**CONSULTATION FORM**

**Adult Learning in Wales - Consultation on the funding and delivery structure of adult learning in Wales**

This consultation seeks your views on proposals to change the funding and delivery structures for adult learning in Wales.

If you have any queries on this consultation, please email: Post16PlanningandFunding@gov.wales or telephone: 0300 025 3895

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| **Questions 12 and 18 relate to your Local Authority area.** **What Local Authority /Authorities does your response relate to?** |  |  |

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| **Chapter 1 - Delivering adult learning in Wales****Planning and Reporting**Having an accountable and reliable planning and reporting methodology is a vital component of restructuring the sector. |
| **Q1.** | Do you think the adult learning sector should plan and report provision according to the post-16 planning framework for part-time FE? | **X** |
| **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
| **Don’t Know** |  |
| **Further comments** |
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| **Q2.** | What advantages or disadvantages do you see in taking this approach forward? | **X** |
| **Comments** |
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| **Q3.** | If you do not agree with this proposal, what method would you suggest? | **X** |
| **Comments** |
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**Delivery**

**Model 1: Local Authorities and/or Further Education Colleges to deliver adult learning**

We must have a system that is fair and equitable and that ensures learners can access that provision wherever they are in Wales.

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| **Q4.** | Do you think that supporting Local Authorities and/or FE Colleges to plan and deliver adult learning is the best way to ensure that provision is delivered fairly and equitably across Wales?  | **X** |
| **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
| **Don’t Know** |  |
| **Further comments** |
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| **Q5.** | If we allocate additional funding to FE colleges, do you think we should hypothecate (ring-fence) this funding to ensure that it remains focused on adult learning? | **X** |
| **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
| **Don’t Know** |  |
| **Further comments** |
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**Model 2: Adult Learning Partnerships to lead on the delivery of adult learning**

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| **Q6.** | Do you think that supporting partnerships directly to deliver adult learning would be the best way to ensure that provision is delivered fairly across Wales? | **X** |
| **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
| **Don’t Know** |  |
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| **Q7.** | Do you think that the current partnerships are sufficiently robust and well structured to take on this responsibility? | **X** |
| **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
| **Don’t Know** |  |
| **Further comments** |
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**Model 3 - a National Community College to coordinate and plan the delivery of adult learning across Wales**

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| **Q8.** | Do you think that supporting a single national strategic body to oversee the strategic planning and delivery of adult learning would ensure that provision is delivered fairly and equitably across Wales? | **X** |
| **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
| **Don’t Know** |  |
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| **Q9.** | Do you believe that the body should be procured? | **X** |
| **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
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| **Q10.** | Do you believe an existing FEI should be tasked with fulfilling this role? | **X** |
| **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
| **Don’t Know** |  |
| **Further comments** |
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**Discussion**

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| **Q11.** | Q11 - Which of the three models outlined would be the most effective in ensuring provision is equitable and accessible to learners across all of Wales? | **X** |
| Model 1 – Local authorities and / or Further Education Colleges |  |
| Model 2 – Adult Learning Partnerships to lead on the delivery of the adult learning |  |
| Model 3 – A single National Community College for Adult Learning |  |

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| **Q12.** | Q12 - Which of the three models outlined would be the most effective in ensuring provision is equitable and accessible to learners across your unitary authority?  | **X** |
| Model 1 – Local authorities and/or Further Education Colleges to lead on the delivery of adult learning |  |
| Model 2 – Adult Learning Partnerships to lead on the delivery of adult learning; |  |
| Model 3 – A single National Community College for Adult Learning |  |

**Chapter 2 - Funding adult learning in Wales**

**Options for changing the way we distribute the Community Learning Grant (CLG).**

The purpose of this consultation is to deliver a system that ensures a more equitable and fairer distribution of funding and delivery of provision across the whole of Wales.

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| **Q13.** | Which of the funding options do you support, and why? | **X** |
| Funding Option A – allocation derived by population alone |  |
| Funding Option B - allocation derived by population and Income Deprivation |  |
| Funding Option C – allocation derived by population and Education Deprivation |  |
| Funding Option D- dissolve the CLG and transfer the funding to the RSG |  |
| **Please state your reason** |
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| **Q14.** | Why do you believe this option would serve learners best? |
| **Comments** |
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| **Q15.** | What has influenced your opinion?  |
| **Comments** |
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| **Q16.** | Would you support the idea of a percentage of the funding being set aside each year to fund *Creative Solutions* projects within the sector? | **X** |
| **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
| **Don’t Know** |  |
| **Further comments** |
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| **Q17.** | How might this work within your unitary/local authority area? |
| **Comments** |
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| **Further Comments** |
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**How to respond**

Please submit your comments by **11 September 2018**, in any of the following ways:

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| **Email** | **Post** |
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