

The Studio, 95 Mansel Street, Swansea

Sessions at the Studio for the young people you have placed in Swansea.

Unaccompanied young people are placed in Swansea by authorities across South, Mid and West Wales, and their workers are often an hour or two away. Our UASC lead runs sessions at the Studio, our community space in the city centre, for any authority's young people aged 16 to 25, whoever houses them.

£27 an hour · no minimum term · a weekly slot, or sessions around the young person's timetable

Adina Thomas, UASC lead

Adina worked in the Neath Port Talbot leaving care team from 2010, and before that from 2002 to 2006. She was the regional UASC young persons advisor for Swansea and Neath Port Talbot from September 2023 to April 2026.

Since June 2026 her weekly Swansea drop-ins for unaccompanied young people aged 16 to 25 have been attended by young people placed by four authorities, with referrals from five. She supported the regional consultations with unaccompanied young people in 2024 and 2025. She does not give immigration advice.

How sessions work

Booking

A weekly slot, or sessions around the young person's timetable. Bookings through Ian.

Groups

Charged as group sessions, never as stacked one-to-one hours. Ask Ian for group prices.

Record

Recorded in TIFA Connect on the day, with a case note to you after every session.

Elsewhere

The same hours delivered into a placement your authority runs, from an hour a day.

What a session covers

Letters and appointments

Solicitor and Home Office letters read and explained, solicitors chased, interviews and appointments prepared for and attended where it helps. Advice itself stays with solicitors and registered immigration advisers.

Independence

Bank account, phone, bus pass, GP and dentist, college and ESOL enrolment, budgeting, cooking and keeping safe in Swansea. The Welcome to Swansea course covers a new arrival's first weeks.

Culture and community

Faith and community links, food, friendships, peer mentoring, and activities from football to the gym. Cultural awareness for the young person, and separately for your staff.

The Studio

A public café and venue run as a community space for care leavers and unaccompanied young people. The last eight-week DJ course ended with a performance to a crowd of 60, with barista-trained young people running the bar.

Visit or arrange a first session

95 Mansel Street, Swansea SA1 5TZ. Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm, Sunday 10am to 4pm. Workers are welcome on a first visit. Commissioned sessions are separate from public café access.

Any safeguarding concern reaches our safeguarding lead and your authority the same day, by telephone first where there is immediate risk. The booking confirms the agreed work and charge.

Book a slot

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