapid charging locations at key sites, keeping Wales moving
- promoting the benefits of charging infrastructure to accommodation providers of all types
- bringing the voice of EV owners and drivers into the process of planning infrastructure investments

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Datgloi gwefru o gartref ledled Cymru

Unlock home charging throughout Wales

- Guidance to support gullies etc
- Right to install for renters and social housing
- Support community energy projects

Gall gwefru o pwyntiau cyhoeddus gostio hyd at 10 gwaith cymaint â gwefru o gartref ac mae'n lleihau manteision amgylcheddol, gwydnwch y grid a chyfleustra gwefru o gartref.

Dylai Llywodraeth Cymru nesaf ryddhau'r dros 75% o gartrefi yng Nghymru a all gwefru o gartref trwy:

- darparu canllawiau clir i Awdurdodau Lleol i gefnogi gosod atebion gwefru o gartref fel 'gullies gwefru'
- sicrhau hawl i denantiaid preifat a thai cymdeithasol i allu gosod gwefryddion cartref
- chwyddo buddsoddiadau mewn prosiectau egni cymunedol a all rannu cynhyrchu adnewyddadwy bach a chanolig gyda chymunedau lleol

Charging from a public charger can cost up to 10 times home charging and reduces the environmental, grid resilience, and convenience benefits of home charging.

The next Welsh Government should unlock the over 75% of homes in Wales which can charge from their home by:

- providing clear guidance to Local Authorities to support the installation of from-home charging solutions such as 'charging gullies'
- ensuring a right for private renters and social housing tenants to be allowed to install home chargers
- growing investments in community energy projects which can share small and medium scale renewable generation with local communities



Cefnogi mynediad teg at Gerbydau Trydan

Support fair access to Electric Vehicles

- Promote EV driving
- Support community car schemes
- Engage with UK Government to maximise support & funding

Mae'r nifer o Gerbydau Trydan yn tyfu ledled Cymru, ond mae dal 46 o geir tanwydd ffosil am bob cerbyd trydan, o'i gymharu â 20 y cerbyd trydan ym mhlwyfau eraill y DU.

Dylai Llywodraeth Cymru nesaf gefnogi'n uniongyrchol hyrwyddo Cerbydau Trydan er mwyn cynyddu eu defnydd trwy:

- hyrwyddo'r dewis i symud i Gerbyd Trydan i bob grŵp
- chwyddo nifer y cynlluniau rhannu cerbydau cymunedol sy'n defnyddio ceir a faniau trydan
- ymgysylltu â Llywodraeth y DU i fanteisio i'r eithaf ar gynlluniau cymorth i'r rhai sy'n newid o geir tanwydd ffosil

Electric Vehicles are growing in numbers across Wales but there are still 46 fossil fuel cars for every EV, compared to 20 per EV in the rest of the UK.

The next Welsh Government should directly support the promotion of Electric Vehicles in order to grow uptake by:

- promoting the choice to move to an Electric Vehicle to all groups
- growing the number of shared community car schemes using Electric cars and vans
- engaging with UK Government to maximise support schemes for those transitioning away from combustion vehicles



Sicrhau seilwaith teg o ansawdd uchel

Ensure equitable and high quality infrastructure

- Require accessible infrastructure when publicly funded (PAS1988:2022)
- Bilingual charge points when provided by public body
- Update charging design guidance working with EV owners and drivers

Mae pawb yn haeddu cael mynediad at gyfleusterau gwefru dibynadwy, sydd wedi'u cynnal, wedi'u lleoli mewn lleoedd diogel ac wedi'u cynllunio'n dda ac sy'n diwallu anghenion pob defnyddiwr.

