

LEARNING AND CULTURE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Hybrid Meeting, 11th April, 2024.

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Present: Councillor R.R. Thomas (Chair); Councillors A. Asbrey; W. Gilligan; R. Godfrey, E.J. Goodjohn; W.A. Hennessy; N.P. Hodges; J. Lynch-Wilson; N.B. Marshallsea, J.M. Norman and E. Penn.

Co-Opted Members: M. Price (Roman Catholic Church), L. Barrowclough (Parent Governor – Primary Sector), G. van der Burgt (Parent Governor – Secondary Sector), R. Goodjohn (Vale Youth Forum); G. Scott (Welsh Medium Education), J. Clemett and T. Williams (Vale Youth Council).

Also present: Councillors J. Aviet, R.M. Birch (Cabinet Member for Education, Arts and the Welsh Language), E. Goodjohn, S.M. Hanks, Dr. I.J. Johnson, N.C. Thomas and E. Williams (Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE –

This was received from Councillor H.M. Payne (Vice-Chair).

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meetings held on 8th February and 18th March, 2024 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations of interest were received.

AGENDA ITEM 4. PROPOSED SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL, MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING STRATEGY 2024-2026 (REF) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T both the Cabinet reference and appended covering report be endorsed.

(2) T H A T the comments of the Scrutiny Committee in relation to the Learning and Skills Directorate Social, Emotional, Mental Health (SEMH) and Well-being

Strategy 2024- 2026, as set out within the meeting minutes, be referred to Cabinet for consideration.

Reason for recommendations

(1&2) Having regard to the contents of both the reference and appended covering report to ratify the Learning and Skills Directorate Social, Emotional, Mental Health (SEMH) and Well-being Strategy 2024- 2026.

AGENDA ITEM 5. CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSAL TO CREATE A WELSH MEDIUM SPECIALIST RESOURCE BASE AT YSGOL GWAUN Y NANT WITH EFFECT FROM SEPTEMBER 2024 (REF) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T both the Cabinet reference and appended Cabinet report, including details of the consultation process for the proposal, be noted.

(2) T H A T the proposal to create a Welsh Medium Specialist Resource Base at Ysgol Gwaun y Nant, with effect from September 2024, be endorsed.

Reason for recommendations

(1&2) Having regard to the contents of both the reference and appended covering report on the proposal to create a Welsh Medium Specialist Resource Base at Ysgol Gwaun y Nant with effect from September 2024.

AGENDA ITEM 6. SUMMARY OF ESTYN INSPECTION OUTCOMES AUTUMN TERM 2023 (DLS) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T the autumn term inspection outcomes of both Victoria Primary and St Brides Major Church in Wales Primary be noted.

(2) T H A T both Victoria Primary and St Brides Major Church in Wales Primary Schools be congratulated for no statutory follow-up following Estyn Inspection.

(3) T H A T the progress of the two schools in Special Measures, Ysgol Pen y Garth and Pencoedtre High School, be noted.

Reasons for recommendations

(1&2) Having regard to the contents of the report to update Committee on Estyn findings for schools inspected during the autumn term 2023.

(3) To ensure Committee are informed of the progress of the two schools in Special Measures within the Vale of Glamorgan.