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# Youth Work in Wales - LGA Conference

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## Short History



- Learning & Skills Act (2000), Section 123
- Extending Entitlement, 2000 & 2002
- First WAG Youth Service Strategy, 2007
- Youth Work in Wales: Principles & Purposes
- Hiatus following first strategy...

#### **Current Context**



Devolved context

#### WG legislation

- Future Generations Act;
- Social Services & Wellbeing Act;
- Curriculum Reform

## Current activity...



- Youth Work Reference Group
- Second national strategy 2014-18
- NAfW CYPE Cttee Inquiry into Youth Work
- Ext Ent 'review'/refresh
- Youth Support Services Board
- New Strategy
- Cross-inspectorate thematic review of YSS

#### WLGA and Youth Work



- Lifelong Learning Policy Officer (Youth)
- PYOG meetings/seminars
- ETS
- Links with CWVYS/WG/other stakeholders (PCC's/Health (T4CYP)
- NAfW Cttee Inquiries (physical & emotional health)

#### **CWVYS**



- PSB involvement (Youth organisations and yp's)
- Be creative with available funding
- Increased partnership working/joint commissioning

#### Youth Service Audit



Collected annually

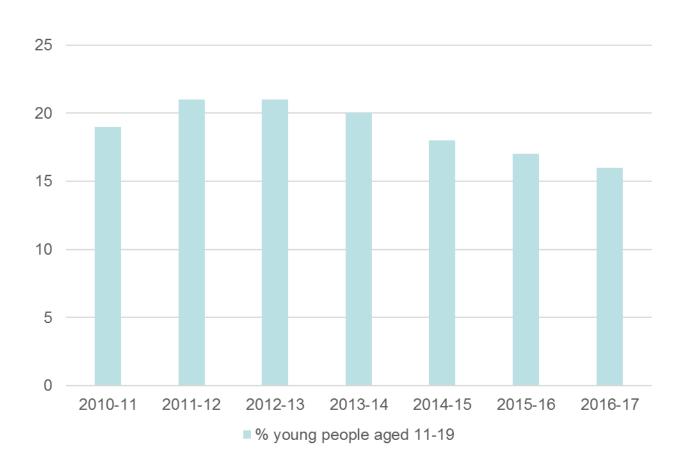
#### **Workforce**

Numbers of FTE staff



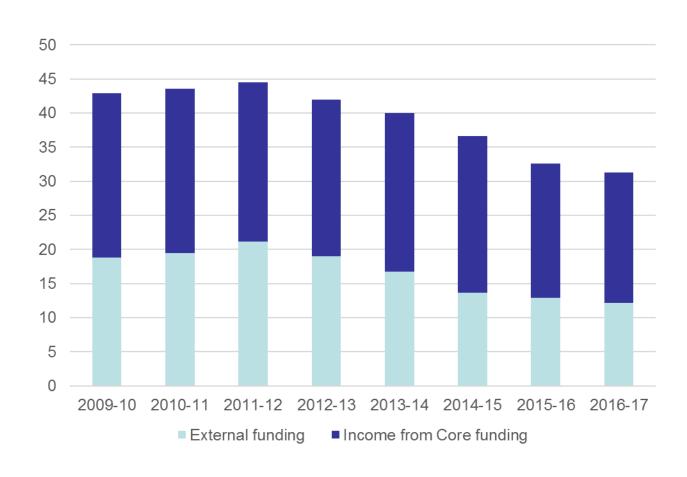
## Membership





### Finance





## Spend per head (11-19 yr olds)





## Current picture



- PYOG
- How are la's mitigating impact of austerity?
- Education Workforce Council
  - ➤ Youth Support Worker (Level 2/3)
  - ➤ Youth Worker (Level 6)
  - ≥1,068 registered (941 from la's)

## Opportunities



- Successful Futures
- NAfW Inquiry recommendations
- Education Leadership Academy
- Extending Entitlement
- Youth Parliament

## Thank You and Questions



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