

Our rally. Outside the Senedd, Cardiff Bay, 12.30pm, Tues 4th December. #NoNewM4

Our rally: Tomorrow is the day. We'll be outside the Assembly at 12.30-1pm, Tuesday 4th December. We'll have speakers from NGOs central to our campaign and from political parties. The media will be there. A good turnout is vital to showing all Assembly Members the depth and breadth of our support. The rally will stay legal, with no direct action – we are there to sway the minds of Assembly Members, and we believe a majority are very sceptical of a new M4. A peaceful show of numbers, combined with the representations AMs are getting from constituents are going to win this for us, and soon.

We are not 'just' against a damaging, hugely expensive, congestion-causing & counter-productive disaster of a £2bn+ motorway megaproject across the Gwent Levels. We have a clear positive vision:

- We want a forward-looking transport policy based on a combination of frequent, affordable public transport and active travel. This is how society can make efficient use of space and energy. It is the only way for our towns and cities to be vibrant, liveable hubs. This also how we can provide for the transport needs of all – 28% of households in Newport are without a car or van, for instance.
- We are also looking to save and celebrate the Gwent Levels, which have been described as Wales' finest wetland landscape. The Levels are one of our contributions to global biodiversity – just as the Amazon rainforest is feted as a paramount responsibility for South American nations.

Let your Constituency & regional list AMs know your feelings! Whether or not you can be there tomorrow, we need every Assembly Member in Wales to hear from you. If you've not contacted your 5 AMs recently, please make sure you contact them again now!

You can compose your own email to your 5 AMs using <https://www.writetothem.com/>.

Alternatively, you can use either or both of the following e-actions which will make it even easier for you to raise the issues with them.

FoE Cymru: <https://act.friendsoftheearth.uk/act/no-new-m4-dim-m4-newydd> – which highlights wildlife, climate change, investment in a sustainable Wales and future generations.

Coed Cadw (Woodland Trust Wales): <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/get-involved/campaign-with-us/our-campaigns/ancient-woodland-m4/> – which highlights the impact of a new M4 on four ancient woods (whilst also mentioning the wider sustainability and wetland wildlife issues).

Wherever you are – in Wales or not – have you signed our petition & emailed Carwyn?

Our petition now has 15,600 signatures:

<https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/stop-the-proposed-m4/>

Over 6,200 people have emailed outgoing First Minister, Carwyn Jones, using The Wildlife Trusts e-action at: <http://action.wildlifetrusts.org/page/30798/action/1>

Carwyn stands down a week tomorrow, on 11th December. Email him now!

Have you seen the latest coverage of our campaign?

Hugh Mackay, who represents Cycling UK within the campaign, has just written an excellent blog which was published online today: <https://nation.cymru/opinion/the-m4-relief-road-a-failed-idea-out-of-step-with-21st-century-wales/>

BBC Radio Wales featured the M4 debate on their Sunday Supplement show. The piece starts 30 minutes in, and the economic case for the road gets short shrift.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/m0001j4c>

What else can I do?

Please carry on talking about the M4 to friends, family, neighbours and workmates – tell them about the e-actions and the rally. Follow CALM on facebook or twitter and use social media to spread the word. Put your opinion up online in response to news stories about the M4. With your help, over the next few weeks we can get the new M4 disaster dropped in favour of sustainable transport for all.