

Cyngor Sir CEREDIGION County Council

REPORT TO: Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

DATE: 30 November 2023

LOCATION: Hybrid

TITLE: Update from the Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Workstream

PURPOSE OF REPORT: To provide feedback on the work of the workstream

REASON SCRUTINY HAVE REQUESTED THE INFORMATION:

BACKGROUND:

The Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee established four workstreams for raising awareness, training purposes, exploring topics in greater detail and for identifying aspects which require further scrutiny at its meeting on 11 October 2012 as part of the forward work programme planning process. The workstreams have been reviewed and updated during 2022. The members of the Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee are divided between the workstreams and the Chairman and Vice Chair attends and contributes to all three.

Ensure that local and national priorities are delivered effectively	Ensure equity for all pupils	Ensure an effective and efficient infrastructure to meet our priorities
Councillor: Endaf Edwards Chris James Euros Davies Rhodri Davies Elizabeth Evans	Councillor: Endaf Edwards Chris James Paul Hinge Marc Davies Amanda Edwards Mark Strong Ann Bowen Morgan	Councillor: Endaf Edwards Chris James Meirion Davies Eryl Evans Gareth Lloyd

All Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are invited to the current workstream meetings.

CURRENT SITUATION:

Ensure equity for all pupils

The 'Ensure Equity for all Pupils' workstream met on 20th October 2023 at Cwrtnwydd. The workstream received a presentation on the 'Sgiliau Bywyd, Sgiliau Gwaith' which is the alternative curriculum provision delivered by Lifelong Learning and Skills Service, for disengaged learners in Key Stage 4

The aims of this alternative curriculum provision is to ensure that the most vulnerable / at risk learners:

- Have access to a bespoke Alternative Curriculum to meet their needs
- Have the skill sets required to contribute to the local economy
- Have the best opportunity to achieve and reach their full potential
- Improve their attainment and attendance
- Develop social, emotional and behavioural skills
- Leave school with relevant qualifications.

There are currently 102 pupils enrolled on the provision. The Alternative Curriculum is currently funded via the UK Shared Prosperity Funding, which ends 31st December 2024.

Year 9,10,11 pupils that are at risk of disengaging from education are eligible to attend the alternative curriculum. This cohort are identified through RAG/VAP scores, referrals through school, other internal services or outside agencies

The following qualifications can be achieved. All BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificates are equivalent to 2 GCSE's (D-G).

<u>Cyrsiau'r Darparwyr Allanol/ External Provider Courses</u>	
<u>Darparwyr/Provider</u>	<u>Cymhwyster/Qualification</u>
<u>Ieuentid Cambria Youth</u>	BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Sport
<u>Engineering (HCT)</u>	BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Engineering
<u>Hairdressing (HCT)</u>	City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate in an Introduction to the Hair and Beauty Sector
<u>Plumbing (HCT)</u>	City & Guilds 6219 Level 1 Award/Certificate
<u>Motor Mechanics (HCT)</u>	BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Transport and Vehicle
<u>Carpentry (HCT)</u>	BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Construction
<u>Construction (HCT)</u>	BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Construction
<u>Childcare (HCT)</u>	BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Vocational Studies
<u>Land-Based Studies (HCT)</u>	BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Land-Based Studies
<u>Art & Design (HCT)</u>	BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Art and Design
<u>Bywyd & Bywyd</u>	BTEC Level 2 Award in Home Cooking Skills (½ GCSE B grade) & BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Hospitality and Tourism
<u>Digital Media (Dysgu Bro)</u>	BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate in Digital Media

There were 3 'Sgiliau Bywyd, Sgiliau Gwaith' courses being delivered during the visit.

Members were shown around the facilities at Cwrtnwydd and had the opportunity to observe the teaching and speak to the pupils.

Film clips were also shared with the group, during the visit. These were films that had been created by Theatr Felinfach and the Music Service to evidence the work that had been done with pupils from Canolfan y Môr, HRC Penglais, LRC Penglais, and Canolfan y Bont.

Members thanked officers for the opportunity to visit Cwrtnwydd.

The remaining Workstream meetings have been scheduled as follows:

Sicrhau bod blaenoriaethau lleol a chenedlaethol yn cael eu darparu'n effeithiol	Sicrhau is adeiledd effeithiol ac effeithlon i gwrdd â'n blaenoriaethau
Ensure that local and national priorities are delivered effectively	Ensure an effective and efficient infrastructure to meet our priorities
January 2024	December 2023
Ysgol Henry Richards / Ysgol Y Dderi	Ysgol Uwchradd Aberteifi

Wellbeing of Future Generations:

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

No

Summary of Integrated Impact Assessment:

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

RECOMMENDATION (S):

To note the work of the workstream

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION (S):

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Date of Report:	10/11/23
Acronyms:	