



Cost Savings



Expertise



Information



Supply Links



Marketing



**gweithio gyda'n gilydd er mwyn llwyddo**  
**working together to succeed**

# Mid Wales Manufacturing Group (MWMG)



- Mid Wales Manufacturing Group (MWMG) was set up in 1994 by a group of like minded manufacturing business owners who saw the benefit of networking and sharing ideas and best practice.
- Owned by the Members
- MWMG operates as a not-for-profit private limited company, being driven by a volunteer Board of Directors taken from the membership.
- Our Vision  
**“To be the leading support network for manufacturing based business in mid Wales.”**

**Industries:-** Environmental

Agriculture Food

Automotive Giftware

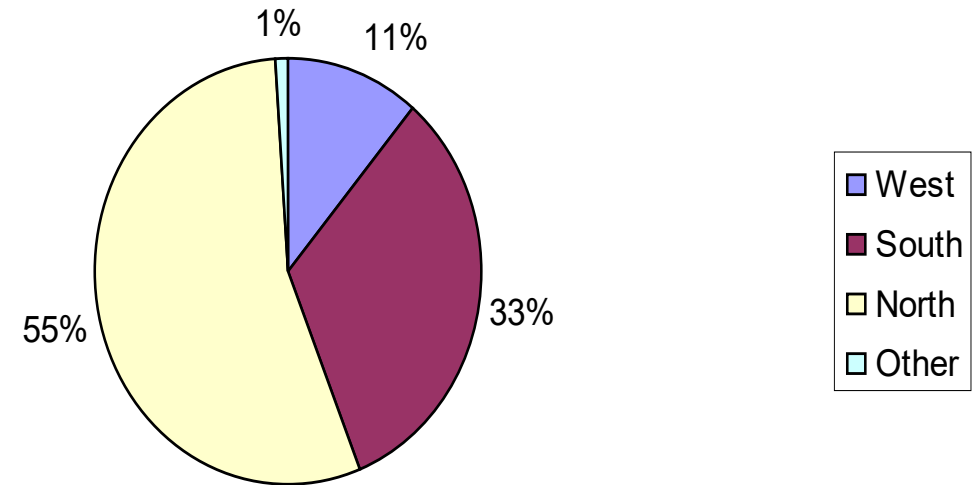
Chemical IT/ Media

Electrical Printing

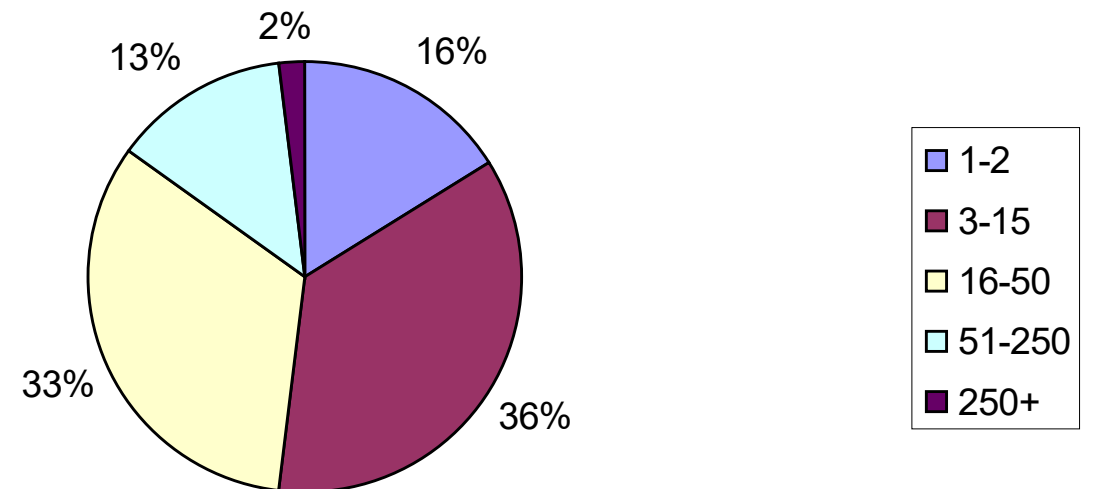
Electronic Textile

Engineering Timber

% of Member companies located in each Mid Wales region



Size of Member companies located in Mid Wales region by





- Objectives
- Promote the manufacturing industry in Mid Wales
- Improve the success, quality, profitability and efficiency in manufacturers in Mid Wales
- Promote and enhance the education, training and skills of persons in Mid Wales
- Promote and improve communications among manufacturers and between them and the community as a whole
- Act as an interface with other organizations for the benefit of manufacturers
- Band together manufacturers in Mid Wales so as to cultivate a mutual understanding of each others activities to facilitate the exchange of knowledge and the transfer of technology and identify opportunities for trading between members and other organizations whether or not in Wales.

