



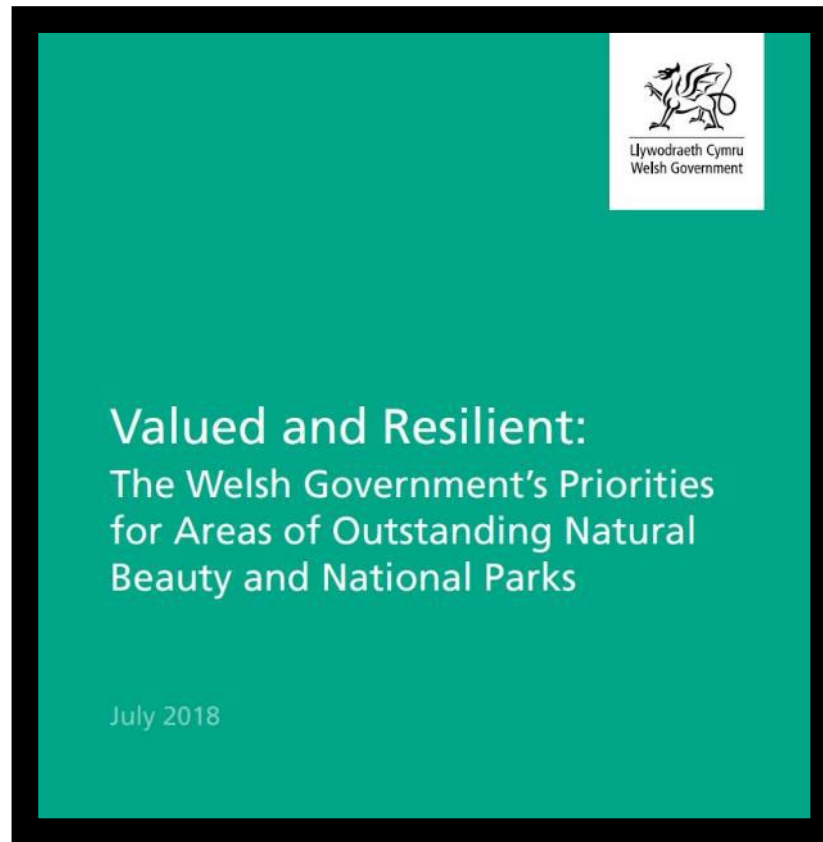
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An overview of TCLW,  
youth ranger and youth  
voice schemes

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# A bit of history





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# Who are we?

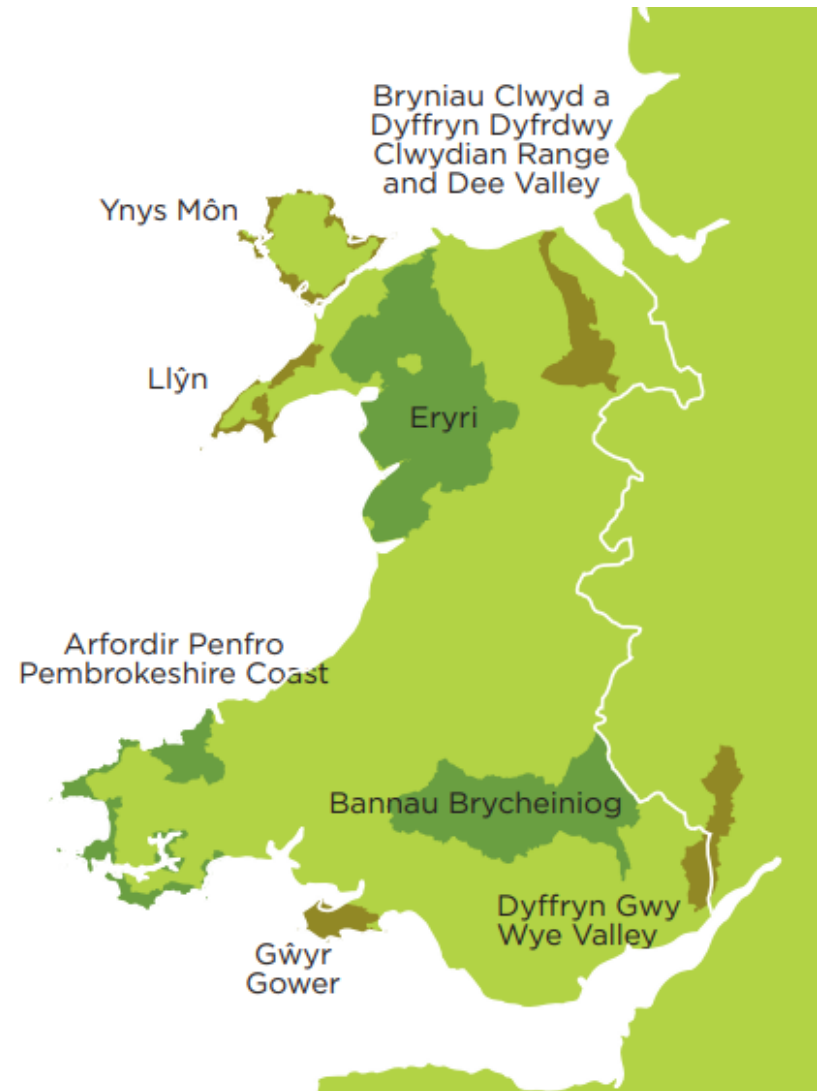
A partnership of the  
five National Landscapes  
and the  
three National Park  
Authorities in Wales

