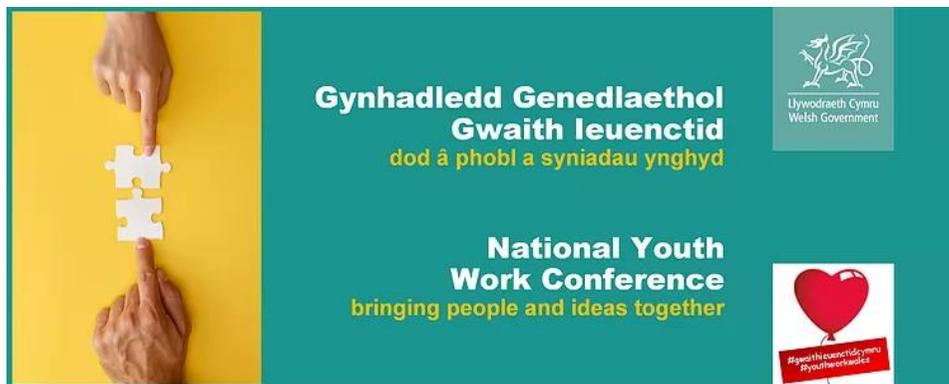


Time to Deliver for Young People in Wales



14 October 2021

Keynote speakers for the National Youth Work Conference 2021 will include:

Jeremy Miles MS, Minister for Education and Welsh Language
Keith Towler, Chair, Interim Youth Work Board for Wales

Outline content: 1-hour sessions (x 7)

	Title	Description for publication on programme	Workshop Lead(s)
1	Do we Scrap Digital?	Do we Scrap Digital? Is an interactive session that focuses on provoking conversations about the 'either/or' issue of digital versus 'in person' approaches.	Marco Gil-Cervantes , Chief Executive, ProMo Cymru Peter Williams , Youth Worker in Charge - Inspire2Achieve / Inspire2Work Project, Vale of Glamorgan Council
2	Quality Mark for Youth Work in Wales	This session aims to increase awareness and engagement in the Quality Mark assessment process. The Quality Mark for Youth Work in Wales is a unique tool for self-assessment, planning improvement and gaining a Mark of Excellence for youth work.	Andrew Borsden MBE , Youth Work Quality Mark Development Officer, Education Workforce Council

3	Welsh Language and Youth Work	This session provides practical advice and guidance on offering bilingual and Welsh medium youth work and other youth engagement services. It explores examples of good practice and common challenges with regard to the offer of Welsh medium youth work provision, and will encourage sharing knowledge and solutions amongst attendees.	<p>Paul O'Neill, Senior Manager, Caerphilly Borough Council</p> <p>Angharad Wyn Jones, South Wales Community Manager, Urdd Gobaith Cymru</p> <p>Gethin Jones, Corporate Manager Support and Prevention Service, Ceredigion County Council</p>
4	Time To Deliver	Panel discussion and Q&A session relating issues covered by the Interim Youth Work Board's final report: <i>Time to deliver for young people in Wales: achieving a sustainable delivery model for youth work services in Wales</i> . The panel will comprise members of the Interim Youth Work Board and the Young Person's Committee, chaired by Keith Towler.	The panel will comprise members of the Interim Youth Work Board and the Young Person's Committee, chaired by Keith Towler.
5	Making an impact – the sector's response to the Covid-19 pandemic	What can we learn from the response of organisations across the youth work sector to the Covid-19 pandemic? This session explores best practice, highlighting innovation and positive developments that have arisen from the challenges of last 18 months.	<p>Rachel Simmonds, best practice presenter from Conwy County Borough Council</p> <p>Chris Powles, best practice presenter from Pembrokeshire County Council</p> <p>Dayle Luce, best practice presenter from Cardiff Youth Service</p> <p>Catrin James, best practice presenter from Urdd Gobaith Cymru</p> <p>Richard Flowerdew, best practice presenter from Scouts Cymru</p> <p>David Williams, facilitator, from Torfaen County Borough Council</p>
6	Wind in our Back?	Dr Howard Williamson considers the emergence of a European Youth Work Agenda, identifying the critical factors affecting youth workers in Wales. This session will be followed by Q&A.	Dr Howard Williamson , Professor of European Youth Policy, University of South Wales