# Key barriers

Property & Inward  
Investment

Skills & Recruitment

Supply Chain  
Development

Infrastructure



# Property

- Current Demand from Existing Businesses





# Skills

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62% of Businesses said Skills Shortage was affecting Business Growth

Shortage of General Operatives, engineers, machinists, Fitters, Setters

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Engineering roles – Top 3  
Software/Mechanical/  
Electrical



# Reasons for Skills Shortage

- Location
- People Shortage
- Lack of Training Provision

linking up with training providers locally and preventing young skilled workers leaving the area. encouraging young graduates back into the area

Better engagement with the schools and careers service. We need to promote apprenticeships within Manufacturing

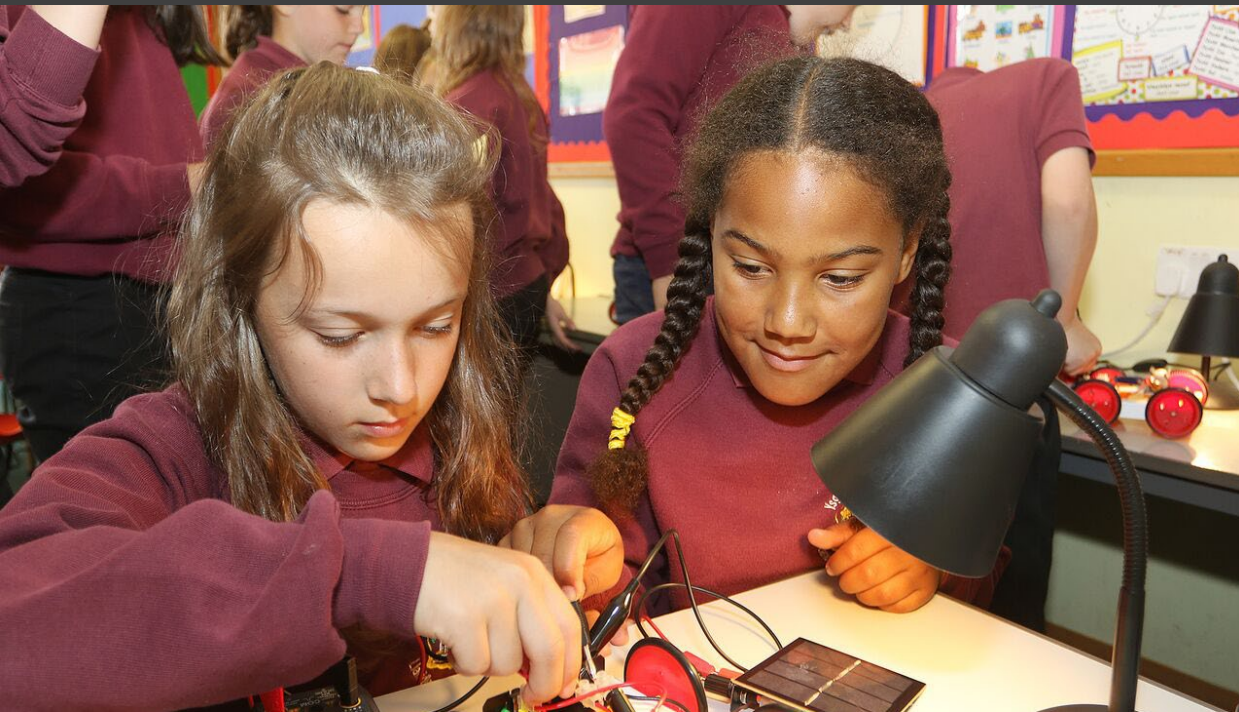
General shortage of skills in UK which makes recruitment in rural areas very difficult. Bringing in people from outside area usually requires a lifestyle change





## #FutureproofingEngineering

- Factory Open Evenings/Days
- Holiday activities
- STEM School Projects
- Promoting the Sector at Careers Fairs, Career talks, Mock Interviews
- Development of Engineering courses at NPTC Newtown
- Shared Training e.g GDPR/ ISO Transition/ Fire Marshall



# Supply Chain Development

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Part of the current remit of MWMG is to develop local supply chains amongst its companies, 95% of our survey respondents use local supply chains.

