

Decision Schedule

Cabinet Member for Education and Skills

TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Cabinet Member took the following decisions on 21 March 2022. They will become effective at Noon on 29 March 2022 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 28 March 2022.

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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School Reorganisation Proposal – Relocation of Pillgwenlly Primary School and Ysgol Gymraeg Nant Gwenlli: Modification of Implementation Dates

A school reorganisation proposal was determined in June 2020 to open a new Welsh-medium primary school under a seedling model from September 2021, relocate Pillgwenlly Primary to the new school on the Whiteheads development at the start of the Spring term 2023, and subsequently move the new Welsh-medium primary school to a permanent site in Pillgwenlly from September 2023.

Whilst the new school; Ysgol Gymraeg Nant Gwenlli, opened as planned on a temporary site in Caerleon in September 2021, delays in the transfer of the land at Whiteheads from Welsh Government to the nominated developer and then to the Council meant that building works in relation to the new school had not yet commenced. A revised schedule of works suggested a delay of one calendar year in relation to the school build project. As a result, the new school would not be ready for occupation until January 2024.

Decision

To modify previously agreed implementation dates for this proposal by one year so that:

- Pillgwenlly Primary School relocated from its existing site to the new build on the Whiteheads development, and in doing so increased its capacity for mainstream pupils from 546 to 630 and its Learning Resource Base (LRB) from 10 to 20 places, from January 2024, and;
- Ysgol Gymraeg Nant Gwenlli subsequently transferred from its temporary site in Caerleon to a permanent location on the site of the current Pillgwenlly Primary school from September 2024.

Consultation

Head of Law and Regulation, Head of People and Business Change and Chief Education Officer.

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

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Post 16 Home to School Transport Costs

In June 2015, a decision was taken by the then Cabinet Member for Education and Young People to suspend a proposed increase to the charges for Post-16 Transport Costs on contracted services and instead set the fee at £370 per academic year in line with the cost of a season ticket on the local bus network.

Since this date, an annual report was brought forward to consider charges for the forthcoming academic year, with no increases being levied. As a result, the level of charges remained unchanged since June 2015, and as a result there was no reduction in the subsidy paid by the Council for this service.

Decision

To agree that the current level of charges should be maintained for the 2022/23 academic year.

Consultation

Head of Law and Regulation, Head of People and Business Change and Chief Education Officer.

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

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Date: 21 March 2021
