

# Cross-Party Group Annual Report

## Cross Party Group Details

### Cross Party Group Title:

### Further Education and Skills

## Group membership and office holders

### Name of Group Chair:

John Griffiths MS

### Names of other Members of the Senedd:

- John Griffiths MS (Chair) (Welsh Labour)
- Luke Fletcher MS (Plaid Cymru)
- Mike Hedges MS (Welsh Labour)
- Samuel Kurtz MS (Welsh Conservatives)

### Name of Secretary and Organisation:

Clare Williams

Colegau Cymru/ Colleges Wales

### Names of other external members and organisations represented:

Aberystwyth University  
Bangor University  
University of South Wales

Bangor University  
Cardiff University  
University'sWales  
HEFCW  
The Open University in Wales  
Principles Chief Executives and other staff from the Further Education Colleges in Wales  
Taith Wales  
NUS Wales  
Learning and Work Wales  
Qualifications Wales

## Other meetings of the Group since the last AGM

### Meeting 1

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#### **Date of Meeting:**

The 23rd April 2024

#### **Attendees:**

Aberystwyth University  
Bangor University  
University of South Wales  
Bangor University  
Cardiff University  
University'sWales  
HEFCW  
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Learning and Work Wales

Qualifications Wales

Assembly Members

Civil Servants

Cabinet Secretary for Education, Lynne Neagle MS

Guy Lacey, former Chief Executive and Principal of Coleg Gwent

Dr Sarah Evans, Director of Business Growth and Consultancy at Cwmpas

**Summary of the issues discussed:**

ColegauCymru launched the Demonstrating the Social Value of FE Colleges in Wales report. Attendance and contributions were made by the Cabinet Secretary for Education, Lynne Neagle MS. Contributors also included Guy Lacey, former Chief Executive and Principal of Coleg Gwent and Chair of ColegauCymru, and Dr Sarah Evans, Director of Business Growth and Consultancy at Cwmpas. We were pleased to welcome the newly appointed Cabinet Secretary for Education, ensuring that the social value of the FE sector was well understood by the highest office.

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**Meeting 2**

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**Date of Meeting:**

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**Attendees:**

**Summary of the issues discussed:**

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**Meeting 3**

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**Date of Meeting:**

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**Attendees:**

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**Summary of the issues discussed:**

**Meeting 4**

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**Date of Meeting:**

21/05/2024

**Attendees:**

**Summary of the issues discussed:**

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**Professional lobbyists, voluntary organisations and charities the Group have met during the previous year.**

[names of lobbyists/organisations/charities should be included as follows, e.g.]

**Name of Organisation:**

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## Annual Financial Statement

**Cross Party Group Title: ColegauCymru Demonstrating the Social Value of FE Colleges in Wales Report Launch.**

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**Date:**

23/04/24

**Name of Chair:**

**John Griffiths MS**

**Name of Secretary and Organisation:**

**Amy Evans Colegau Cymru**

Title	Description	Amount
<b>Group's Expenses</b>	None	£250.00
<b>Costs of all goods</b>	No goods bought	£0.00
<b>Benefits received by the group or individuals members from external bodies</b>	No benefits received.	£0.00
<b>Any financial support or other support.</b>	No financial support was received.	£0.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£250.00</b>

Services provided to the Group, such as hospitality.

All hospitality paid for [include the name of the group/organisation].

Catering for the Report Launch 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2024

Date	Name and description of provider	Costs
<b>23.4.2024</b>	Urdd	£250.00

<b>Total</b>	<b>£250.00</b>
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