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PWYLLGOR SGRIWTINI CORFFORAETHOL	CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DYDD MAWRTH, 6 TACHWEDD, 2018 am 2:00 y. p.	TUESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2018 at 2.00 pm
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Lewis Davies, John Griffith, Dylan Rees (*Is-Gadeirydd/Vice-Chair*), Alun Roberts, Nicola Roberts

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Mr Keith Roberts (Yr Eglwys Gatholig / The Catholic Church)
Mrs Anest G. Frazer (Yr Eglwys yng Nghymru / The Church in Wales).

AGENDA

1 <u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u>

To receive any declaration of interest by any Member or Officer in respect of any item of business.

2 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS (Pages 1 - 14)

To present the minutes of the previous meetings of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee held on the following dates -

- 8 October, 2018 (extraordinary)
- 24 October, 2018

3 FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 15 - 22)

To present the report of the Scrutiny Manager.

4 <u>2019/20 BUDGET CONSULTATION PLAN</u> (Pages 23 - 30)

To present the report of the Head of Profession (Human Resources) and Corporate Transformation.

5 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC** (Pages 31 - 32)

To consider adopting the following:-

"Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the discussion on the following item on the grounds that it may involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the said Act and in the attached Public Interest Test".

6 <u>2019/20 BUDGET SETTING - INITIAL PROPOSALS</u> (Pages 33 - 58)

To present the report of the Scrutiny Manager and the Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer.

CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the special meeting held on 8 October 2018

PRESENT: Councillor Dylan Rees (Vice-Chair in the Chair)

Councillors Lewis Davies, John Griffith, Richard Griffiths, Richard

O Jones, Alun Roberts, J Arwel Roberts, Nicola Roberts.

Co-opted Members: Mr Keith Roberts (The Catholic Church);

Mrs Anest Frazer (The Church in Wales).

Leader of the Council - Councillor Llinos M Huw;

Councillor R Meirion Jones – Portfolio Holder for Education,

Libraries, Youth & Culture);

Councillor Dafydd R Thomas – Portfolio Holder for Corporate.

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive,

Assistant Chief Executive (Partnerships, Community & Services

Improvements),

Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer (for item 2),

Head of Learning (for item 2),

Head of Profession Human Resources & Transformation, (for item

3),

Head of Democratic Services, Committee Officer (MEH).

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors Robin Williams (Portfolio Holder for Finance), Richard

A Dew (Portfolio Holder for Planning and Public Protection), Carwyn Jones (Portfolio Holder for Major Projects and Economic

Development), Bob Parry OBE FRAgS (Portfolio Holder for

Highways, Property and Waste).

Head of Children and Families' Services,

Other Members of the Council invited to the meeting

Councillors K P Hughes & Peter S Rogers.

APOLOGIES: Councillor A M Jones – Chair;

Councillor Bryan Owen.

The Vice-Chair in the Chair as the Chair had submitted his apologies. The Vice-Chair welcomed Councillor John Griffith to his first meeting of this Committee.

1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None received.

2 ISLE OF ANGLESEY EDUCATION STRATEGY - SCHOOLS' MODERNISATION (2018 UPDATE)

Submitted – a report by the Head of Learning in relation to the Isle of Anglesey Education Strategy - Schools' Modernisation (2018 update).

The Portfolio Holder for Education, Libraries, Youth & Culture reported that the original Education Strategy – Schools' Modernisation was published in 2013 and this document is an update of the Strategy. He noted that this Authority has worked closely with Head Teachers and Elected Members in respect of modernisation of schools programme with 10 smaller primary schools which have been combined into 3 modern 21st century schools in three areas within Band A. By the end of the Band A programme 10% of Anglesey Primary Schools pupils will be receiving their education in 21st century buildings. In Secondary Schools on the Island, the decrease in the numbers and an increase in empty places, together with the cuts faced has resulted in significant budgetary challenges across the secondary sector. The Portfolio Holder also noted that as a result of the above, together with the central government austerity programme, the Education Service must find savings of £5m over the next three years. Welsh Government's 21st Century Modernisation of Schools programme, Band B is to be introduced in 2019, and there will be an opportunity to further modernise Anglesey schools to address local budgetary challenges. It is foreseen that the catchment area of Ysgol Syr Thomas Jones, Amlwch will have to be prioritised within Band B as the number of empty school places is high and that the anticipated increase in number due to Wylfa Newydd. approximately 200 pupils will not make a significant difference. He further said that post-16 education on the Island also needs to be addressed.

The Head of Learning reported that the ambition of this Authority is to ensure that every pupil achieves their full potential. However, he said that the financial situation continues to be challenging in the primary sector and the difference in expenditure per pupil in the primary sector is a cause of concern and is unsustainable for the future. He further said that there are 28% of empty places within the secondary sector on Anglesey which will have to be addressed if secondary education is sustainable within certain areas. The Head of Learning referred to the central government austerity programme, which equates to the Education Service having to find saving of £5m over the next three years and that the Modernisation Strategy must be reviewed in order to establish a schools system which will have modern buildings suitable for the next thirty years to ensure the best opportunities for the authority's pupils. He noted that the education process is facing extensive changes not been seen for a number of years. Headteachers need to have sufficient noncontact time to lead their schools effectively. The post-16 education needs to be reviewed and addressed to gauge whether the current pattern is suitable for the future.

The Head of Learning further reported that Estyn in 2013 referred to the challenges that are facing small school within their 'Small Primary Schools in Wales' report. These include the challenge of teaching mixed age classes containing more than 2 or 3 age groups; limited peer group size and challenge adequacy; limited opportunities for social interaction; difficulties in recruiting and retaining staff and excessive burdens on staff. He outlined the drivers of change for Band B (2019-2026) as outlined within the report.

