

Decision Schedule

Cabinet Member for Education and Early Years

TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Cabinet Member took the following decisions on 06 June 2023. They will become effective at Noon on 14 June 2023 with the exception of any particular decision, which is the subject of a valid "call-in".

The deadline for submission of a 'Call-in' request form is 4.00 pm on 13 June 2023.

Information relating to the 'Call-in' process can be found via [Democratic Services](#).

Reports relating to staffing issues/Confidential reports are not circulated to all members of the Council as part of the consultation/call-in processes.

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Joint School Reorganisation Proposal – Reduction in Capacity and Extension of age Range at Malpas Church in Wales Primary School

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

This report referenced the requirement to move to formal consultation as part of a statutory school reorganisation proposal in partnership with the Governing Body of Malpas Church in Wales Primary School to reduce the capacity of the school from September 2024, and to extend the age range of the school from September 2025.

Over recent years, the number of pupils attending Malpas Church in Wales Primary School decreased significantly. As of January 2023, there were 25% surplus places at the school. Pupil forecasts indicated that the number of surplus places would continue to increase at the school over the next five years. The school was also the only primary school in the Newport High School cluster that did not currently provide a nursery class.

In accordance with Welsh Government's statutory School Organisation Code, school reorganisation proposals must commence with a period of formal consultation and stakeholder engagement. The formal consultation pack included further information regarding the proposal to enable all consultees and stakeholders to be fully informed on the proposals for establishment of this new provision.

Decision

To confirm that a school reorganisation proposal could be taken forward "to reduce the capacity of Malpas Church in Wales Primary School from 378 to 315 pupil places with effect from September 2024, and to extend the age range of the school from four to 11 years to three to 11 years with effect from September 2025".

Consultation

Head of Law and Standards, Head of People, Policy and Transformation and Head of Finance.

All members were consulted and provided with an opportunity to comment. Any comments received and response thereafter are set out in the report.

Implemented By: Chief Education Officer
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

COUNCILLOR D DAVIES, CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS

Date: 06 June 2023
