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#### Welcome to TAI 2024 Croeso i TAI 2024

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## Keynote: Ministerial Address Araith Gyweirnod: Anerchiad y Gweinidog

Julie James MS, Cabinet Secretary for Housing, Local Government and Planning, Welsh Government

Chair: Matthew Dicks, National Director, Chartered Institute of Housing Cymru







### Keynote: Economy & Housing

**Araith Gyweirnod: Yr economi a thai** 

Emily Williams, Director – Residential Research, Savills

Chair: Gavin Smart, Chief Executive, Chartered Institute of Housing









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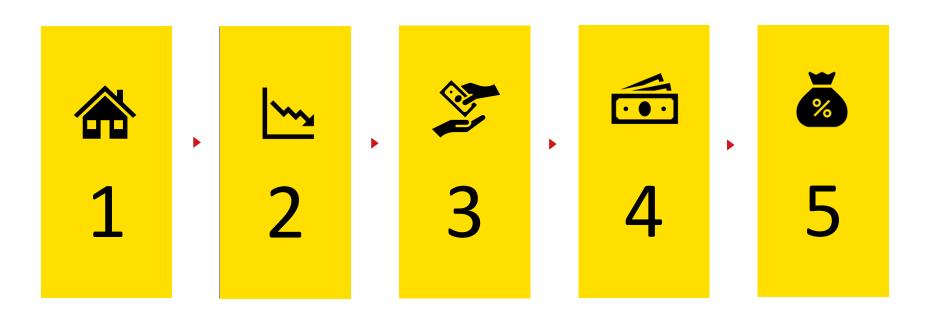
## Housing and the Economy

