

**EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**

**CABINET**

**22 FEBRUARY, 2017**

**Cabinet Members:**

Councillors: A.H.Thomas, P.A.Rees, M.L.James, E.V.Latham,  
Mrs.S.Miller, P.D.Richards, J.Rogers, A.J.Taylor and  
A.N.Woolcock

**Officers in Attendance:**

S.Phillips, A.Evans, G.Nutt, A.Thomas, R.Gordon, Mrs R.Crowhurst,  
Ms.C.Furlow and Mrs.A.Manlipp

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1. **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following Members made declarations of interest at the commencement of the meeting:-

Councillor P.A.Rees

The report of the Head of Transformation re: the Strategic School Improvement Programme – Proposal to Establish a Secondary Education Nurture Centre at Cefn Saeson Comprehensive School as he is Governor at the school and confirmed his dispensation to both speak and vote thereon.

Councillor J.Rogers

The report of the Head of Transformation re: the Strategic School Improvement Programme – Proposal to Open a 3-16 School to Replace Groes Primary School and Dyffryn School as he is Governor at Groes Primary School and confirmed

his dispensation to both speak and vote thereon.

Councillor A.J.Taylor

The report of the Head of Transformation re: the Strategic School Improvement Programme – Proposal to Open a 3-16 School to Replace Groes Primary School and Dyffryn School as his daughters attend the schools under consideration and withdrew for the meeting during the discussion and voting thereon.

2. **STRATEGIC SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME -PROPOSAL TO OPEN A 3-16 SCHOOL TO REPLACE GROES PRIMARY SCHOOL AND DYFFRYN SCHOOL**

(Councillor A.J.Taylor reaffirmed his Interest in this item and withdrew from the meeting during the discussion and voting thereon)

**Decisions:**

1. That, having given due regard to the equality impact assessment, the risk assessment, the community impact assessment, the Welsh language impact assessment and the relevant reports as listed in the appendices/background papers to this report, and in line with Section 53 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013, an English-medium, community School be established to replace Groes Primary and Dyffryn School, both of which will be discontinued as of 1 September, 2018;
2. That the Head of Transformation be given delegated authority to implement the proposal.

**Reason for Decisions:**

These decisions are necessary to comply with the legislative requirements to facilitate the implementation of the proposal which will enable the Council to:

- promote high standards and the fulfilment of every child's potential;
- meet its duty to secure efficient education in its area;
- comply with legislative requirements

**Implementation of the Decisions:**

These decisions will be implemented after the 3 day call in period.

3. **STRATEGIC SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME - PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A SECONDARY EDUCATION NURTURE CENTRE AT CEFN SAESON COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL**

**Decisions:**

1. That, having given due regard to the impact assessments in relation to equality, risk, community usage and Welsh language and in line with Section 53 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013, a Secondary Education Nurture Centre (SENC) be established at Cefn Saeson Comprehensive School as of 27 February 2017;
2. That the Head of Transformation be given delegated authority to implement the proposal.

**Reason for Decisions:**

In order to comply with the formal publication requirements imposed on the Council by the School Organisation Code and associated legislation. Implementation of the proposals will enable the Council to promote high educational standards and the fulfilment of every child's potential. It will also enable the Council to meet its duty to secure efficient education in its area.

**Implementation of the Decisions:**

The decisions are for immediate implementation. The Chairman of the Scrutiny Committee had agreed to this course of action. There would therefore be no call in of these decisions.

4. **DRAFT ADDENDUM TO CORPORATE IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2016-19 CONTAINING IMPROVEMENT AND WELL-BEING OBJECTIVES FOR THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL 2017 - 30TH SEPTEMBER 2017.**

**Decisions:**

1. That the draft Addendum to the existing Corporate Improvement Plan 2016-19, as contained in the circulated report, be approved;
2. That the Head of Corporate Strategy and Democratic Services be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Leader, Deputy Leader and Chief Executive, to make any further changes necessary prior to final publication and which do not materially change the content of the Addendum;
3. That the Addendum be commended to Council for formal adoption at its meeting on the 15 March 2017.

**Reasons for Decisions:**

1. To ensure the Council discharges its statutory duties which are still extant within the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 and the new statutory requirements contained within the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.
2. To support the Council in discharging its duty to be efficient, transparent and accountable to local people and to observe high standards of corporate governance.

**Implementation of Decisions:**

The decisions will be implemented after the 3 day call-in period.

**CHAIRPERSON**