

Appendix 1

Regional Statement of Intent for Children, Young People and Families

Consultation Summary – Online Survey

1 Introduction

As part of the Engagement Strategy agreed in November 2017 to consult on the draft Regional Strategy for Children, Young People and Families, an online survey was designed.

2 Responses

First of all, could you give us an indication of your interest in the strategy? Are you:

A child or young person	13
A carer, parent, other family member	11
A professional working with children, young people and families	4
Total	28

N.B. Not all who have participated in the consultation have answered all the questions below:

Question 1: Do you think we listened to children, young people and families when writing this strategy?

Yes	12
No	3
Unsure	8
Total	23

Additional Comments:

- How was this communicated to Parents and young people? There were no involvement of Schools, PTA's or Sports clubs.
- There was not enough Parent/carers consulted.

Question 2: Do you agree with the main points in the strategy?

Yes	16
No	1
Unsure	2
Total	19

Additional Comments:

- 1 person was unaware of how to view the strategy.

Question 3: What is the most important point of the strategy for you?

Unsure	9
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Additional Comments:

- To help me and my family
- Children and young people thought point 2 was most important
- Also discussed was the 12-point plan, young people felt points 3, 4, 9 and 10 were most important.
- There was confusion around what was required to be achieved, due to only a summary being available, it is difficult to understand what is going to be done. How it is going to be done, who is going to do it and by when. It also does not state how you can engage with those who will benefit from the strategy.

Question 4: How would you like to be involved in this strategy in the future?

Unsure	7
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Additional Comments:

- Workshops
- To engage in any future discussions regarding the consultation
- Would like to know what the delivery and communication plans are, and how he/she could influence these.

Question 5: What impact/outcome has the Cwm Taf shared joint strategy had so far?

Unsure	9
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Additional Comments:

- There is no awareness of this.

Question 6: What things would you like to do differently?

Unsure	6
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Additional Comments:

- People who are using drugs in Towns/Housing sites to be moved.
- Communication again, how are we engaging and communicating.
- To make things easier for children to understand.

Question 7: How would you like us to take the engagement forward?

Unsure	5
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Additional Comments:

- Young people to have more of a say.
- To go out, talk and do things.
- To speak to children, young people and families.

Question 8: What else would you like to say about the proposed strategy?

Unsure	7
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Additional Comments:

- The complete strategy would like to be seen, rather than the summary.

Question 9 What is the most important part of the strategy for you?

Unsure	7
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Additional Comments:

- Point 3
- What are the objectives and how does it define success.

3 Key points from the consultation exercise

The following key points may be noted:

- The questionnaire received only 28 responses. It is not known how many people may have been given the opportunity to complete it and so a “response rate” cannot be calculated.
- Although relatively few responses were received, their comments can still be regarded as significant

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- The majority of the responses were from a child, young person or a family member
 - Four responses were received from professionals
 - It is not possible to attribute subsequent responses to each individual category
 - Only 3 out of 23 respondents felt that the Partnership had not paid attention to the views of children, young people and families in the development of the strategy. A further 8 out of 23 were unsure.
 - Additional comments indicated that additional opportunities to engage may have been exploited further eg: parents, schools, PTAs, sports clubs etc.
 - 16 out of 19 respondents agreed with the main points of the strategy. Only 2 were unsure and only 1 did not agree.
 - There was some indication that participants felt the need for greater clarity around how the strategy will be implemented.
 - There is an opportunity to continue (and extend) engagement processes as Action Plans are developed.
 - Children and Young People felt the most significant aspect of the 12-point plan is Point 2: ***“We will invest in and collaborate with our local communities to support children, young people and families’ learning, resilience, and wellbeing”.***
 - Other significant points were:
 - 3 – ***“We will co-produce shared plans for the development and organisation of early help interventions in localities, underpinned by information sharing, joint-working arrangements and the active involvement of children, young people and families in their co-production”***
 - 4 – ***“We will enhance partner’s joint arrangements for safeguarding, risk assessment and information sharing, ensuring that they are successful in protecting children, young people and vulnerable adults in communities.”***
 - 9 – ***“We will have effective shared information arrangements in place between all key agencies across Cwm Taf.”***
 - 10 – ***“We will have a shared performance framework reflecting our continuum of services, which meets the requirements of the Welsh Government and allows us to review the impact of our services on wellbeing outcomes for children, young people and families.”***
 - There was no awareness of the impact so far of the strategy
 - Some participants expressed the view that a summary of the strategy was not sufficient and wanted to see the full document.
 - There was a generally expressed appetite to be further involved in the development of strategies and plans; perhaps adopting a workshop-based approach.
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