

Representing you:

Pontypridd Cynon Merthyr



The Welsh Parliament is the democratically elected body that represents the interests of Wales and its people.

Commonly known as the Senedd, it makes laws for Wales, agrees Welsh taxes and holds the Welsh Government to account.

Representing you

Wales has its own parliament – the Senedd.

The Senedd passes laws about all sorts of things which affect your daily life in Wales.

Things like hospitals and GPs, schools and education, road and rail transport, farming, culture, the environment and the Welsh language.

The Senedd is made up of 96 Members elected from all over Wales. They represent you and your community in the Welsh Parliament.

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Representing you and your community

Members of the Senedd come from all parts of Wales to represent you and your community in the Senedd.

Members of the Senedd have offices all over Wales, in the communities they represent.

They hold drop-in sessions, called **surgeries**, so you can meet them and discuss local issues that concern you. You can also contact them online or over the telephone.

After hearing from you, your Member could raise your concern in the Senedd. They can ask a question or arrange a debate in Plenary – our open forum for all Members of the Senedd to meet and discuss issues in a public meeting.



You can find out more about who represents you, and how to get in touch with them by visiting senedd.wales/members

Representing your interests

Members of the Senedd discuss, check and make laws that shape life in Wales.

The Senedd can make laws for Wales in many areas. Welsh laws look at the situation in Wales, which might be different to other parts of the UK.

However, some areas that apply to all parts of the UK remain the responsibility of the UK Parliament and UK Government.



You can find out more about what the Senedd is responsible for, and what is reserved by the UK Parliament and UK Government, by visiting [senedd.wales/powers](https://www.senedd.wales/powers)

Wales can make its own laws and policies about:



Agriculture and Food



Education



Communities and Housing



Health and Care Services



Welsh Language



Environment

The UK Government and UK Parliament make laws and policies about:



Air transport



Nuclear energy



Outer space



Foreign affairs



Defence



Policing

Wales Act 2017

The Wales Act 2017 changed how devolution works in Wales.

Before this law was made, we could only make laws in 21 areas, set out by the Government of Wales Act 2006.

Your Senedd, working for you

From debating laws in Cardiff Bay to supporting people in their local areas, Members of the Senedd play a vital role in shaping life in Wales.

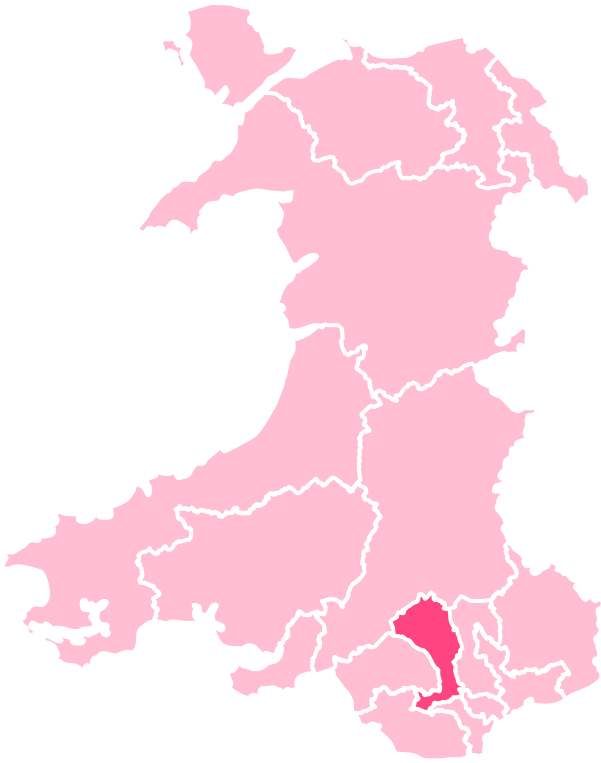
Everyone in Wales is represented by six Members of the Senedd. They represent your area, raising your concerns and working on issues that matter to you.

You can contact any of them – in person, online, or by phone – no matter who you voted for. All six represent you equally.



Find your Members of the Senedd
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Mae chwe Aelod o'r Senedd yn cynrychioli cymunedau yn eich ardal chi, yn codi eich pryderon ac yn gweithio ar faterion sy'n bwysig i chi.

Gallwch gysylltu ag unrhyw un ohonynt, dim ots dros bwy y gwnaethoch chi bleidleisio.

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You can contact any of them, no matter who you voted for.



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