**Emily Williams** 

#### The story of 2023



Housing Market Overview in numbers



Source: Nationwide, ONS, BoE



#### **Economic Outlook**

#### **Economic drivers**



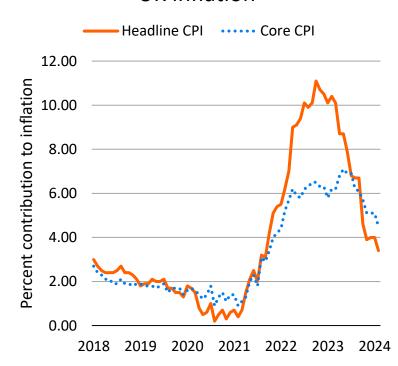


GDP -0.1% in the three months to January 2024

Though moderating wage growth remains at +5.5%

Inflationary risks remain given geopolitical uncertainties

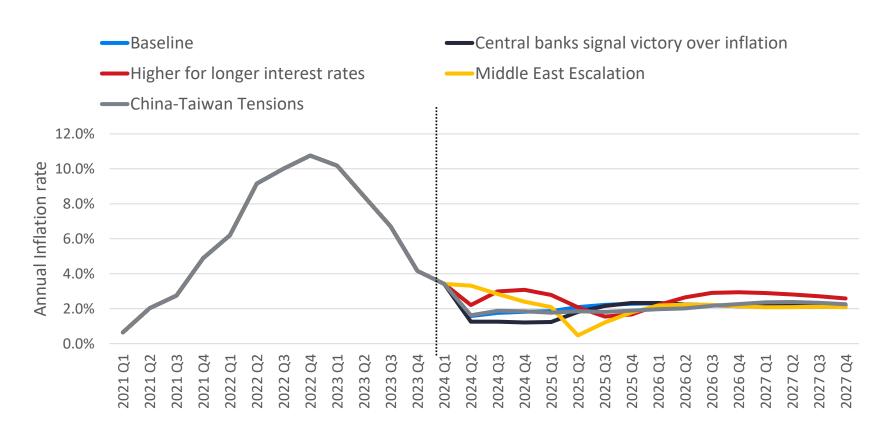
#### **UK** inflation



Source: ONS

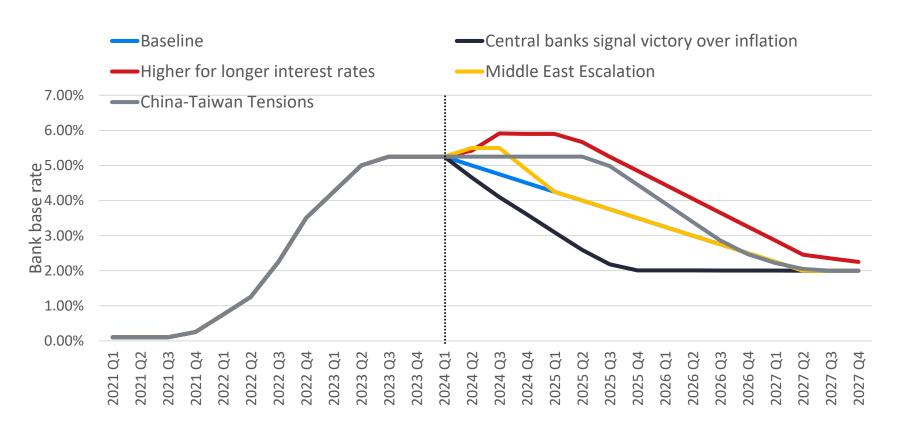
#### Projected path for inflation





#### Projected path for base rates



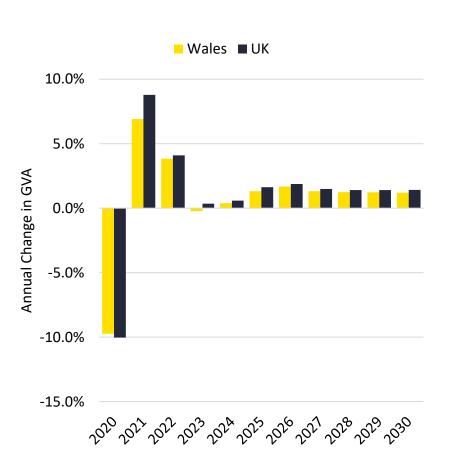


#### Increased economic stability but limited growth





Average unemployment rate 2024-2030



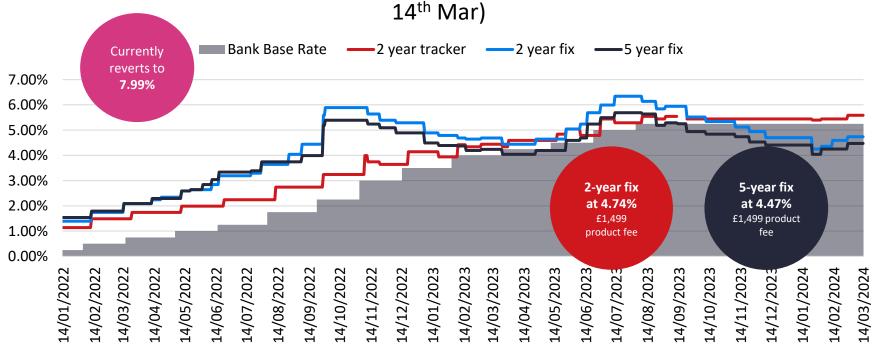


#### Sales and Rental Market

#### The changing cost of mortgage debt

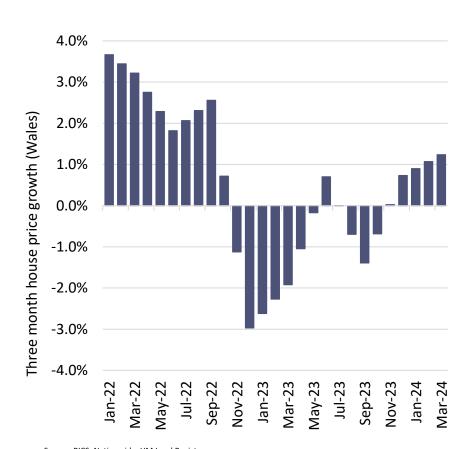


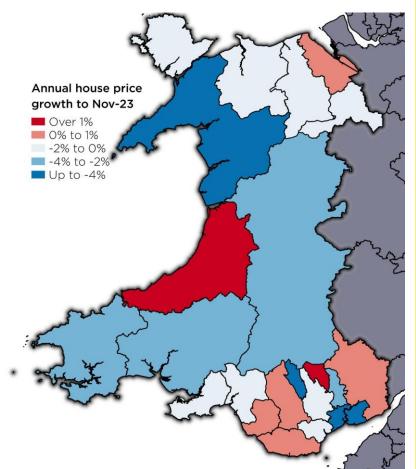




#### Surprisingly strong sales market







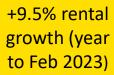
#### November 2023 market forecasts



|                  | 2024  | 2025  | 2026  | 2027  | 2028  | Total  |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| UK mainstream    | -3.0% | +3.5% | +5.0% | +6.5% | +5.0% | +17.9% |
| Wales mainstream | -2.0% | +4.5% | +5.5% | +7.0% | +5.0% | +21.4% |
| UK Transactions  | 1.04m | 1.13m | 1.16m | 1.16m | 1.16m |        |