The Head of Learning referred to leadership and management capacity within the Authority's Schools and noted that the challenges associated with leading and managing schools have increased substantially. Headteachers need sufficient noncontact time to address leadership issues. He noted that the Executive has approved the 'Future Leaders' development programme for prospective Headteachers, non-experienced Headteachers, or those that have been recognised to have potential to undertake a leadership role.

The Committee considered the Officer's report and the information presented and made the following points:-

- The Vice-Chair referred to a recent statement by the Prime Minister that austerity programme has to come to an end and questioned whether the £5m savings facing the Education Service over the next three years will be required? The Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer responded that he considered that the Prime Minister said that austerity will come to an end after Brexit. He said that the local government draft settlement for 2019/20 is awaited from Welsh Government on the 9th October, 2018 and he did not expect to receive any further details as part of the settlement. He noted that a Comprehensive Spending Review will be published in the Summer of 2019 and it is during the period that austerity may come to an end;
- The Committee referred to the requirement to review the post-16 education provision on the Island and concerns were expressed that pupils are having to move from one secondary school to another to receive their chosen subjects in A Level. It was further expressed that these pupils may be travelling to more than one school to receive their education and they seem to lose a contact with their main school. The Head of Learning responded that consultation needs to be made to gauge the requirement to review the post-16 education on the Island. The Committee expressed concerns that some pupils are leaving secondary schools on the Island to receive post-16 education. The Chief Executive responded that it is imperative that the review of post-16 education needs to be address this;
- Clarification was sought as to the budget requirement to address the severe deficiencies in a number of school sites and buildings and whether the service is able to address these issue whilst having to make £5m savings over the next three years. The Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer explained in detail the process for financing new school projects. He noted that Welsh Government is now investigating different scenarios as to the financial model to fund the 21st Century Schools Modernisation Programme. The Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer gave an example that Ysgol Rhyd y Llan total cost was £6m and the authority borrowed £2.5m which equates to £100k per year. He noted that a saving of £72k had been realised by closing the three

schools in the area. It also gave the opportunity to dispose small school buildings which required continued maintenance and reduced empty places with the catchment area. The Committee further expressed that due to uncertainties as regards to Brexit and funding for central government to Welsh Government could be reduced and will have an effect on resources to local authorities to move forward with the schools modernisation programme. The Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer responded that there was some assurance with the funding towards Band B of the school modernisation programme but Welsh Government are considering an option as regard to Band C with regard to 'Mutual Investment Model' which is a scheme that investor/developer build schools and the local authorities will be paying a fee over a period of time as regards to maintenance of the buildings;

- Clarification was sought that a recent publication in the local press indicated that
 this Authority was to close schools with less than 120 pupils; it was expressed
 that there is no mention within the Education Strategy as regards to this
 statement. The Head of Learning responded that each area will be considered
 and the educational provision will be gauged with empty places and the condition
 of the school buildings and other cost factors;
- The Committee referred to the consultation process as regards to the schools modernisation process and whether lessons can be learnt from the recent consultation on the closing of schools on the Island and that the public are satisfied that their voice has been listened to. The Head of Learning responded that a consultation process seems to have been more productive within smaller groups;
- Clarification was sought as to when the expenditure per head/person will be equal within the school on across Anglesey. The Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer responded that funding towards schools is distributed by an allocated formula which is driven by a number of pupils on a school register. Smaller primary schools receive what is equal to additional finance to maintain minimum staffing levels i.e. at least one Head Teacher and teacher on site. The expenditure per pupils in the primary sector on Anglesey was the 5th highest out of 22 authorities in Wales in 2018/19, down from the 3rd highest in 2017/18;
- Concern was expressed that the opening of the new Santes Dwynwen Primary School at Newborough was delayed and that a penalty clause needs to be attached to any provision of building a new school in the future;
- Concerns were expressed that Headteachers are unable to be afforded appropriate non-contact time within schools. The Head of Learning responded that within larger schools non-contact time for Headteachers is able to be sustained but when budgetary savings are forced on schools the issue will become more problematic and will put pressure on Headteachers in having to teach and lead the schools;
- Members of the Committee considered that it would be advantageous to view a Lifelong Learning School together and one of the new 21st Century School on the Island.

It was RESOLVED to recommend to the Executive :-

 To agree to adopt the Isle of Anglesey School Modernisation Education Strategy (Update 2018) which will take effect from 15 October, 2018 onwards and that attention be given to the Ysgol Syr Thomas Jones catchment area;

- To agree that Officers start the consultation process within the Band B areas over the next 12 months. The Committee also made the following comments:-
 - Recognise the need to act urgently in relation to Post 16 Education on the Island;
 - It should be considered how affordable it would be to implement the strategy in future;
 - That attention needs to be given to the condition of schools on the Island.
 - Every effort should be made while implementing the strategy to keep Post 16 pupils on the Island;
 - Attention should be given to addressing the issue of 'cost per head' of pupils across the Island;
 - Recognise the need to implement the best options for specific areas and that there is no mention in the document to closing schools with less than 120 pupils;
 - Attention should be given to non-contact time of Head Teachers in Schools;
 - Imperative that timetables for building new schools are realised;
 - That appropriate and considerate arrangements are made during the consultation period in order to give the public an opportunity to express their views/concerns;
 - Consider arrangements for Members to visit a lifelong learning schools and one of the new schools that have recently been built on the Island.

ACTION: As noted above.

3 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT (IMPROVEMENT PLAN) 2017/18

Submitted – a report by the Head of Transformation and Human Resources in relation to the above.

