

Consultation response

We have included a number of questions about the Code which we would like you to answer. Please consider your responses in conjunction with the statutory responsibilities of EWC (see consultation document) in respect of the provision of a Code and the matters to be included within it. Responses will be collated and considered by the EWC Council who will approve final publication of the revised Code.

Please complete the online form via the EWC website www.ewc.wales/code or submit your response by email to code@ewc.wales

The deadline for submission is **12 noon on 14 December 2018**

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Which category of respondent best describes you? :
E.g. registrant, stakeholder, member of the public, learner

Headteacher Union Official

Questions

1. Is the purpose, scope and status of the revised Code clear and in line with Welsh Government legislation (as set out in the consultation document)?

Agree	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither agree nor disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Supporting comments

We are happy that generally they are appropriate (see suggestions below).

2. Are the key principles (personal responsibility, knowledge, integrity and working collaboratively) appropriate in defining practitioner professionalism across all registrant groups? What revisions, if any, might be made to the key principles?

Agree	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither agree nor disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Supporting comments

However, as they apply to all registrants, they may be too generic, and require some more specific detail for each of the different groups.

3. Are the expectations under each key principle (personal responsibility, knowledge, integrity and working collaboratively) appropriate? If not, what revisions might be made to address this?

We are concerned that, particularly with regard to the knowledge section, there is an underlying implication that some of these activities require funding, but no mention of where that should come from. We don't feel it reasonable to expect colleagues to pay for all their own professional learning and would therefore like to see some mention of "school funded" training/development.

4. Does the Code offer reassurance to learners, parents, guardians and the general public about the conduct and practice of the education workforce?

Agree	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither agree nor disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Supporting comments

We felt it is appropriate for this.

5. We would like to know your views on the effects the draft Code of Professional Conduct and Practice for registrants with the Education Workforce Council would have on the Welsh language, specifically on:

- I. opportunities for people to use the Welsh language; and
- II. treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language

No issues

6. Do you have any other comments?

Please check the box if you wish for your response to remain confidential

Please check the box if you are happy for us to contact you about your submission

What happens next?

We will publish a consultation report on our website in February 2019 and approval for the publication of the revised Code of Professional Conduct and Practice for Registrants will be sought from EWC Council at its meeting in March 2019.