

4. The Youth Work Sector

Developments in the Youth work sector in 2006-2007

Key to the developments within the youth work sector has been building relationships between ESDGC and YALO. The lead person nominated from YALO (Action 4.1.3) is Courtney Taylor, who has been working closely with Cyfanfyd to deliver priority actions and has also taken forward the actions relating to YALO. Courtney has now moved into the ESDGC local authority coordinator role for strategy and youth for a twelve month period.

Youth Work curriculum Statement (Action 4.1.1)

The youth work curriculum statement has been updated and references to ESDGC have been included.

YPP audit (Action 4.1.2)

All local authorities were contacted regarding ESDGC within their young people's partnership programmes. The results of this audit have influenced the development of training listed below.

Common understanding for the sector (Action 4.3.1)

Cyfanfyd are bringing together a group of representatives from the sector to begin the process of developing a common understanding for the sector. This work will then develop into a tender being offered to take forward the recommendations of the group.

Global Youth work (Action 4.4.1, 4.4.3, 4.4.7,)

Cyfanfyd are continuing their global youth work network with support from the panel for this year. Regular updates, meetings and information are distributed.



Communication for ESDGC (Action 4.2.6)

The resources held at the YALO library have been updated to include resources relating to ESDGC. These are now available to all interested staff. Relevant ESDGC information is also included within the twice yearly mailing via Staff College, to all participants in youth work training.

Estyn Survey (Action 4.1.5)

Estyn have been remitted to carry out a baseline survey for ESDGC within the youth work and adult and continuing education sectors. This report will be available by March 2008. The report will influence further developments in each sector.

Training (Action 4.5.1, 4.2.4, 4.2.5,)

A contract has been let to Cyfanfyd who will liaise with the YMCA Community College, which has been appointed by the Assembly to manage training to local authorities within this area and it is their role to ensure the overall quality of delivery of this work. Cyfanfyd will set up structures in order for the College to deliver this objective and delivery is ultimately their responsibility.