

Play Sufficiency Action Plan



Llywodraeth Cymru
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Actions to be taken to address the issues / shortcomings recorded in the Play Sufficiency Assessment

Proposed actions for the period of 2014 – 2015

Matter	Priorities	Targets	Milestones	Resources, including costs	Funding source (new or existing funding streams)
Statutory Guidance-policy framework	To adhere to the Statutory Guidance – policy framework for future Play Sufficiency Assessments	Submit subsequent Assessments and accompanying Action Plan to Welsh Govt every 3 years	Play sufficiency assessments and action plans to be submitted by the deadlines set by WG	Play Sufficiency Officer	Additional funding would be required
Matter A: Population	To ensure that up to date demographic information is available when planning for the development of new and existing play opportunities	Annual updating of information	Census data when updated /released	Planning Department CCBC	Existing funding
Matter B: Providing for diverse needs	Ensure that inclusive play training is offered to providers. Training also needs to deal	To ensure availability to play providers across Caerphilly	Playwork staff trained to deal with all aspects of equality within play settings	Play Sufficiency Officer/Senior Play Officer	Provided through GAVO within existing funding streams. CCBC Equalities Team also provide a variety

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	with all aspects of inclusion				of equality based training that play providers can access.
Matter C: Space available for children to play	Play Sufficiency Officer to contribute to the development of a tender for inspection of fixed play provision within Caerphilly County Borough.	Parks Dept to send the proposed tender to GAVO Play service to contribute to the process by Summer 2015	Consultation complete/ appointment of independent assessor and annual inspection	Play Sufficiency Officer	Existing funding streams until April 2015
	Removal of no ball games signs	Identify those areas that would benefit from the removal of no ball games signs	Increased advocacy in these communities to highlight children's right to play	Play Sufficiency Officer	Additional funding would be required
Matter D: Supervised provision	Establish a baseline quality toolkit that encompasses all aspects and needs of play	To agree quality standards. As part of this consider best practice elsewhere	To establish the available options and cost implications of a quality toolkit	Play Sufficiency Officer	New funding streams would need to be sourced
	To continue to offer accredited and non accredited	Ensure training reflects any quality issues that have been identified	Training offered to settings on a termly basis	Play Sufficiency Officer	New funding streams would need to be sourced

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	training to play settings across Caerphilly				
Matter E: Charges for play provision	Ensure continuation of free at point of access play projects such as GAVO Adventure Play teams	Raising the profile of the projects across Caerphilly borough and developing innovative ways to meet joint agendas across Families First and Communities First.	Continued funding from April 2016	Project costs	Identify further funding to continue provision
Matter F: Access to space/provision	Update website and make clearer the sections on regular road closures	Website to be updated by Spring 2015	All information online and correct	CCBC Highways Dept – low resources	Existing funding
	Ensure website is constantly updated and managed with the addition of quick links to ensure ease of access for users	Data on website managed and up to date	All information online and correct	CCBC Highways Dept – low resources	Existing funding
Matter G: Securing and developing the workforce	Ensure CPD training and accredited play	Training programme meets the needs of play	Play workforce to have access to high quality training	Play Sufficiency Officer and resources	Existing funding stream until April 2015. External

	<p>training is available to all workers. The Play Sufficiency Officer will also deliver targeted training sessions for settings identified by Workforce Development</p>	<p>workforce as identified through workforce audit</p>	<p>according to their needs</p>		<p>funding would then need to be found.</p>
	<p>Development of a conference highlighting the importance of play for childcare and play providers</p>	<p>To work with partners within the voluntary sector and CCBC to plan for conference</p>	<p>Conference to take place in March 2015</p>	<p>Play Sufficiency Officer, venue, publicity</p>	<p>Existing funding streams</p>
<p>Matter H: Community engagement and participation</p>	<p>Undertake detailed consultations with schools and with specific</p>	<p>Determine consultation questions with key stakeholders by Summer 2015</p>	<p>Carry out detailed consultations Autumn/Winter 2015</p>	<p>Play Sufficiency Officer</p>	<p>Would require external funding</p>

	<p>groups as identified by 2011 census analysis on enhancing play opportunities in specific areas</p> <p>Promote play agenda to primary schools, offering training for lunchtime supervisors, teaching staff and awareness raising sessions to head teachers and governors</p> <p>Planning for National Playday Event</p>	<p>Support schools to develop their own play policy and implement it during the school day</p> <p>Regular meetings with partner orgs, to ensure successful planning of the event, Engage with local media to highlight Playday and children’s right to play</p>	<p>Five schools to have a play policy in place by Summer 2015</p> <p>National Playday event to take place on 5th August 2015</p>	<p>Play Sufficiency Officer</p> <p>Play Sufficiency Officer, publicity etc</p>	<p>External funding would be needed</p> <p>Funding through partners such as Flying Start, Communities First</p>
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Matter I: Play within all relevant policy and implementation agendas	Play is considered within all Strategic and Community plans and a reporting mechanism is in place by next Play Sufficiency Assessment review Spring 2016	Ensure that a Play Champion is selected and appointed	To have a Play Champion in place by Summer 2015	Play Sufficiency Officer will provide support and briefings to enable the Play Champion to be fully informed when attending meetings. The PSO will also provide the mechanism for information to be disseminated to the PS Group and the play workforce across the borough.	External funding would be needed
	Build on existing media campaign of play promotion	On-going Facebook/Twitter publicity. Establish a play section on CCBC website and contribute to events that will be displayed on the CCBC media planner	Play section on website established by Autumn 2015. Regular contributions to CCBC media planner ongoing from Spring 2015	Play Sufficiency Officer	External funding would be needed
	Ensure 21 st century schools	Process for consultation with	Design in relation to play to be	Play Sufficiency Officer	External funding would be needed

	<p>look at designing play inside and outside of the classroom (ie well equipped and accessible playgrounds)</p> <p>Recruitment of a Play Sufficiency Officer</p>	<p>Play Sufficiency Officer to be put in place by Autumn 2015</p> <p>To lead the play sufficiency action plan, ensuring appropriate actions are implemented and taken forward.</p>	<p>incorporated within all 21st century schools</p> <p>To produce progress reports on the play sufficiency action plans and future play sufficiency assessments and any other reporting required by Welsh Govt and the local authority.</p>	<p>Dave Phenis Sports & Leisure Manager</p>	<p>Additional funding would be required for this post</p>
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