

**EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**

**27 OCTOBER 2022**

**EDUCATION, SKILLS & WELLBEING CABINET BOARD**

**MULTI-LOCATON MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBER PORT TALBOT AND  
MICROSOFT TEAMS**

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**Cabinet Members:**

Councillors: N.Jenkins (Chair),J.Hurley (Vice Chair)

**Officers in Attendance:**

C.Griffiths, R.Crowhurst, H.Lervy, C.Millis and PWalker, S.McCluskie,  
A.Thomas

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1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Agreed that Cllr N Jenkins, be appointed Chairperson of the meeting.

2. **CHAIRPERSONS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cllr Jenkins welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

No declarations of interest were received.

4. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

That the minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022, be approved as an accurate record.

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

That the Education, Skills and Wellbeing Cabinet Board Forward Work Programme be noted.

6. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No questions from the public were received.

7. **CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR OPENING TIMES (LIBRARIES, LEISURE CENTRES ETC)**

**Decision:**

That the Christmas and New Year opening and closing times, for Libraries, Theatres, Community Centres, Margam Country Park, Leisure Centres and Swimming Pools, be approved, as detailed in appendix 1 and 2, of the circulated report.

**Reason for Decision:**

That the Councils facilities are available to the public, when there is a demand for them to be open, and for Managers to make appropriate arrangements with front line staff.

**Implementation of Decision:**

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9.00am on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

**Consultation:**

There is no requirement for an external consultation of this item.

8. **ADMISSION TO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS CONSULTATION (OUT FOR CONSULTATION)**

**Decision:**

That having due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, the Community Schools admission policy 2024/2025, be approved, for consultation.

**Reason for Decision:**

That the Council meets its statutory duties, and good practice guidelines, in respect of the admission of pupils to Community Schools.

**Implementation of Decision:**

The decision will be implemented after the three-day call in period, which ended at 9.00am on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

**Consultation:**

Consultation is required with, the governing bodies of community schools, the governing bodies of voluntary aided schools i.e. faith and all neighbouring local authorities. In addition, the Council will consult the Admission Forum, and the consultation process will cease on the 30<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

9. **PARTICIPATION AND ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY (PERMISSION TO CONSULT)**

**Decision:**

That having due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, appendix 2 of the circulated report pack, the Participation and Engagement Strategy, be approved for consultation.

**Reason of Decision:**

That the Participation and Engagement Strategy be finalised and embedded following the consultation.

**Implementation:**

The decision will be implemented after the three-day call in period, which ended 9.00am Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

**Consultation:**

Consultation is to be undertaken with all stakeholders, including schools, the third sector, partner services, agencies, parents/carers and children and young people.

10. **STRATEGIC SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME - NAMING OF A NEW WELSH MEDIUM SCHOOL**

**Decision:**

1. That the instrument of Government, as attached as appendix A, of the circulated report, be approved, with an incorporation date of the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023, creating a permanent governing body.
2. That the name of the School, be Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Treges.

**Reason of Decision:**

To comply with legislative requirements for the establishment of the new school, namely Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Tregeles.

**Implementation:**

The decision will be implemented after the three-day call in period, which ended 9.00am on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

11. **PASTORAL SUPPORT PROGRAMME**

**Decision:**

1. That the new Pastoral Support Programme and reduced timetable be approved.
2. That the alternative provider guidance, be adopted.

**Reason of decision:**

That the Programme and alternative provider guidance will further strengthen arrangements and monitoring for learners at risk of disengagement.

**Implementation:**

The decision will be implemented after the three-day call in period, which ended 9.00am on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

**Consultation:**

A consultation exercise had been undertaken with relevant stakeholders.

12. **WELSH PUBLIC LIBRARY STANDARDS ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21**

**Decision:**

1. That having given due regard, to the first stage integrated Impact Assessment. The Annual return to Welsh Government, be approved.
2. That the contents of the Welsh Libraries report 2020-21, be noted.

**Reason of Decision:**

That the Council comply with its statutory duty to provide a library service in Neath Port Talbot.

**Implementation:**

The decision will be implemented after the three-day call in period, which ended 9.00am on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

**Consultation:**

There is no requirement for an external consultation.

13. **WEST GLAMORGAN ARCHIVES SERVICES**

**Decision:**

That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment:

1. That the West Glamorgan Archive Service be relocated from County Hall, Swansea to the former British Home Stores and WHAT! Store.
2. That the Management responsibilities transfer from the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, to the Head of Support Services and Transformation, be noted.
3. That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, be granted, delegated Authority to agree and complete a deed of variation, to the Joint Committee Agreement of the 11<sup>th</sup> April 2014, and to implement recommendations 1 and 2.

**Reason of Decision:**

That the residents of Neath Port Talbot gain access to an archive service, pursuant to the Local Government (Records) Act 1972.

**Implementation:**

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended 9.00am Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

**Consultation:**

There is no requirement for consultation in regard to the report. Discussions with the City and County of Swansea Council have been ongoing as part of the development work.

14. **CURRICULUM FOR WALES**

**Decision:**

That the report be noted.

15. **QUARTER 1 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

**Decision:**

That the report be noted.

16. **YOUTH SERVICE UPDATE**

**Decision:**

That the report be noted.

17. **LEADERSHIP STRATEGY**

**Decision:**

That the report be noted.

18. **URGENT ITEMS**

**CHAIRPERSON**