

ACE/EIC policy ask	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green	Reform	Plaid Cymru	Welsh Labour	SNP
Establishment of a Department for Infrastructure	Not mentioned.	Introduction of a new industrial strategy.	An industrial strategy to incentivise businesses to invest and create good jobs across the UK.	Not mentioned.	Overhaul and merge the National Infrastructure Commission and the Infrastructure Bank. Scrap Net Zero objectives. Simplify the funding process to save time, cut waste, boost funding and accountability	Support the transfer of further powers from Westminster to the Senedd in a number of areas, including criminal justice, broadcasting, natural resources such as water and energy, railway infrastructure	Creation of a new National Infrastructure and Service Transformation Authority.	Not mentioned.
Create a fair and proportionate approach to risk, including legislating for a cap on liability.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.
Ensure the Industrial and Infrastructure Strategies survive political cycles by placing key areas on a statutory footing, delivering the certainty needed to increase investment in business, people, and places.	Speed up infrastructure.	Establishment of an Industrial Strategy Council, on a statutory footing, to provide expert advice.	Industrial Strategy Council on a statutory footing, to ensure vital oversight, monitoring and evaluation of the industrial strategy for the long term	Not mentioned.	Overhaul and merge the National Infrastructure Commission and the Infrastructure Bank. Scrap Net Zero objectives. Simplify the funding process to save time, cut waste, boost funding and accountability	Not mentioned.	The development of a ten-year infrastructure strategy, aligned with our industrial strategy and regional development priorities. In partnership with the devolved governments, the strategy will guide investment plans and give the private sector certainty about the project pipeline.	Not mentioned.
Review National Policy Statements with clear criteria for triggering reviews of other NPS.	Ensure National Policy Statements are regularly updated.	Will set out new national policy statements, make major projects faster and cheaper by slashing red tape, and build support for developments by ensuring communities directly benefit.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.
Strengthen rules on prompt payments, which continues to have a significant impact on our SME members.	Promote digital invoicing and improve enforcement of the Prompt Payment Code	Take action on late payments to ensure small businesses and the self-employed are paid on time.	All government agencies and contractors and companies with more than 250 employees will be required to sign up to the prompt payment code, making it enforceable.	Regional mutual banks to be set up to drive investment in decarbonisation and local economic sustainability.	Abolish Business Rates for high street based SMEs. Offset this with Online Delivery Tax at 4% for large, multinational enterprises to create a fairer playing field for high streets. Cut entrepreneurs' tax to 5%.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.
Deliver planning reforms, including those outlined in the national significant infrastructure projects (NSIP) Action Plan and the Environment Act that require legislative action.	Not mentioned.	Update national planning policy to ensure the planning system meets the needs of a modern economy, making it easier to build laboratories, digital infrastructure, and gigafactories.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.
A refreshed infrastructure strategy alongside a long-term funding settlement	Not mentioned.	Develop a ten-year infrastructure strategy.	An industrial strategy to incentivise businesses to invest and create good jobs across the UK	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Labour will introduce a new industrial strategy.	Not mentioned.
A single multiyear financial settlement to invest in local priorities alongside industry	By 2030, every part of England that wants one will have a devolution deal, roll out level 4 devolution deals starting in Tees Valley	Give councils multiyear funding settlements and end wasteful competitive bidding.	Support local and regional economic partnerships to coordinate development projects and boost growth in their areas.  Work with the devolved administrations to develop joint policies and partnerships to boost growth across the whole UK.	A £40bn investment per year in the shift to a green economy over the course of the next Parliament.	Not mentioned.	Reform the Development Bank of Wales. The aim is for the bank to take and profit from greater equity shares in emerging businesses and invest in infrastructure projects, functioning more like a real national development bank	The National Wealth Fund and industrial strategy together will deliver huge benefits.	Not mentioned.
A robust central government procurement pipeline for infrastructure projects	Not mentioned.	The industrial strategy will guide investment plans and give the private sector certainty about the project pipeline.	Require the National Infrastructure Commission to take fully into account the environmental implications of all national infrastructure decisions.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	In partnership with the devolved governments, the infrastructure strategy will guide investment plans and give the private sector certainty about the project pipeline.	Not mentioned.
