

10 SEPT 2013

TO: DR. SIAN PHIPPS,
CLERK,
ENTERPRISE & BUSINESS COMMITTEE,
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES,
CARDIFF BAY,
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Dear Dr. Phipps,

RE: RAILWAY ENHANCEMENT SUGGESTIONS (POST 2018)

1. LLANELLI

Consideration needs to be given to revising train timings along the Central Wales line, enabling more convenient inter-change between West and Central Wales train services at Llanelli.

2. ST. CLEARS.

There have been calls in recent years, for the re-instatement of the railway station at St. Clears. I feel that this matter warrants serious consideration for the re-opening of a station at St. Clears.

3. TEMPLETON.

The station at Templeton situated on the Whitland - Pembroke Rock branch, was closed in 1964. The community here has grown in the decades since. Perhaps thought should be given to re-establishing a station at Templeton?

4 TENBY

Tenby, a popular seaside resort, receives many visitors who travel there by train, and, on Saturdays during the summer months, is served by two Inter-City 125 through services to Paddington. Until the track reduction which took place at Tenby during the 1980s, the resort was often busy with visiting excursion trains during summer weekends. Sadly, this is no longer possible, as insufficient track remains to accommodate excursion traffic. Re-instatement of the track alongside platform 3 would go some way to remedying this, thereby bringing additional traffic and revenue to the resort, benefitting Tenby and the Railway.

5 FISHEGUARD HARBOUR LINE

The recent introduction of additional passenger trains along this route, coupled with the re-opening of Fishguard & Goodwick Station is very welcome. As a further development and enhancement of services along this line, it may be worth considering re-opening Mathry Road (for Letterston and surrounding area), and similarly, Wolfreastle. This would result in more of the north Pembrokeshire area having access to rail services.

6 CARMARTHEN - ABERYSTWYTH LINE

Though an expensive project, this route, were it to be reinstated, would enable the western half of Wales the benefit of more convenient north to south & vice versa, travel by rail, thereby eliminating the lengthy detour via the Welsh Marches route, as is currently the case.

Yours sincerely,

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