

Written Consultation – Inquiry into the Implementation of the *Learning and Skills (Wales) Measure 2009*

Consultation questions

1. What effect has the implementation of the *Learning and Skills (Wales) Measure 2009* had to date on young people aged 14–19 years? Do young people have a wider choice of academic and vocational courses as a result of the Measure?
2. Do Welsh language pupils get the same depth and range of choice?
3. If the Measure has resulted in a wider choice of academic and vocational courses, has this had any unintended consequences for other subjects, for example modern languages?
4. Has the implementation of the *Learning and Skills (Wales) Measure 2009* had any effect on the numbers of young people choosing to stay on in education or training after the end of compulsory education at age 16?
5. What practical problems are being addressed in order to implement the Measure? Are there implementation problems for example:
 - in rural areas,
 - the provision by local authorities of a minimum of thirty learning programmes, including five vocational options,
 - delivering local area curricula,
 - delivery of learning (including the use of IT and remote learning),
 - transport and travel issues
 - Any others?
6. Is the *Learning and Skills (Wales) Measure 2009* being implemented consistently across all local authorities?
7. Are vulnerable learners, particularly those with additional learning needs, able to benefit from the provisions in the Measure?
8. Is learning support being delivered effectively?
9. What effect is the *Learning and Skills (Wales) Measure 2009* having on further education colleges?