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# What is TCLW doing?

- Playing a part in the nature and climate emergencies – diversity and inclusion is central to our work
- Collaborating across landscapes and across work areas
- Sustainable Landscapes Sustainable Places (SLSP) capital investment programme



# Tirweddau Cymru Landscapes Wales

**Tirweddau Cymru Landscapes Wales** is a partnership of the designated landscapes in Wales, working together to address key challenges including action on climate change and helping nature to recover.

**Tirweddau Cymru Landscapes Wales** is made up of the five AONBs in Wales: Anglesey, Clwydian Range and Dee Valley, Llyn Peninsula, Gower and Wye Valley. And the Welsh National Parks: Brecon Beacons National Park, Pembrokeshire Coast National Park and Snowdonia National Park Authorities.



## Sustainable Landscapes Sustainable Places

*Investing in our landscapes across Wales*

Sustainable Landscapes, Sustainable Places is a Welsh Government capital fund for Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and National Parks. It has provided over **£8 million** to support over **90 projects** in the eight Welsh Designated Landscapes, who are working together as Tirweddau Cymru Landscapes Wales to deliver projects on key themes.

The Sustainable Landscapes, Sustainable Places fund supports projects working on

**Decarbonisation**

**Biodiversity**

**Sustainable Tourism**

**Resilient Communities and**

**Covid recovery**



Between 2020 and 2022 the Fund has delivered:

### 29 Decarbonisation projects

including:

- Land purchase and management projects for carbon sequestration.
- 11 green building projects - retrofitting buildings, renewable energy, and baseline reviews.
- 80 EV charge points and one eBike charging project.
- 8 EVs to replace end of life pool/warden vehicles.
- 2 collaborative carbon baseline and action plan projects.
- 6 projects replacing equipment with zero-emission electric alternatives.

### 11 Nature based solutions and nature recovery projects

including:

- Tree nursery equipped to propagate and provide local provenance, native tree stock for planting.
- Hedgerows and mature tree restoration and planting.
- Pioneering light reduction project to improve nocturnal biodiversity.
- 2 projects restoring peatland.
- 4 projects restoring and protecting habitats and key ecological sites.
- 2 projects improving woodlands and wood meadow for community use.

### 44 Sustainable tourism projects

including:

- 18 projects improving access and recreation opportunities, including improved footpaths and other routes.
- Masterplanning for more sustainable future transport to and within Designated Landscapes.
- 15 projects improving visitor and community amenities such as car parks and sustainable toilets.
- 3 projects improving key heritage and other visitor sites.

