Gwynedd Youth Service

Gwynedd Youth Service listens to young people and provides them with support and opportunities to gain confidence, learn new skills and become more independent.

We (Estyn, the education and training inspectorate for Wales) inspected Gwynedd Youth Service in October 2026.

What young people can expect from Gwynedd Youth Service:

- Youth workers who listen to you, treat you with respect and offer support without judgement. Young people feel safe with them and know whom to approach for help
- Opportunities to take part in activities in schools and communities, including art, cooking, outdoor activities, volunteering and the Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Support to gain confidence, make friends, learn new skills and become more independent
- Personal support for young people who face difficulties, including with their well-being, preparing them for college or work, or housing problems. Workers put young people in contact with other services, when necessary
- Activities and support adapted for young people with disabilities or additional learning needs, and specific opportunities for young people who are LGBTQ+
- Opportunities to use Welsh or English when participating and receiving support
- An opportunity to say which activities you would like to do and to help to plan them. Through Our Voice, young people also contribute to the council's wider decision-making

What is less well developed at Gwynedd Youth Service:

- The service does not know clearly enough which groups of young people or communities it does not reach. This limits how it plans activities and support across Gwynedd
- The service does not use information about young people's progress consistently enough to understand the difference its work does over time and to determine what is most important to improve

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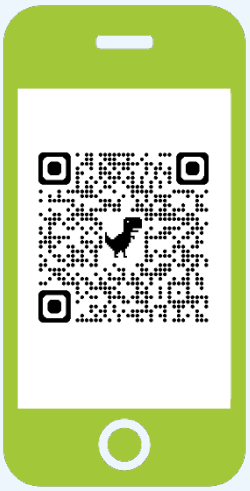

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