The Portfolio Holder for Corporate reported that the Annual Performance Plan looks back on the Council's performance for 2017/18 together with the Council's progress against the Authority's Wellbeing Objectives. The Portfolio Holder outlined the Council's achievements during 2017/18 as noted in the report. He further referred to the Performance Indicators for 2017/18 and services are improving even though the Council faced having to make savings of £2.5m within the budget. The National Indicators, known as Performance Accountability Measures (PAM) are published and compare every local authority against the same indicators. In 2017/18, 50% of the indicators for this Authority had improved, 36% declined in performance and 14% of the indicators are new. He noted that each year the PAM indicators are reviewed and new performance indicators are introduced to monitor performance on a national basis.

The Committee considered the Officer's report and the information presented and made the following points:-

- Clarification was sought as to the how the 2017/18 performance indicators have an effect on work programmes for the next few years and whether priority needs to be given to some services which have been highlighted as risks. The Chief Executive responded that the Performance Report gives an indication as to how the Council is performing at a given time. He said that the most important matter is that the Council continues to improves services provided;
- Reference was made that the Island have suffered pockets of deprivation with high levels of young people unemployed and also young people leaving the Island to find work. Questions were raised as to how many people have been able to take advantage of employment opportunities following recent developments on the Island i.e. Llangefni Link Road, Bluestone project, Msparc in Gaerwen etc., and whether this has improved the Island economy. The Head of Profession Human Resources & Transformation responded that if people are in employment they are able to contribute to the local economy and be able to improve their quality of life. The figures as regards to young people who have been successful in gaining employment with new organisations will need to be sought by another department and will be forwarded to members in due course. The Leader of the Council said that the objectives within the Performance Plan have been set by the Council and she referred to the Menai Science Park which is the only facility in Wales that offers such a facility and it is premature at the moment to evaluate the effect of such a facility has on the economy of the Island;
- Clarification was sought as to whether the 36% of the PAM which have declined in performance are more of a concern than others. The Chief Executive responded that every performance indicator is important and that reasons why performance against indicators have declined needs to be investigated;
- Concerns expressed that one of the performance indicators shows that a high level of school levers are not in training nor in continued education. Reference was made that employment opportunities is expected due to the economic developments on the Island in the near future and these opportunities needs to be sourced for local young people. The Leader of the Council responded that the TRAC & OPUC Group has been established to support individuals who are considered to be furthest from the labour market with multiple, complex barriers to employment, specifically long-term unemployed and/or economically inactive who are not in education or training. She noted that Communities Forward are also working closely with these young people to source training and employment. She stressed that as this Authority is smaller compared to other local authorities, one person within this category can increase the % within the performance indicators as regards to young people leaving employment without entering into continued education/training;
- Clarification was sought that reference is made within the report that part of the
 revenue raised through the additional 25% premium on empty homes and
 holiday homes is used to develop social housing; it was expressed that part of
 the premium was to be available to support first time buyers. The Leader of the
 Council responded that part of the revenue raised is used to support first time
 buyers (which has been awarded in full to young people on the Island) and the
 premium is not used to build social housing. She noted that it is the HRA funding
 that will be used to build social housing on the Island. It was further noted that

part of the funding from the additional premium on empty/holiday homes is used as grant funding towards helping people to put central heating and roofs on homes; this is an innovative grant funding scheme. The Head of Profession Human Resources & Transformation stated that the above comments will be included within the Performance Report before submitting to the Executive and full Council in due course.

It was RESOLVED to recommend to the Executive :-

- That the final version of the 2017/18 Performance Report should be published by the statutory date at the end of October and that Officers complete this in consultation with the Portfolio Holder – Corporate so that it can be published as part of the full Council's agenda at its meeting to be held on 22 October, 2018;
- That Section 3.2 of the Councils Constitution be amended to include approving decisions for the Council's Wellbeing Statement and Objectives in accordance with the 2016 Future Generations Act as a function that the Full Council must fulfil.
- To authorise the Head of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring
 Officer to make the necessary changes to the matters that have been
 assigned as functions that must be approved by the full Council in the
 Councils Constitution together with any changes which must be made
 as a result to reflect this.

ACTION: As noted above.

COUNCILLOR DYLAN REES VICE-CHAIR IN THE CHAIR



CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 24 October, 2018

PRESENT: Councillor Aled Morris Jones (Chair)

Councillor Dylan Rees (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Lewis Davies, Richard Griffiths, Alun Roberts, J. Arwel

Roberts, Nicola Roberts

Co-opted Members: Mr Keith Roberts (The Catholic Church), Mrs Anest

Frazer (The Church in Wales)

Portfolio Members

Councillor R. Meirion Jones (Portfolio Member for Education, Libraries,

Youth and Culture)

IN Chief Executive

ATTENDANCE: Assistant Chief Executive (Partnerships, Community and Service

Improvement)

Head of Function (Resources) and Section 151 Officer

Head of Learning

Interim Head of Highways, Waste and Property

Scrutiny Manager (AGD) Committee Officer (ATH)

APOLOGIES: Councillors Richard Owain Jones, Bryan Owen

ALSO Councillors Llinos Medi Huws (Leader) R.G. Parry OBE, FRAgS

PRESENT: (Portfolio Member for Highways, Waste and Property), Robin Williams

(Portfolio Member for Finance)

1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Dylan Rees declared a personal but not prejudicial interest in item 4 on the agenda as the Chair of the Governing Body of Ysgol Bodffordd.

Councillor Nicola Roberts declared a personal but not prejudicial interest in item 4 on the agenda as a governor of Ysgol Talwrn and Ysgol y Graig, Llangefni and the parent of a daughter attending Ysgol y Graig.

2 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the previous meetings of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee held on the following dates were presented and were confirmed as correct –

- 12 September, 2018
- 20 September, 2018 (call-in meeting)

3 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was resolved under Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the discussion on the following item as it involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Schedule 12A to the said Act and outlined in the Public Interest Test as presented.

