

PWYLLGOR CRAFFU ADDYSG A PHLANT

17 Mawrth 2021

Y RHAGLEN MODERNEIDDIO ADDYSG

CYNNIG I AD-DREFNU YSGOL HEOL GOFFA I SAFLE NEWYDD A CYNHYDDU CAPASITI O 75 I 120

Ystyried y materion canlynol a chyflwyno sylwadau arnynt:

1. Gan ei fod yn fodlon nad oes cynigion cysylltiedig eraill, yr ymgynghorwyd ynghylch y cynnig statudol a'i fod wedi'i gyhoeddi'n unol â'r Côd Trefniadaeth Ysgolion a'i fod yn cynnwys yr holl wybodaeth berthnasol, ac ar ôl ystyried y ddogfen ymgynghori a'r adroddiad ymgynghori, a'r ffaith ni dderbyniwyd unrhyw wrthwynebiadau mewn ymateb i'r Hysbysiad Statudol, argymhell i'r Bwrdd Gweithredol fod y cynnig yn cael ei weithredu fel y nodwyd yn yr Hysbysiad Statudol.

Rhesymau:

- Er mwyn cydymffurfio â'r cyfarwyddyd a'r gweithdrefnau statudol ar gyfer ad-drefnu ysgolion.
- Llunio safbwyntiau i'w chyflwyno i'r Bwrdd Gweithredol eu hystyried.

Angen cyfeirio'r mater at y Bwrdd Gweithredol : OES 12/04/21

Angen cyfeirio'r mater at y Cyngor Sir er mwyn gwneud penderfyniad: OES 12/05/21

Aelod y Bwrdd Gweithredol sy'n gyfrifol am y Portffolio:

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

EDUCATION & CHILDREN SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 17 March 2021

MODERNISING EDUCATION PROGRAMME

PROPOSAL TO RELOCATE YSGOL HEOL GOFFA TO A NEW SITE AND INCREASE ITS CAPACITY FROM 75 TO 120

Background

Ysgol Heol Goffa is a special school located in Llanelli and is maintained by Carmarthenshire County Council. The school caters for 75 pupils between the ages of 3-19 years old who have severe learning difficulties (SLD) or profound and multiple learning difficulties (PMLD). All pupils have a Statement of Special Educational Needs or Individual Development Plan (IDP).

Ysgol Heol Goffa is currently over-subscribed and this trend is likely to continue for the foreseeable future. There is increased demand for places which is putting significant pressure on the Local Authority to place pupils. The current capacity of Ysgol Heol Goffa is 75 with 101 pupils on roll as at January 2020 PLASC.

As a result, the Local Authority are currently developing a scheme to increase the capacity of Ysgol Heol Goffa to 120 places for pupils aged 3-19 who have severe learning difficulties (SLD) or profound and multiple learning difficulties (PMLD) by providing a new school with facilities fit for the 21st Century on a new site. The proposed new site is located next to the recently completed Ysgol Pen Rhos.

The Proposal

The proposal is to relocate Ysgol Heol Goffa to a new site and increase its capacity from 75 to 120.

In accordance with Executive Board's instructions on the 18th November 2019 (link to the consultation document and report provided) a formal consultation exercise was undertaken from 21 September 2020 to 1 November 2020. The results of the consultation exercise are contained in the Consultation Report (link provided) and were presented to the ECS Scrutiny Committee and then to the Executive Board for consideration and determination on whether or not to publish a Statutory Notice.

On the 21 December 2020 approval was granted by the Executive Board for the publication of the Statutory Notice. The Statutory Notice (link provided) was published on 11 January 2021. The notice provided objectors with 28 days in which to forward their objections in writing to the Council which ended on the 7 February 2021. No objections were received to the Statutory Notice therefore there is no Objection Report.

The full suite of documents which include: Consultation Document, Consultation Report and the Statutory Notice will be presented to the Executive Board and ultimately will be presented to the County Council for their determination.

This provides the ECS Scrutiny Committee and Executive Board the opportunity to offer comment and a recommendation to the County Council whether or not to implement the proposal as laid out in the Statutory Notice.

Should the County Council agree to implement the proposal, the capacity of Ysgol Heol Goffa will increase from 75 to 120 once the school re-locates to its new school site from September 2023.

Recommendation

Being satisfied that there are no other related proposals; that the statutory proposal has been consulted upon and published in accordance with the School Organisation Code and contains all the relevant information and, having considered the consultation document and consultation report, and that no objections were received in response to the Statutory Notice, the ECS Scrutiny Committee recommend to the Executive Board the implementation of the proposal as laid out in the Statutory Notice.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED	NO
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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:  Head of Access to Education

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	NONE	YES	YES	YES

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Developments are consistent with the Authority's Corporate Strategy and the Modernising Education Strategic Outline Programme.

2. Legal

Appropriate consultation was initiated in accordance with the relevant statutory procedures and School Organisation Code 2018.

3. Finance

Revenue implications will be catered for within the Local Management of Schools Fair Funding Scheme.

4. ICT

None

5. Risk Management Issues

Continuing with the current capacity of the school would not address the capacity issues. The statutory consultation is required to relocate and increase the capacity of the school.

6. Staffing Implications

Staffing implications will be addressed in accordance with the County Council's Policy and Procedures.

7. Physical Assets

As a result of the scheme to provide Ysgol Heol Goffa with a new school building, the school will re-locate to a new building with a capacity of 120 places.

CONSULTATIONS

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

Signed:  Head of Access to Education

1. Scrutiny Committee – The Scrutiny Committee were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period.

2. Local Member(s) – The local members were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period. No formal objections were received to the Statutory Notice.

3. Community / Town Council – The Community and Town Council were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period. No formal objections were received to the Statutory Notice.

4. Relevant Partners – All relevant partners were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period.

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations – Staff side representatives and other organisation were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period.

EXECUTIVE BOARD PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED	N/A
YES	

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Title of Document	File Ref No. / Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Stage 2 (Permission to Notice) – Executive Board	https://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/documents/g3342/Printed%20minutes%2021st-Dec-2020%2010.00%20Executive%20Board.pdf?T=1
Stage 2 (Permission to Notice) – ECS Scrutiny Committee Report	https://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/documents/g3311/Printed%20minutes%2023rd-Nov-2020%2010.00%20Education%20Children%20Scrutiny%20Committee.pdf?T=1
Stage 1 (Permission to Consult) – Executive Board Report	http://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=131&MId=2079&Ver=4
Stage 1 (Permission to Consult) – ECS Scrutiny Committee Report	http://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=153&MId=3552&Ver=4
Consultation Document / Consultation Report / Statutory Notice	https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council-services/education-schools/modernising-education-programme/consultation/special-school/ysgol-heol-goffa/
School Organisation Code 2018	https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2018-10/school-organisation-code-second-edition.pdf
Carmarthenshire's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan	https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council-democracy/strategies-and-plans/welsh-in-education-strategic-plan/
21 st Century Schools Website	www.21stcenturyschools.org
MEP Biennial Review	www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk Executive Board 20 th June 2016