

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL
CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND EDUCATION SCRUTINY BOARD

REPORT OF HEAD OF TRANSFORMATION
ANDREW THOMAS

30 JUNE 2016

Matter for Monitoring

Wards Affected: All

REPORT CARD FOR THE SCHOOL AND FAMILY SUPPORT TEAM

Purpose of the Report

To present to Members the service report card developed by the School and Family Support Team.

Background

The School and Family Support Team sits within the broader Inclusion Service and encompasses a number of different service areas that provide support to schools, governors, parents, pupils and other internal authority service areas. The team principally comprises of:

- School Admissions
- Governor Support
- Education Welfare Service
- Safeguarding

Examples of the day-to-day activities of the team involve raising pupil attendance, providing advice and support in relation to safeguarding, managing pupil exclusions, processing school admission requests, handling parental complaints, supporting elective home education, processing of performance licence requests and ensuring all school governance related issues are put into place for schools involved in the

authority's Tier 1 Project: Strategic Schools Improvement Programme (SSIP). The service successfully co-ordinated the Council's response as part of a multi-agency partnership approach to the Measles outbreak in 2013/14 and was commended for its approach by Members of the Health Select Committee in Welsh Government.

Financial Impact

The School and Family Support Team is funded from the Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Directorate's core budget.

Equality Impact Assessment

Equality Impact Assessments are not required for the purpose of this report.

Workforce Impacts

There are no workforce implications in relation to this report.

Legal Impacts

There are no legal implications in relation to this report.

Risk Management

Not applicable.

Consultation

There is no requirement for consultation in relation to this report.

Recommendations

For Members to note the report.

Appendices

Appendix 1 – School and Family Support Team Report Card, March 2016.

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