



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Play Sufficiency Action Plan

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Play Sufficiency (2025) Play Action Plan

Actions to be taken to address the issues / shortcomings recorded in the Play Sufficiency Assessment to secure sufficient opportunities to play.

Proposed actions for the period of (1 April 2025 – 31 March 2026)

Theme / Matters	Action to achieve sufficient play opportunities	Priorities	Milestones	Resources needed	Funding source	Lead Person
<p>Population [Matters A, B, E].</p> <p>The play needs of Welsh language speaking children are understood and provided for</p>	<p>Continue to ensure there are sufficient Welsh speaking staff at all play provisions to allow Welsh speaking children to communicate through the medium of Welsh. Ensure that all resources are bilingual. Monitor the implementation of incidental Welsh as far as reasonably practical.</p>	<p>Keep an up-to-date record of Welsh speaking staff</p> <p>Continue to assess and monitor the need for exclusive Welsh speaking provision with consideration to sustainability.</p> <p>This will be a priority agenda item of the Play sufficiency group</p>	<p>As part of annual quality audits. These take place in February and October holiday periods and are actioned accordingly.</p> <p>Consultations will take place annually at the beginning of each financial year and again at the end of the financial year. PDL will assess this termly</p>	<p>MCC translation services</p> <p>Play Development Lead (PDL) time.</p> <p>Sport development time</p> <p>Disabilities team time.</p>	<p>PHP funding</p> <p>Food and Fun</p> <p>WGLA</p> <p>Core funding</p> <p>CCG funding</p>	<p>Becky Hall PDL 2025</p> <p>Children's disabilities team-</p>
<p>The play needs and support needs of disabled children are</p>	<p>We will continue to work with stakeholders who</p>	<p>This will be prioritised as a</p>				

<p>understood and provided for</p> <p>Play projects and providers have access to a range of resources which support inclusion</p>	<p>support children with disabilities and additional needs. A more practical approach will be sort and implemented to ensure that the needs of disabled of children can be consulted in a more meaningful way. MonLife Play team will work closely with commissioning services to achieve this.</p> <p>The Disabilities team will provide additional needs training annually to all play staff Further develop our kit library to include a range of play resources and have robust procedures in place to ensure inventory and replenishments.</p>	<p>completion for the end of this cycle of the PSA</p> <p>Training booked into our summer training program each year</p>	<p>Training review and evaluations end of each summer period</p>		<p>Sport Wales Core funding (EDI)</p>	<p>Spots Development Officer 2025</p>
<p>Places where children play [Matters C, F and I]</p>						

<p>Schools provide access to school grounds for playing out of school times</p> <p>Designated play areas and playgrounds are assessed for play value and potential to increase in play use</p>	<p>Play development lead will continue to work with schools to develop the use of school grounds for play utilising the stay and play offer piloted and supported by Play Wales, Community focused schools and the Play Development team.</p> <p>A full re assessment will be completed on all parks to assess for new scores and to re score those that have had improvement. Piggies Hill and Western Hill have been identified as priority for improvement this will include increasing the value of the skatepark in Piggies Hill to support older children's play. All parks identified as low play value</p>	<p>This will be prioritised as a completion for the end of this cycle of the PSA</p> <p>This will be completed by March 2026</p>		<p>PDL School support staff</p>	<p>Core funding for PDL time. Schools to identify possible funding streams.</p> <p>AWPOG funding S106 funding Town Council funding</p>	<p>PDL Community Focused Schools Lead</p> <p>Community Infrastructure Manager</p>
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	will be included in infrastructures development plans for improvements and actions will be made based on access to appropriate funding					
<p>Supervised provision [Matters D and G]</p> <p>There is a comprehensive range of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) opportunities available for playworkers in the area</p> <p>Playwork is included within local Workforce Development strategies</p>	<p>PDL will continue to provide CPD to all staff providing play provision. A target of 40% of leisure assistance (10% at each site) will be trained in L2APP to ensure knowledge of playwork and playful spaces at all LC's and to prepare for any changes that may come about as a result of the exception order review.</p> <p>Learning and development team to implement play on Thingi- the LA's</p>	<p>This will be prioritised as a completion for the end of this cycle of the PSA</p> <p>This will be prioritised as a completion for the end of this cycle of the PSA</p>	<p>Annual assessment to monitor target</p> <p>Annual assessment against progress</p>	<p>PDL time. Play Wales course cost</p> <p>PDL time. Request for support from sports</p>	<p>PHP funding</p> <p>Core funding (for PDL time and Learning and development team)</p>	<p>PDL Leisure centre managers and Duty officers to arrange compliance</p> <p>PDL Sport and community manager</p>

<p>The Local Authority offers playwork provision which offers a rich play environment as described in the Statutory Guidance</p>	<p>learning system. This will allow play to be an option for all employees but a mandatory training badge for all those employed to work with children in a recreational capacity</p> <p>Continue to provide a quality consistent program of delivery and enhance where a need is identified.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Annual reporting and consultation with children, town councils and stakeholders.</p>	<p>development team. Thing system</p> <p>PDL Leisure manager Town councils Children and young people</p>	<p>Town and community council funding PHP Food and Fun (WGLA) Sport Wales</p>	<p>Learning and development team.</p> <p>PDL Sport and Community Manager Leisure services department manager Town and Community councils</p>
<p>Policy, engagement, advocacy and information [Matters F, G, H, I]</p> <p>Play sufficiency and other training awareness sessions are available for professionals and decision makers whose work impacts on</p>	<p>The promotion of play sufficiency will continue to be a priority of the council and a standard agenda item on all sectors</p>	<p>Play Strategy Group (PSG) will continue to meet quarterly.</p>	<p>Minutes of PSG meeting will be drawn quarterly.</p>	<p>PDL Sport and community Manager. PSG DMT</p>	<p>Core funding PHP</p>	<p>PDL Leisure manager</p>

children's opportunities to play	<p>whose work impacts on children's opportunities to play. Play sufficiency group will continue to meet and priorities play on all agendas that connect to matters of the PSA.</p> <p>Membership of the group will be constantly reviewed and extended upon as priorities develop</p>					
<p>Community engagement is promoted in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Making space available and suitable for play -Organising play events -Positive attitudes towards children and play -Training on the importance of play 	<p>The Cultural Strategy Plan is currently being developed an action highlighted in this is "Support and develop partnership working with heritage, libraries and museums to develop and promote playful spaces through a young ambassador's programme". This will be developed</p>	<p>Heritage Education manager will monitor as part of their work plan. Regular meetings with heritage and play to ensure actions are met.</p>			PHP	<p>Heritage Education Manager PDL PSG</p>

	over the course of this PSA Cycle and will include training support to museum staff. Playful spaces in museums will continue with cross partnership between the PDL and heritage manager to ensure consistency.					
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