

P-04-590 Funding for the Cardi Bach Coastal Bus Service

Petition wording:

We call upon the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Government to re-instate the funding of the Cardi Bach coastal bus service in Ceredigion.

Further information :

The Cardi Bach coastal bus service that runs between Cardigan and New Quay will be stopped on 30th September due to a lack of funding. The service received some funding from the Welsh Government under the Rural Development Plan 2007–2013.

There has been a noticeable increase in visitors to this area, particularly walkers, since the opening of the Wales Coast Path in 2012. The coastal bus service has enabled visitors to go to the towns and villages along the route.

This bus service brings custom to local businesses.

It is popular with walkers on the Wales Coast Path, enabling them to enjoy linear walks.

It provides both residents and visitors with an alternative to using the motor car.

Some rural areas will be particularly inconvenienced if the bus service ceases. For example, Cwmttydu is a popular village on the coast path, midway between New Quay and Llangrannog. If someone wanted to access a bus from here he would have to walk 4 miles to the nearest service bus route. He would have difficulty calling a taxi as there is no public phone box and the mobile phone signal is very poor.

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