

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

4 JULY 2019

EDUCATION, SKILLS AND CULTURE CABINET BOARD

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: P.A.Rees (Chairperson) and E.V.Latham

Officers in Attendance

A.Thomas, S.Curran and J.Woodman-Ralph

Invitees:

Councillors: S.Reynolds (Scrutiny Chairperson)
R.Mizen (Scrutiny Vice Chairperson)

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON

Agreed that Councillor P.A.Rees be appointed Chairperson for the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Decision:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 April 2019 be approved.

3. STRATEGIC SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME

Decision:

That a request be forwarded to Welsh Government for the inclusion in Band B of the Strategic School Improvement programme a new built special school.

Reason for Decision:

To enable the Council to progress the development and submission of an additional scheme in the Council's Band B Strategic Outline Programme.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

4. **CYMER AFAN COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL - STAND-ALONE SPORTS HALL**

Decisions:

1. That the standalone Sports Hall building situated within the grounds of Cymer Afan Primary School be declared surplus to the ongoing operational requirements of the Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Service.
2. That the Head of Property and Regeneration commence negotiations with a local fitness group on a potential lease (subject to a separate report being taken to the Regeneration and Sustainable Development Cabinet Board).

Reasons for Decisions:

To enable the Council to declare the stand-alone Sports Hall building situated within the grounds of Cymer Afan Primary School as being surplus to the ongoing operational requirements of the Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Service thus enabling the Head of Property and Regeneration to commence negotiations with a local fitness group on a potential lease (subject to a separate report being taken to the Regeneration and Sustainable Development Cabinet Board).

Implementation of Decisions:

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

5. **PROPOSED RELOCATION OF SKEWEN LIBRARY**

Decisions:

1. That approval be granted to enter into negotiations with Coedffranc Town Council for the Authority to take an initial 5 year internal repairing lease of part of Carnegie Hall for use as a public library for the Skewen area on terms and conditions to be agreed by the Head of Property and Regeneration.
2. That on the basis that the lease was concluded and the library relocated, authorisation be granted for the existing library at New Road, Skewen to be declared surplus to the operational requirements of the Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Directorate and transferred to the Head of Property and Regeneration for disposal or lease.

Reason for Decisions:

To enable the Council to continue to deliver a sustainable, statutory library service at Skewen.

Implementation of Decisions

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

6. **QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT DATA 2018 - 19 - FULL YEAR PERFORMANCE (1 APRIL 2018 - 31 MARCH 2019)**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

7. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2019/20**

That the Forward Work Programme for 2019/20 be noted, subject to the following verbal amendment.

Clarification was received that the report scheduled for the 12 September 2019 should read "*School Attendance Report to include information on*

how Welfare Officers work with persistent absenteeism” and not as stated in the circulated report.

CHAIRPERSON