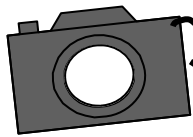




Now that summer is over and the leaves are falling we thought we would provide you with the latest update on the Ebbw Valley Railway Project. With the opening of the line drawing closer a number of the stations have advanced significantly. See this issues photos for the latest in progress. Also in this edition we provide our quick-guide to some of the activities that will become more accessible with the opening of the line. We round off the autumn issue of the newsletter with some facts and figures on the scheme.



Progress Photos



New subway at Risca Station



Footbridge being installed at Ebbw Vale Parkway



Ebbw Vale Parkway platform construction & new track



Platform construction, Rogerstone Station

Places to visit, Things to do...

The re-opening of the Ebbw Valley Railway Line will improve travel throughout the valley. As well as providing access to more jobs and making visiting friends and family easier there will be plenty of new leisure opportunities. Here's our quick guide to just some of the things to do when the line re-opens.

Llanhilleth.

Enjoy the new business, sports and adult learning facilities that are being developed as part of the Llanhilleth Area Regeneration Scheme.

Also visit the newly redeveloped Llanhilleth Institute.

Ebbw Vale Parkway.

Why not go shopping at nearby Festival Park, or visit the Owl Sanctuary.

www.festivalshopping.co.uk/

www.theowlsanctuary.co.uk/



Crosskeys.

Coleg Gwent Crosskeys campus offers a wide range of studying and learning opportunities.

www.colegwent.ac.uk/

Explore the scenery at nearby Cwmcarn Forest Drive a short bike ride from the station.



Newbridge.

Check out the events and shows at the Newbridge Memo Arts Centre.

www.newbridgememo.com/



Risca & Pontymister.

Take a walk along the Monmouthshire Brecon Canal or simply enjoy a meal or a few drinks in one of the many local pubs.

The station also provides great access to a range of local shops and services.



Rogerstone.

Relax and enjoy a visit to the Fourteen Locks Canal Centre, part of the Monmouthshire & Brecon Canal.

Or catch the bus to Newport for some shopping, enjoy a trip to the theatre or enjoy the many other leisure facilities on offer.

Cardiff.

Why not spend the day in Cardiff? Do a spot of shopping, watch a sports fixture, visit the museums and restaurants, take in a show, or maybe visit the Castle or Bay?

www.millenniumstadium.com/

www.wmc.org.uk/

www.visitcardiff.com/



Key to symbols:









Rugby Club



Scenic walks near station

FASCINATING FACTS!- THE EBBW VALLEY RAILWAY PROJECT IN FACTS AND FIGURES

-  There will be 6 stations, with a total of 8 platforms, each 97m long, apart from Ebbw Vale Parkway where it is 100m long!
-  Before the line opens over 35,000 metres of fencing will be erected or repaired.
-  As part of the scheme 382 parking spaces will be provided across the station sites including 28 designated for disabled parking.
-  21,000 metres of new rail has been installed and 30,000 tonnes of ballast delivered.
-  The scheme covers 29km/18 route miles of railway.
-  There will be a total of 24 cycle lockers and 4 Sheffield stands provided at the station sites.

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