### 11 Resilient Communities and Covid recovery projects

including:

- 4 projects to create plans for improving local access to green spaces.
- 2 projects providing grants for community priorities.
- 2 projects updating technology to respond to new ways of working.



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Welsh Government

# What next?

- Current SLSP programme delivery on priority areas
- Connecting the partnership to key policies – including the Well-being of Future Generations Act and future skills/ employment  
<https://www.futuregenerations.wales/>
- *youth voice is key to all future decisions!*
- Strategic planning and development for the Partnership

# Some youth work highlights!

Schools outreach work:

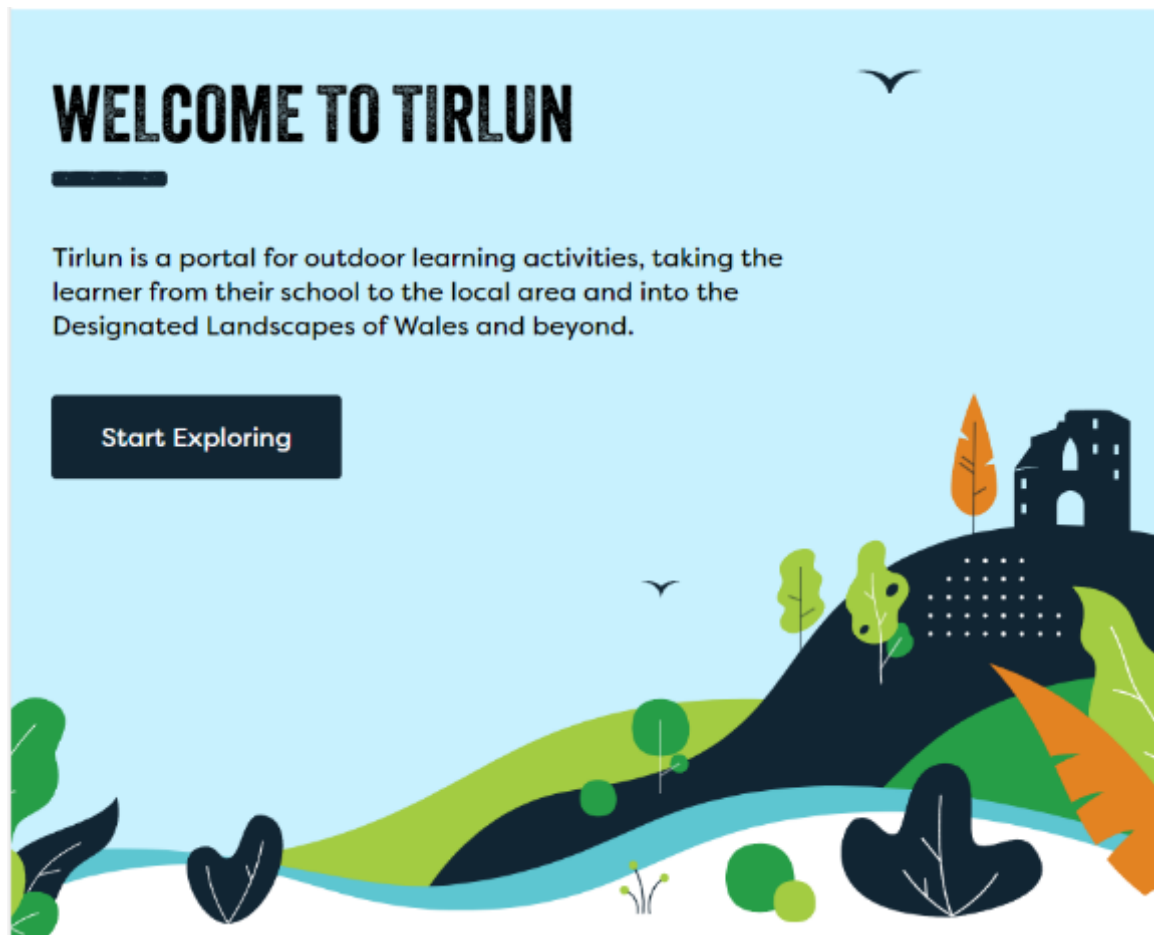
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority  
(PCNPA)

