

Cyngor Sir CEREDIGION County Council

REPORT TO: Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

DATE: 6 July 2023

LOCATION: On-line / Chamber, Penmorfa

TITLE: Overview of e-sgol

PURPOSE OF REPORT: For information

REASON SCRUTINY HAVE REQUESTED THE INFORMATION: N/A

BACKGROUND:

The e-sgol project has been running since September 2018, with the original intention of supporting schools by providing lessons via e-sgol to pupils post 16 which would not have been available without this provision. The project is funded by Welsh Government, and Ceredigion is responsible for co-ordinating the project nationally.

Following trialling the project in Ceredigion we moved on to Powys and GWE, where the positive effect of e-sgol is now going from strength to strength. The team has increased to include a Headteacher, 3 Secondary School leaders and one Primary School leader to commence in the near future. The project has also absorbed some of the work of the “Ymlaen a’r Dysgu” project which supports Welsh speakers post 16 within the English medium schools who wish to carry on developing their skills in the sixth form.

In January 2021 e-sgol was commissioned by Welsh Government to hold a series of live revision sessions for students sitting their GCSE’s, AS and A Levels. They were also recorded so that students could revisit them any time. The aim of the sessions was to enrich the information of the students in different subjects and to offer further assistance to the exceptional work the teachers undertake in their schools. These live revision sessions are FREE and are available to all students across Wales and beyond.

CURRENT SITUATION:

Since the Pandemic remote learning has become very familiar to all pupils in Wales and the leaders of e-sgol have been progressive in offering support and training to schools in this area.

Other successful elements that have been launched recently by the e-sgol team are *Carlam Cymru*, which is a national revision scheme for GCSE and A Level; working with Mudiad Meithrin across Wales; and the scheme of linking Pupil Referral Units with nearby schools as a means of providing GCSE courses to vulnerable pupils whilst training mainstream teachers on the specific teaching techniques.

**Has an Integrated Impact Assessment been completed?
If, not, please state why**

WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS: *Summary:*
Long term:
Integration:
Collaboration:
Involvement:
Prevention:

RECOMMENDATION (S):

Receive an update for information

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION (S):

To update Committee Members

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