4 SCHOOLS' MODERNISATION – STRATEGIC OUTLINE CASE/OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE FOR A NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL TO REPLACE YSGOL BODFFORDD AND YSGOL CORN HIR

The report of the Head of Learning incorporating the combined Strategic Outline Case and Outline Business Case (SOC/OBC) for a new primary school instead of Ysgol Bodffordd and Ysgol Corn Hir was presented for the Committee's consideration and comment.

The Portfolio Member for Education, Libraries, Culture and Youth referred to the SOC/OBC's links to the Council Plan and other corporate priorities. The report sets out the strategic, economic, commercial, financial and management grounds for the new school in line with the 21st Century Schools Business case process for capital funding for the project.

The Head of Learning summarised the specifications for the new school which will have a capacity of 360 and will be a community school and as such will have community areas; its location which was determined after a detailed site evaluation process, the procurement process and the project delivery timetable.

The Committee considered the information presented and raised the following points –

 The Committee noted that the new school site on land to the north of the B5109 immediately after the right turning to the Bryn Meurig estate in Llangefni is a sloping site and that due to the site conditions highways works have been identified as necessary. The Committee sought clarification of what the works are likely to entail.

The Committee was advised by the Interim Head of Highways, Waste and Property Service that the selected site has been assessed and there are no issues that make it unsuitable from a highways' perspective as long as certain aspects are undertaken by the developer as part of the scheme's overall costs to alleviate Highways concerns. The Officer confirmed that detailed discussions with the scheme's Highways Design consultant have taken place and a number of options have been considered. He referred to the Highways Plan included as part of the committee papers which details a proposed mini roundabout and access off the B5109 to the new school site. The roundabout is recommended in order to manage and safeguard traffic flow and movement to the school site from the B5IO9 in the Bodffordd direction during peak times in the morning and afternoon. The roundabout will also function as a traffic calming measure. The Officer highlighted a pedestrian crossing to the right of the roundabout on the plan which will serve children crossing to the new school from the Corn Hir area. A combined footway and cycle path of specified width alongside the crossing is also proposed which will meet Active Travel objectives. A footpath will also serve the school side of the B5109 extending as far as the Rhostrehwfa Road junction serving children accessing the school from this area. The aim is to undertake all highways works to the estimated value specified in the report which costs form part of the overall site development costs.

 The Committee noted the clarification provided and suggested that consideration be given to implementing one or some of the measures below to further mitigate what it considered to be risks relating to the road layout in the area of the new school and in order to improve safety—

- Constructing an additional roundabout to slow the traffic flow along the Cildwrn Road (which is likely to increase in the wake of the new school) to the proposed roundabout especially as the Rhostrehwfa junction can be difficult to exit.
- Imposing a 20 mph speed limit in the vicinity of the new school.
- Constructing a normal standard roundabout instead of the proposed mini
 roundabout to ensure that vehicles go around the roundabout and do not have to
 manoeuvre to negotiate it given that the school site is likely to be busy.
- Putting double yellow lines on the approach to the new school to prohibit on road parking – the Committee noted and welcomed the on-site parking provision proposed for the new school but wished to ensure that in the event this proves insufficient, it is made clear that parking on the highway is not acceptable.
- Reducing or levelling the bank in the road down to the new school site
- Installing traffic lights at the crossroads from Rhostrehwfa.

In response the Interim Head of Highways, Waste and Property said that although consideration can be given to the suggestions made above, implementing all or some will drive costs upwards. He explained that the Highways Authority would deal with any planning application consistently and in the same way as for an external application. He further advised that any works would have to be justified from a planning perspective as follows –

- With regard to the speed of traffic along Cildwrn Road to the new school site, the construction of a pathway from Rhostrehwfa to the new school will mean purchasing a small parcel of land which will improve visibility to the left at the Rhostrehwfa junction. It is unreasonable to expect the developer to fund additional improvements to this junction as current traffic movement between the turn into Rhostrehwfa and the proposed site would not be substantially increased.
- With regard to introducing a 20 mph speed limit, such a measure needs to be considered in the context of all the Island's schools. Moreover, as the restriction would be relevant all day every day how much observance would be paid to it at weekends and during school holidays is questionable which in turn raises the question of the value of the restriction during school days. The proposed roundabout will force traffic to slow down at that point and will operate as an effective traffic calming measure.
- That the access point to the new school has been moved towards the direction of Bodffordd to put it at a greater distance from the brow in the road thereby making the roundabout more visible. The visibility to the right exiting the school onto the proposed roundabout conforms to national standards. The cost of dropping the road level to that of Ffordd Rhostrehwfa would be prohibitive.
- That the number of parking spaces provided as part of the new school build is the highest possible without contravening planning rules. Should parking issues arise, then putting down double yellow lines on the highway is an option.
- The proposed mini roundabout has been carefully and thoughtfully located to facilitate traffic movement. Larger vehicles turning in from Bodffordd or exiting the school site in the direction of Llangefni will have to overrun the roundabout which can be accommodated. Whilst its size can be looked at, enlarging it will have cost and possibly land implications.
- With regard to the installation of traffic lights, this can be looked at but a differentiation needs to be made between the works that are necessary as part of this specific development and works that are desirable in terms of the highways

network generally. The development should not be conditioned to fund any works unless it can be proven that the developments makes the situation worse.

• The Committee sought clarification of whether the contract for the new school build will include a penalty clause for late completion. It highlighted the need to protect the Council from having to shoulder additional costs if the build overruns the schedule.

The Committee was advised that standard contracts contain such provisions as a matter of course. However, external factors beyond the control of the contractor/ developer e.g. poor weather conditions, can sometimes cause delay. The experiences gained from the construction of the new Cybi and Rhyd y Llan schools will help avoid over-expenditure on the project under consideration.

