





# Support a Young Person to Aim High!

Since 2020, Legal Wales has teamed up with London-based charity the Lord Edmund Davies Legal Education Trust (LEDLET) in an exciting initiative aimed at Year 12 pupils.

## The LEDLET Legal Wales Summer Scheme

Learners living in Wales (or with a connection to Wales) can apply for a week's residential Summer Scheme in Cardiff each July. They will shadow Solicitors, Chartered Legal Executives and Barristers; observe a court hearing and have the opportunity to talk to a judge; and attend talks and workshops on studying law, legal careers and legal skills.

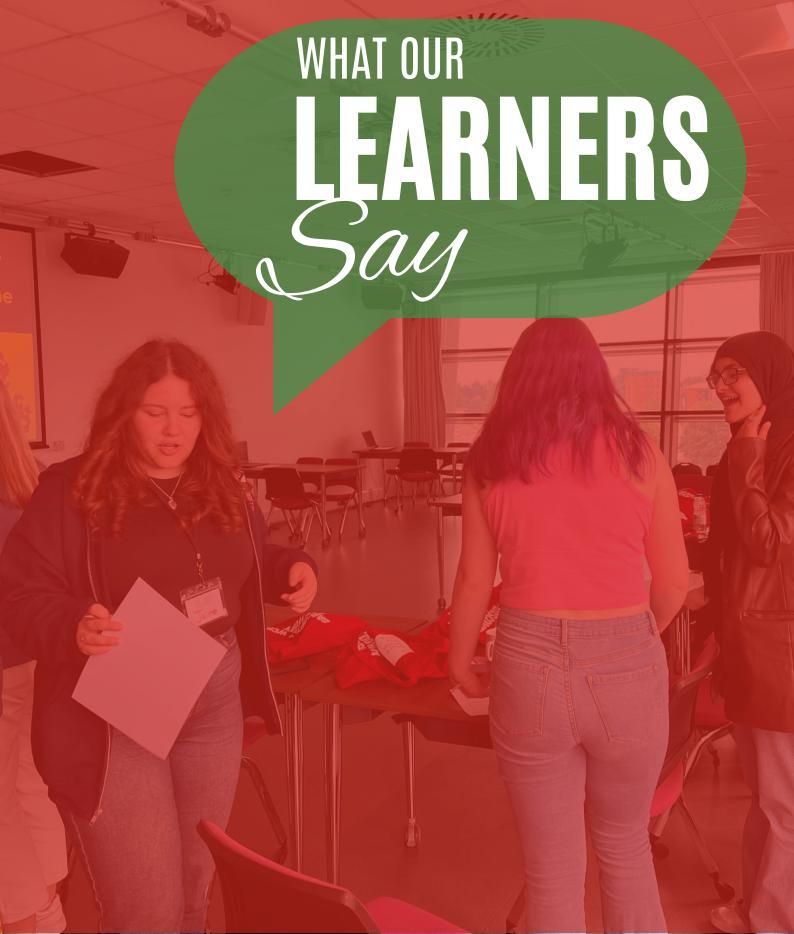
The Scheme is aimed at giving an opportunity to young people who might not have such opportunities otherwise. Anyone can apply if they:

- live in Wales or have connections with Wales
- are in Year 12 and will be under 18 on the last day of the Scheme for their year, and
- have no family links with the legal profession.



We look positively on applications from pupils who are facing or have faced particular barriers, such as being first in their family to aspire to higher education or to a profession; receiving free school meals; coming from an economically disadvantaged area; disrupted education; having a disability; being care experienced; or caring for others.

The Scheme is completely free to the young people, including accommodation, travel and meals



"I really enjoyed all of it as a whole, from the immersive university experience of living with people I'd never previously met, to being immersed in the legal world for the first time."

"A brilliant week! " "The placements at the chambers and time at the crown court were amazing."



Information and guidance on routes to a career in law.

Shadowing lawyers in the workplace.

Visiting courts and the Senedd.

Highlights of the summer scheme programme.

Events to network with lawyers.

A university halls of residence living experience.



# Sponsor

You can contribute something to enable a young person to benefit from the opportunity by sponsoring their whole experience or parts of it. Please see below. Previous participants in the scheme have gone on to achieve wonderful things in their education and career and you can offer that same chance to the future generation of lawyers, as well as a heartwarming experience that builds connection, skills and self worth.

## Mentor

You can offer to mentor a learner who didn't make it through to the full scheme with a conversation by email, telephone, video conference or face to face.

When you sponsor you may choose also to build a professional relationship as an organiastion with that young person where you follow and support their future study and career.

## Sponsor the Whole Experience

£480

Sponsor accomodation and Food

£250

Sponsor a Professional Clothing Bursary

£160

Sponsoring a young person's whole experience means that they will enjoy a University living experience, be watched over by chaperones, have the ability to travel between activities across the city and enjoy food for each day of their experience. They will have the opportunity to undertake work experience and shadowing and to attend courts, universities, law firms and the Senedd. In the long term, a whole experience sponsorship will mean that the scheme can continue for years to come and maybe could include even more young people in future.

Sponsoring food for young people participating in the scheme, could cover the meals for that one or more young people for the week. It could contribute to a social and professional networking experience over shared food for the whole group.

During the scheme we ensure that the young people have access to basic foods in their univeristy accomodation. We provide a lunch and a dinner for them each day.

We will arrange for young people to eat out sometimes during their stay and invite guests who may be interested to meet them and who may be able to offer them advice, guidance and even opportunities.

We request that young people come along ready to embrace all that is part of the legal sector and working within it.

We share some guidance on what is often classed as professional dress for the workplace and the places they will visit. We also let them know that this can vary between organisations.

Often, young people feel that to not be embarrassed and to fully enagage they would like to have some smart, professional looking clothes. It gives them confidence and a sense of belonging.

Sometimes our young people cannot afford to purchase this kind of clothing and don't own any already. In those instances they can apply for a bursary and the clothing they purchase can help them during the placement and for interviews and work placements after that too.













