



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 25 February, 2021

Cabinet Members Present:

Councillor A Morgan (Chair), Councillor M Webber (Vice-Chair),
Councillor R Bevan, Councillor A Crimmings, Councillor M Norris,
Councillor J Rosser, Councillor R Lewis, Councillor C Leyshon and
Councillor G Hopkins

Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-

Councillor L Walker

Agenda Item : 9

SUBJECT: Update on the Implementation of the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal Act (2018) in Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

1. To note the content of the report;
2. To a review being undertaken to scope the additional resources needed to implement the new ALN legislation; and
3. To receive a further report presenting the outcome of the review including recommendations for potential future investment.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

The need to provide Cabinet with an update on the implementation of the ALNET (Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal) Act (2018) from and to provide Cabinet with information on the implications of the new legislation for the council from a local perspective.

3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES/FUTURE GENERATIONS - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:

The proposals will ensure that two of RCTCBC's three key priorities will be met.

These include:

- Economy: Building a strong economy.
- People: Promoting independence and positive lives for everyone.

The proposals will ensure that some of RCTCBC's most vulnerable learners will have the best chance of achieving positive outcomes. The proposals will ensure more efficient and effective use of resources which promotes the development of social inclusion and positive outcomes for learners.

Organising services so that they are focussed on early intervention and prevention is a key statutory requirement of the Wellbeing and Future Generations Act 2015 and a key element of RCTCBC's Corporate Plan.

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

If approval is granted to progress with any proposals as a result of the review of the current capacity of the County Borough's Access and Inclusion Service to meet its enhanced statutory duties as required by the ALNET Act and ALN Code, where appropriate, the consultation process will be undertaken in line with the Council's Management of Change Policy and under the arrangements outlined in the Welsh Government's Statutory Code – School Organisation Code (011/2018) as appropriate.

5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:

None

6. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

None

7. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):

N/A

8. (a) IS THE DECISION SUBJECT TO CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

Yes

Note: This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 3 clear working days after its publication i.e. **3 March 2021** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

8.(b) IF NO, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS EXEMPT OR NON APPLICABLE:

- I. COUNCIL / SCRUTINY FUNCTION (CALL IN IS THEREFORE NON APPLICABLE):-
Reason: N/A

- II. URGENT DECISION:-
Reason N/A

8.(c) IF DEEMED URGENT - SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING MEMBER OR DEPUTY PRESIDING MEMBER 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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(PRESIDING MEMBER)

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(Dated)

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