

PWYLLGOR CRAFFU BWRDD ADDYSG, SGILIAU A LLES

2.00 PM, DYDD IAU, 8 RHAGFYR 2022

PORT TALBOT CIVIC CENTRE / REMOTELY - HYBRID

Rhaid gosod pob ffôn symudol ar y modd distaw ar gyfer parhad y cyfarfod

- 1. Cyhoeddiad y Cadeirydd
- 2. Datganiadau o fuddiannau
- 3. Cofnodion y Cyfarfod Blaenorol (Tudalennau 5 8)
 - 27 Hydref 2022
- 4. Y diweddaraf am COVID-19 (llafar)
- Craffu Cyn Penderfynu
 Dewis eitemau priodol o agenda'r Cabinet ar gyfer craffu cyn penderfynu (amgaeir adroddiadau ar gyfer yr Aelodau Craffu)
- 6. Blaenraglen Waith 2022/23 (Tudalennau 9 10)
- 7. Eitemau brys
 Unrhyw eitemau brys (boed yn gyhoeddus neu wedi'u heithrio) yn
 ol disgresiwn y Cadeirydd yn unol ag Adran 100B (4) (b) o Ddeddf
 Llywodraeth Leol 1972.

K.Jones Prif Weithredwr

Canolfan Ddinesig

Aelodaeth y Pwyllgor:

Cadeirydd: Y Cynghorydd R.Phillips

Is-gadeirydd: Y Cynghorydd D.Thomas

Cynghorwyr: W.Carpenter, M.Crowley, N.Goldup-John,

J.Henton, J.Jones, C.Lewis, R.Mizen, P.A.Rees,

S.Renkes, S.H.Reynolds a/ac D.Whitelock

*Aelodau Cyfetholedig sy'n

Pleidleisio

A. Amor, M.Caddick a/ac L.Newman

*Aelodau
Cyfetholedig nad
ydynt yn Pleidleisio

R.De Benedictis

Nodiadau:

- (1) Os yw aelodau'r pwyllgor neu'r rhai nad ydynt yn aelodau'r pwyllgor am gynnig eitemau perthnasol i'w cynnwys ar yr agenda cyn cyfarfodydd y dyfodol, rhaid iddynt roi gwybod i'r Prif Weithredwr/Cadeirydd 8 niwrnod cyn y cyfarfod.
- (2) Os yw'r rhai nad ydynt yn aelodau'r pwyllgor am fod yn bresennol ar gyfer eitem o ddiddordeb, mae'n rhaid rhoi rhybudd ymlaen llaw (erbyn 12 hanner dydd ar y diwrnod cyn y cyfarfod). Gall y rhai nad ydynt yn aelodau'r pwyllgor siarad ond nid oes ganddynt hawl i bleidleisio, cynnig nac eilio unrhyw gynnig.
- (3) Fel arfer, ar gyfer trefniadau cyn craffu, bydd y Cadeirydd yn argymell eitemau gweithredol sydd ar ddod i'w trafod/herio. Mae hefyd yn agored i aelodau'r pwyllgor ofyn i eitemau gael eu trafod er y gofynnir i'r aelodau ddewis a dethol yma o ran materion pwysig.
- (4) Gwahoddir aelodau perthnasol Bwrdd y Cabinet hefyd i fod yn bresennol yn y cyfarfod at ddibenion Craffu/Ymgynghori.
- (5) Gofynnir i aelodau'r Pwyllgor Craffu ddod â'u papurau ar gyfer Bwrdd y Cabinet i'r cyfarfod.



Minutes of the Education, Skills and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

27 October 2022

Port Talbot Civic Centre / Remotely - Hybrid

Chairperson: Councillor D.Thomas

Councillors: W.Carpenter, M.Crowley, N.Goldup-John,

J.Henton, J.Jones, C.Lewis, R.Mizen,

P.A.Rees, S.H.Reynolds and D.Whitelock

Co-opted Voting

Members:

A. Amor and M.Caddick

Officers In H.Lervy, C.Millis, P.Walker and R.Crowhurst,

Attendance C.Griffiths, C.Millis, P.Doyle, E.Dennis,

K.Gilbert, S.McCluskie and A.Thomas

Cabinet Invitees: Councillors N.Jenkins and J.Hurley.

1. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Chair confirmed that members would be scrutinising items 9, 12 and 16 from the Cabinet Board agenda.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Members noted that on Page 8 of the minutes, it does not include a record of the response from the Cabinet Members for Education to

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the request for confirmation that the budget for the Youth Provision would be maintained for the year. The Cabinet member confirmed that the budget would be maintained for the year.

The minutes of the meeting held on 27th September 2022 were approved as a true and accurate record with above amendment.

4. PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY

Participation and Engagement Strategy (Permission to Consult)

Members were presented with information relating to the Participation and Engagement Strategy (Permission to Consult), as detailed within the report circulated.

Members queried if the conversations referred to within the report, would include seeking to actively engage with young people who do not participate in local youth provisions within their communities. Members queried if work would be undertaken with third sector organisations and the local PCSO's. Officers confirmed that they would be looking at all groups of children and young people, and those that would be particularly most vulnerable. Officers stressed the importance of understanding what is important to young people so that services can be shaped to meet the needs of young people.

Following scrutiny, Members were supportive of the proposal to be considered by Cabinet Board.

Welsh Public Library Standards Annual Report 2020-21

Members were presented with information relating to the Welsh Public Library Standards Annual Report 2020-21. The report sets out an overview with regards to how the authority responded in the first year of the pandemic.

Members reiterated the importance of library's acting as community hubs and recognised that this importance would greatly increase moving forward. Members recognised Neath Port Talbot was one of the authorities that saw participation in the libraries increase during the pandemic. The maintenance of these hubs within communities is extremely important. Officers confirmed that this would be maintained over the coming months.

Members queried if libraries would be offering warm zones over the coming months, in light of the cost of energy increasing. Officers confirmed that libraries would be part of this, as will Pontardawe Arts Centre, and conversations will be held with Celtic Leisure to determine if they will also be able to participate.

Members expressed their thanks to Members for the service that they provide to the public.

Following scrutiny, Members were supportive of the proposal to be considered by Cabinet Board.

Youth Service Update

Members were presented with information relating to the Youth Service, as detailed within the report circulated.

Members asked officers for information indicating what youth clubs are across the area and that link with the local authority. Officers indicated that they would add this information to the next report.

Members of the committee queried if children who had not yet returned to school due to the pandemic, had now returned. Officers confirmed that the children who had not yet returned, contact was being maintained by the appropriate officers and bodies. Some children have elected to be home educated and contact is maintained with them as required.

Following scrutiny, members noted the report.

5. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2022/23**

Members asked for an earlier update on the cost of living crisis. Officers advised that they are currently looking at this item and will get back to members on this item.

Officers advised that an update on the Judicial Review would be brought forward when it has been fully considered by officers.

The Chair advised of the need to receive written reports on items in order for the scrutiny committee to be able to consider the item fully.

Following consideration, membered noted the Forward Work Programme.

6. **URGENT ITEMS**

There were no urgent items.

7. ACCESS TO MEETINGS

This item was not required as there were no private items for consideration.

Chairperson

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Eitem yr Agenda

Education, Skills and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

(All starting 2pm unless otherwise stated)

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Contact Officer |
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| 2022 | | |
| 7 th July | Training Session | |
| 15 th Sept | | |
| 27 th Oct | | |
| 24 th November | | |
| 8 th Dec | Post COVID update (verbal) | Rhiannon Crowhurst/Hayley Lervy/Chris Millis |
| 2023 | | |
| 18 th Jan | Regional Arrangements for ALN | Rhiannon Crowhurst/Hayley Lervy |
| | Post COVID update | Rhiannon Crowhurst/Hayley Lervy/Chris Millis |
| 16 th March | Cost of Living Support in Schools | Rhiannon Crowhurst/Hayley Lervy/Chris Millis |
| 13 th April | Tourism Strategy Update | Head of Leisure |
| | Support for Wellbeing | Hayley Lervy |
| 25 th May | | |

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