

Cabinet Secretary announces £25.9m in Local Transport Grants

The money will go towards programmes to improve safety, reduce congestion, create economic growth and promote active travel.

Local authorities were invited to submit applications for their priority schemes. A total of 190 applications were received.

The Local Transport Fund of £6.15 million will allow 18 schemes across 13 local authorities to continue work on multi-year projects. A further £5 million has been provided to fund local authorities to progress active travel scheme development.

The Local Transport Network Fund of £4 million will allow 4 existing schemes to continue with 9 new schemes to start across 13 Local Authorities.

Nearly £4 million in Road Safety Capital Grant will fund 18 schemes contributing to road casualty reduction in 11 local authorities.

The £5 million Safe Routes in Communities Grant is focused on 26 schemes that improve walking and cycling routes to schools in 18 local authorities.

In addition, funding of £1.75 million will be made available to all local authorities for road safety education and training programmes for, in particular, high risk and vulnerable groups, such as children, young people, older drivers and motorcyclists.

The funding will allow the development of many projects such as the Abercynon train station, which is being expanded to include a new Park and Ride facility that aims to encourage residents away from private transport, cutting the number of cars in use and improving air quality in towns and cities.

In the North, significant funding is being invested in the Kinmel Bay Bus Priority Scheme which will alleviate congestion arising at the signalised crossroads of the A548 Foryd Road with St Asaph Avenue.

Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Transport Ken Skates said:

“The grants are a substantial investment to support local economic growth, improve road safety, enhance public transport facilities and provide more and better routes that enable people in Wales to walk and cycle and to do so safely.

“I commend the range of schemes I’ve been able to announce today, and the high quality of applications we received across these

grants.”

View the [full list of successful schemes here](#).