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# Manifesto 2026

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# About

Tai Pawb works to advance equality and social justice in housing in Wales. We imagine a Wales where everyone has the right to a good home, one that is safe, suitable, and affordable to them. We have a membership and partnerships across all housing related sectors, but we specialise in support and advice to housing associations, local authorities, and housing support organisations.

For the 2026 Senedd election, we are calling on political parties and future Government leaders to commit to a series of asks grounded in robust research, meaningful engagement, and the lived experience of diverse people at the sharp end of the housing crisis.

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# Right to a good home

**Address poverty and improve health outcomes through passing a law ensuring all people in Wales have a legal right to a good home**

A right to housing is a 'Welsh' solution to our housing crisis – it can be traced back centuries in our history, much like the foundations of the NHS. We believe housing needs its 'big bang moment' equivalent to the creation of the NHS after the Second World War and want to see legislation within the upcoming Senedd term which incorporates the UN right to adequate housing.

# 01

## Why?

We believe housing should be a fundamental right, agreed with by 77% of people surveyed and a clear majority of Housing Association Chief Executives in Wales. But bad housing also costs money, including £95 million a year to the NHS and £1 billion to the Welsh economy. Conversely, a right to adequate housing can lead to savings of £5 billion over a 30-year period, including for NHS and local government, whilst boosting the economy. This change will return housing to a fundamental mission of government, boosting funding and supply – whilst addressing poverty and improving lives.

*Wales can lead the way.*

# Homes for all

## More funding to deliver additional, affordable, and better social homes to address diverse needs, including accessible homes

More social homes can help address costly spending on temporary accommodation, health, and unaffordable private rents, giving people the best opportunity to live their lives. Whilst building at speed is necessary to provide homes for all, we still need to be focused on those more at risk of poverty and poor health including disabled people, young people, lone parent families and some ethnic minority people. This means:

- More accessible homes
- Temporary accommodation that meets a range of needs including accessibility
- More support to help people maintain homes
- Ensure our social homes are good quality and free from damp and mould
- Ensure decarbonisation of existing homes does not disadvantage underserved communities and addresses inequality

# 02

## Why?

Wales is experiencing a housing emergency. Any meaningful solution must include the development of more social homes which meet the needs of diverse populations. Research by Shelter Cymru suggests there are over 90,000 households on social waiting lists. This means housing is unaffordable to many and pushing people into poverty. We already have an accessible homes ' housing crisis', while the population ages and the proportion of disabled people increases in coming years. Too many of our social homes are at risk of damp and mould; with the impact on lives and the health service this brings.

# Equality at the core

**Reaffirm equality, inclusion and learning from lived experience as the foundations of any fair housing policy**

In recent years, Wales has made world-leading commitments around disability, older people, as well as LGBTQ+ and anti-racism action plans. To ensure Wales can be what it has always been, a welcoming and progressive society that cares for all, this must continue.

# 03

## Why?

If we are to tackle poverty, poor health, and inequality, we need to continue to listen and learn from our communities. Research has shown that older people are already more likely to live in poorer housing conditions, whilst an ageing population means we need more accessible and adaptable homes. We know that 1 in 4 young people who experience homelessness are from the LGBTQ+ community whilst some black and minoritised ethnic communities have a greater risk of poverty, homelessness, and bad housing conditions. With 11% of carbon emissions in Wales coming from our housing, we are already decarbonising our social housing stock and this will continue. We need to continue to place people's experiences at the centre of policy making across all these areas, to deliver the Wales we want, together.

# Impact

## Making a difference through working in partnership and amplifying people's experiences

Tai Pawb turned 20 years old in 2025. We are a distinctly Welsh charity. Over the current Senedd term, our work has contributed to the following changes, improving lives across Wales ...



100+

800+

30+

75%+

350+

2021-  
2025

Over the last

# 5 years of tai pawb

How we **shaped**  
the change

How we **made**  
the change

How we **were**  
the change

# How we *shaped* the change

## Right to Adequate Housing Campaign

We built strong momentum for enshrining the right to adequate housing, shaping WG's White Paper and securing cross-party support. Grounded in expert evidence and lived experience, we demonstrated this right is essential and achievable. Over 75% of Housing Association CEOs now support this legislation.

## Shaping National Policy

We informed over 100 policy changes, including new flooring requirements, disability elements and equitable delivery of decarbonisation in WHQS 2023, Accessible Housing Registers in the new Homelessness Bill, and hate crime training for private landlords in response to ARWAP. We sat at key decision-making tables, from the Ending Homelessness Advisory Board to the Disability Rights Taskforce and Human Rights Coalition.

## Driving Anti-Racism in Housing

30+ organisations pledged action in our *Deeds Not Words* campaign, which helped RSL board diversity rise from 2% to 9%. We employed an Anti-Racism Manager, produced practical tools and delivered training to colleagues, helping to shape more inclusive cultures and services across the sector.

## Evidence that Leads Change

Our research on homelessness, ethnic\_minority housing experiences, anti-racism, and social housing flooring had real impact, shaping national policy and guidance.

# *How we made the change*

## **Transforming Practice**

We've delivered 350+ training and consultancy sessions and launched Wales' only housing-specific EDI e-learning hub. Our training included neurodiversity, unconscious bias, cultural competence, hate crime, and much more.

## **Driving Sector Standards**

10 organisations signed up for our QED Award, which continues to raise the bar for EDI in housing. Over 78% of staff reported improvements within less than a year. We also launched our exciting QED Leaders programme.

## **Engaging and Growing the Sector**



Our membership has grown to 80+ organisations. Through events, networks and new initiatives like EDI Connect, we've engaged over 6,000 people, whilst our annual conferences continue to inspire and unite the sector.

# *How we **were** the change*

## **Leading by Example**

We strengthened our commitment to equity by launching our EDI strategy and sharing staff and board diversity data. We prioritised staff wellbeing through the introduction of a 4-day week and volunteering opportunities.

## **Lived Experience at the Centre**

Over 800 people with lived experience shaped our work, from co-producing research to engaging tenants and volunteers in the private rented sector.

***and so much more...***

**Tai Pawb is proud of what we have achieved over the past five years. With the help of our members, partners, and supporters, we have made real progress.**

**But we are not stopping here. We remain committed to **advancing equality, diversity, and social justice in housing across Wales.****