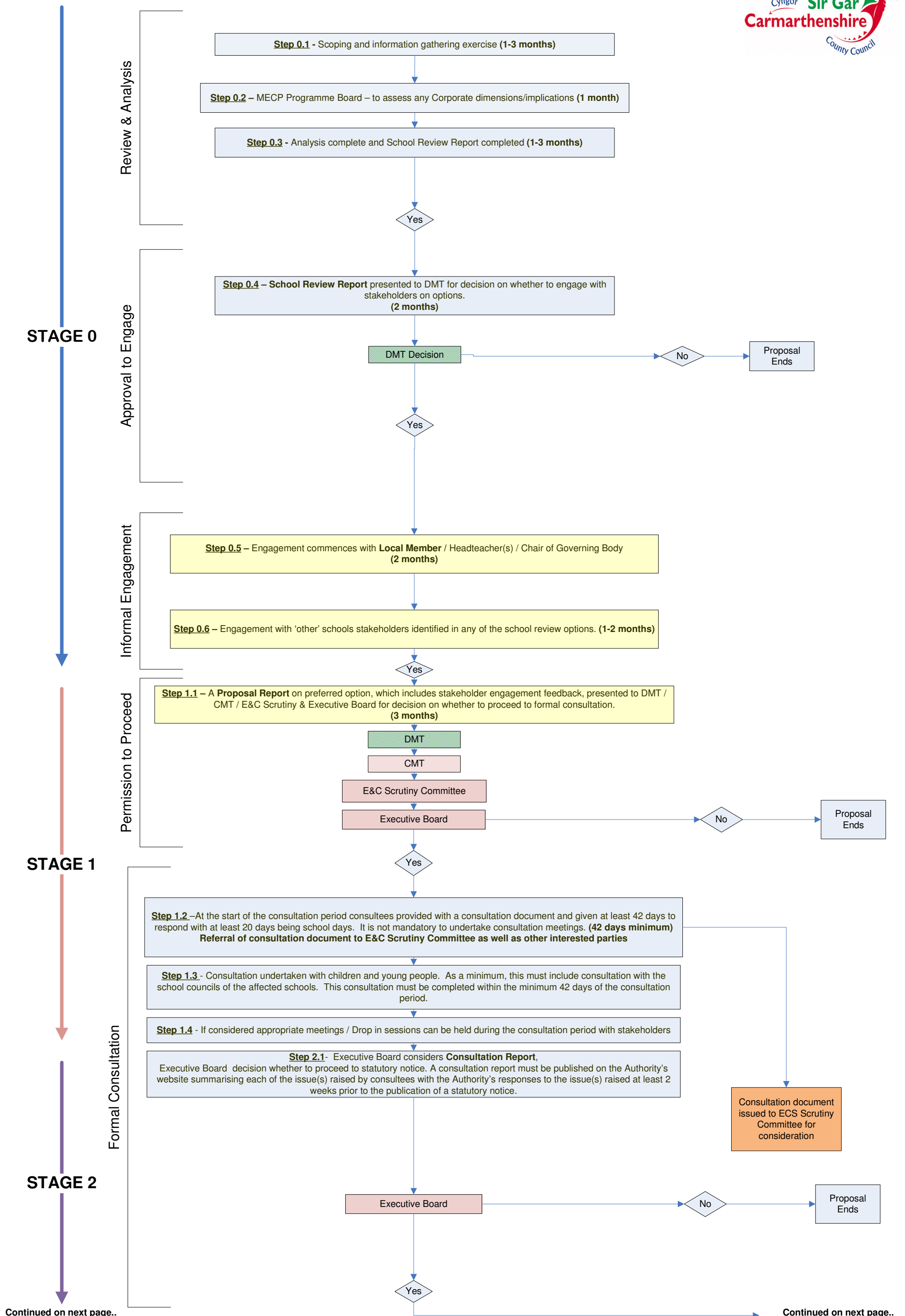


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STAGE 2

Statutory Procedure

Step 2.2 - Proposals published on Authority website and posted in the named and neighbouring schools and within the locality giving opportunity for statutory objections. One month period provided for written response period. **(28 days)**

Step 2.3 - If objections received an objection report must be published providing a summary of the objections and the Authority's responses to them.

Step 3.1 - Executive Board considers objection report.
Executive Board recommendation to County Council for decision whether to approve proposal.

Executive Board

Step 3.2 - An **Objection Report** presented to County Council to consider any objections received in writing or e-mail and Authority's responses. County Council makes decision to proceed or withdraw proposals.

County Council decision

No

Proposal Ends

Yes

STAGE 3

Implementation

Step 3.3a - If the proposal requires determination by the Welsh Ministers (Sixth form education), the proposer must send to the Welsh Ministers within 35 days of the end of the objection period. The Welsh Ministers will normally determine proposals within 16 weeks of the end of the objection period.
When a proposal affects 6th form education it is referred to Welsh Ministers regardless of any objections being received.

Step 3.3b - The local authority **must** issue a decision within 16 weeks of the end of the objection period. Within 28 days of the local authority's determination proposals may be referred to Welsh Ministers by the following:
1. Another local authority
2. The appropriate religious body for any school affected (the diocesan authority)
3. The governing body of a voluntary or foundation school
4. A trust holding property on behalf of a voluntary or foundation school
5. A further education institution affected by the proposals.

Yes

Referral to Welsh Ministers for decision

No

Proposal Ends

Yes

Step 3.4 - Decisions must be published electronically on the website and all stakeholders must be advised by letter or e-mail of the availability of the decision including the **objection report**. Decision letter must be published within 7 days of determination date.

Step 3.5 - Not mandatory - Parents/Guardians are notified of LA/Ministers decision one term before proposal can be implemented. (e.g. For a proposal to be implemented from the start of the Autumn term notification must be given before the end of the previous Spring term)

Step 3.6 - LA Implements Proposal in accordance with the date given in the statutory notice, or any subsequent modified date, usually at the start of the academic year in September