A review of the economics of climate change adaptation including nature-based solutions	Cut red tape that holds back the planting of trees in the planning system.	Deliver for nature, taking action to meet the Environment Act targets.	Appoint a Chief Secretary for Sustainability, establish a new Net Zero Delivery Authority, and hand more powers to local councils for local net zero strategies.  90% of the UK's electricity to be generated from renewables by 2030.  Require the NIC to take fully into account the environmental implications of all national infrastructure decisions.  Ensure that nature-based solutions form a critical part of the UK's strategy to tackle climate change.	Not mentioned.	Productive land must be farmed, not be used for solar farms or rewilding. Replace current subsidies with direct payments. Stop Natural England from taking action that damages farmers.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Demand the devolution of new borrowing powers to invest in a just transition.
A more inclusive and effective skills levy	Not mentioned.	A flexible Growth and Skills Levy.	Replace the apprenticeship levy with a broader and more flexible skills and training levy	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Levy applies to England only.	Levy applies to England only.	Levy applies to England only.
A brownfield first approach	Unblock 100,000 homes.	Will take a brownfield first approach and fast-track approval of urban brownfield sites.	Encourage development of existing brownfield sites with financial incentives and ensuring that affordable and social housing is included in these projects.	Not mentioned.	Fast-track new housing on brownfield sites and infrastructure projects to boost businesses, especially in coastal regeneration areas, Wales, the North, and the Midlands.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.	Not mentioned.
A 'one crisis' approach to climate and nature	Not mentioned.	Labour states that it will deliver for nature, taking action to meet the Environment Act targets.	Pass a Clean Air Act, based on World Health Organization guidelines, enforced by a new Air Quality Agency.	Introduce a new Rights of Nature Act, giving rights to nature itself.  End the scandal of sewage pouring into our rivers and seas by taking the water companies back into public ownership. Extend people's access to green space and waterways close to where they live with a new English Right to Roam Act. Set aside 30% of our land and seas by 2030 in which nature will receive the highest priority and protection  A new Clean Air (Human Rights) Act, giving everyone the right to breathe clean air.	Scrap net zero and related subsidies.	Recognise the climate and nature emergency and think beyond economic growth in terms of GDP. Plaid Cymru will call on the next UK Government to consider adopting alternative ways of measuring the economy.	The Welsh Labour Government will continue to tackle the climate and nature emergencies together.	Not mentioned.

<p>A new national transport strategy</p>	<p>Net National Strategy Not mentioned.</p> <p>£36 billion of HS2 savings to be used for other projects, including £4.7m for the North and Midlands, £8.3m for potholes and resurfacing, £8.55 for city regions, Northern Powerhouse Rail, and Midlands Rail.</p> <p>The introduction of a Backing Drivers Bill that will reverse the ULEZ expansion, ban pay per mile road pricing and rule out "top down blanket" LTNs and 20mph zones.</p> <p>Work with Active Travel England to make walking and cycling safer.</p>	<p>The development of a long-term strategy for transport, ensuring transport infrastructure can be delivered efficiently and on time.</p>	<p>New National Strategy Not mentioned.</p> <p>Rapid rollout of more charging points, restoring the 2030 zero-emission vehicle requirement and upgrading National Grid.</p> <p>Significant extension of the electrification of the rail network, delivering Northern Powerhouse Rail, reviewing the cancellation of HS2, implementing light rail schemes.</p> <p>Creation of new cycling and walking networks with a new nationwide active travel strategy, more roads budget to local councils for maintenance.</p> <p>Greater devolution of decision-making powers and resources to LAs in England to design public transport infrastructure around community needs.</p> <p>Moratorium on net airport expansion.</p>	<p>Reimagine how we use streets in residential areas to reduce traffic and open them up for community use.</p> <p>Adopting Active Travel England's objective of 50% of trips in England's towns and cities to be walked, wheeled or cycled by 2030.</p>	<p>Accelerate Transport Infrastructure.</p>	<p>Secure the £4bn owed to Wales from HS2 to invest in improving own public transport in all parts of the country and reverse cuts to local bus services.</p>	<p>Outlined in a modern transport network.</p>	<p>Promote a fair and affordable transition to zero-emission transport fuels.</p>
<p>An integrated energy system plan</p>	<p>Remain committed to delivering net zero by 2050.</p> <p>Annual licensing rounds for oil and gas production</p> <p>Back up renewables and prevent the prospect of blackouts with new gas power stations</p> <p>Treble our offshore wind capacity</p> <p>Approve Great British Nuclear</p>	<p>Will shape markets, and use public investment to crowd in private funding. A Green Prosperity Plan, in partnership with business through our National Wealth Fund, investment will be made in the industries of the future.</p>	<p>The removal of restrictions on new solar and wind power.</p> <p>Support for investment and innovation in tidal and wave power in particular.</p> <p>Investment in energy storage, including green hydrogen, pumped storage and battery capability.</p>	<p>Deliver a zero carbon electricity supply and security of supply over short and long periods of low generation, with sufficient electricity for all cars and vans to be electric, for all homes and buildings to stop using fossil fuels, and for most industry to transition to clean energy</p>	<p>Start fast-track licences of North Sea gas and oil. Grant shale gas licences on test sites for 2 years. Enable major production when safety is proven, with local compensation schemes.</p> <p>Fast-track clean nuclear energy with new Small Modular Reactors, built in Britain.</p> <p>Increase and incentivise ethical UK lithium mining for electric batteries, combined cycle gas turbines, clean synthetic fuel, tidal power and explore clean coal mining.</p>	<p>Expand community owned renewable energy generation across Wales, and a greater role for Ynni Cymru.</p>	<p>Will shape markets, and use public investment to crowd in private funding. At the heart of the approach will be the Green Prosperity Plan where, in partnership with business through the National Wealth Fund, they will invest in the industries of the future.</p>	<p>Demand the devolution of powers over energy regulation, pricing and production to ensure that our natural energy resources are used to best serve the needs of the Scottish people.</p>
<p>A value-based approach to procurement</p>	<p>Deliver our new Integrated Procurement Model, making defence procurement faster, smarter and more joined up, boost private sector investment and transform innovation</p>	<p>Simplification of the procurement processes to support innovation and reduce micromanagement with a mission-driven approach.</p>	<p>Expansion of the market for climate-friendly products and services with steadily higher criteria in public procurement policy.</p>	<p>Not mentioned.</p>	<p>ensure better value procurement without touching frontline service</p>	<p>Use procurement policy to shorten supply chains, cut food miles and create local jobs.</p>	<p>Procurement and trade policy be aligned with industrial strategy priorities.</p>	<p>Not mentioned.</p>
<p>An Industry Skills Action Plan for Net Zero and Nature recovery</p>	<p>Not mentioned.</p>	<p>Not mentioned.</p>	<p>Investment in education and training to equip people with the skills needed for the low-carbon economy of the future.</p>	<p>Not mentioned.</p>	<p>Not mentioned.</p>	<p>Re-skilling and supporting Welsh employees and apprentices into net zero and green energy.</p>	<p>A new Net Zero Skills Action Plan.</p>	<p>Not mentioned.</p>
<p>An integrated approach to regional development</p>	<p>By 2030, every part of England that wants a devolution deal will have one.</p>	<p>A ten-year infrastructure strategy, aligned with the industrial strategy and regional development priorities.</p>	<p>Launching an ambitious An industrial strategy that incentivises businesses to invest and create good jobs across the UK.</p> <p>Support for local and regional economic partnerships to coordinate development projects and boost growth in their areas.</p> <p>Working with the devolved administrations to develop joint policies and partnerships to boost growth across the whole UK.</p>	<p>Not mentioned.</p>	<p>Not mentioned.</p>	<p>Yes - from Welsh national perspective</p>	<p>Yes - from a Welsh National perspective.</p>	<p>Yes - from Scottish perspective.</p>
<p>Funding and crowding in private capital investment</p>	<p>Attract inward investment and strengthen the resilience of the most vulnerable to climate change, nature loss and environmental degradation.</p>	<p>Will use public investment to crowd in private funding.</p>	<p>Increase investment in green infrastructure, including renewable energy and zero-carbon transport, industry and housing, and give a clearer zero-carbon remit to the UK Infrastructure Bank.</p>	<p>The Bank of England should adopt a policy of credit guidance that will direct lending towards a just and urgent sustainability transition.</p>	<p>Launch a new model that brings 50% of each utility into public ownership. The other 50% would be owned by UK pension funds, benefiting from new expertise and better management.</p>	<p>Reform the Development of the Bank of Wales. Our aim will be for the bank to take and profit from greater equity shares in emerging businesses and invest in infrastructure projects, functioning more like a real national development bank</p>	<p>Strategically use public investment where it can unlock additional private sector investment, create jobs, and provide a return for taxpayers.</p>	<p>The SNP is calling on the UK Government to scrap their fiscal rules and introduce new ones to allow greater investment in renewing infrastructure and services.</p>