



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 22nd January, 2015.

Urgent Business - Agenda Item 7

SUBJECT:

Update on the consultation to reorganise Primary schools, secondary schools and sixth form provision in the Rhondda valleys and Tonyrefail.

The Chairman of the meeting being of the opinion that the report of the Director, Education and Lifelong Learning be considered in accordance with the provision of Section 100(b)4(B) of the Local Government Act, 1972, as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances i.e. to provide Members with an update on the consultation to reorganise primary schools, secondary schools and sixth form provision in the Rhondda Valleys and Tonyrefail and for Members to consider the proposal to extend the consultation phase, (currently due to end on the 30th January, 2015) to the 27th February 2015 to encourage further engagement on the proposals.

**Cabinet Members Present
County Borough Councillors:**

A.Morgan (Chairman), P.Cannon, R.Bevan, A.Crimmings, M.Forey,
E.Hanagan, G.Hopkins, K Montague and M.Webber

**Other Members in Attendance
County Borough Councillors:**

S.Bradwick, R Lewis, P Griffiths, P Jarman, S Rees-Owen and T
Williams.

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

- To note the progress made in undertaking the consultation to date.
- To extend the consultation period for a further 28 days until 5pm on the 27th February, 2015.

N.B – with the permission of the Chairman, County Borough Councillor P Jarman spoke at the meeting in respect of the consultation and the documentation available to the statutory consultees, which the Director, Education & Lifelong Learning duly responded to.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

- To extend the consultation phase for a further 28 days to further encourage pupils, parents and the wider community to discuss and view the consultation proposals

3. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

- Cabinet Report – 2nd October, 2014

4. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

- County Borough Councillor A Crimmings declared a prejudicial interest in this matter – “I am employed at Coleg y Cymoedd”. Councillor Crimmings left the meeting when the matter was discussed and voted upon.
- County Borough Councillor (Mrs) E Hanagan declared a personal interest in this matter – “I am on the governing bodies of Tonyrefail Comprehensive School and Tonyrefail Primary School but my interest is not prejudicial because of the exemption set out in paragraph 12(2)(a)(iii) of the code of Conduct.
- County Borough Councillor K Montague declared a personal interest in this matter – “I am on the governing body of Ferndale Comprehensive School but my interest is not prejudicial because of the exemption set out in paragraph 12(2) (a) (iii) of the Code of Conduct.

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:

In accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules 17.2(a) the decision is deemed urgent and not subject to call in due to the need to extend the consultation which was scheduled to close at 5pm on the 30th January, 2015 until 5pm 27th February, 2015, and to advise all consultees of the extension and further engagement events.

. (b) 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)