

How to Apply for the Model Senedd Event

1. Who Can Apply?

We are looking for enthusiastic Scout or Scout Explorers aged 14-18 from all 12 scouting areas in Wales. If you are interested in **democracy** and **community engagement**, or if you want to learn more about how democratic processes work, this is a great opportunity for you!

2. Number of Participants

Our goal is to recruit **2-4 participants** from each of the 12 scouting areas in Wales to ensure broad representation.

3. Eligibility Criteria

To apply, you must:

- Be a **Scout or Scout Explorer** aged **14-18**.
- Have an interest in **democracy** or want to learn about democratic processes and how they function in Wales.

4. Application Process

You will need to complete a **detailed application form**. This form will ask for:

- **Personal Details:** Your name, age, scouting area, and contact information.
- **Written or Video Submission:** Choose one of the following options:
 - In 300-500 words write about a topic you're passionate about and how it relates to your community or to the idea of working together for a common good.
 - Submit a video (2-3 minutes) explaining the same.

“working together for a common good” means thinking about how your passion or interest can contribute to making positive changes in your community or beyond. When you write about something you care about, try to connect it to ways people can come together to address a shared goal or issue. For example, if you’re passionate about environmental conservation, you might discuss how your interest helps people work together to protect nature. Or, if you love sports, you could explain how sports bring people together and create a sense of community. We want to understand how your passion might inspire or involve others in making a difference or improving things for everyone.”

- **Responses to Questions:** You will also answer questions on how participating in the Model Senedd will benefit you and how you plan to use the experience in the future.



5. Selection Criteria

Your application will be evaluated based on:

- **Interest in Democracy and Engagement:** We are looking for participants who are eager to engage with democratic processes.
- **Potential for Personal Growth:** How you can grow and benefit from the experience.
- **Future Impact:** Your commitment to using this opportunity for future community or democratic engagement.

6. Dates You'll Need to Be Free

- **October 23rd, 2024:** Application form goes live.
- **November 13th, 2024:** Application deadline.
- **November 2024:** Participants will be selected and announced.
- **November 20th, 2024:** First virtual meeting.
- **January 17th, 2025:** Second virtual meeting.
- **February 19th, 2025:** Model Senedd event takes place.

7. Additional Information

The Model Senedd event will take place during **term time** to give participants the best possible experience. This is a unique opportunity for young people to **meet and engage with Members of the Senedd (MSs)** and explore real-life democratic processes. Participants will gain insight into how decisions are made and how they can make a difference in their own communities.

Ready to Apply?

Stay tuned for the application form going live on **October 23rd, 2024**. Be sure to submit your form by **November 13th, 2024**, to secure your chance to participate in this exciting opportunity!