

# Senedd elections 2026:



## Ask your candidates about homelessness in Wales

Over the coming weeks, candidates for the Senedd election might start knocking on your door. They'll want to hear what matters to you.

Speak up on ending homelessness by asking these questions and sharing our handy stats.

### Our top questions:

1. I'm really concerned that so many people in my area are facing homelessness. Will your party create a plan to end homelessness for Wales?
2. Crisis - the homelessness charity - say the new homelessness law in Wales could help to stop people becoming homeless. It will also improve support for people without a home. How will you make sure this law works in practice?
3. I believe everyone should have a safe, stable and affordable home. How will you make sure this happens? And will you create the social homes we desperately need?

### Handy stats:

- Last year, councils recorded nearly 13,300 households who were homeless in Wales. And there will be more that weren't recorded.<sup>1</sup>
- Research shows that, unless we take bold action, homelessness in Wales could rise by 24% by 2041.<sup>2</sup>
- Every month, around 11,000 people in Wales are living in temporary accommodation.<sup>3</sup> This can be for months on end - without basic cooking and laundry facilities. And people often have no idea when they'll get a stable home.
- Around 94,000 households across Wales are waiting for a social home. This can take years.<sup>4</sup>

### To end homelessness in Wales, we need:

- investment in social homes
- better homelessness prevention
- better support for people facing homelessness

...and a national homelessness plan to make sure this happens!

1. *Welsh Government Statistics*

2. *The Homelessness Monitor: Wales, Crisis and Heriot-Watt University, 2025*

3. *Welsh Government Statistics*

4. *Shelter Cymru "Waiting for a Home", 2025*