

# EXECUTIVE BOARD

## 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018

### MODERNISING EDUCATION PROGRAMME

#### Proposal to provide nursery provision at Ysgol Parc y Tywyn by increasing its age range from 4-11 to 3-11

#### Recommendations / key decisions required:

It is recommended that Executive Board approves:

1. Being satisfied that there are no other related proposals; that the statutory proposal has been consulted upon and published in accordance with the School Organisation Code and contains all the relevant information and, having considered the consultation document and consultation report, and that no objections were received in response to the Statutory Notice, recommending to the Council the implementation of the proposal as laid out in the Statutory Notice.

#### Reasons:

- To comply with statutory procedures and guidance in relation to school re-organisation.
- To formulate views for submission to County Council for consideration.

**Relevant Scrutiny Committee Consulted:** YES – Education & Children Scrutiny Committee 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018

The Education & Children Scrutiny Committee unanimously resolved:

To recommend to the Executive Board the implementation of the proposal to provide nursery provision at Ysgol Parc y Tywyn by increasing its age range from 4-11 to 3-11

**Executive Board Decision Required** YES 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018

**Council Decision Required** YES 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018

**Executive Board Member Portfolio Holder:** Cllr. Glynog Davies (Education & Children)

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**EXECUTIVE BOARD**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018**

## **Proposal to provide nursery provision at Ysgol Parc y Tywyn by increasing its age range from 4-11 to 3-11**

1) To standardise the **local authority part time nursery provision** in the areas of Burry Port and Pembrey:

Outlined in blue below is the catchment area for Ysgol Parc y Tywyn.

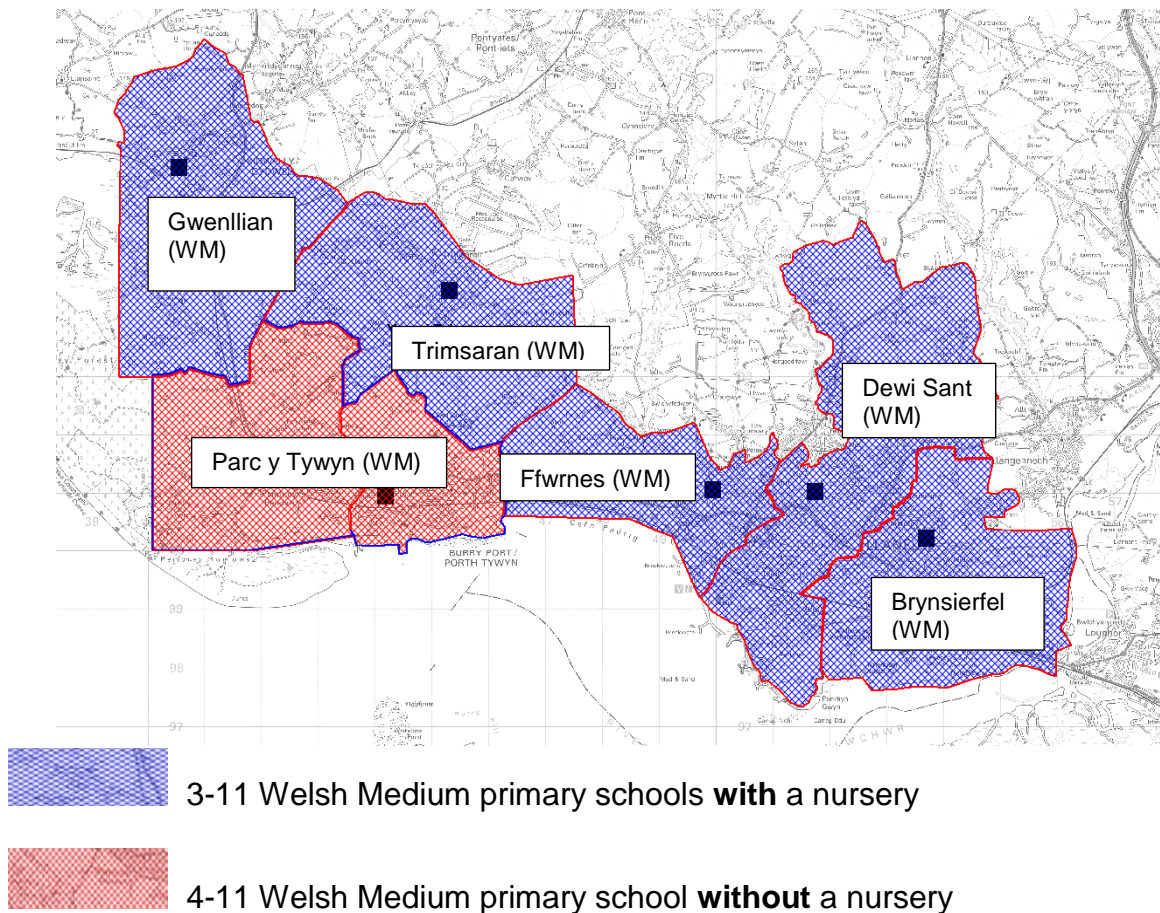
The map displays the Ysgol Parc y Tywyn (WM) Catchment area, which is divided into two sub-catchments: Pembrey (EM) Catchment (shaded red) and Burry Port (EM) Catchment (shaded blue). The map includes various geographical features and labels, such as Airfield (dis), Motor Sports Centre, Pined, Te Mawr, Pentywyn, Cennrhos, Cwm Caele, and Burry Port. A scale bar at the bottom indicates distances up to 1 km.

