



Eich cyf/Your ref P-06-1546  
Ein cyf/Our ref KSNWT/01263/25

Carolyn Thomas MS  
Chair - Petitions committee

04 September 2025

Dear Carolyn,

Thank you for your letter of 31 July regarding Petition P-06-1546 Welsh Government should fund the Llanbedr relief road!

I recognise the importance of addressing the traffic and safety issues in Llanbedr. The Welsh Government has awarded Cyngor Gwynedd funding through the Local Transport Fund in the past two financial years to develop options for transport improvements in and around Llanbedr. Further funding has been awarded to Cyngor Gwynedd this financial year to progress detailed design of these options.

The work is considering a range of potential options for transport improvements in and around Llanbedr, including a low-speed relief road. I look forward to receiving an update about the recommended preferred options in Llanbedr following the completion of the study, which is due to be finalised this autumn.

I also recognise the frustrations felt when Welsh Government priorities change and funding for schemes becomes stop-start, preventing transformative long-term projects taking place. That is why I am committed to giving local leaders a bigger say in how transport funding is invested in their region, so that we can take a long-term, strategic approach to funding the transport improvements which are priorities for each region.

The Corporate Joint Committee (CJC) in North Wales is currently finalising their Regional Transport Plan (RTP), which will provide a five-year plan for improving transport across North Wales. From 2026-27, we will merge our current transport grants (including the Local Transport Fund, which currently provides funding to the Llanbedr scheme), into a single source of funding, and ask the CJCs to recommend how this funding is spent. Future Welsh Government funding to deliver the Llanbedr scheme from 2026-27 onwards will therefore be based on the recommendations of the North Wales CJC, following the priorities set out in their RTP.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

I am committed to continuing to work with local residents, Cyngor Gwynedd and the North Wales CJC to address the issues in Llanbedr.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Skates', enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

**Ken Skates AS/MS**

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