

EDUCATION, YOUNG PEOPLE AND THE WELSH LANGUAGE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

17/05/2024

Update on the Work of the Carmarthenshire Youth Council

Purpose:

To receive an update on the work of the Carmarthenshire Youth Council in accordance with the four main areas of representation pertaining to:

- Education
- Universal
- Special Interest
- Welsh Youth Parliament

Recommendations / key decisions required:

To consider receiving the report and providing commentary.

Reasons:

To allow members to exercise their scrutiny role in relation to the report.

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:-

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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Carmarthenshire Youth Council Report

1. BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT.

The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 (Annex B) states that Local Authorities have a duty to support a County Youth Forum/Council as a representative body of young people to act as a channel for young people's views across their local authority and represent those views to local and national decision-making bodies.

We are delighted therefore, that in its 20th anniversary year, this report has been called for which provides us with the opportunity to highlight some notable successes, engagements, landmarks and campaigns of Carmarthenshire Youth Council over a number of years.

This report demonstrates and highlights the impact and importance of young people's involvement in decision making and decision-making processes locally, nationally and further afield.

Most recent developments of particular significance include:

Never Silence the Violence

A domestic abuse project developed by the Youth Council to create and produce a docudrama explaining the process after disclosing domestic abuse from a young person's perspective.

Period Poverty Sir Gar

An initiative developed by CYC as a result of the Make your Mark consultation which influenced the development of the WG Period Dignity project.

Our Voice Project

A current campaign which replaces Make your Mark at a local level with young people at the heart of the project designing and delivering the consultation programme across Carmarthenshire. This provides us with intelligence about current issues affecting young people. The top issue becomes a priority for CYC to campaign around and to develop work streams for the upcoming year.

These workstreams, as well as many other achievements are detailed within the main report submitted on the work of the Youth Council.

2. OTHER OPTIONS AVAILABLE AND THEIR PROS AND CONS

N/A

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: *J. Aeron Rees*

Head of Strategy and Learner Support

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets	Bio-diversity & Climate Change
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED
YES

Include any observations here

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THERE ARE NONE