

**CENTRAL SOUTH CONSORTIUM
REPORT FOR JOINT COMMITTEE**

7TH JUNE 2022

JOINT EDUCATION SERVICE

**REPORT OF THE DEPUTY MANAGING DIRECTOR – CSC BUSINESS PLAN
2022-25**

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide Members with an opportunity to review and scrutinise the final CSC Business Plan 2022-25.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended Members review the information contained in the Business Plan and:

- 2.1 Seek clarity and explanation where there are any areas of concern
- 2.2 Approve the content of the Business Plan 2022-25 and instruct officers to move forward with publication.

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The draft business plan was presented to Joint Committee on 22 December 2021 for consideration. The Joint Committee approved to model this Business Plan over the medium term to cover from 2022 up to 25. The priorities outlined within the Business Plan are:

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- Curriculum, Teaching & Assessment
- Leadership
- Equity & Wellbeing

- School Improvement; and
 - Effectiveness and efficiency of Central South Consortium
- 3.2 The 2022-25 business plan will guide our work for the next three years and has been developed in conjunction with LAs to ensure that appropriate LA priorities are embedded in our work. The Central South Consortium has three overarching roles:
- Provide a regional school improvement service to all schools on behalf of our partner Local Authorities
 - Provide appropriate Professional Learning opportunities for stakeholders at all levels to support local, regional and national priorities
 - Work with Welsh Government and partners to develop, share and implement national policy
- 3.3 Within CSC we carry our extensive evaluations of our work, and the outcomes of these evaluations shape our business planning process. We also make use of research findings, and as well as identification of school, local authority, regional and national priorities.
- 3.4 Our business plan will guide the work of the organisation as we recover from the Covid-19 pandemic. We have set our objectives in the context of the challenges that schools continue to face. Bespoke support will continue in partnership with the individual Local Authorities to ensure that schools can meet the needs of staff and pupils.
- 3.5 A wide range of stakeholders have contributed and have been consulted on the development of the plan prior to publication. These include:
- Headteachers
 - Staff in Central South Consortium
 - Directors of Education (constituent to CSC) and Diocesan Directors
 - Representative stakeholder group
 - Governor Stakeholder group
 - CSC Joint Committee
 - Wider stakeholders

4. BACKGROUND PAPERS

4.1 CSC Business Plan 2022-25

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

AS AMENDED BY

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

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List of background papers

Business Plan 2022-25

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