

CYPE(5)-20-19- Paper to note 1

Children, Young People and Education Committee,
National Assembly for Wales,
Cardiff Bay

14 June 2019

INVITATION FROM THE WELSH YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Dear Chair,

In February, the Welsh Youth Parliament held its first ever sitting in the Senedd Chamber where Welsh Youth Parliament Members debated eighteen different topics which had been identified as important to young people across Wales. After the debate, Welsh Youth Parliament Members were given a chance to vote for the three issues they wanted the Welsh Youth Parliament to focus on during the next two years, and the following were selected -

1. Emotional and Mental Health Support
2. Littering and Plastic Waste
3. Life Skills in the Curriculum

Having chosen the top 3 priority issues the WYPMs have decided that they should break into issue committees. A key part of each committee's work is to consult with other young people, relevant organisations, youth groups and staff to help each committee understand the issues in greater detail, and help inform the WYPs key recommendations. The WYP will be holding engagement events over the course of the 2 year term; the first set will be in July 2019 and their focus will be life skills in the curriculum, where we hope to hear directly from education professionals and young people. We are aiming to publish a report with findings and recommendations in October 2019, which we hope will feed into the development of the new curriculum.



The Welsh Youth Parliament is aware that the Committee has undertaken work to monitor the development of the new curriculum. As members of the Life Skills in the Curriculum Committee we would like to invite you or a representative of the Committee to attend these events to provide WYPMs, and the other young people and education professionals in attendance with an update on the Committee's work in this issue. This will be an opportunity for you as Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee to outline the work the committee has undertaken to monitor the development of the curriculum to date. This will be a Q & A panel discussion with members of the WYP. We will also be inviting Kirsty Williams, Minister for Education to take part in the panel discussion.

All Committee Members are welcome to attend these events (details below).

Date and Time	Location
Monday 8 July 2019 10:00-14:30 Lunch @ 12:30 -13:30	Liberty Stadium, Swansea
Friday 12 July 2019 10:00-14:30 Lunch @ 12:30 -13:30	Glyndwr University, Wrexham

The timings for the Panel discussion are as follows:

Time	Activity
10:30-11:15	Panel discussion and Q&A with Welsh Youth Parliament Members to discuss the work they are doing on Life Skills. This will be an opportunity for you as Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee to outline the work the committee has undertaken to monitor the development of the curriculum to date (5 minutes)

If you are interested in attending, can you please confirm your attendance to hello@youthparliament.wales.

Best wishes,

Life Skills in the Curriculum Committee Members

Welsh Youth Parliament

