



Memorandum of Understanding

Introduction

On 30 May 2014 at the Urdd Eisteddfod, the Urdd and ColegauCymru signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the aim of collaborating at a strategic level in order to provide formal and informal opportunities through the medium of Welsh for young people in Wales.

ColegauCymru

ColegauCymru / CollegesWales is the national organisation that represents all of the further education colleges and institutions in Wales.

ColegauCymru has already committed to work with colleges and other partners to deliver its National Strategy on Bilingualism in Further Education, widen opportunities for learners to study through the medium of Welsh or bilingually within colleges that have a clear Welsh ethos and identity.

The Urdd

The Urdd is a national organisation that provides services and activities at local, regional and national levels for its members – who are aged between 8 and 25 years, including the opportunity to participate in community activities, the Eisteddfod, sporting events, and social and cultural development.

One of the recommendations of the Urdd Eisteddfod Working Group's report, which was published in December 2013, was the need to develop ideas and competitions in vocational areas and to work with the further education sector.

The Memorandum of Understanding

The two organisations wish to build on their individual successes and work together to achieve the following objectives:

- Consider and introduce as appropriate competitions at the Urdd Eisteddfod that have a specific vocational element, and which allow young people under the age of 25 to compete
- Share resources and facilities in general and share staff to cooperate on joint projects

- Increase the numbers of young people attending colleges that benefit from the activities of the Urdd
- Work together to identify new partnerships.

The Lifetime of the Memorandum

The Memorandum is operational from 30 May 2014 for a year in the first instance. Subject to agreement between ColegauCymru and the Urdd, the Memorandum will be extended beyond the initial period

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