#### Reaching affordability limits in the rental market



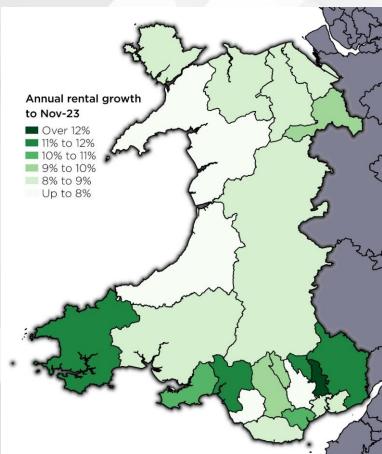


+36% rental growth since April 2020

Average renter spends 34% of income on housing

LHA increasing by 17%...

...but will only cover 5.5% of new listings

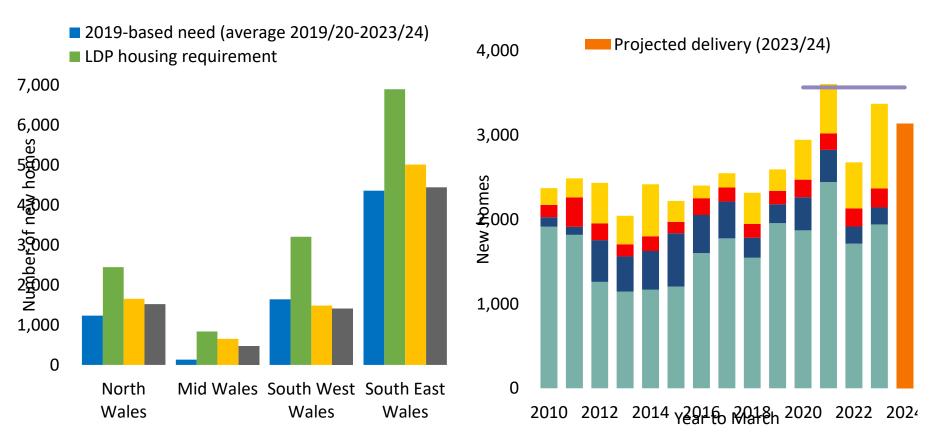




### Development and Land

#### Mixed picture for housing delivery

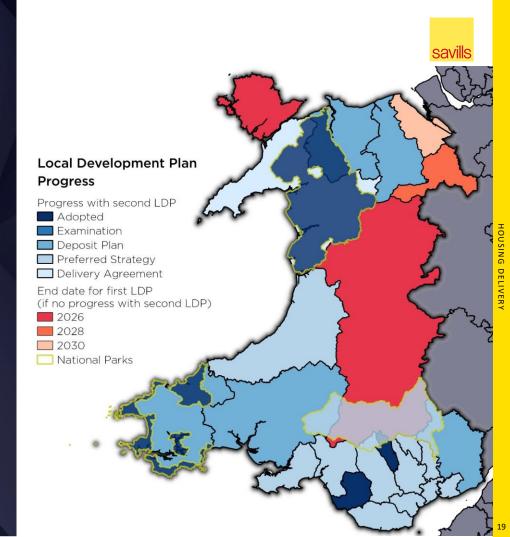




#### Local Development Plans

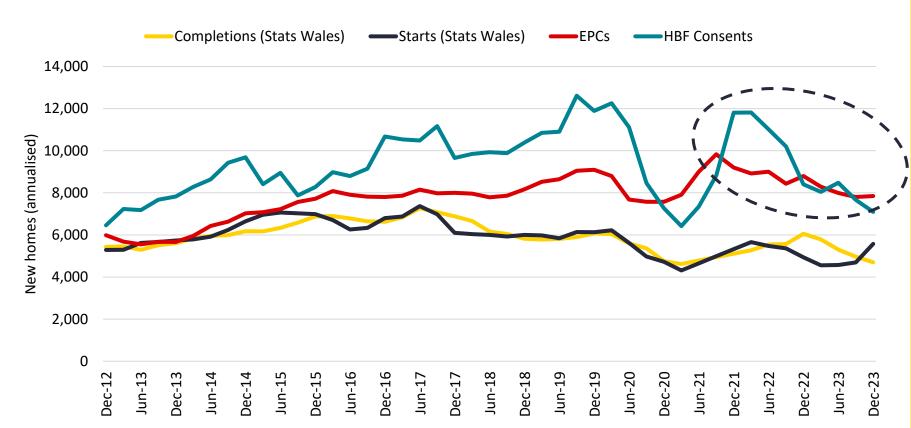
 All Local Planning Authorities have now adopted their first LDP

