



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 19th January 2016

Agenda Item 2

SUBJECT:
Improving Primary Education Provision in Ferndale

**Cabinet Members Present
County Borough Councillors:**

A.Morgan (Chairman), R.Bevan, A.Crimmings, M.Forey,
E. Hanagan, G Hopkins, K. Montague & J. Rosser.

**Apology for Absence
County Borough Councillor:**
M.Webber

**Other County Borough Councillor(s)
In Attendance:**
A Davies

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

- To note the information contained within the consultation report which includes details of items of correspondence received during the consultation exercise and notes of the various meetings held.
- To note the amendment to the report advised by the officer during the meeting, that in respect of the playground facilities, the Infant and Junior Children have separate yards at present and in addition the pupils aged under 5 years have their breaks at different times to the older Infant Children.
- To progress the proposal to close Ferndale Infants' School and transfer the pupils to Darran Park Primary School, subject to parental preference, by issuing an appropriate statutory notice.

N.B with the permission of the Chairman, County Borough Councillor A Davies spoke on this item.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

- The proposal proposes to improve educational outcomes; improve educational provision and improve leadership and management (Cabinet report of the 22nd October, 2015).
- The need to progress the proposal in accordance with the process outlined in Welsh Government Legislative guidance (the School organisation Code).

3. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

- As outlined within Section 6 of the report, the consultation process has been undertaken under the arrangements outlined in the Welsh Government's School Organisation Code during 2nd November – 31st December, 2015.
- Cabinet Decision – 22nd October, 2015.

4. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

- County Borough Councillor K Montague declared a personal and prejudicial interest and left the meeting when the item was discussed and voted upon "A close friend works within the school."
- County Borough Councillor R Bevan declared a personal and prejudicial interest and left the meeting when the item was discussed and voted upon "I know 2 Members of staff working within the School"

5. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):
N/A

6. (a) IS THE DECISION URGENT AND NOT TO BE THE SUBJECT OF ANY CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

YES NO

Note: This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 5 clear working days after its publication i.e. **27th January, 2016** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

6. (b) IF YES, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS URGENT:

N/A

6. (c) SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:

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(Mayor)

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(Dated)



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(Proper Officer)

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(Dated)