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## CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### NOTICE OF THE DECISIONS FROM THE EDUCATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON MONDAY 10TH JANUARY 2022 AT 5.30 P.M.

#### PRESENT:

Councillors: Mrs E. M. Aldworth, C. Andrews (Vice-Chair), P. J. Bevan, A. Collis, W. David, A. Farina-Childs, D. Havard, B. Miles, Mrs T. Parry (Chair), J. E. Roberts and Mrs J. Stone.

Cabinet Member: Councillor R. Whiting (Learning and Leisure).

Officers: R. Edmunds (Corporate Director for Education and Corporate Services), S. Richards (Head of Education Planning and Strategy), K. Cole (Chief Education Officer), A. West (21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools Manager), L. Thomas (21st Century Schools - Principal Officer), P. Warren (Strategic Lead for School Improvement), S. Ellis (Lead for Inclusion and ALN), M. Jacques (Scrutiny Officer), S. Hughes (Committee Services Officer) and M. Harris (Committee Services Support Officer).

#### Also Present:

Co-opted Members: Mr M. Western (Cardiff ROC Archdiocesan Commission for Education Representative), Mrs T. Millington (Parent Governor Representative) and Mr G. James (Parent Governor Representative).

#### Also in Attendance:

Councillor J. Pritchard.

#### APOLOGIES:

Councillors: D. T. Hardacre, M. P. James, Mrs B. A. Jones, Mrs G. D. Oliver and J. Simmonds.

The decisions and declarations of interest are set out below. For further details please refer to the relevant report.

| ITEM | SUBJECT   | DECISION  | VOTE                    |
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| 2.   | Declarations of Interest.   | Councillor J. Pritchard declared an interest in <u>Agenda Item No. 9 – 21st Century Schools and Colleges Band B Programme - Community Engagement Report: Plasyfelin Primary School</u> , as Vice Chair of Governors at Plasyfelin Primary School. It was noted that Councillor J. Pritchard was in attendance to observe the meeting. | N/A                     |
|      | To approve and sign the following minutes:                                      |   |                         |
| 3.   | Education Scrutiny Committee held on 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2021.             | The minutes of the Education Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2021 were approved as a correct record.  | Agreed by the majority  |
| 4.   | Special Education Scrutiny Committee held on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2021. | The minutes of the special meeting of the Education Scrutiny Committee held on 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2021 were   | Agreed by the majority. |

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|    |  | approved as a correct record.   |                                     |
| 5. | Consideration of any matter referred to this Committee in accordance with the call-in procedure.                             | There were no matters called in.  | N/A                                 |
| 6. | Education Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme.   | <p>It was proposed that a report on the provision of Welsh-medium teaching staff be added to the Education Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme.</p> <p>It was also proposed that when the Education Scrutiny Committee considers the report on the Welsh Curriculum, Members be given the opportunity to look at Humanities which covers the teaching of history in schools.</p> <p>Following consideration of the report, and subject to the additional reports proposed, it was moved and seconded that the recommendations be approved. By way of verbal voting this was agreed by the majority.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Education Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme be published on the Councils' website.</p> | 13 For<br>1 Against<br>0 Abstention |
| 7. | To receive and consider the Cabinet reports listed on the agenda.  | None of the Cabinet reports listed on the agenda had been called forward for discussion at the meeting.   | N/A                                 |
| 8. | 21st Century Schools and Colleges Band B Programme - Consultation Report: Llancaeach Junior School/Llanfabon Infants School. | <p>Following consideration of the report it was moved and seconded that the recommendations be approved. By way of Microsoft Forms Voting this was unanimously agreed.</p> <p>RESOLVED that prior to a report being presented to Cabinet, the Education Scrutiny Committee:</p> <p>a) Considered the information contained in the Consultation Report.</p> <p>b) Endorsed the recommendation to Cabinet to proceed to Statutory Notice in relation to the to the proposal to create a new Primary School provision through the amalgamation of Llancaeach Junior School and Llanfabon Infants School.</p> <p>Page 2</p>   | 12 For<br>0 Against<br>0 Abstention |

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| 9.  | 21st Century Schools and Colleges Band B Programme - Community Engagement Report: Plasyfelin Primary School.                            | <p>Following consideration of the report it was moved and seconded that the recommendations be approved. By way of Microsoft Forms Voting this was unanimously agreed.</p> <p>RESOLVED that prior to a report being presented to Cabinet, the Education Scrutiny Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Considered the information contained in the Community Engagement Report.</li> <li>b) Endorsed the recommendation to Cabinet to proceed to Planning Application Stage.</li> <li>c) Endorsed the recommendation to proceed to Full Business Case.</li> </ul> | 14 For<br>0 Against<br>0 Abstention |
| 10. | 21st Century Schools and Colleges Band B Programme - Community Engagement Report: Centre for Vulnerable Learners (Pupil Referral Unit). | <p>Following consideration of the report it was moved and seconded that the recommendations be approved. By way of Microsoft Forms Voting this was unanimously agreed.</p> <p>RESOLVED that prior to a report being presented to Cabinet, the Education Scrutiny Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Considered the information contained in the Community Engagement Report.</li> <li>b) Endorsed the recommendation to Cabinet to proceed to Planning Application Stage.</li> <li>c) Endorsed the recommendation to proceed to Full Business Case.</li> </ul> | 13 For<br>0 Against<br>0 Abstention |
| 11. | Self Evaluation.  | The Education Scrutiny Committee noted the contents of the report.   | N/A                                 |

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