 The Committee emphasised the need to establish a shadow governing body well in advance in order to ensure that the community has a voice on the new school.

The Committee was advised that in the case of the two previous new schools in Holyhead and Llanfaethlu, the aim has been to have a shadow governing body in place around 18 months in advance of the school opening.

In response to a question, the Committee was also advised that discussions with the community of Bodffordd are continuing with regard to the community resource in Ysgol Bodffordd in accordance with the Executive's decision.

• The Committee noted the financial case for the new school, and in light of the challenging savings programme which the Council expects to implement over the course of the next 3 years, it sought assurances about the project's affordability.

The Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer said that the project falls within Band A of the 21st Century Schools' Programme for which the Welsh Government has agreed funding with the Council. The total cost of Band A in Anglesey is over £33m with the Welsh Government contributing £16m. Therefore, if the Welsh Government approves the SCO/OBC for this project the funding is in place to be able to complete it. The funding arrangements for the 21st Century Schools Programme mean that Welsh Government contributes 50% of the costs with 3/3 being in the form of a grant and the other 1/3 in the form of supported borrowing whereby the Council does the borrowing and the Welsh Government funds the costs of borrowing i. e. the Minimum Revenue Provision and interest which are included in the settlement. The remaining 50% of the costs falls to the Council with the capital receipts from the sale of the redundant schools being used to reduce the amount which has to be borrowed. The details of the Authority's funding requirements for the project are set out in the SOC/BOC; the expected revenue savings from the project along with the annual borrowing costs are also noted. Borrowing will be arranged at a fixed interest rate over the 50 year borrowing term. Whilst implementing the projects in Band A overall will entail additional costs for the Council, it will also generate savings as schools are closed and the number of school buildings are reduced. The Officer said although funding the Council's portion of the 21st Century Schools Programme has always been recognised as a challenge, the prospect of a 50% contribution towards new schools is too good an opportunity to miss and is not likely to recur so the costs will have to be met. In any case, the Council would have to find a way of funding the cost of the schools' maintenance backlog in full which is significant. Modernising schools addresses this issue.

Having scrutinised the SOC/OBC, the Corporate Scrutiny Committee resolved to recommend to the Executive that it approves –

- The combined Strategic Outline Case and Outline Business Case (SOC/OBC) for a new primary school instead of Ysgol Bodffordd and Ysgol Corn Hir.
- Forwarding the combined Strategic Outline Case and Outline Business Case (SOC/OBC) for a new primary school instead of Ysgol Bodffordd and Ysgol Corn Hir to the Welsh Government. (Councillors Lewis Davies and Aled Morris Jones abstained from voting on the matter)

NO ADDITIONAL ACTION WAS PROPOSED

Councillor Aled Morris Jones
Chair









CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME: 2017/2018 → 2018/19

Chair: Councillor Aled Morris Jones Vice-Chair: Councillor Dylan Wyn Rees

This document summarises the forward work programme of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee Work Programme for the period May 2017 onwards, as a rolling programme and purposeful Scrutiny planning tool. The forward work programme will be submitted to each ordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee for the purpose of reviewing its content, consideration of new items or adjournment / withdrawal of items. Its purpose is also to ensure alignment with the forward work programmes of the Executive and Senior Leadership Team.

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Date of Meeting	Item	Purpose				
May, 2017						
31 st May 2017	Election of Chair of the Committee	Effective governance arrangements				
Committee Room 1 / 3.30pm	Election of Vice-Chair for the Committee	Effective governance arrangements				
	June, 2017					
26 th June 2017 [Qtr 4: 2016/17]	Corporate Scorecard [Q4] 2016/17 Report on Sickness by WAO included as appendix	Performance monitoring				
Committee Room 1 / 2pm	Annual Report of the Statutory Director of Social Services 2016/17	Performance monitoring				
	Empty Homes Strategy 2017/2022	Policy development				
	Membership of Panels and Boards	Nominate Members				
	Forward Work Programme - review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities				
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11 th July 2017	Schools' Modernisation – Llangefni area Statutory Consultation	Pre-decision scrutiny				
[Extraordinary meeting] Committee Room 1 / 2pm	Schools' Modernisation – Strategic Outline Programme - Band B (2019/24)	Transformation				
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	Membership of Panels and Boards – Nomination to the Schools Progress Review Scrutiny Panel	Nominate Members				
	September, 2017					
	Corporate Scorecard [Q1] 2017/18	Performance monitoring				
[Qtr 1: 2017/18]	Council Plan 2017/2022	Pre-decision scrutiny				
Committee Room 1 / 2pm	Monitor progress - Children's Services Improvement Plan Progress report - Children's Services Improvement Panel	Performance monitoring				
	Forward Work Programme - review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities				

Date of Meeting	Item	Purpose
	Item for Information: Social Services Annual Complaints Report (2016/17)	For Information / performance monitoring
	October, 2017	·
	Social Services Annual Performance 2016/17 (CSSIW)	Performance monitoring
[Extraordinary meeting]	Annual Performance Report (Improvement Plan) 2016/17	Performance monitoring
Committee Room 1 / 10am	Extra Care Housing – Seiriol Area	Pre-decision scrutiny
	Schools Modernisation Programme – Seiriol Area	Pre-decision scrutiny
31st October 2017	2018/19 Initial Budget Proposals	Pre-decision scrutiny
[Budget]	2018/19 Budget Consultation Plan	Pre-decision scrutiny
Committee Room 1 / 10am	Progress Report – Finance Scrutiny Panel	Performance monitoring
	Forward Work Programme – review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities
	November, 2017 Corporate Scorecard [Q2] 2017/18 Transformation of Library Services Asset Management Strategy – Council Housing	
13 th November 2017	Corporate Scorecard [Q2] 2017/18	Performance monitoring
Qtr 2: 2017/18]	Transformation of Library Services	Transformation
Committee Room 1 / 2pm	Asset Management Strategy – Council Housing	Policy development
7	Monitor progress – Children's Services Improvement Plan Progress report – Children's Services Improvement Panel	Performance monitoring
	Forward work programme – review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities
	December, 2017	
14 th December, 2017 [Extraordinary meeting]	Transformation of Culture Service – Beaumaris Goal & Courthouse	Call in of decision by the Executive on 27/11/17 (called in by Cllrs Aled Morris Jones, Eric Wyn Jones, Kenneth Hughes, Bryan Owen & Peter Rogers)

