

**County Council to introduce one hour of free parking in all council owned car parks.
This will be brought next year.**

Carmarthenshire County Council's Cabinet has agreed changes to off street parking charges at its meeting on Monday 7 September 2026, to include one hour of free parking per visit across all 67 Council owned car parks across the county.

Following an initial one-hour period of free parking, town centre car parks in Llanelli and Carmarthen will incur a fee of £2 for 2 hours, £3 for 3 hours or £4 for all day. Car parks in Ammanford and the county's rural towns will incur a £2 charge after the first hour for up to 3 hours, or £2.50 for all day. These fees will remain frozen for the next three years.

As part of the strategy, discounted tickets for two days or more will support those regularly using town centre car parks, while free Town Council parking days will be removed.

The agreed strategy has been developed following a review of off street car parking provision which considered usage patterns, occupancy, financial performance, free parking and enforcement. The review identified a significant need for short stay parking to support easier access to town centres, local businesses and essential services, whilst encouraging more frequent visits and supporting economic activity across Carmarthenshire's communities.

The strategy aligns with national, regional and local policy, including the Wales Transport Strategy and the National Transport Delivery Plan, the South West Wales Regional Transport Plan (RTP), and Carmarthenshire's Local Development Plan (LDP) and Corporate Strategy.

Work on Quay Street-

Work has now started on replacing broken paving on quay street.

Although the drop-in session is on the 24th, you can still do the online form until the 26th of October.



Have your say on Carmarthenshire's Active Travel Network Map

Carmarthenshire County Council is updating its Active Travel Network Map (ATNM), and residents are encouraged to have their say.

The ATNM sets out the existing walking, wheeling and cycling routes across the county alongside proposed improvements, suggestions and future routes that the County Council will seek to develop and implements over the next 15 years.

Residents are invited to provide feedback on the routes and suggested additions as set out on the ATNM. Routes that are not included on the map cannot be considered further, as only those shown will be eligible for potential funding from Welsh Government or other sources in future.

Come along to an informal drop-in session to discuss the ATNM update, ask questions and provide feedback from 2pm to 6pm on:

- **21 September 2026 at Llanelli Library**
- **22 September 2026 at Carmarthen Library**
- **24 September 2026 at Ammanford Library**

Alternatively, have your say online via [Carmarthenshire County Council's website](#) or [e-mail](#). The consultation closes on 26 October 2026.

Paper copies of the consultation can be requested from the County Council's Hwbs in Ammanford, Carmarthen or Llanelli.



This is a very important subject regarding men's health, and it would be great if you all would support this petition.

Dear Councillor,

I'm getting in touch to ask whether you would consider supporting a Senedd petition calling for the development of a dedicated Men's Health Plan for Wales.

Men in Wales continue to experience significant health inequalities, including lower life expectancy, higher rates of suicide and poorer outcomes in a number of areas of physical and mental health. I believe Wales would benefit from a coordinated approach to improving men's health, prevention and access to support.

The petition is now approaching 250 signatures. At that point, it will be considered by the Senedd's Petitions Committee, giving the issue an opportunity to receive further scrutiny.

The petition has also recently been circulated to Men's Sheds across Wales by the UK Men's Sheds Association, reflecting the wider interest in improving men's health and wellbeing.

If you support the principle, I would be very grateful if you could sign the petition and, where appropriate, share it with colleagues, local groups or residents who may wish to support it.

You can sign the petition here:

<https://petitions.senedd.wales/petitions/247091>

Thank you for taking the time to consider it.

This email has come to me from a constituent. I have written to the county council, and they responded by saying that the seat is not owned by them. Therefore, we need to find out if the town council placed it there many years ago, and if there is a way we can get it replaced.

Dear Deian Harries

The bench opposite the Texaco garage has been taken away due to breakage. I don't think it was vandalised just came to the end of its natural life. Can efforts be made for its replacement. Many thanks.