

Cyngor Sir CEREDIGION County Council

REPORT TO: Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

DATE: 27 May 2021

LOCATION: Zoom

TITLE: Partnership Agreement between LA and Schools 2021-24

PURPOSE OF REPORT: For information

REASON SCRUTINY HAVE REQUESTED THE INFORMATION: To consider the content of the Partnership Agreement between the LA and schools for 2021-24, for further consideration by Cabinet

BACKGROUND:

Section 197 of the Education Act 2002 is a Wales only provision that empowers the Welsh Government (“WG”) to require that local authorities form a partnership agreement with the governing body of all schools that are maintained by the authority. The purpose of a Partnership Agreement is to enhance and sustain partnership working between the LA and schools.

CURRENT SITUATION:

The Partnership Agreement specifies the arrangements for the review of the agreement and must be reviewed every 3 years.

The proposed Partnership Agreement between the LA and schools is for September 2021 until August 2024. The Partnership Agreement is included in Appendix A.

The main changes in the document can be summarised as follows:

- Changes in Ceredigion contacts/ contact details
- Changes due to change in legislation e.g. ALN Transformation/ GDPR etc
- Changes in School Improvement arrangements due to Ceredigion withdrawing from the ERW consortium

Section 2 of the Partnership Agreement may be further adapted during the period of the Agreement in accordance with the Welsh Government’s ‘School Improvement Guidance: Framework for Evaluation, improvement and Accountability.’

Has an Integrated Impact No Assessment been completed? If not, please state why

WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS:

Summary:
Long term: N/A
Integration: N/A
Collaboration: N/A
Involvement: N/A
Prevention: N/A

RECOMMENDATION (S):

To recommend the Partnership between the LA and Schools 2021-24 for Cabinet approval

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION (S):

In order to proceed with getting the Governing Body of each school to approve the agreement in place from 1 September 2021 onwards.

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