Date of Meeting	Item	Purpose		
	Extra Care Housing – Seiriol Area (summary of feedback from engagement process)	Transformation		
Committee Room 1 / 1pm	Monitor progress – Children's Services Improvement Plan Progress report – Children's Services Improvement Panel	Performance Monitoring		
	School transport	Referral from Audit and Governance Committee / Performance monitoring		
	Small Holdings Improvement Programme	Notice of Motion from the Full Council		
	Welsh Public Library Standards – Annual Report (2016/2017)	Performance monitoring – for information		
	February, 2018			
	2018/19 Draft Budget	Pre-decision scrutiny		
[Budget]	Progress Report – Finance Scrutiny Panel	Performance monitoring		
Committee Room 1/2pm	Forward work programme – review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities		
Page 18	Housing Revenue Account Business Plan (Finance Scrutiny Panel)	Pre-decision scrutiny		
0	March, 2018			
12 th March 2018	Corporate Scorecard [Q3] 2017/18	Performance monitoring		
[Qtr 3: 2017/18]	Schools Modernisation Programme – Seiriol Area	Transformation		
Committee Room 1/2pm	Schools Modernisation Programme – Llangefni Area (Y Graig & Talwrn)	Transformation		
	Play sufficiency Assessment	Pre-decision scrutiny		
	Forward work programme - review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities		

Date of Meeting	Item	Purpose			
	April, 2018				
23 rd April 2018 Committee Room 1/2pm	Schools Modernisation Programme – Llangefni Area (Corn Hir, Bodffordd & Henblas)	Transformation			
		Performance monitoring [Scrutiny Committee resolution. 02/10/17]			
	Transformation of Learning Disabilities Services	Transformation			
	. •	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities			
	June, 2018				
4 th June, 2018	Corporate Scorecard [Q4] 2017/18	Performance monitoring			
[Qtr4: 2017/18]	School transport – progress report on implementation of action plan (for information)	Performance monitoring [Scrutiny Committee resolution, 31/01/18]			
Committee Room 1/2pm	/	Performance monitoring			
<u> </u>		Performance monitoring			
Page 19		Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities			
9	July, 2018				
5 th July, 2018 [Extraordinary meeting]	Schools' Modernisation Programme – Llangefni Area (Y Graig & Y Talwrn)	Transformation			
Committee Room 1 / 10am	Annual Report of the Statutory Director of Social Services	Performance monitoring			
13 th July, 2018 [Extraordinary meeting]	Schools' Modernisation Programme – Seiriol Area	Transformation			
Committee Room 1 / 10am					
	August, 2018				
2 nd August, 2018 [Extraordinary meeting] Committee Room 1 / 10am	Talwrn)	Call in of decision by the Executive on 16/07/18 (called in by Cllrs Aled Morris Jones, Eric Wyn Jones, Lewis Davies, Bryan Owen & Peter Rogers)			

Date of Meeting	Item	Purpose
6 th August, 2018 [Extraordinary meeting]	Schools' Modernisation Programme – Seiriol area	Call in of decision by the Executive on 18/07/18 (called in by Cllrs Aled Morris Jones, Robert Llewelyn Jones, John Arwel Roberts, Bryan Owen & Peter Rogers)
Committee Room 1 / 10am	September, 2018	
12 th September, 2018	Corporate Scorecard [Q1] 2018/19	Performance monitoring
[Qtr1: 2018/19]	Monitor progress - Children's Services Improvement Plan Progress report - Children's Services Improvement Panel	Performance monitoring
Committee Room 1/2pm	Progress Report – Finance Scrutiny Panel	Performance monitoring
	Item for Information: Social Services Annual Complaints Report (2016/17)	For Information / performance monitoring
	Forward Work Programme – review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities
20 th September, 2018 [Extraordinary meeting]	Disposal of former Ysgol Llaingoch, Holyhead building	Call in of decision by the Portfolio Holder on 30/08/18 (called in by Cllrs Shaun Redmond, Peter Rogers, Eric Wyn Jones, Bryan Owen & Aled Morris Jones)
Committee Room 1 / 2pm		
Committee Room 17 2pm	October, 2018	
	Transformation of Education and Anglesey Schools Modernisation Strategy – update (2018)	Transformation
Committee Room 1 / 1pm	Annual Performance Report (Improvement Plan) 2017/18	Performance monitoring
	Schools' Modernisation Programme – Outline Business Case – New Primary School to replace Ysgol Bodffordd and Ysgol Corn Hir	Transformation
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[Budget]	2019/20 Initial Budget Proposals	Pre-decision scrutiny
[Daaget]	2019/20 Budget Consultation Plan	Pre-decision scrutiny

