

LEARNING AND CULTURE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Hybrid Meeting, 8th July, 2024.

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Present: Councillor R.R. Thomas (Chair); Councillor H.M. Payne (Vice-Chair); Councillors A. Asbrey, S. Campbell, W. Gilligan, E.J. Goodjohn, E. Goodjohn, W.A. Hennessy, N.P. Hodges, J. Lynch-Wilson and N.B. Marshallsea.

Co-Opted Members: M. Price (Roman Catholic Church), G. Scott (Welsh Medium Education), E. Woodfield and I. Da Silva (Vale Youth Council).

Also present: Councillors R.M. Birch (Cabinet Member for Education, Arts and the Welsh Language) and C.P. Franks.

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE –

This was received from Councillor S.J. Haines.

AGENDA ITEM 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

Councillor E. Goodjohn declared an interest in respect of Agenda Item No. 5 – Annual Delivery Plan Monitoring Report: Quarter 4 Performance 2023/24. Councillor Goodjohn declared a personal interest in that he was a student at the Cardiff and Vale College for the duration that the report related to. The nature of the interest meant that Councillor Goodjohn remained in the meeting for the duration of the item.

Councillor W.A. Hennessy declared an interest in respect of Agenda Item No. 4 – Libraries Annual Report. Councillor Hennessy declared a prejudicial interest in that he was a Trustee for Rhoose Library and so he left the meeting for the duration of the item.

Councillor C.P. Franks, not a member of the Committee, declared an interest in respect of Agenda Item No. 4 – Libraries Annual Report. Councillor Franks declared a prejudicial interest in that he was a Trustee for Dinas Powys Library and that he had received dispensation to speak on such matters.

AGENDA ITEM 3. PRESENTATION – UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS OF THE RELIGION, VALUES AND ETHICS CURRICULUM – CENTRAL SOUTH CONSORTIUM –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the Committee's thanks be passed on to the schools for their video presentations and the contents of the presentation be noted.

Reason for recommendation

Having regard to the contents of the presentation and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 4. LIBRARIES ANNUAL REPORT (DLS) –

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the contents of the Libraries Annual Report and the progress and outcomes that the service had achieved during the period be noted.
- (2) T H A T the comments of the Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee be referred to Cabinet for their consideration and endorsement.

Reasons for recommendations

- (1) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.
- (2) To ensure that Cabinet has oversight of the performance of the Library Service and its impact during the period and takes into account any comments received from the Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 5. ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN MONITORING REPORT:
QUARTER 4 PERFORMANCE 2023/24 (DLS) –

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the Quarter 4 performance results and progress towards achieving the Annual Delivery Plan 2023/24 commitments as aligned in the Council's Corporate Plan Wellbeing Objectives within the remit of the Committee, be noted.
- (2) T H A T the comments of the Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee be referred to Cabinet for its consideration.

Reasons for recommendations

- (1) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.
- (2) To ensure that Cabinet are aware of the comments of the Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee.