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National Museum Wales

Help us decide what to do in the next 10 years

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About us

We are **National Museum Wales**. We run the collections centre in Nantgarw, and the 7 national museums in Wales:



- National Museum Cardiff
- St Fagans National Museum of History
- National Roman Legion Museum
- National Waterfront Museum
- National Wool Museum
- National Slate Museum
- Big Pit National Coal Museum.



Since 2001 it has been free to visit the museums, thanks to money from Welsh Government.

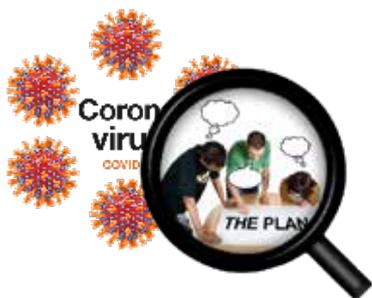


We are now working on a plan for our work over the next 10 years. And we want as many people as possible to be part of this.



Everyone in Wales should be able to go to the museums to learn and enjoy. But we know there is more work to do, and we would like your help.

Our 10 year plan



Before coronavirus, we started to think about our work over the next 10 years.



But the world has changed since then. We had to close all 7 of our museums and our collections centre.



We know coronavirus affected certain groups of people worse than others. For example people living in our poorest communities. And also **Black, Asian and Ethnic Minority** communities.



We now need to rethink what we do and how we do it to make sure we reach more people.



We need your help to make sure the museum is for everyone. In this document we have written our ideas for 7 goals. We want to know what you think of them. And hear your ideas.



Please read this document and fill out the response form.

Our goals

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Goal 1:
Make sure our collections
are about all the people and
communities of Wales



We have over 5 million objects that show Wales' history, nature and art.



But some people think our museums are not for them. Some find it hard to get to our museums.



We want people to be at the centre of our collection. Over the next 10 years we want to work to:



- make sure our collection is about all the different types of people in Wales.



- Make sure everyone in Wales can use and learn from our collection.



- be fair and work with different communities and organisations across Wales.



- give equal chances for every community in Wales to work with us and tell us what they want from the museums.

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Goal 2: Protect our environment and our planet

In 2019 we made a decision to do things to protect our **environment**.

The **environment** is where we live. It includes the land, the sea, the air, and everything that lives in and on it. For example: plants, animals and fish.



We have started work on this. We have changed things in our buildings to save energy.



We are working with young people and hold events that teach people about the **environment**.



We want to keep thinking about the **environment** when we make all our decisions.

And we want to:



- check how the **environment** of Wales is changing. And help to protect it



- support people to use things that do not harm the **environment**



- keep telling people about the **environment** and what is happening.

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Goal 3: Provide life-long learning programmes and activities



We are the largest provider of learning outside of schools in Wales. We provide learning programmes in English and Welsh.



We work with lots of partners to provide things like events, workshops, courses and tours.

We want to:



- help people of different ages learn about the history, **environment** and art collections of Wales.



- support all different types of people to enjoy learning at the museum.



- help every child in Wales to learn about history, arts and science before they leave school.



- do more online in English and Welsh.

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Goal 4: Help people to live well

Museums can make a big difference to people's health and well-being.

Over the last 5 years we have:



- worked with mental health services



- supported people living with **dementia** – a brain condition that affects people's memory and can make them confused.



- made community gardens to improve well-being



- supported our staff and volunteers with their health and wellbeing.



We are working to create things that help us remember what life was like during coronavirus.



We want to work with partners to keep supporting the health and well-being of people across Wales.



Goal 5: Give back to Wales

We get money from Welsh Government to run our museums. This means the people of Wales fund our work.



For every £1 we receive we make £5 for Wales.



But we know that the people of Wales are more important than money.

We want to:

- make people from all communities feel welcome





- give more training and opportunities for staff and people who want to work for us.



- support people from all different types of communities to volunteer for us.



- help people to be creative and show their talents.



- use local products for our shops and cafes. And make sure organisations we work with employ local people.

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Goal 6: Start an online National Museum for Wales

Coronavirus has changed the way we work and do things. We have been working to support people with more online activities and programmes. And we want to do more.

We want to:

- improve the things we already do on the internet to get more people involved.
- put more things and programmes on the internet. And start an online National Museum that people from all over the world can enjoy.
- work with other organisations to support people to learn skills to use computers and the internet.



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Goal 7: Work with other countries across the world

We play a big part in showing Wales to the world. And also in helping people in Wales learn more about the world.



We want to:

- work with people from other countries who are now living in Wales.
- work with other countries to learn more about different cultures. And teach them about Wales.
- celebrate different cultures and welcome all. Hold events to celebrate different communities. Like Diwali and Chinese New Year.
- help to connect people from all over the world, in person and on the internet. Be a leader for this kind of work across the world.



What happens next?



Please help us by answering the questions in our survey called: **National Museum Wales - What do you think of our plan?**



You can get it from our website here:
museum.wales/yoursay



Your answers will help us make sure the museum belongs to everyone. If you need any further information or support, you can contact us on:



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Environment

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