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CAMBRIAN COAST RAILWAY LIAISON COMMITTEE
27 November 2026

Cwestiwn i TRAFNIDIAETH CYMRU / Question for TRANSPORT FOR WALES

On 2 September 2027, Harlech Railway Station will celebrate its 160th anniversary. To mark this occasion and celebrate the station's vital role in our town's history and daily life, we are planning a series of community-focused events and would love for Transport for Wales (TfW) to be part of this.

As a core initiative, I would like to launch a train-naming competition for local school children. Many pupils from Ysgol Ardudwy rely on the railway daily for their commute, and this competition is a wonderful opportunity to foster local pride, strengthen their connection to sustainable transport, and give the younger generation a voice in our history.

I would like to invite students to submit suggestions for the name of a train across four meaningful categories:

1. Local Heritage: Honouring the area's history (e.g., Owain Glyndŵr)
2. The Line: Celebrating the railway route itself (e.g., The Cambrian)
3. The School: Showcasing local school identity (e.g., The Ardudwy)
4. Remembrance: Providing a touching tribute to remember pupils who are no longer with us (e.g., Josh)

To make this initiative a success, I would be incredibly grateful if TfW would consider supporting this initiative by selecting the winning entry and placing that name on a Harlech train, then potentially offering a small prize or certificate to the winning student. Alongside the proposed school competition, I am already engaged in a reminiscence project set within the Harlech community garden that is close to the railway station. Work is already underway to display a layout of the railway track at Harlech Station, with QR readers enabling visitors to access bilingual stories from local residents who either worked at the station, controlled the signals or railway crossing gates, plus stories of those who were employed on the trains and others whose livelihoods depended on the railway; these stories are being written for elderly residents to remember bygone days and are being written in a dementia friendly style, using historic station photographs to stimulate positive memories.

Given TfW's commitment to community engagement and the communities along the Cambrian Line, I believe this collaboration would showcase the lasting connection between the railway and the people it serves.

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Cwestiwn i UNED CLUDIANT CYNGOR GWYNEDD / Question for TRANSPORT UNIT CYNGOR GWYNEDD

Cwestiwn i HEDDLU TRAFNIDIAETH PRYDEINIG / Question for BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE	
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