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| **TITLE** | **Resilient Roads Fund Allocations to Local Authorities 2020-21** |
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| **BY** | **Ken Skates MS, Minister for Economy, Transport and North Wales** |

Today I am allocating over £16 million in transport grants to local authorities across Wales for schemes that mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change, including addressing disruptions caused on the highway network by severe weather. All local authorities were invited to submit applications for funding and 21 applications were received from 13 local authorities.

The Resilient Roads Fund of £16.9 million will support 18 schemes across 13 local authorities.

I am delighted to announce that this includes over £6 million to construct a further section of the Old Colwyn coastal defence scheme, which will protect the highway and active travel route from adverse weather. I am investing £2.5 million in Mid and South West Wales, including £400,000 to develop a long-term sustainable solution in Pembrokeshire to the A487 at Newgale. I am allocating over £4.9 million to undertake work to repair and future-proof key transport routes across Caerphilly and Rhondda Cynon Taf where local communities were particularly affected by the storms earlier this year.

The grants are a substantial investment to support long-term sustainable economic growth and recovery from the effects of the storms, enhance public transport facilities, and improve routes that will encourage more people in Wales to walk and cycle.

A full list of successful schemes by local authority will be published on the Welsh Government website.

[https://gov.wales/resilient-roads-fund-grants-awarded-2020-2021](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fgov.wales%2Fresilient-roads-fund-grants-awarded-2020-2021&data=02%7C01%7CSharon.Walsh%40gov.wales%7C5250a84593d34874b23908d80deb81bb%7Ca2cc36c592804ae78887d06dab89216b%7C0%7C0%7C637274652432924290&sdata=L9Yvaphrv60EvkbTT%2BiGwmMDTm2OscDzx02CAPppGPQ%3D&reserved=0)