

Grand Council @ City Hall



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CYC Grand Council Take Over Part 2

Members of CYC joined Youth Workers and Cllr Dan De’Ath Cabinet Member for Skills, Engagement and Democracy to plan and host the day long 2nd Grand Council event in Cardiff City Hall on March 23rd.

Over 90 representatives from schools, colleges, universities and a range of individuals attended a day long youth conference to discuss embedding children’s rights across the city.

The day was split into 3 elements, the morning session focused on the feedback from the last Grand Council event held in December & short workshops on Children’s Rights and Equality.

The late morning session involved multiple workshops being run simultaneously, where young people had the chance to map out our community and all the services within it, they were then asked to rate these services trip adviser style.

The programme was designed to be educative and fun as well as providing delegates with an opportunity for young people to take part in an hour long dialogue session in the Council Chamber!



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CYC Working Group Update

All members of CYC have been working real hard for you this quarter, from running national campaigns to creating websites and schools consultation, so here's what they've been up to. Members have split up into three smaller sub groups, which have been identified through the CYC priorities.

#DontHateEducate is part of a national campaign hosted by UK Youth Parliament, **Tackling racism and religious discrimination, particularly against people who are Muslim or Jewish.** All young people should work together to combat racism and other forms of discrimination, and ensure we know the dangers of such hatred. Our two UKYP representatives Ibby and Xinyu have spent time on this priority working closely with the sub group, taking this campaign right to the heart of our city .

Using a large branded photo frame the CYC members contacted Cardiff Council Cabinet Members asking them to show their support to promote this campaign, Schools also showed their support with a range of photos including a whole assembly! Please follow us and show your support by liking each photo at <https://www.facebook.com/donthateeducatecyc/>



Mental Health

The **MindHub** remember the name, is a brand new website that will be launched later this year, created by our CYC sub group members. After the completing a bunch of research CYC soon realised that to find help, information or advice was quite a long process concluding there must be an easier way! The CYC group developed a business plan and applied for a grant of £5000 from the UHB and were successful!

In conjunction with developers Youth Friendly they have come up with this very user friendly platform to sign post to existing services for help, advice and information on all aspects of Mental Health. So watch this space for the launch of the **MindHub**.

Curriculum for Life:

C4L sub group are on it! The group began to dissect the information given by school pupils across Cardiff regarding views on PSE lessons captured in the CYC C4L survey. Young people stated that they would like PSE to improve and uneven highlighted the subjects they felt would prepare them for life outside of school.

So to improve outcomes for young people CYC have decided to use all the information given in the survey to create a Teacher's Resource Pack for PSE lessons covering all the subjects that the pupils have expressed an interests in. Watch this space for news on launch!



MYP Ibbby Gets to meet the Minister.

Ibby Osman MYP for Cardiff joined other MYP's from across Wales recently to meet with AM Lesley Griffiths Minister for Communities & Tackling Poverty. The meeting was to discuss their experience of the UKYP Annual Sitting in the House of Commons. During the sitting MYP's from across the UK debated on issues raised in the Make Your Mark Ballot during October.



CYC — Cardiff and Europe

6 CYC reps joined other Cardiff citizens and community members from our sister city of Stuttgart who visited Cardiff for a 3 day programme. They celebrated the shared history of our two cities and how the concept of reconciliation and cooperation at a local level underpins the twinning relationship as well as the European Union.

With a warm welcome from Councillor Bale, Leader of Cardiff of Council and a short input from Alun Micheal, Police & Crime Commissioner who setup the first youth exchange to Q & A sessions from guest speakers from across Europe, to a photomathon-treasure hunt within our city.

Delegates discussed how the history of the European Integration is closely linked with the history and diversity of twinning links. There were speakers from both cities who considered how the EU affects them in their daily lives and asked participant's to compare views on the EU and to pull together common threads between the twinning relationship and the EU.

We would like to thank Cardiff Council for the use of the City Hall on day one and a big thank you to the Cardiff and Vale College for facilitating the second day at the amazing new building in the Bay area and to all the students for preparing our fantastic lunch at 'Y Dosbarth' the Classroom.



CYC On BBC Radio Wales

CYC member Xinyu Ye recently took to the airwaves of BBC Radio Wales as part of the 10 year anniversary of the National Assembly in Cardiff Bay the home of democracy here in Wales. Well done Xinyu on a great interview and once again putting young peoples views in the media spot light.