 Two second LDPs now in place (Bridgend and Merthyr Tydfil)



#### Challenges for the future pipeline





#### **Balancing** existing stock and development



+7.9%

2023 starts v 5 year average

Housing associations across the UK to cut housebuilding by 20%, new study finds

#### The Welsh Housing Quality Standard 2023

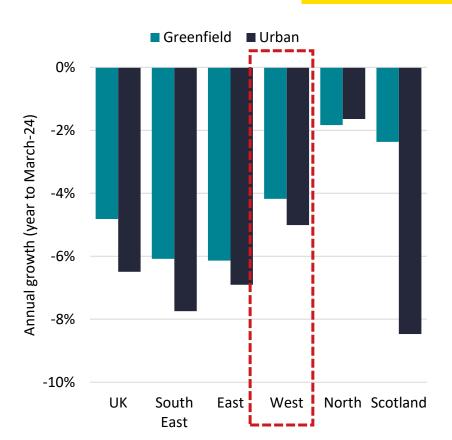
Maintaining and improving social housing in Wales

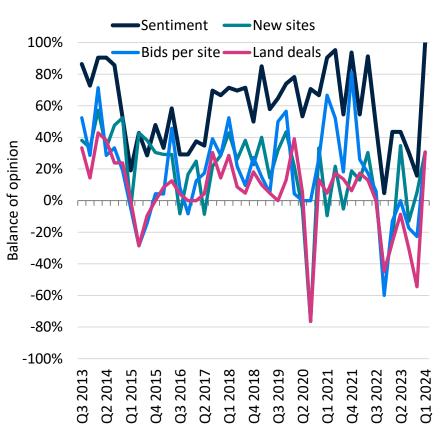
#### **HA priorities**

- 1. Existing stock
- Land-led grant-funded development
- 3. Developer contributions with grant funding
- 4. Developer contributions nil grant

#### Land values fallen but sentiment improving







Greater stability in the economic outlook brings confidence to the market



Affordability continues to be a major challenge, particularly in the rental market



Lead indicators suggest major challenges ahead in the development pipeline





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#### Open-mic

Are current housing management models meeting the needs of tenants?

Sesiwn meic agored

A yw modelau rheoli tai presennol yn diwallu anghenion tenantiaid?

Facilitator: Jason Wroe, Chief Executive, Newyddd Housing Association and Board Member, Chartered Institute of Housing Cymru







#### **Breakout One**

The White Paper: Can we afford not to implement a right to adequate housing?

#### Sesiwn Un

Y papur gwyn: A allwn ni fforddio peidio â gweithredu hawl i gartref digonol?

Mabon ap Gwynfor, spokesperson for housing and planning, Plaid Cymru – speaking in Welsh

Ruth Power, Chief Executive Officer, Shelter Cymru

Tim Thomas, Policy and Campaigns Officer, Property Mark

Paula Kennedy, Chief Executive, Melin Homes

Chair: Victoria Hiscocks, Head of Research and Development, Pobl Group and board member, Chartered
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The white paper: Can we afford not to implement a right to adequate housing?

TIM THOMAS

POLICY AND CAMPAIGNS OFFICER

#### WHAT DO WE NEED TO MAKE ADEQUATE HOUSING WORK IN WALES?

- Defined policy framework
- Improved local authority resources
- Better data
- Learning from others

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#### **AGENT'S VIEW – FAIR RENTS AND THE RIGHT TO ADEQUATE HOUSING**



- 95% SAID IT WOULD LEAD TO A DECREASE IN THE SUPPLY OF RENTAL PROPERTIES.
- 78% OF LETTING AGENTS REPORTED LOW LEVELS OF AWARENESS AMONG LANDLORDS REGARDING THE PROPOSED CHANGES
- 89% THINK THERE WOULD BE NO BENEFIT TO THE PRS

# Can we afford not to implement a right to adequate housing?

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## Closing Firseside Chat: The Merthry Mermaid

Sgwrs wrth ymyl tân i gloi: The Merthyr Mermaid

Cath Pendleton, open water and ice swimmer and Guinness World
Record Holder

Chair – Paul Diggory, Board Member, Chartered Institute of Housing Cymru







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BBC One - The Merthyr Mermaid, Cath Pendleton is the Merthyr Mermaid















# TAI 2024 Conference Gala Dinner Cinio gala cynhadledd TAI 2024







#### **Jonathan Morris**

Chair

Chartered Institute of Housing Cymru







### Elly Hoult

Vice-President
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