

7 FED GORFENNAF 2016

Yr Aelod o'r Bwrdd Gweithredol:	Y Portffolio:
Y Cyng. David Jenkins	Adnoddau

Y Pwnc Dechrau'n Deg (**Adran Addysg a Phlant**) Adroddiadau'r Swyddogion **Monitro** ac Eithriad Adran 151/ Darpariaeth gofal Plant Dechrau'n Deg

Y Pwrpas: Cymeradwyaeth sy'n ofynnol er mwyn cydymffurfio ag Amod 5.3 CPR

Yr Argymhellion / Penderfyniadau Allweddol Sydd Eu Hangen:

Cyflwynwyd Adroddiad Eithriadol i Swyddog S151 yn Ebrill 2016 yn gofyn am ganiatâd i gynnig cytundeb i'r 2il ddarparwr gofal plant yn ardal Penbre (Serendipity Nursery), i'w leoli yng nghaban Gofal Plant Dechrau'n Deg. Roedd hyn yn dilyn penderfyniad y darparwr 1af i roi'r gorau i fasnachu. Yn ogystal gofynnwyd pe buasai'n bosibl cynnig cytundeb i Serendipity Nursery er mwyn cyd fynd gyda chyfnod adnewyddu ac ail gomisiynu ar gyfer darparwyr presennol sydd ar y gweill ar hyn o bryd (hyd at 30ain o Fedi 20120), gan adnewyddu'n flynyddol (yn unol â chyllid grant). Yn ychwanegol at hyn gofynnwyd am ganiatâd iddynt fedru adnewyddu'r costau gwreiddiol a gyflwynwyd ar gyfer darparu gwasanaethau Dechrau'n Deg o'r ddarpariaeth gofal plant newydd wedi ei leoli ar dir Ysgol Pembre (Eithriad ac Ildiad i'r Gofynion Cystadleuaeth - Rheolau Gweithdrefn Contractau, Cymal 5.3). Mae Swyddog S151 a Phennaeth Gweinyddiaeth a'r Gyfraith wedi ei gymeradwyo ar 09/06/2016.

Y Rhesymau:

- O ganlyniad i delerau ac amodau grant cyfalaf Llywodraeth Cymru sydd yn datgan y dylai lleoliad fod ar gael er mwyn darparu gwasanaethau Dechrau'n Deg am gyfnod o leiaf 5 mlynedd rhaid diogelu'r asedau ffisegol ac atal adfachu i'r awdurdod.

Yn dilyn proses gofrestru hir iawn (tua 18 mis), bu i'r darparwr gofal plant blaenorol weithredu am fis yn unig cyn rhoi'r gorau i fasnachu ar 29 Ionawr 2016. Byddai ymgymryd â phroses o ail-dendro yn golygu oedi mewn dyfarnu cytundeb newydd ymhellach. Mi fyddai hyn yn cynyddu'r risg o adfachu gan y byddai'r lleoliad yn parhau i fod heb ei ddefnyddio am hyd yn oed mwy o amser. Yn ogystal, pe buasai'n rhaid ymgymryd â'r broses o ail-dendro ar gyfer Ward Penbre gallai hyn gyfyngu ar hawl plant rhwng 2-3 oed i fynychu gofal plant. Byddai hyn yn cael effaith uniongyrchol ar fonitro'r rhaglen ac o bosibl y grant refeniw a ddyfarnwyd i'r awdurdod ar gyfer ariannu'r elfen gofal plant. Amlinellir y rhain ymhellach yn yr adroddiad eithriadol (wedi ei atodi)

Y Gyfarwyddiaeth: Yr Amgylchedd		
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Declaration of Personal Interest (if any):

None

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any):

N/A

(If the answer is yes exact details are to be provided below :)

DECISION MADE:

Signed:

DATE: _____

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

The following section will be completed by the Democratic Services Officer in attendance at the meeting

Recommendation of Officer adopted	YES / NO
Recommendation of the Officer was adopted subject to the amendment(s) and reason(s) specified:	
Reason(s) why the Officer's recommendation was not adopted:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Executive Board Member for Resources – Decisions Meeting 7th July 2016

Flying Start, Children and Education – Monitoring Officer & Section 151 Officer Exception Reports/Childcare Provider Exemption

- The Flying Start programme procures the childcare services in order to deliver the key entitlement of the wider programme, free sessional childcare for 2-3 year olds in Flying Start wards across the county, for 2.5 hours a day, 5 days a week, for up to 42 weeks of the year.
- An exemption was requested seeking permission to offer a contract to a 2nd placed nursery provider (Serendipity Nursery) in the new purpose built Flying Start facility in Pembrey primary School, in light of the closure of the 1st placed provider, who ceased to trade, who were appointed via an open and transparent competitive tender exercise previously.
- The existing arrangements which cover the procurement of the current childcare services are due to expire in September 2016 and approval is sought to extend the existing arrangements with Serendipity Nursery to align to the contract duration of the forthcoming renewal and re-commissioning of the other existing childcare contracts (up to 30th September 2020), but only be extended on an annual basis (subject to availability of grant funding).
- It was also requested to allow Serendipity the opportunity to review their costs to deliver the Flying Start services, from the new Flying Start childcare facility at Pembrey Primary School (Exception and Waiver to the Requirements of Competition – Contract Procedure Rules, Clause 5.3).

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: Nia McIntosh

Flying Start Planning & Performance Manager

Policy and Crime & Disorder	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Organisational Development	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	YES	NONE	YES	NONE	YES

1. Finance

- Relocating the childcare into the Flying Start facility would reduce the overheads and revenue spent in respect of this Flying Start ward, as currently we have to pay all the maintenance and upkeep of the empty facility, in addition to childcare charge which is currently being delivered off site, thus making it not cost effective whilst it remains empty and gives no value for money.
- The overall cost per child will decrease when the provider is located in the purpose built facility, as we would not be expected to pay towards the rental, utility charges in the private venue as we currently are (on top of the running costs of the empty Flying Start cabin). This would avoid duplication and streamline the costs, evidencing value for money.
- The ability to being exempt from re-commissioning services for this area, would reduce costs, and would ensure no more delays to the occupation of the facility to deliver the core entitlement of the Flying Start children in Pembrey.

2. Risk Management Issues

- Failure to occupy the purpose built Flying Start facility could result in claw back to the authority in relation to the Welsh Government capital grant used to create the establishment.
- If agreed, CSSIW registration could be progressed, with a view to the venue being open to children from Autumn 2016 school term. If we delay and coincide with the re-commissioning tender (due from 1st October 16), and progress CSSIW registration from the contract award stage, at that time), we would expect to see the facility being empty and a longer delay in providing services until at least early 2017.

3.Physical Assets

- Failure to adequately adhere to Welsh Government capital terms and conditions in relation to the physical asset could jeopardise the risk of claw back to the authority.
- Would ensure the venue is adequately maintained, to ensure that it is kept in a good state of repair and is fit for purpose. Failure to maintain this asset could lead to deterioration of the venue, and affect the value of the establishment. Also children' care will be delivered from an off site venue, thus not maximising the potential of the purpose built facility for 2-3 year olds, which is designed to aid their child development.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Nia McIntosh

Flying Start Planning & Performance Manager

1. Scrutiny Committee

N/A

2.Local Member(s)

N/A

3.Community / Town Council

N/A

4.Relevant Partners

N/A

5.Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

N/A

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

There are none

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection