

## Foreword

The Gwynedd Health, Social Care and Well-being Partnership recognises that the health and social care needs of our population here in Gwynedd, together with the reduction of health inequalities should be priorities, not only for the Partnership, but for us all.

Three years ago, the Partnership launched its first Strategy (2005–08), ***Better Health - Better Gwynedd***. The implementation of that strategy has supported improved working across the Partnership organisations, particularly in strengthening the role that all of the public sector services have in the prevention of ill health and improving well-being.

This second strategy ***Delivering a Vision Together*** aims to build on the achievements of the first strategy and the Partnership's long term vision remains the same.


“To aim for a level of health and well-being for the people of Gwynedd which is comparable to the best in Europe”

Achieving this vision requires careful assessment of the current position in comparison with Europe, the development of co-ordinated plans, and the implementation of actions to ensure that the right services are available to meet the health and care needs of our population now and in the future. It is recognised that substantial improvement needs to be made to compare with the best in Europe.

A draft copy of this strategy was launched in September 2007 for consultation. Over 1000 copies were circulated to both statutory and voluntary health and care agencies, elected members, town and community councils and interested individuals. Presentations on the strategy were given to numerous and varied organisations and groups including users of health and care services and community and ethnic groups of all ages. The response was generally positive and very constructive comments were received in the meetings and in the consultation questionnaire responses. Many comments have been included in this final document and others will be fed into action plans. The Health, Social Care and Well-being Partnership is keen to express its gratitude to all those who took part in the consultation process.

The Partnership will now look how to continue this valuable engagement with the community. We believe that health and social care can only be improved by working in partnership and citizens and communities need to be actively involved in the process of improving the health and well-being of the population of Gwynedd. Only together can we deliver our vision for improved health and well-being of the people of Gwynedd “comparable to the best in Europe”.

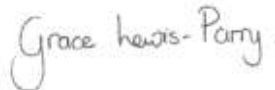
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