

Standing up against poverty and disadvantage.

Who we are

The Bevan Foundation is Wales' most exciting and innovative thinktank.

We're a registered charity, independent of government or any political party, and would not exist without our generous supporters.

What we do

We stand up for the poorest and most disadvantaged people in Wales. We develop new, practical ideas to make Wales fair, prosperous and sustainable, working with others to improve people's lives on the ground. Our work:

- > generates unique insights into the challenges people face;
- > develops innovative and practical solutions;
- > changes what governments, public bodies, businesses and people themselves do.

Help us to stand up for fairness and equality!



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Without the support of hundreds of individuals we simply wouldn't exist!

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Fund a project

We welcome commissions or grants for specific projects. We offer:

- > significant expertise
- > delivery on time and to budget
- > big impact.

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What we did

We delivered four major projects on vital issues facing Wales.



Prosperity without Poverty

We produced a blueprint to solve poverty in Wales, in partnership with the Joseph Rowntree Foundation.



The real Living Wage

We generated practical strategies to increase uptake of the voluntary Living Wage in Wales, Cardiff Capital Region and Merthyr Tydfil.



Wales after Brexit

We set the agenda for a fair exit of Wales from the EU, based on fairness and sustainability.



Growth Sectors

We shared experiences on how growth sectors could cut poverty, working with the Universities of Warwick, Coventry and LSE.

And we also....

- > Put forward an alternative agenda for education – ‘after PISA’
- > Looked at how Attendance Allowance could be devolved
- > Considered the ‘future of doing good’.

And we completed....

- > Our proposals for new devolved taxes
- > Our recommendations on how housing benefit and benefits for young people should be devolved.



Accessible output

8 major reports

10 consultation responses and think pieces

43 online articles



Significant reach

65,000 website hits per year

7,000 Twitter followers

1,500 Facebook likes



Powerful influence

Keynote speeches to **500** professionals

Expert evidence to National Assembly inquiries

National and Welsh media mentions at least monthly

The difference we made

We turned our ideas into action by working in partnership with and influencing others.

Increasing public understanding

- › Coverage on BBC UK news, the Guardian and Times, and in UK specialist press.
- › Regular mentions on BBC Wales radio and TV, ITV Wales, Western Mail and Walesonline and local press and radio.
- › Reports and briefings used as learning resources in further and higher education.

Influencing others

- › Increased the profile of poverty in the work of the Cardiff Capital Region Commission on Growth and Competitiveness.
- › Advised the City and County of Swansea's scrutiny of poverty.
- › Shared ideas with organisations such as Community Housing Cymru, Centre for Regeneration Excellence, Public Policy Institute for Wales, Cardiff University and the Industrial Communities Alliance.

Strengthening Democracy

- › Shaped the agendas of the Assembly's Equality, Local Government & Communities and Economy, Infrastructure & Skills Committees.
- › Informed Assembly Committee inquiries into Brexit, the Living Wage, poverty, primary care clusters and the Welsh Government's budget.
- › Contributed to the House of Lords Select Committee on the Constitution and EU Committee.
- › Briefed senior politicians from several political parties.
- › Mentioned in Assembly plenary debates almost every week by politicians from all parties.

Shaping Government Policies

- › Our call for 'prosperity without poverty' featured in the new Welsh Government's Programme for Government.
- › Our proposals for new taxes are being taken forward by the Welsh Government.
- › Payment of the voluntary Living Wage is now a requirement in public procurement.
- › Welsh Government economic strategy will include low-paid sectors
- › The Valleys Taskforce has adopted our call for 'growth hubs'.
- › We set the terms of debate after Brexit, informing the Welsh Government – Plaid Cymru White Paper.
- › The Welsh Government's decision on Communities First quoted the Bevan Foundation's recommendations.

Future plans

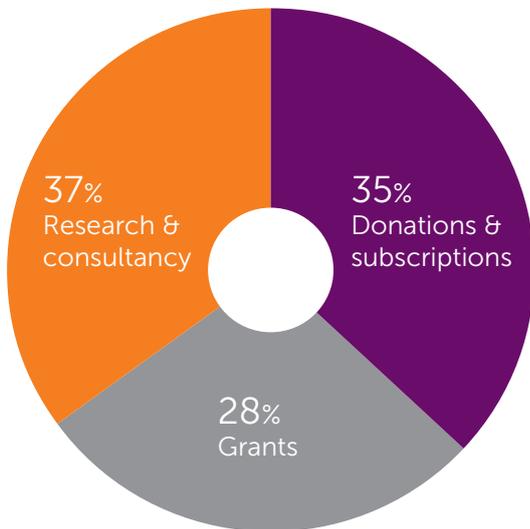
In 2017/18 and beyond we will continue to stand up for the least well-off and argue for practical, evidenced ways to make Wales fair, prosperous and sustainable. Specifically we will:

- ✓ Develop proposals to radically improve the opportunities available for young people who do not achieve 5 GCSEs at grades A*-C;
- ✓ Set the agenda for Wales after Brexit in specific areas of public policy e.g. economic policy, regional funding, public services and housing and construction;
- ✓ Complete work on growth sectors and on the 'future of doing good'.

Essential information

Registered charity no. 1104191
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Income £127,900



Thank you to the following funders who contributed more than £5,000 to our work in 2016/17

- > Joseph Rowntree Foundation (£32,500)
- > University of Warwick (£22,800)

Thank you also to our generous donors.

Expenditure £153,552



£25,625

planned deficit

£14,482
received in
2015/16 towards
work on the
Living Wage

£11,170
from reserves
to support
development

Our people

Our staff in 2016/17 were:

Dr Victoria Winckler Director
Nisreen Mansour Policy & Research Officer
Rachael Simmonds Finance Officer
Sharon Hill Office Manager

Our board included senior figures from local government, charities, housing, education, law and business:

Vivienne Sugar Chair
Cerys Furlong Vice Chair
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