Cymru Ifanc Young Wales Conference



CYC attended the first Cymru Ifanc Young Wales conference in March where 5 of our members represented CYC and joined with over 200 hundred other young delegates from across Wales.

They were joined by participation workers, representatives from Welsh Government and professionals from a range of organisations from across the Nation.

CYC's Dan Boughton said 'There was a great atmosphere to the day.

Young people worked

alongside professionals to set up a market place with exhibition stands. There was an interactive graffiti wall where young people were able to express themselves!'. The event chair was Lauren Davies, a member of the Young Wales Project Board, and was opened by Professor Sally Holland, Children's Commissioner for Wales.



Digital Hustings

With the Welsh Assembly Elections only a couple of weeks away CYC members are hard at work organising another Digital Hustings event just for you. You may be asking what is a Digital Hustings? Well Hustings events are usually held by organisations, such as community groups or campaigners, so that voters can ask candidates about issues that are important to them.

During the last General Election in 2015 CYC asked all of the parliament candidates in Cardiff a series of questions based on the CYC priorities and candidates would need to respond twitter style (140 Characters). Answers were then published a special edition of the Shout Out. This year is no different so keep an eye out for your special Digital Hustings edition coming soon.



Cardiff's Young Inspectors Programme

Team 4 of the Young Inspectors Programme have been active this quarter. The team who were recruited from across communities in the South of the city meet at Butetown Youth Pavilion and have just completed their inspection of the Families First Team around the Family service (TAF).

TAF co-ordinates, targets, and tailors provision towards the family's needs, supported by a team of family workers operating

on an outreach basis. This service here in Cardiff is provided by Tros Gynnal Plant.

Saed (17), Young Inspectors said:

It was a great experience to be involved in this programme. It's given me an insight into some of the different services available that I wouldn't have known existed

The Young Inspectors would like to congratulate the TAF service in achieving on all of the National Participation Standards. The Young Inspectors were impressed with the ethos of the service, it is clear that the service respects the opinions of children and young people, and taking these opinions into account is intrinsic to the running of the service.



WHAT NEXT?

A new group of Young Inspectors have just completed their training and will be carrying out an inspection during the later stages of April 2016. The Group from the Young Adult Project in Cathays will be updating us on how they got on in next addition of the Shout Out!



CYC Help To Commission New Well-being Service

CYC joined forces with members of the Vale Youth Forum & the University Health Board as part of a new Young Commissioner's project.

Both CYC and the Vale Youth Forum received training delivered by Youth Workers covering the skills & knowledge needed to be a Young Commissioner including children's rights, the commissioning cycle, prevalence of conditions, range of interventions and current service landscape.

The team worked alongside professionals from University Health Board and their partners to help to commission a new Emotional Health and Well-being Services across Cardiff and the Vale. Both the young people and the adult panel assessed two applications and received presentations from prospective services before scoring them against a set criteria.

Rose (14) 'It was a really great experience and we were glad that Dr Hopkins could present us with our T-shirts'



Young Commissioners receiving presentation from Dr Sharon, Director of Public Health

Vision For Education In Cardiff 2020

The Active Involvement Team (AIT) were commissioned to engage pupils from a range of settings across Cardiff to contribute to the development of Educational Vision 2020. Using a series of fun and interactive sessions the team worked with **95** pupils from **5** primary schools **141** pupils from high schools across the city.

60 minute workshops made up of 6 activity stations were developed to engage pupils from key stage 2, 3 and 4. Workshops were run in a classroom, school hall or the Youth Service Bus.

Workshops asked the pupils 6 key questions such as: If you were in charge of all schools in 2020 what would you change? What makes a good teacher? And what puts pressure on pupils? The findings were then used to develop a Pupils Charter.

The findings were fed back to Nick Batchelor, Director of Education who will include the Pupils Charter in the council's strategic vision.

21st Century Schools



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representative council for 11-25
year olds that advocate for positive
change across the City of Cardiff.



CYC Meetings

Dates: 20th April & 22nd June

Venues:

Grassroots, 58 Charles St, Cardiff. CF10 2GG

Time:

Meetings start by 5pm.

Finish 7pm

Grand Council Event:

**6th July City Hall, 9.30-2pm
(invitation only)**

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