



CENTRAL SOUTH CONSORTIUM

JOINT COMMITTEE REPORT

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CENTRAL SOUTH CONSORTIUM EDUCATION GRANTS

REPORT FOR THE DIRECTORS OF EDUCATION

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To provide Members with an update on the grants to be received by the Consortium for 2015/16, for which notifications have been received, and the methods of allocation of each.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

Directors to recommend the following to the Joint Committee;

- 2.1 Approve the distribution of grants as detailed in section 4 of this report.

BACKGROUND

2.2 As host authority Rhondda Cynon Taf will act as 'banker authority', and under the terms of the grant agreements will be responsible for accepting the terms and conditions of grant and putting in place arrangements to distribute the funding, as determined by the Joint Committee, within the Consortium.

3. METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT

3.1 The method of apportionment of each grant will vary depending on its nature, its intended recipients, its purposes and the associated terms and conditions.

3.2 For each grant the following process shall be adopted:

- The Consortium shall prepare a proposed method of distribution taking into account all relevant criteria.
- The Director of Education (or equivalent) of each authority shall approve the basis of apportionment at the Executive Board of the Central South Joint Education Service. This will ensure appropriate and effective use of grant funding to target school improvement equitably across each of the five authorities areas
- A report detailing the basis and reasons for the method adopted shall be presented to the Joint Committee for approval.

3.3 This report presents details of 2015/16 grants to the Joint Committee.

4. 2015/16 GRANTS

Grant approval letters have been received detailing the grants coming into the Consortium. The Directors have agreed to maintain the LA disaggregation of the funding and to apply a common formula for the delegation of the LA funding to schools.

4.1 Pioneer Schools Network 2015-2016

4.1.1 The total grant in 2015/16 is £462,799.00

4.1.2 The purpose of the grant is to contribute to the work of the Pioneer Schools Network, providing expertise, organisational support and advice to Pioneer Schools and Welsh Government, relating to the development of the new Curriculum, New Deal and Digital Competence Framework.

- 4.1.3 The funding is delegated 100% to schools. Schools applied directly to Welsh Government for funding and the successful schools have been chosen by them. (Schools list attached).

- 4.2 Implementation of the National Literacy and Numeracy Framework (LNF) for learners with special education needs in special schools and the mainstream sector.
 - 4.2.1 The total grant in 2015/16 is £50,000.00 (indicative funding of £25,000.00 for 1st April – 22nd July 2016)
 - 4.2.2 The purpose of the grant is to provide further direct support to schools for the implementation of the National Literacy and Numeracy Framework (LNF) for learners with special educational needs in special schools and the mainstream sector.
 - 4.2.3 The funding is delegated 100% to schools.

- 4.3 Award of funding to provide schools with equipment to support the teaching of the GCSE Music, Drama, Food and Nutrition from September 2016.
 - 4.3.1 The total grant in 2015/16 is £25,816.73.
 - 4.3.2 The purpose of the grant is to ensure that schools are properly resourced to teach the new GCSE specifications in Music, Drama and Food & Nutrition and to develop resources to support from September 2016.
 - 4.3.3 The funding is delegated 100% to schools.

- 4.4 Award of funding in relation to the establishment of Modern Foreign Language (MFL) Schools Centres of Excellence in Central South Consortia – revised grant funding.
 - 4.4.1 The total of this award is £20,000 taking the total grant for 2015/16 to £140,000.00.
 - 4.4.2 The purpose of the grant is to deliver an agreed programme of work to 31st March 2016, for the establishment of MFL Schools Centres of Excellence.
 - 4.4.3 The funding is retained by the consortium to manage the programme on behalf of the five local authorities.

4.5 Award of funding in relation to Schools Challenge Cymru – Central South Consortium – Revised Grant Funding.

4.5.1 The total of this award is £611,168.87 taking the total grant for 2015/16 to £6,248,385.10.

4.5.2 The aim of the grant is to enable the delivery of a support package to drive forward school improvement in Schools Challenge Cymru Pathways to Success in the CSC area.

4.5.3 The funding is retained by the consortium to manage the programme on behalf of the 16 schools identified in the award of funding letter. (Bridgend LA 1 school, Cardiff LA 6 schools, Merthyr LA 3 schools, RCT LA 5 schools and Vale of Glamorgan 1 school.)

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Curriculum Pioneer Schools

	School Name	Region	Sector
1.	Abercynon Community Primary	CSC	Primary
2.	Albert Primary School	CSC	Primary
3.	Bishop Hedley Catholic High School	CSC	Secondary
4.	Darran Park Primary School	CSC	Primary
5.	Llysfaen Primary School	CSC	Primary
6.	Maesteg Comprehensive School	CSC	Secondary
7.	Mount Stuart Primary School	CSC	Primary
8.	Mynydd Cynffig Primary School	CSC	Primary
9.	Pencoed Comprehensive School	CSC	Secondary
10.	Rhydypenau Primary School	CSC	Primary
11.	St Cadoc's Catholic Primary School	CSC	Primary
12.	St Mary's Catholic Primary School	CSC	Primary
13.	St Philip Evans RC Primary School	CSC	Primary
14.	The Hollies School/Heronsbridge School/Ysgol Heol Goffa	CSC	Special
15.	Whitchurch Primary School	CSC	Primary
16.	Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg/Ysgol Gyfun Garth Olwg	CSC	Secondary
17.	Ysgol Gyfun Bro Edern/Ysgol Gynradd Santes Tudful/Ysgol Gyfun Plasmawr	CSC	Primary/Secondary
18.	Ysgol Gymraeg Sant Curig/Cadoxton Primary School/Romilly Primary School	CSC	Primary
19.	Ysgol Gynradd Cynwyd Sant/Ysgol Llanhari	CSC	Primary/3 to 18

New Deal Pioneer Schools

	School Name	Region	Primary/Secondary
1.	Cardiff High School	CSC	Secondary
2.	Cardinal Newman RC School	CSC	Secondary
3.	Cowbridge Comprehensive School	CSC	Secondary
4.	Craig yr Hesg/Cefn Primary Fern Federation	CSC	Primary
5.	Ferndale Community School	CSC	Secondary
6.	Herbert Thompson Primary School	CSC	Primary
7.	Heronbridge Special School	CSC	Special
8.	Llanishen Fach Primary School	CSC	Primary
9.	Maesteg School	CSC	Secondary
10.	Oldcastle School	CSC	Primary
11.	Rhydypenau Primary School	CSC	Primary
12.	Romilly Primary School	CSC	Primary
13.	Stanwell Comprehensive School	CSC	Secondary
14.	Treorchy Comprehensive School	CSC	Secondary
15.	Y Pant School	CSC	Secondary
16.	Ysgol Cynwyd Sant	CSC	Primary
17.	Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg	CSC	Secondary

Digital Pioneer Schools

	School Name	Region	Sector
1.	Cadoxton Primary	CSC	Primary
2.	Ynysowen Community Primary	CSC	Primary
3.	Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg/Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Bro Edern/Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Plasmawr/Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Llangynwyd	CSC	Secondary