

**EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**

**CABINET**

**20 OCTOBER 2021**

**Cabinet Members:**

Councillors: E.V.Latham (Chairperson), A.R.Lockyer,  
C.Clement-Williams, D. Jones, L.Jones, M.Harvey,  
P.A Rees and P.D.Richards.

**Officers in Attendance:**

K.Jones, A. Jarrett, A.Thomas, N.Pearce, C.Griffiths, H. Jones, R. Crowhurst,  
M.Shaw, J.Griffiths, C.L.Davies and J. Woodman-Ralph.

**Invitees:**

Councillors: S.Reynolds, Scrutiny Chairperson  
S.Rahaman, Scrutiny Vice Chairperson

Councillors: A.Richards, A.Llewelyn, A. Woolcock, J.Hale, M.Crowley,  
M.Protheroe, R.Davies, R.Phillips, S.Miller, S.Paddison,  
S.Penry, S.Knoyle, S.K.Hunt, W.Griffiths,

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1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor E.V.Latham be appointed Chairperson for the meeting.

2. **WELCOME AND ROLL CALL**

The Democratic Services Officer went through the roll call for attendance.

3. **CHAIRPERSONS ANNOUNCEMENT/S**

No announcements were received.

#### 4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following Members made a declaration of interest at the start of the meeting regarding the Strategic School Improvement Programme Proposal to Establish and English-Medium 3 – 11 School to replace Alltwen, Godre'rgraig and Llangiwg Primary Schools all of which will be Discontinued 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024 as detailed in the circulated report.

Councillor  
E.V.Latham                      As he is a school governor of Ysgol Bae Baglan and Tywyn Primary Schools but has dispensation to speak and vote.

Councillor  
C.Clement-Williams              As she is a school governor of Baglan Primary School but as dispensation to speak and vote.

Councillor  
M. Harvey                      As he is Chair of school governors at Abbey Primary School but has dispensation to speak and vote.

Councillor  
D. Jones                      As she is a school governor at Llangatwg Comprehensive and Cillfrew Primary Schools but has dispensation to speak and vote.

Councillor  
L. Jones                      As she is a school governor at Cefn Saeson Comprehensive and Melin Junior School but has dispensation to speak and vote.

Councillor  
A.R. Lockyer                      As he is Chair of school governors at Gnoll Primary School and is a Member of the Welsh Schools but has dispensation to speak and vote.

Councillor  
P. Rees                      As he is Chair of school governors at Cefn Saeson Comprehensive and Crynallt Primary Schools but has dispensation to speak and vote.

Councillor  
P. Richards                      As he is Chair of school governors at Blaenbaglan and Baglan Primary Schools but has dispensation to speak and vote.

The following Members attended the meeting as invitees but were not part of the Cabinet so were not able to vote.

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| Councillor<br>M.Crowley    | As he is a school governor at Awel y Môr Primary School and Tywyn Primary School.               |
| Councillor<br>W. Griffiths | As he is a school governor at Blaenhonddan Primary School and Waunceirch Primary School.        |
| Councillor<br>S.K.Hunt     | As he is a school governor at Blaendulais Primary School and YGG Blaendulais.                   |
| Councillor<br>S.Knoyle     | As he is a school governor at YGG Cwm Nedd.                                                     |
| Councillor<br>A.Llewelyn   | As he is a school governor at Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera – Bro Dur.                               |
| Councillor<br>S. Miller    | As she is a school governor at Melin Primary School and Gnoll Primary School.                   |
| Councillor<br>S. Penry     | As she is school governor at Cefn Saeson Comprehensive School and Melin Primary School.         |
| Councillor<br>R.Phillips   | As she is a school governor at YGG Pontardawe and YGG Trebannws.                                |
| Councillor<br>M. Protheroe | As he is a school governor at Cefn Saeson Comprehensive School and Melin Primary School.        |
| Councillor<br>S. Reynolds  | As she is a school governor at YGG Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen.                                            |
| Councillor R.<br>Davies    | As she is a school governor at Godre'graig Primary School and Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera-Bro Dur. |

5. **STRATEGIC SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME - PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH AN ENGLISH MEDIUM 3-11 SCHOOL TO REPLACE ALLTWEN, GODRE'RGRAIG AND LLANGIWG PRIMARY SCHOOLS ALL OF WHICH WILL BE DISCONTINUED ON 31ST AUGUST 2024**

Members thanked officers for all the work they had undertaken in developing this proposal before Members today.

**Decisions:**

1. Having given due regard to the consultation, objections and the impact assessments in relation to equality, risk, community usage and Welsh Language together with the legal implications, and in the light of all the material, in line with Section 53 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013, approval be granted to establish with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 an English-medium 3-11 school with an LSC, in new build premises to accommodate pupils from the current catchment areas of Alltwen Primary, Godre'rgraig Primary and Llangiwg Primary, all of which would be discontinued on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024.
2. That the implementation dates be the 31<sup>st</sup> August/1<sup>st</sup> September 2024.
3. That the sites and buildings of the three vacated schools be declared surplus to the operational requirements of the Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Service.

**Reason for Decisions:**

To enable the Council to comply with the legislative requirements that provide for the implementation of the proposal. It will also enable the Council to promote high standards and the fulfilment of every child's potential and meet its duty to secure efficient education in its area.

**Implementation of Decisions:**

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

6. **URGENT ITEMS**

No urgent items were received.

**CHAIRPERSON**