Date of Meeting	Item	Purpose
	Progress Report – Finance Scrutiny Panel	Performance monitoring
Committee Room 1/2pm	Forward Work Programme – review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities
	Corporate Scorecard [Q2] 2018/19	Performance monitoring
	Schools' Modernisation Programme – Outline Business Case – New Primary School to replace Ysgol y Graig and Ysgol Talwrn	Transformation
Committee Room 1/ 10am	Forward Work Programme – review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities
	December, 2018	
[Extraordinary meeting]	Monitor progress - Children's Services Improvement Plan Progress report - Children's Services Improvement Panel	Performance monitoring
Committee Room 1/ 10am	February, 2019	
4 th February, 2019	2019/20 Draft Budget	Pre-decision scrutiny
[Budget]	Progress Report – Finance Scrutiny Panel	Performance monitoring
Committee Room 1/2pm	Forward Work Programme - review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities
	March, 2019	
11 th March, 2019	Corporate Scorecard [Q3]: 2018/19	Performance monitoring
	Monitor progress – Children's Services Improvement Plan Progress report – Children's Services Improvement Panel	Performance monitoring
Committee Room 1/2pm	Forward Work Programme – review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities
	April, 2019	
8 th April, 2019	Progress Report – Finance Scrutiny Panel	Performance monitoring
Committee Room 1/2pm	Forward Work Programme – review	Effective forward planning / alignment with corporate priorities
	TOPICS TO BE SCHEDULED	

Date of Meeting	Item	Purpose
TBC (June, 2018)	Corporate Scorecard [Q4]: 2018/19	Performance monitoring
TBC	Energy Management	Performance monitoring (Scrutiny Committee resolution. 31/10/17)
TBC	Fuel Poverty – plans to support households	Performance monitoring [Scrutiny Committee resolution, 13/11/17]
TBC	Impacts of Welfare Reform	Performance monitoring
TBC	Corporate Health and Safety Policy	Policy development [Scrutiny Chairs & Vice-Chairs Forum, 18/06/18]
TBC	Care Inspectorate Wales Inspection – Children's and Famili	es Services Performance monitoring

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL Scrutiny Report Template			
Committee:	Corporate Scrutiny		
Date:	6.11.18		
Subject:	Budget Consultation Plan 2019/20		
Purpose of Report:	To reach agreement on the proposed plan		
Scrutiny Chair:	Aled M. Jones		
Portfolio Holder(s):	Dafydd Rh. Thomas		
Head of Service:	Carys Edwards		
Report Author: Tel: Email:	Gethin Morgan 752111 gethinmorgan@ynysmon.gov.uk		
Local Members:	Not Applicable		

1 - Recommendation/s

- 1.1 The attached provides a high level description of the proposed budget consultation plan to be implemented during the period week beginning November 12th to December 31st, 2018
- 1.2. It conveys a cross sector approach with the intention of presenting citizen's comments through -
- a. The Press
- b. Town and Community Councils
- c. Stakeholder Workshops
- d. Internet
- e. Social Media
- f. Citizens' Panel
- g. Children and Young People's Workshops
- 1.3. The Committee is asked to scrutinize the proposed plan so that future budgetary consultation plans can be improved and also maximize corporate awareness of the expected work over the period indicated by agreeing to the proposed plan.

2 - Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

2.1 This plan is being proposed as a consultation plan on financial matters that are consistent with the Council's development over the years to come and highlighted in the Council Plan.

2.2 This consultation fits in with the aim of 'engaging and continuing to engage with residents of Anglesey on the way decisions are made'

3 - Guiding Principles for Scrutiny Members

To assist Members when scrutinising the topic:-

- 3.1 Impact the matter has on individuals and communities [focus on customer/citizen]
- **3.2** A look at the efficiency & effectiveness of any proposed change both financially and in terms of quality **[focus on value]**
- 3.3 A look at any risks [focus on risk]
- **3.4** Scrutiny taking a performance monitoring or quality assurance role [focus on performance & quality]
- **3.5** Looking at plans and proposals from a perspective of:
 - Long term
 - Prevention
 - Integration
 - Collaboration
 - Involvement

[focus on wellbeing]

4 - Key Scrutiny Questions

- 4.1 Does the Committee consider any stakeholders that need to be included that are not on the current list?
- 4.2 What development of this year's process is an improvement on last year's process?
- 4.3 Does the Committee consider there are specific additions required for the plan as a whole?

5 - Background / Context

The attached plan was discussed at the recent Engagement and Consultation Board (24.10.18) which gave guidance that there was a need for better attendance and discussion with young people as part of this year's consultation plan.

In addition, the plan was presented to a briefing session for all members of the County Council on the 30th of October.

6 - Equality Impact Assessment [including impacts on the Welsh Language]

The plan is designed to ensure the input and response of as many residents as possible from different areas and backgrounds. Impact assessments regarding the specific proposals will be considered as part of the wider discussion of the process.

7 - Financial Implications

The financial implications of realizing this plan will be very small. What will be required to implement it is staff resource and time with a small amount of revenue expenditure being envisaged to hold panels and discussions with specific residents.

8 - Appendices:

Appendix A - Anglesey County Council Financial Proposals Consultation / Communication Plan 2019/20

9 - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):

Council plan 2017-2022

ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION PLAN –

BUDGET PROPOSALS CYNGOR SIR YNYS MÔN 2019/20

The purpose of this plan is to acknowledge the areas of work required so as to consult as wide and thorough as possible. This will ensure that the Executive's final budget proposals for the 2019/20 budget to the Council in February 2019 is done so with the appreciation and understanding of the different viewpoints and the risks it entails.

This plan provides an appreciation to our citizens / partners of the future financial challenges facing us as a public sector body.

The following schedule encompasses the dates Nov 13th – Dec 31st.

