

**Y PWYLLGOR CRAFFU  
CYMUNEDAU, CARTREFI AC ADFYWIO  
19 RHAGFYR 2022**

**Y PWNC:  
CYNNIG ADDYSG AWYR AGORED AMGEN AR GYFER SIR GAERFYRDDIN**

**Y Pwrpas:**

Pwrpas yr adroddiad yw adolygu cynnig addysg awyr agored presennol Cyngor Sir Caerfyrddin ac ystyried y dewisiadau o ran model cyflawni amgen o fewn yr adnoddau sydd ar gael.

**GOFYNNIR I'R PWYLLGOR CRAFFU:-**

**Adolygu ac asesu'r wybodaeth sydd wedi'i chynnwys yn yr adroddiad cryno a rhoi unrhyw argymhellion, sylwadau neu gyngor ynghylch y canlynol i'r Aelod Cabinet a/neu'r Cyfarwyddwr cyn i'r Cabinet ystyried yr adroddiad:**

- Cadw a gwella cynnig addysg awyr agored.
- Pwrpas newydd i'r gwasanaeth.
- Arallgyfeirio'r cynnig addysg awyr agored ar draws y sir.
- Darparu gwasanaeth mwy effeithlon, gan leihau gwariant net dros y tair blynedd nesaf.
- Gweithio'n unol ag amserlen i ddarparu cynnig amgen o fis Medi 2024 ymlaen.

**Y rhesymau:**

**Llunio sylwadau i'w cyflwyno i'r Cabinet/Cyngor eu hystyried.**

- Mae'r cyfleusterau addysg awyr agored presennol ym Mhentywyn wedi cyrraedd diwedd eu hoes.
- Cydnabyddir nad oes cyllid cyfalaf ar gael gan y Cyngor Sir am ddarpariaeth newydd yn lle'r ddarpariaeth bresennol.
- Mae angen darparu gwasanaethau mwy effeithlon gydag adnoddau referniw sy'n lleihau.

**YR AELOD CABINET SY'N GYFRIFOL AM Y PORTFFOLIO:-**

Y Cyngorydd G. John (Yr Aelod Cabinet dros Adfywio, Hamdden, Diwylliant a Thwristiaeth)

**Y Gyfarwyddiaeth:**

Cymunedau

**Enw Pennaeth y  
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Adroddiad:**

Ian Jones

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## AN ALTERNATIVE OUTDOOR EDUCATION OFFER FOR CARMARTHENSHIRE

### Executive Summary

The current outdoor education offer at Pendine must be re-considered as the built facilities there have reached the end of their life. It is recognised that there is no County Council Capital funding available to replace the existing provision.

The current service operates with an annual net controllable budget of £181k, with proposals to deliver efficiency savings over the next 3 years.

Following consultation with Education colleagues, Carmarthenshire Schools, and previous Scrutiny Committees, it has been established that there continues to be value in the service and thus **a new purpose has been proposed redefined as follows:**

- To deliver **high quality, challenging, outdoor education opportunities**, primarily to Carmarthenshire pupils, aligned to the new curriculum.
- To provide a **range of residential opportunities** for children to develop their social and emotional intelligence skill whilst experiencing being away from home.
- To **deliver high quality outdoor education opportunities at a range of outdoor recreation sites and settings**, including at schools.
- To consider wider, possibly **commercial opportunities** that will help grow and sustain the Outdoor Education offer across the County of Carmarthenshire.

A range of alternative options are being explored and considered, including:

- **Making best use of alternative resources / facilities / providers**
- **An online, mobile, and fixed base offer**
- **Combining an education offer with a commercial offer to maximise usage year-round, and to reduce net costs**

**Alternative option:**

Cease providing the service. Potential revenue saving of £181k, set against loss of residential outdoor activity for young people across Carmarthenshire, where for some of these children this is their first and possibly only opportunity to stay away from home.

**DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED****No**

## 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: **Ian Jones** Head of Leisure

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

### 1. Policy

- Not a statutory requirement to provide the service, however, new curriculum supports outdoor learning and proposed model / outcomes

### 3. Finance

- Capital: Potential capital receipt from disposal or re-purposing of current assets, which could be re-invested back into re-modelled service. Any additional capital funding would need to be sourced via external grant funding or via Invest to Save bids.
- Revenue: Re-modelling has to be based on a more sustainable operating model reducing net costs and delivering efficiencies.

### 7. Physical Assets

- The poor condition of the buildings at POEC is well documented, with estimates (pre-covid) provided at circa £5-6m to re-furbish the accommodation cabins and main hall / cafeteria – these costs are more likely to be £7-8m by now.

**CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO  
HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED**  
YES

**Include any observations here**

### 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