Y BWRDD GWEITHREDOL 21ain o FAWRTH 2016

Y RHAGLEN MODERNEIDDIO ADDYSG

BWRIAD I NEWID YSTOD OEDRAN YSGOL Y BYNEA O 4-11 I 3-11

Yr argymhellion / penderfyniadau allweddol sydd eu hangen:

Argymhellir bod y Bwrdd Gweithredol yn cymeradwyo:

- 1. Y sylwadau a ddaeth i law o ganlyniad i'r ymgynghoriad (Amgaeir yr Adroddiad am yr Ymgynghoriad).
- 2. Cyhoeddi hysbysiad statudol i weithredu'r cynllun.

Rhesymau:

Er mwyn cydymffurfio â'r cyfarwyddyd a'r gweithdrefnau statudol ar gyfer ad-drefnu ysgolion.

Ymgynghorwyd â'r Pwyllgor Craffu Perthnasol: DO (9fed o Fawrth 2016)

Penderfynodd y Pwyllgor yn unfrydol:

- Bod yr adroddiad yn cael yn dderbyn.
- I argymell i'r Bwrdd Gweithredol ei fod yn cymeradwyo cyhoeddi hysbysiad statudol i weithredu'r cynnig i newid ystod oedran Ysgol Bynea o 4-11 i 3-11.

Angen i'r Cyngor wneud penderfyniad: OES

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

Cyng. Gareth Jones (Addysg a Phlant)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

EXECUTIVE BOARD 21st MARCH 2016

MODERNISING EDUCATION PROGRAMME PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE AGE RANGE OF BYNEA SCHOOL FROM 4-11 TO 3-11

The Flying Start programme in Carmarthenshire is a Welsh Government prevention initiative, providing families with children aged 0-3 years with a range of targeted intensive prevention services, who live in geographic areas of deprivation within Carmarthenshire

The provision of good quality childcare for children from 2-3 years of age is the centrepiece of service delivered under the Flying Start initiative. The quality childcare provision focuses on children living in disadvantaged communities and aims to improve their outcomes in preparation for school and in the long term.

As a result of the original eight and more recently an additional nine geographic areas being identified to receive targeted services, Flying Start currently commission childcare based in a number of Carmarthenshire Primary Schools.

The age range of Bynea CP School is currently age range 4-11. This has presented the Authority with a challenge whereby children can benefit from interventions through the Flying Start programme until they are three years of age but have no provision for nearly a year until admitted to school. One of the advantages of the Flying Start programme located on school sites is to facilitate entry into school at the age of three. Therefore, to ensure continuity of progression for these disadvantaged children into primary school, the Authority has arranged for nursery provision to commence at these schools. The children can now benefit from interventions through the Flying Start programme until they are admitted to school. The Headteachers and Governing Bodies of these schools have been consulted on the new arrangements and are fully supportive.

Under the 2013 School Organisation Statutory Code a regulated alteration such as a change in the age range of a school by a year or more requires a statutory proposal to be published to formalise arrangements.

In order to support the seamless transition of pupils through the Flying Start programme to school admission, it is considered essential that the County Council moves to extend the age range of Bynea School from 4-11 to 3-11 as soon as possible, through formal statutory procedures.



In accordance with County Council's instructions, a formal consultation exercise was undertaken from 7th December 2015 to 29th January 2016. The results of the consultation exercise are contained in the attached report.

As this proposal commenced under the Authority's previous arrangements for determining school organisation proposals, the ECS Scrutiny Committee and the Executive Board are provided the opportunity to offer comment and a recommendation to County Council whether or not publish a Statutory Notice. Should County Council grant permission to proceed to Statutory Notice, the intention is to publish week beginning 9th May 2016.

If approved, following the end of the Statutory Notice period, an objection report which summarises any objections received by stakeholders, will be presented to the ECS Scrutiny Committee and Executive Board and ultimately County Council for determination.

Recommendation

That the Executive Board endorses the proposal and recommends to County Council the publication of a statutory notice.

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: G. Morgans Chief Education Officer

S. Davies School Modernisation Manager

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

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Developments are consistent with the Authority's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2014-17, Corporate Strategy, Children and Young People's Plan and the Modernising Education Strategic Outline Programme.

2. Legal

Appropriate consultation will need to be initiated in accordance with the relevant statutory procedures.

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 current age range of schools would not reflect the present position. The statutory consultation process needs to be completed to formalise arrangements.





CONSULTATIONS

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

Signed: G. Morgans Chief Education Officer

S. Davies School Modernisation Manager

1. Scrutiny Committee

The Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee has been consulted formally during the formal consultation period. The committee was asked to consider and comment on the findings of the statutory consultation period on 9th March 2016.

2.Local Member(s)

Local Members, Cllr. Deryk Cundy

No observations were received during the formal consultation period.

3.Community / Town Council

Community Council has been consulted formally during the formal consultation period. No observations were received during the formal consultation period.

4.Relevant Partners

Not applicable.

5.Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

Teaching and non-teaching staff unions were consulted during the formal consultation stage.

No observations were received during the formal consultation period.



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Governors and Parents,		
Ysgol Y Bynea		
Community Councillors		
Llanelli Rural Council		
Llanelli Town Council		
Welsh Language Commissioner		
National Association of Schoolmasters		
and Union of Women Teachers		
(NASUWT)		
Association Of Teachers & Lecturers		
(ATL)		
The Professional Association of		
Teachers (PAT)		
GMB Union		
*Neighbouring Primary and Secondary		
schools in Carmarthenshire		
LA Special Educational Needs Division		
ERW – Education through Regional		
Working		
Regional Transport Consortium		
Welsh Ministers		
Diocesan Director of Education & RC		





Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information					
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report: These are detailed below.					
Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection			
Planning School Places		www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk - the County Council			
- Primary Schools -		Agenda 9 Pre 28/06/2004) - 11/04/2001			
The Way Forward					
Modernising Education		www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk - Education and			
Provision Strategy and		Learning – Useful Links			
Draft Implementation					
Plan					
Modernising Education		www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk - Executive Board			
Provision Timeline/		Agenda – 31/05/2005			
Rollout:					
Modernising Education		www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk - Executive Board			
Provision Update /		Agenda – 24/07/2006			
Revised Draft Timetable					
Modernising		www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk Executive Board –			
Educational Provision		31/05/05			
Future Use/Disposal of					
Redundant Land and					
Buildings arising from					
the MEP programme					
School Organisation		http://gov.wales/topics/educationandskills/publications			
Code		/guidance/school-organisation-code/?lang=en			
MEP Annual Report		http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/ County Council			
2013/14 and		Agenda 14 th January 2015			
Programme 2014/15					
Strategic Outline		Strategic Outline Programme 21st Century Schools			
Programme 21 st Century					
Schools					
Carmarthenshire's		http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/english/welsh/pag			
Welsh in Education		es/trafodiaith.aspx			
Strategic Plan 2014-					
2017					
Consultation Document		http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/resident			
		s/education-schools/modernising-education-			
		programme/primary-schools/bynea/			



