

## Data Unit update – WSLC June 2017

### National Intelligence Event 2017

Over 100 delegates attended our fifth National Intelligence Event – Planning together to improve local well-being: What works? on Thursday 2 March 2017 at Cardiff City Stadium. We have been very pleased with the positive feedback we've received.

Further details of the event, including links to the presentations are available on our [website](#).

### Population and well-being assessments

All the population and well-being assessments have now been published. We continue to support several areas as they progress to area and well-being plans with both the collation and presentation of data to understand emerging themes and objectives.

To further support the process, and to ensure the assessments are accessible and underpin the planning currently taking place, we are working with regions on developing online tools. These will transform the paper documents into online pages that offer an interactive assessment supported by the base data.

For further information please contact Chris Perkins ([Chris.Perkins@dataunitwales.gov.uk](mailto:Chris.Perkins@dataunitwales.gov.uk)).

### PAMS

Following a thorough consultation process, we recently published a revised set of performance measures for local authorities in Wales. The revised measures, which come into effect from April 2017, provide a clear and simple overview of local government performance and how it contributes to the national well-being goals. Further information on the measures can be found [here](#).

We are now turning our attention to further developing the dataset for 2018-19. As part of the consultation a number of 'areas for development' were identified. These are areas of local authority service delivery in which relevant measures will be developed and consulted on over the coming year.

For further information please contact Suzanne Draper ([Suzanne.Draper@dataunitwales.gov.uk](mailto:Suzanne.Draper@dataunitwales.gov.uk)).

### Regional skills partnerships

We continue to support the work of the three regional skills partnerships through their data observatories. We have recently begun to add further Labour Market Intelligence data to the systems to support this year's planning process.

Where possible we are supporting a consistent approach across Wales to the evidence base used and managed by the partnerships.

For further information please contact Chris Perkins ([Chris.Perkins@dataunitwales.gov.uk](mailto:Chris.Perkins@dataunitwales.gov.uk)).

### Dewis Cymru

Dewis Cymru is now 'live' across North Wales, Cardiff, Vale of Glamorgan, Rhondda Cynon Taf, Merthyr and Bridgend. Work to add local information is underway in Mid & West Wales, Gwent and Swansea. NPT are the only local authority not to formally adopt Dewis Cymru.

The site ([www.dewis.wales](http://www.dewis.wales)) is currently experiencing around 45,000 page views per month from around 4,000 visitors.

We have recently added functionality which enables us to understand resource coverage across Wales at national, regional, local and ward level, by keyword search and/or classification. This will allow service providers and commissioners to understand the extent to which a particular area is served by the resources listed in Dewis.

For further information please contact Richard Palmer ([Richard.Palmer@dataunitwales.gov.uk](mailto:Richard.Palmer@dataunitwales.gov.uk)).

### **Social Worker Workforce Planning 2015-16**

We've recently published a report on the Social Worker Workforce Planning data 2015-16. The report aims to support local authorities and the Care Council for Wales (now Social Care Wales) in planning for future workforce needs and to inform the commissioning of social worker training in Wales.

The report shows the numbers of social workers working in local authorities in Adults' Services, Children's Services and other areas. It also looks at the trends of the workforce over time, staff turnover and the projected workforce over the next three years.

To view the 2015-16 report please click [here](#).

For further information, please contact Adrian Smith ([Adrian.Smith@dataunitwales.gov.uk](mailto:Adrian.Smith@dataunitwales.gov.uk)).

### **Data Unit: Strategic Plan 2017-21**

The new municipal term and other changes to the public service landscape, provide a timely opportunity for us to consider the future strategic direction of the Unit. Over the coming months we will be developing a new strategic plan which will provide the direction and focus for our work for the period 2017-21. We will be considering what we should and shouldn't be doing, and how we can maximise the value we add.

We plan to seek the views of stakeholders over the summer. In the meantime, if you have any thoughts or ideas about the future direction of our work, or would like to have a conversation about the review, we'd be pleased to hear from you – please contact Andrew Stephens ([Andrew.Stephens@dataunitwales.gov.uk](mailto:Andrew.Stephens@dataunitwales.gov.uk)).