

Notice of the Decisions of the **Meeting of the CABINET** held at the Council Chamber, Neuadd Cyngor Ceredigion, Penmorfa, Aberaeron and remotely on **Tuesday, 2 May 2023**

This Notice is published at 5.00pm on Thursday, 4 May 2023. Requests to call-in any decision to be delivered to the Head of Democratic Services by 5.00pm on Friday, 12 May 2023. The decisions will come into force (if no valid call-in application is received) on Monday, 15 May 2023.

PRESENT: Councillor Bryan Davies (Chair), Councillors Catrin M S. Davies, Clive Davies, Gareth Davies, Keith Henson, Wyn Thomas, Matthew Vaux and Alun Williams.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Councillors Euros Davies, Endaf Edwards, Rhodri Evans, Gareth Lloyd and Caryl Roberts.

(10.00am-11.35am)

195 Apologies

No apologies were received.

196 Personal matters

- i. Congratulations were extended to all involved with arranging the Barley Saturday event held in Cardigan on Saturday.
- ii. Best wishes were extended to Meinir Ebbsworth, Corporate Lead Officer: Schools and Culture as she leaves her role with the authority. She was thanked for her excellent work and wished well for the future. The Chief Executive reiterated the Leader's words.
- iii. Congratulations were extended to Hari Thomas and Dylan Pritchard-Evans on being awarded for their bravery in January 2022 at the Child of Wales Awards 2023 held recently.
- iv. Congratulations were also extended to Felicity Roberts, Welsh for Adults Tutor and Coordinator at Aberystwyth University on her success at the Inspire! Tutor Awards 2023.

197 Disclosure of Personal/ Prejudicial Interests

There were no disclosures of personal/ prejudicial interests.

198 To confirm as a true record the Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Cabinet and any matters arising from those Minutes

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Matters arising: There were no matters arising from the minutes.

199 Any petitions received: Objection to the proposed imposition of 20mph speed limit at Stags Head No. 69.1 - B4578 & B4343 intersection

It was noted that the above petition had been received and would be dealt with in accordance with the guidelines in the Petitions Protocol.

200 Reports of any decisions (if any) having been called in from Overview and Scrutiny Committee

None.

201 Any feedback from Overview and Scrutiny Committee not otherwise on the agenda

None.

202 To consider the report of the Corporate Lead Officer for Schools and Culture upon the Action Plan - Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2022-32 including feedback from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

DECISION:

To agree:

- i. to adopt the Action Plan for the Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2022-2032, to implement it from the beginning of the Summer term 2023 and to review it annually;
- ii. that the Action Plan will be monitored through the WESP Language Forum meetings and the Bilingual Futures Committee;
- iii. that an annual report on progress against the Action Plan for the Welsh in Education Strategic Plan is presented to the Language Forum, the Bilingual Futures Committee, the Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee and to the Cabinet;
- iv. in accordance with the School Organisation Code, that the Local Authority starts the statutory consultation process of changing the language medium in the Foundation Phase at Comins Coch, Llwyn yr Eos, St Padarn's, Plascrug and Cei Newydd school &
- v. that the consultation regarding changing the admission age at three schools namely Comins Coch, St Padarn's and Cei Newydd, to commence on 15th September 2023.
- vi. To note the feedback from the Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Reason for the decision:

To comply with Section 84 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and the Welsh Government Welsh in Education Strategic Plans (Wales) regulations 2019.

203 To consider the report of the Corporate Lead Officer for Schools and Culture upon the Principles for Ensuring Sustainable Education Infrastructure including feedback from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

DECISION:

- i. To approve the 'Principles for Ensuring Sustainable Education Infrastructure' document (Appendix A).
- ii. To note the feedback from the Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee and to agree the role and membership of the already established workstream 'Ensure an effective and efficient infrastructure to meet our priorities'.

Reason for the decision:

Any future re-organisation proposal will be based on one or more of the principles noted in Section 1.2 of the Principles for Ensuring Sustainable Education Infrastructure document and in accordance with the Welsh Government's School Organisation Code 2018.

204 To consider the report of the Corporate Lead Officer for Schools and Culture upon the Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE) Policy including feedback from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

DECISION:

- i) To agree to adopt the contents of the Ceredigion RSE policy.
- ii) That any comments proposed by the Welsh Government are included as amendments to the RSE Policy.
- iii) To note the feedback from the Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Reason for the decision:

To comply with the legal requirements of Curriculum for Wales and provide a clear overview of the responsibilities of schools, to ensure a consistent and high-quality approach to delivering RSE across Ceredigion.

205 To consider the report of the Corporate Lead Officer for Porth Gofal upon the Housing Strategy, setting out Ceredigion's vision and plans for housing in the county for the next 5 years including feedback from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

DECISION:

- i. To approve and to begin the formal consultation on the DRAFT Local Housing Strategy 2023-2028.
- ii. To note the feedback from the Healthier Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- iii. To agree that Cabinet write to Ms Elin Jones, Senedd Constituency Member and to the four regional Senedd Cymru Members, expressing concern that providing sufficient housing according to need in Ceredigion is not possible due to all regulations requiring LPAs under the Habitat Regulations, to consider the phosphorus impact of proposed developments on water quality within the SAC river catchment, as recommended by the Healthier Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Reason for the decision:

To enable the Council to fulfil the requirements in relation to the strategic housing function.

206 To consider the report of the Corporate Lead Officer for Porth Cynnal upon The Our West Wales Adult Advocacy Strategy including feedback from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

DECISION:

- i. To approve the West Wales Regional Adult Advocacy Strategy.
- ii. To note the feedback from the Healthier Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Reason for the decision:

To ensure the obligations under the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (SSWBA) are met in respect of adult advocacy provisions.

- 207 To note the report of the Corporate Lead Officer for Porth Cynnal upon the Statutory Director of Social Services Annual Reports for 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 including feedback from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

Cabinet noted the report and the feedback from the Healthier Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

- 208 To note the report of the Corporate Lead Officer for Porth Cynnal upon the Independent Reviewing Service Performance Management Report Qtr. 3 2022/23 including feedback from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

Cabinet noted the report and the feedback from the Healthier Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

- 209 Any other matter the Chairman decides is for the urgent attention of the Cabinet**

None.

Confirmed at the Meeting of the Cabinet held on 6 June 2023

Chairman: _____

Date: _____