



Information Bulletin

June 2008

Dear Friends,

Some information that might be of interest!:

ALL WALES CHILD PROTECTION PROCEDURES 2008

We have now received a guide highlighting the changes and additions to the All Wales Child Protection Procedures 2002 i.e. all that's new in the 2008 edition. A number of organisations expressed an interest in receiving information on the main changes and addition to the revised edition, during the Conference of the Gwynedd Children and Families Forum back in April. A copy of this document can be found on Mantell Gwynedd's Website, listed under **'Documents'** on the **'Children and Young People's Partnership'** page in the **'Partnership'** section of **'Mantell's Work'**. You can type the following link into your browser to reach the relevant page:

<http://www.mantellgwynedd.com/eng/gwacynrhb.html>

ALSO PLEASE NOTE!

Those of you (Third Sector organisations only) who have not yet collected your copies of the All Wales Child Protection Procedures 2008 (operational since April 2008) will be expected to do so by the end of June 2008 at the latest. Every remaining copy left at our offices following this date will be returned to the Local Safeguarding Children's Board. **I urge you therefore please, to make every effort possible to collect your copy (which is absolutely FREE!) before time runs out!**



Dilys Williams of Incredible Years Wales receiving the first copy!

ESTYN'S REPORT ON GWYNEDD YOUTH SUPPORT SERVICES



Archygiaeth Ei Mawrhydi dros Addysg a Hyfforddiant yng Nghymru

Her Majesty's Inspectorate for Education and Training in Wales

You may all be well aware by now that Gwynedd were visited by Estyn in March 2008 to inspect the quality of youth support services in the county. **Estyn's aim is:** *'to raise standards and quality of education and training in Wales through inspection and advice, in support of the vision and strategic direction set out by the Welsh Assembly Government.'*

The whole process was lead by the Gwynedd Children and Young People's Partnership and a number of Third Sector organisations were involved in the preparation work as well being invited to the interviews that followed.

The final report has now been released and is available to download either from Estyn's website via the following link: http://www.estyn.gov.uk/inspection_reports/Gwynedd_mar_2008.pdf or from Mantell Gwynedd's website under **'Documents'** on the following page: <http://www.mantellgwynedd.com/eng/gwacynrhb.html>

GWYNEDD'S CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN 'OUR PLAN, YOUR PLAN'



The first draft version of the Children and Young People's Plan - '**Our Plan, Your Plan**' was presented to the Strategic Partnership and the Lead Planning and Development Group during a joint meeting in May. The purpose of the document is to highlight the priorities and intentions of the Children and Young people's Strategic Partnership for the next three years in order to promote the wellbeing of Gwynedd's children and young people. Partners present were given an

opportunity to discuss the content. A number of comments were raised which resulted in having to change some of the details included before releasing the document for public consultation. The amended version has now been published and it is hoped that relevant parties will have access to either a hard copy or an electronic one. A simpler version will also be available for children and young people (or anyone else who might appreciate a simpler version in that respect).

The **full plan** will be available to download from Mantell Gwynedd's website.

Please insert the following link into your browser for the relevant page:

<http://www.mantellgwynedd.com/eng/gwacynrhb.html>. The document can be found under the heading '**Documents**' at the bottom of this page.

Mantell Gwynedd in cooperation with the Children and Families Forum intend to respond to the document in question. The next full meeting of the Forum (which will be held on the **15th July** and not the 14th as initially arranged) will therefore be a consultation meeting. An invitation with further details should follow shortly.

Closing date for responding to the draft document is 31st July 2008.



PARTICIPATION & SAFEGUARDING PROTOCOL, GWYNEDD LSCB

The purpose of this document is to provide a simple and practical guide to safeguarding best practice in the organisation of participation activities. The protocol has been endorsed by Gwynedd's Local Safeguarding Children Board. To download a copy please follow this link to the bottom of the page - '**Document**' section: <http://www.mantellgwynedd.com/eng/gwacynrhb.html>.

Thank you,

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