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THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 28th NOVEMBER 2023 AT 5.30PM.**

CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

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PRESENT:

Councillors: E.M. Aldworth, A. Broughton-Pettit, M. Chacon-Dawson, P. Cook, D. Cushing, M. Evans, A. Farina-Childs, C. Gordon, T. Heron, B. Miles (Vice Chair), T. Parry (Chair), J. Roberts, J. Simmonds, S. Skivens, J. Winslade, and K. Woodland.

Cabinet Members: Councillors C. Andrews (Education and Communities), E. Forehead (Social Care), and J. Pritchard (Prosperity, Regeneration and Climate Change).

Officers: D. Street (Deputy Chief Executive), R. Edmunds (Corporate Director for Education and Corporate Services), S. Richards (Head of Education Planning and Strategy), K. Cole (Chief Education Officer), A. West (21st Century Schools Manager), G. Jenkins (Interim Director of Social Services), J. Williams (Assistant Director – Adult Services), S. Mutch (Early Years Manager), M. Jacques (Scrutiny Officer), and J. Lloyd (Committee Services Officer).

Also in attendance:

Co-opted Member: Mrs P. Ireland.

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

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	VOTE
1.	To receive apologies for absence.	Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C. Bishop and A. Leonard, and Mr M. Western (Cardiff ROC Archdiocesan Commission for Education Representative), Mrs T. Millington (Parent Governor Representative), Mr G. James (Parent Governor Representative), Mrs K. Cole (NEU), and Mr D. Davies (Caerphilly Governors Association).	N/A
2.	Declarations of interest.	Cllr D. Cushing declared a personal declaration of interest on agenda item 9.	N/A
3.	Education and Social Services Scrutiny Committee held on 17 th October 2023.	RESOLVED that the minutes of the Education and Social Services Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 17 th October 2023 be approved as a correct record.	Unanimous
4.	Consideration of any matter referred to this Committee in accordance with the call-in procedure.	There had been no matters referred to the Scrutiny Committee in accordance with the call-in procedure.	N/A
5.	Education and Social Services Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme.	Members proposed to defer the request from the WAVE Trust to a future meeting when further	Unanimous

		<p>information would be available, it was moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved. By way of a roll call this was unanimously agreed.</p> <p>Following consideration of the report and subject to the proposed additional agenda items, it was moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved. By way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation, this was unanimously agreed.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Education and Social Services Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme, as amended, be published on the Councils' website.</p>	Unanimous
6.	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
7.	Sustainable Communities for Learning Band B Programme – Consultation Report: Ysgol Y Lawnt and Upper Rhymney Primary School Proposal.	<p>Following consideration of the consultation report, it was moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved. By way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation, this was agreed by the majority present.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Education and Social Services Scrutiny Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Endorse the recommendation to Cabinet, via vote, to proceed to Statutory Notice in relation to the proposal for Ysgol Y Lawnt and Upper Rhymney Primary School. 	14 For 0 Against 1 Abstention
8.	School Organisation Code 2018 – Consultation Report: Proposal for the closure of Cwm Glas Infant School.	<p>Following consideration of the consultation report, it was moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved. By way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation this was agreed by the majority present.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Education and Social Services Scrutiny Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Endorse the recommendation to Cabinet, via vote, to proceed to Statutory Notice in relation to the proposal to close Cwm Glas Infant School by July 2024. 	15 For 0 Against 1 Abstention

9.	Annual Report of the Director of Social Services and Housing for 2022/23.	The Scrutiny Committee noted the content of the report.	No vote required.
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