

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 09 April, 2019

Cabinet Members Present:

Councillor A Morgan (Chair), Councillor M Webber (Vice-Chair), Councillor R Bevan, Councillor A Crimmings, Councillor G Hopkins, Councillor M Norris, Councillor J Rosser, Councillor R Lewis and Councillor C Leyshon

Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-

Councillor G Davies Councillor T Williams

Agenda Item : 7

SUBJECT: PLANNING FOR WELSH MEDIUM EDUCATION PLACES

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

- 1. To note the current position in terms of the supply and demand of Welsh Medium primary and secondary schools places across the County Borough;
- 2. To note the action being taken by the Council to increase the supply of Welsh Medium places where the demand is projected to exceed supply;
- 3. To undertake a feasibility study and submit a business case to Welsh Government to either refurbish the existing Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhondda facilities or relocate the School to new 21st century facilities to be built in the Rhondda and to report back to Cabinet at a future date;
- To undertake a feasibility study to identify a suitable site to build a new school for Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Llyn Y Forwyn, and to report back to Cabinet at a future date;
- To commit to opening a new Welsh Medium Primary School to serve planned housing developments to the south of Llantwit Fardre/Church Village, if the developments proceed;
- To undertake a feasibility study to explore the opportunities to increase the availability of Welsh Medium primary school places in the Cynon Valley, south of Aberdare, and to report back to Cabinet at a future date.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

To continue to assess and meet the demand for Welsh Medium education places across the County Borough.

3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES/FUTURE GENERATIONS - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:

The proposals report are consistent with the Council's priorities set out in its Corporate Plan and in particular "Rhondda Cynon Taf's children and young people will receive a great start in life." In respect of the seven Well-being goals, this report is consistent with: A prosperous Wales; A more equal Wales; A Wales of cohesive communities; and A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language.

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

None

5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:

None

6. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

County Borough Councillor R Lewis declared the following personal interest in respect of the items- "I am on the Governing Body of YGG Abercynon Primary School but my interest is not prejudicial because of the exemption contained within paragraph 12(2) (a)(iii) of the Members Code of Conduct"

7. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE): N/A

8. (a) IS THE DECISION SUBJECT TO CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

Yes

Note: This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 3 clear working days after its publication i.e. **15 April 2019** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

8.(b) IF NO, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS EXEMPT OR NON APPLICABLE:

- I. COUNCIL / SCRUTINY FUNCTION (CALL IN IS THEREFORE NON APPLICABLE):-Reason: N/A
- II. URGENT DECISION:-Reason N/A

8.(c) IF DEEMED URGENT - SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:

(Mayor)

(Dated)

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