**Children’s Commissioner for Wales**

**Application Form**

**Please complete this form in black ink and return by post to the address below or by email to:** [**recruitment@childcomwales.org.uk**](mailto:recruitment@childcomwales.org.uk)

**Head of Human Resources, Children’s Commissioner for Wales, Oystermouth House, Phoenix Way, Llansamlet, Swansea SA7 9FS**

Post Applied for: Young People’s Advisory Panel Member

**CONFIDENTIAL**

**PART ONE: Personal Details**

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ First Names: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| Home Address:  Postcode:  Home telephone no:  Mobile No:  Email:  Date of Birth: |

Please ask your parent/carer/guardian\* to complete this section of the form:

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (parent/ guardian name)

Give my permission for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (young person’s name) to:

* apply for this opportunity
* to attend the meeting dates
* submit this application form in written or video version

Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\*If you are living independently and are aged 16-18 you do not need this permission. Just let us know this.

**PART TWO:** You can answer this section (page 2 and page 3) of the application form by **either:**

1. Writing answers to the **4 questions in the boxes** below up to a maximum of 250 words per box

**Or**

1. **Writing a personal statement about yourself,** about the times you have used your skills, what experiences you have had and why you want to be a new member for our group. Up to a maximum of 1000 words.

**Or**

1. **Submitting a video** no longer than two minutes in length telling us about yourself, about the times you have used your skills, what experiences you have had and why you want to be a member of our group. You could use a file-sharing service like Dropbox to do this. Make sure you have your parents' permission. Please complete this box if you choose to do this:

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| **Yes!** I have submitted a video. I have sent a link to download the video to recruitment@childcomwales.org.uk for part 2 of my application. | Date message sent:  Time message sent: |

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| **Skills, experience or knowledge needed to be a young People’s Panel member.** | **Write down (or tell us in a video) about a time you used this skill or the best example or experience you can describe.**  *For example you could tell us about contributing to discussions in a youth forum about something important to you, attending school council and helping to improve something for others, helping others in work or in a special interest group or a voluntary group.* |
| **1**. Tell us about your **good communication skills,** explain why you think you will be good at taking part in discussions and sharing your views.  Tell us about your best example of **sharing your views confidently** with others.  You can write **up to 250 words** in this box (only if you want to. Don’t worry if you write less just make what you do write is the best example you can give). |  |
| **Skills, experience or knowledge needed to be a young People’s Panel member.** | **Write down (or tell us in a video) about yourself, a time you used this skill or the best experience you can describe.** |
| **2.** Tell us about your **Team working skills,**  Write about a time or times you have worked with other people to achieve a shared goal.  Write about your best experiences of **representing others** or helping others.  You can write **up to 250 words** in this box (only if you want to. Don’t worry if you write less just make what you do write is the best example you can give). |  |
| **3**. Tell us what you know about **issues or problems** young people in Wales face and how these affect Children’s Rights.  This may be a personal experience or something you have learned about when helping a friend or through the school council or youth forum perhaps.  You can write **up to 250 words** in this box (only if you want to. Don’t worry if you write less just make what you do write the best you can). |  |
| **Skills, experience or knowledge needed to be a young People’s Panel member.** | **Write down (or tell us in a video) about yourself, a time you used this skill or the best experience you can describe.** |
| **4. Why** do you want to be a member of our young people’s advisory group?  What inspires you the most to join our group?  You can write **up to 250 words** in this box (only if you want to. Don’t worry if you write less just make what you do write the best you can). |  |

**PART THREE: Availability for meetings** (Please note you will need to attend the All Wales July meeting and then only need to attend ***either*** North or South Wales’ events in October and February, not both!)

Please **tick the boxes** below to indicate your availability for the following meeting dates:

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| **Date** | **Tuesday**  **July 16th 2019** | **Saturday 5th October 2019** | **Saturday 5th October 2019** | **Tuesday 18th February 2020** | **Tuesday 18th February 2020** |
| **Location** | National Meeting Mid Wales | South Wales | North Wales | South Wales | North Wales |
| Please tick box if you are **available** |  |  |  |  |  |

**Please note, you will need to make your own way to meetings (check with a parent/carer) however, we will pay for your transport costs to meetings in line with our travel policy. This will be train or bus fares, or petrol costs. If you need a parent or carer to come with you on the journey, we will pay their fare too.**

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| Is there is **anything else** you feel we would need to know about you so that you are able to attend our meetings? E.g., disability support. |

**Welsh language skills**

Are you able to communicate in Welsh? Yes □ No □

If you answered **yes** please indicate below what level of skill you have in the Welsh language.

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| **Basic or beginner** |  |
| **Experienced welsh learner** |  |
| **Fluent** |  |

Thank you very much for applying to become a member of our group!

**Please return your application either:**

**By email** to**:** [**recruitment@childcomwales.org.uk**](mailto:recruitment@childcomwales.org.uk)

**Or**

**By post** to this address**:**

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**Children’s Commissioner for Wales,**

**Oystermouth House,**

**Phoenix Way,**

**Llansamlet,**

**Swansea SA7 9FS**

**Or**

Send a link to download your video to [recruitment@childcomwales.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@childcomwales.org.uk)**.**

If you are sending a video please remember to complete the box on page 2 indicating that you have provided Part 2 of your application via video and **REMEMBER** **TO SAY YOUR NAME CLEARLY** in your video so we can match up your form.