- Outdoor Schools Partnership
- First 1000 days - the project aims to connect young families with nature and the outdoors, highlighting the value of wild spaces and outdoor play in contributing to the wellbeing of young children and their families.
- [www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/get-involved/1st-1000-days-project](http://www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/get-involved/1st-1000-days-project)

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- Tirlun website launch – TCLW collaboration

<https://tirlun.wales/>



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# Supporting Welsh landscapes with youth schemes



Creating a Youth Network for staff to offer a space for connecting, sharing and supporting each other – important to remember that all are at different stages.



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Wye Valley Adventurers: activities for 11-16 year olds to participate in outdoor and ecological activities 1 x Saturday a month.



Wye Valley National Landscape

22 June · 🌐



Our Wye Valley Adventurers had an great morning searching for different types of 🐝 Bee's 🐝 round Monmouth, with our Bee Champion Ciaran. We spotted 5 different species and some solitary bee nests! We finished our morning at Monmouth Bee Festival to build Bee hotels to take home. [#beesfordevelopment](#)  
[#monmouthbeefestival](#)  
[#WyeValleyAdventurers](#) [#BeeSpotting](#) [#BeeHotels](#) [#OutdoorLearning](#)  
[#WildlifeDiscovery](#)





# Support Welsh landscapes with youth ranger / warden meet ups and exchanges



# Support landscapes with youth volunteering schemes – focus on inclusion



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parc\_eryri A big thank you to the Moving Mountains team who were out with our Trees and Woodlands Officer and Archaeologist over the weekend. They undertook some Himalayan balsam clearance work at a fragile archaeological site.

Our officers thoroughly enjoyed spending time with the young individuals from Afghanistan, Ukraine and Egypt. Thank you for all your hard work!



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# Support landscapes with youth voice schemes

EUROPARC Youth Manifesto support - in spring 2018 a group of youth from across seven countries gathered to create the EUROPARC Youth Manifesto.

***The EUROPARC Youth Manifesto is a source of ideas and inspiration for decision-makers in Protected Areas and rural communities to ensure the involvement and empowerment of young people.***

**[www.europarc.org/young-people/youth-manifesto](http://www.europarc.org/young-people/youth-manifesto)**



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EUROPARC manifestos in Wales – PCNPA and Eryri collected local young people's opinions to create their own.

- PCNPA's Next Generation – youth rangers and council.  
Manifesto link:

<https://www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/get-involved/next-generation/youth-manifesto/>

*PCNPA are supporting Bannau Brycheiniog National Park with the creation of their council!*

- Eryri Youth Fforwm – their manifesto is just about to be passed!

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PCNPA Next Gen socials takeover next month and 'Youth Celebration Day' for young people across the National Park on International Youth Day – 12 August 2024!





# COPA1: SHAPING THE FUTURE OF YR WYDDFA THROUGH YOUTH-LED CLIMATE ACTION

## **First environmental project for young people in Eryri!**

This exciting event is part of the Plastic Free Yr Wyddfa project, aiming to tackle single-use plastic pollution through the innovative ideas of the next generation.

Pupils from different age ranges were invited to submit video pitches on their 'Big Ideas' based on themes related to communication, policy, and innovation. Shortlisted groups will attend the inaugural Youth Climate Summit in September 2024 on the summit of Yr Wyddfa to pitch their ideas in incubator workshops. The winners from each category will then go on to turn their ideas into reality with a £1,500 development grant.

<https://snowdonia.gov.wales/copa1-shaping-the-future-of-yr-wyddfa-through-youth-led-climate-action/>

# CHALLENGES

- Available resources: funds and staff
- How best to communicate messages (social media) and recruit more young people to get involved in our landscapes
- How to ensure that your voice is fully heard and included in decision making by landscapes leaders and board members
- Creating a consistent approach across the 8 Welsh landscapes where possible e.g age range

# Diolch Thank you



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