7	The Climate Crisis and the Youth Sector	Climate Change is a big concern for our young people and with COP26 fast approaching, this is the perfect time to make sure their voices are heard. In this session, Climate Cymru will give a brief introduction to climate change and COP26 and will share ideas about how young people can find out more, get involved and take action.	Susie Ventris Field , Chief Executive, WCIA
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Outline content: 30-minute sessions (x 8)

	Title	Description for publication on programme	Workshop Lead(s)
1	Youth Work Training and Development Opportunities	This session discusses youth work services training and development opportunities, including Higher Education and Further Education progression routes for youth workers, CPD and the Leadership and Management programme.	<p>Louise Cook, BA (Hons) & Foundation Certificate Programme Director, Dept of Youth and Community, School of Education and Social Policy, Cardiff Metropolitan University</p> <p>Steve Drowley, Chair ETS Cymru Wales and member of the WDPG</p> <p>Rachel Burton, Manager, Youth, Community and Play Work, Adult Learning Wales</p> <p>Elizabeth Rose, WLGA</p>
2	Introduction to Educators Wales	This session provides an overview of Educators Wales and what its website and services offer the education sector. An interactive workshop and Q&A will focus on identifying what support the Youth Work sector needs to promote its opportunities.	<p>Charlotte Bovingdon, Recruitment & Support Officer for the Promotion of Careers Team</p> <p>Lydia Davies, Executive Officer (EO) – Promotion of Careers and Initial teacher education (ITE) accreditation</p>
3	Depression and anxiety in young people: Lessons from research	This session includes a review of the latest evidence on mental health in young people focusing on anxiety and depression - including how common mental health difficulties are, how to recognise them, potential causes	<p>Professor Frances Rice Wolfson Centre for Young People’s Mental Health Cardiff University</p>

	and implications for practice.	and the impact of the pandemic. It will also highlight useful practical resources.	
4	Youth work services and the media	How does the media cover stories about young people? Are their voices heard, or are they painted in a bad light? In this session, Rachel Flint at BBC Wales talks about covering youth stories, and gives tips on how to support and prepare young people facing the media.	Rachel Flint , Senior Broadcast Journalist BBC Wales
5	International Learning Exchange Programme (ILEP) for Schools and Youth - an update	This session offers an opportunity to learn more about ILEP and to contribute to the development of the programme content for the Youth Sector. The development of the ILEP is currently at consultation phase with the first call for applications to open in February 2022.	Emily Daly , ILEP Policy Development Manager, ILEP Ltd / Cardiff University Eevi Laukkanen , Business Manager, International & Europe, Cardiff University
6	Beyond Wavehill: impact measurement in youth work (who determines success?)	This session will offer a provocation to <i>begin</i> the conversation around impact measurement and how the sector can influence national frameworks and local systems. It will include consideration of the sector's response if young people refused and/or resisted impact measurement options, if the intended outcomes did not align with their needs.	Dan Townsend , Youth Work Manager, Youth Cymru Matt Parry , Youth Worker, Researcher and Coordinator, Youth Cymru
7	Science Busking, Cardiff Science Festival	This session provides information about Cardiff Science Festival (19 - 22 February 2022). It focuses on a project to train people as Science Buskers, explaining and demonstrating what Science Busking is and how the youth work sector and others can get involved.	Dr Lisa Whittaker , Community Partnership Manager at Cardiff Science Festival David Price , Performer, Trainer and King of Busking at Science Made Simple
8	Young people and Homelessness	This session explores issues around youth homelessness, focusing on the End Youth Homelessness Campaign, the Roadmap to ending Youth Homelessness in Wales, and Youth Support Grant-funded activity in Pembrokeshire.	Bill Rowlands , End Youth Homelessness Cymru Project Manager David Walker , Youth Support Team Manager - Pembrokeshire Youth