Ref.	Date / Period	Event / Campaign & Purpose	Lead	Support	For information
Α	17.9.18	Meeting of Exec to accept MTFP and adopt process for consulting on savings proposals this year (i.e. remainder of this document)	Finance	Finance / Business Planning and Performance Team	SLT / Penaethiaid
В	6.11.18	Meeting of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee to scrutinise areas of concern identified as part of the Sept / Oct workshops and also to consider the consultation plan.	Scrutiny Manager	Penaethiaid	Finance / Portfolio Holders

С	12.11.18	An Executive meeting to propose efficiencies for 2019/20 for the purpose of consultation and communication (understanding impact of such proposals)	Finance	Business Planning and Performance Team	SLT & Penaethaid
Ch	End of Nov	A meeting of the Town & Community Council sub-group to discuss the opportunities and consequences of the budget proposals.	Leader	Finance / Business Planning & Performance Team	J Huw Jones Penaethiaid
D	To be decided	*****Stakeholder workshop in Chamber / YB1 to discuss opportunities and risks flowing from the 2019/20 budget proposals****	Business Planning and Performance Manager	Press Team Senior Accountant Leader & Chief Executive	Penaethiaid

A camp	A campaign to promote the proposals in the public arena through number of different channels					
DD	7.11.18	Press briefing re: budget proposals for 2018/19. Increase appreciation of readers and keep to corporate line for communication. Expected output would be articles in traditional press and websites + possibly on TV	Press Officer	Finance / Business Planning and Performance Team	Penaethiaid & Staff	
E	13.11.18 – 31.12.18	Promotional campaign focusing on website and e-questionnaire to collate citizens views across the island. The extensive use of FB & Twitter essential here by now as well as supportive promotional work on radio such as Leader interviews on MonFM	Business Planning and Performance Team	Finance / Lleisiau'n Lleol	Staff	
F	12.11.18 – 31.12.18	Use of a citizen panel and recognised community forums such as Youth Council / Schools a.s.o. to gain feedback from those impacted directly from budget decisions. • Scholl Finance Forum (December) • Older People's Forum (30.11.18) • Young People's Forum (19.11.18)	Business Planning and Performance Manager	Medrwn Mon Press Team	ACE's	

This plan will enable Officers to collect and collate the necessary information to formulate a report outlining the different perspectives of individuals and organisations to the proposed budget proposals so that it can be reported and discussed at (i) briefing session for all members prior to end of January and (ii) the Corporate Scrutiny Committee meeting scheduled for the beginning of February 2019.

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Teitl yr Adroddiad / Title of report

Cyllideb Refeniw Drafft 2019/20 Draft Revenue Budget

PRAWF BUDD Y CYHOEDD PUBLIC INTEREST TEST

Paragraff(au)
Paragraph(s) 12, 13, 14, 15

Atodlen 12A Deddf Llywodraeth Leol 1972 /Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972

Y PRAWF - THE TEST

Mae yna fudd i'r cyhoedd wrth ddatgelu oherwydd

There is a public interest in disclosure as:-

Mae yna fudd cryf i'r cyhoedd yn nhryloywder ynglyn â materion cyllidebol a gwario cyhoeddus yn amseroedd o bwysau ariannol.

There is a strong public interest in transparency about budgetary matters and public spending in times of financial pressure. Y budd i'r cyhoedd wrth beidio datgelu yw

The public interest in not disclosing is:-

Mae'r adroddiad yn cyfeirio at unigolion penodol yn eu swyddi. Mae yna fudd cryf i'r cyhoedd i sicrhau y datgelir gwybodaeth yn adroddiadau mewn ffordd nad yw'n annheg na'n anghydnaws â hawliau unigolion o dan

ddeddfwriaeth gwarchod data a phreifatrwydd.

Mae'r adroddiad yn cyfeirio at faterion cyflogadwyaeth a all godi mewn ymgynghoriadau neu drafodaethau. Mae yna fudd cryf i'r cyhoedd i sicrhau nad amharir ar na ragfernir unrhyw ymgynghoriad neu ymgynghoriad a ystyrir drwy ddatgelu i'r byd eang ar bwynt cynamserol.

Mae'r adroddiad yn cynnwys cyfeiriadau i wybodaeth ynglyn â materion busnes y Cyngor a all roi'r Cyngor dan anfantais mewn trafodaethau masnachol yn ystod caffael gwasanaethau. Mae yna fudd cryf i'r cyhoedd i sicrhau na ddatgelir gwybodaeth mewn ffordd sy'n niweidiol i fuddiannau ariannol y Cyngor ac, yn y pen draw, y bobl y gwasanaethir.

Fe ddatgelir y gyllideb maes o law, mae hyn yn gwanhau unrhyw ddadleuon o blaid datgelu'r adroddiad yma ar sail tryloywder. Bydd tryloywder yn cael ei fodloni maes o law ac fe fodloni'r budd cyhoeddus dilys.

The report makes references to specific individuals in their job-roles. There is a strong public interest in ensuring that information is disclosed in reports in a way that is not unfair and incompatible with individuals' rights under data protection and privacy legislation.

The report refers to employment matters which could arise in consultations or negotiations. There is a strong public interest in ensuring that consultations or contemplated consultations are not impacted or prejudiced through disclosure to the world at large at an untimely point.

The report contains references to information about the business affairs of the Council, which could place the Council at a disadvantage in commercial discussions during the procurement of services. There is a strong public interest in ensuring that information is not disclosed in a way that is detrimental to the financial interests of the Council and, ultimately, the people it serves.

The budget will be disclosed in due course, this weakens any public interest arguments in favour of disclosure of this report on the grounds of transparency; transparency will be satisfied in due course and the public's legitimate interest will be satisfied.

Argymhelliad - Mae budd y cyhoedd wrth gadw'r eithriad o bwys mwy na budd y cyhoedd wrth ddatgelu'r wybodaeth.

Recommendation - The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Agenda Item 6

By virtue of paragraph(s) 12, 13, 14, 15 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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