Dylai Llywodraeth Cymru nesaf sicrhau bod Cymru yn meddu ar seilwaith gwefru sy'n ddibynadwy ac yn hygyrch i bawb trwy:

- mynnu i bob seilwaith cyhoeddus newydd neu a adnewyddir gwrdd â safonau hygyrchedd PAS 1899:2022
- gorfodi corfforaethau cyhoeddus sy'n darparu seilwaith gwefru i sicrhau ei fod ar gael yn Gymraeg, ar y pwynt defnydd ac mewn unrhyw gymorth cysylltiedig
- cyhoeddi canllawiau dylunio gwefru sector cyhoeddus wedi'u diweddarau, wedi'u seilio ar brofiadau perchnogion a gyrwyr cerbydau trydan

Everyone deserves access to reliable charging opportunities which are maintained, located in safe and well designed places and which meet the needs of all users.

The next Welsh Government should ensure that Wales has charging infrastructure which is reliable and accessible to all by:

- requiring all new or renewed publicly provided infrastructure to meet the PAS 1899:2022 accessibility standards
- mandating public bodies who provide charging infrastructure to ensure it is available in Welsh both at the point of use and in any support
- producing updated public sector charging design guidance based on the experiences of EV owners and drivers



Ymrwymo i drydaneiddio fflyd Llywodraeth Cymru a'r Senedd

Commit to electrifying the Welsh Government and Senedd fleet

- All Welsh Government ministerial vehicles to be EVs by Jan 2027
- Stop buying ICE and hybrids
- Transition government fully to EVs by 2028

Mae llwybr sero net Cymru yn dibynnu ar drawsnewid fflyd y sector cyhoeddus i Gerbydau Trydan, ond dim ond 0.7% o'r milltiroedd a deithir sy'n cael eu gwneud mewn Cerbydau Trydan di-allyriadau.

Dylai Llywodraeth Cymru nesaf arwain o'r blaen trwy ymrwymo i drydaneiddio'r holl fflyd o geir a faniau a weithredir yn uniongyrchol gan Lywodraeth Cymru a'r Senedd, gan gynnwys ceir gweinidogol, trwy:

- ymrwymo i ddisodli pob cerbyd gweinidogol Llywodraeth Cymru gyda Cherbydau Trydan Batri erbyn Ionawr 2027
- sefyll yn syth o brynu ceir a faniau tanwydd ffosil neu hybrid newydd gan Lywodraeth Cymru
- sicrhau bod y fflyd gyfan o geir a faniau Llywodraeth Cymru a'r Senedd yn drydanol llawn erbyn 2028

Wales's net zero pathway is reliant on transitioning the public sector fleet to Electric Vehicles, however only 0.7% of miles driven are in zero emission Electric Vehicles.

The next Welsh Government should lead from the front by committing to fully electrifying the car and van fleet operated directly by Welsh Government and the Senedd, including ministerial vehicles by:

- committing to replace all Welsh Government ministerial vehicles with Battery Electric Vehicles by January 2027
- immediately ceasing Welsh Government's purchase of new combustion or hybrid cars and vans
- ensuring the entire car and van fleet of Welsh Government and the Senedd is fully electric by 2028



Making the most of the manifesto

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How you can use the Manifesto

1. Send it to candidates - find your candidate. ([new.wales](#) / [Who can i vote for?](#) / party websites)
2. Use one or two 'talking points' with candidates, backed up with your local experience

“Charging at home would be much cheaper but my landlord won't let me fit a charger. This is something I and EVA Cymru want to change”

1. Ask candidates to support the manifesto publicly or on social media etc
1. Become a key contact for your area: work with us directly to support engagement over the next few months.

@mycandidate Electric Vehicles mean cleaner air for all. Will you support the [EVA Cymru Manifesto](#) and help #constituencyname go electric?

Please send us an email to update us on any engagement you have: positive or not

Final Tips:

- Act as a **member** not on behalf of EVA Cymru. It is important that the association remains apolitical
- **Don't** ask for things that aren't Welsh Government responsibilities (including tax, car grants, and the ban on new ICE sales)
- **Do** make it clear that you live in their constituency and have local experience
- **Keep going** right up until the election - every contact you have will make a difference



Any Questions?

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