- 62% would like to see more support for local networking events in this sector

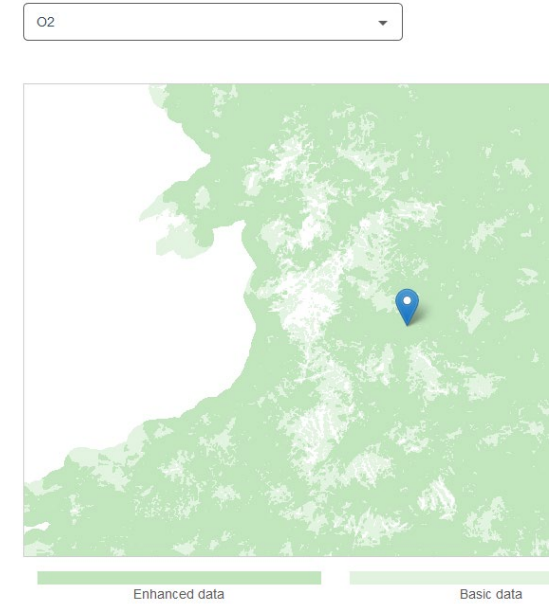
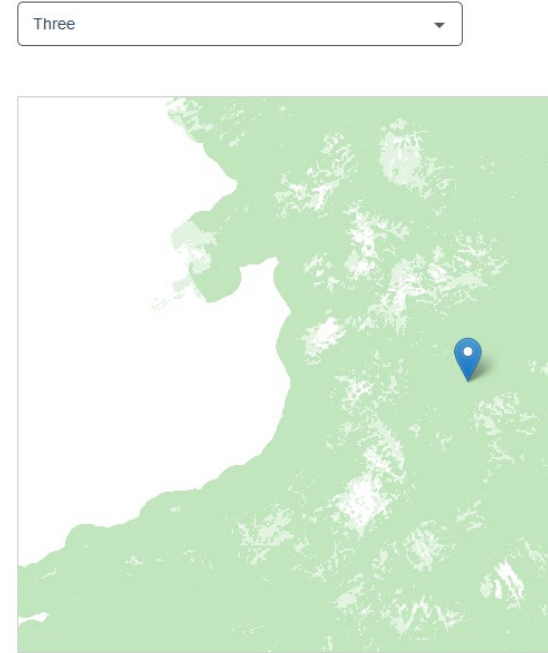
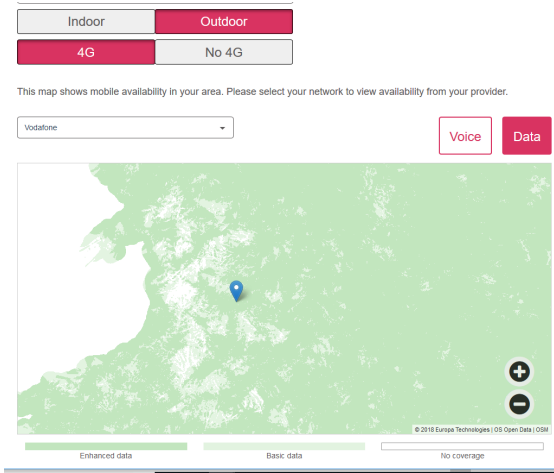
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- 56% would like to be made aware of and create further opportunities for supply chains

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- 56% supported the development of a local Supply Chain Directory

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- 81% wanted to see more being done to extend the existing supply chains in Wales (75% UK, 37% Europe, 12% ROW)

# Infrastructure

- **Improved Transport Links** - Opportunities into Midlands Growth Engine, and transport schemes for access to HS2
- **Energy Security, Efficiency**
- **Digital Connectivity**



# Coverage – OFCOM “Making Communication work for everyone”



The industry has a skills shortage  
and offers excellent opportunities