EM – English Medium

Burry Port Community School and Ysgol Pembrey are categorised as English Medium language schools. The age range at the schools is 3-11. Nursery provision is being provided at both schools.

This proposal seeks to standardise the nursery education for the area by ensuring that the same level of provision is provided at both the Welsh and English medium schools in the areas of Burry Port and Pembrey.

- 2) To standardise the local authority **part time Welsh Medium nursery provision** in the area:



As can be seen above, Ysgol Parc y Tywyn is surrounded by Welsh Medium schools that provide local authority nursery provision.

This proposal seeks to standardise the nursery provision in Welsh Medium schools by ensuring that the same level of provision is provided at all **Welsh medium schools** in the area, including Burry Port and Pembrey.

## The Process

In accordance with Executive Board's instructions, a formal consultation exercise was undertaken from 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017 to 17<sup>th</sup> December 2017. The results of the consultation exercise are contained in the attached Consultation Report and were presented to the ECS Scrutiny Committee and then to the Executive Board for consideration and determination on whether or not to publish a Statutory Notice.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018, approval was granted by the Executive Board for the publication of the Statutory Notice. The Statutory Notice (attached) was published on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018. The notice provided objectors with 28 days in which to forward their objections in writing to the Council which ended on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018. No objections were received in response to the notice.

The full suite of documents (attached) which consists of: Consultation Document, Consultation Report and the Statutory Notice will be presented to the ECS Scrutiny Committee, Executive Board and ultimately will be presented to the County Council for their determination.

This provides the ECS Scrutiny Committee and Executive Board the opportunity to offer comment and a recommendation to the County Council whether or not to implement the proposal as laid out in the Statutory Notice.

Should the County Council agree to implement the proposal, Ysgol Parc y Tywyn will be able to provide nursery provision in the school's new building from 1 September 2018.

The new building is expected to be completed at the beginning of July 2018, when the existing primary aged pupils will transfer over from the old building.

### **Recommendation**

Being satisfied that there are no other related proposals; that the statutory proposal has been consulted upon and published in accordance with the School Organisation Code and contains all the relevant information and, having considered the consultation document and consultation report, and that no objections were received in response to the Statutory Notice, that the Executive Board recommend to the County Council the implementation of the proposal as laid out in the Statutory Notice.

<b>DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?</b>	<b>Yes - Consultation Document Consultation Report Statutory Notice</b>
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# IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Signed: **G. Morgans** Director of Education and Children's Services  
**S. Davies** Modernisation Services Manager

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>

## 1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Developments are consistent with the Authority's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2014-2017, Corporate Strategy and the Modernising Education Strategic Outline Programme.

## 2. Legal

Appropriate consultation will need to be initiated in accordance with the relevant statutory procedures.

## 3. Finance

To provide part time nursery places in a school setting will have revenue funding implications for the authority in terms of appointing additional teaching and support staff for the nursery. The Revenue implications will be catered from within the existing Local Management of Schools Fair Funding Scheme.

This proposal will have a detrimental effect on employment for local private providers as provision is currently being provided for 3 year olds by local nurseries and childminders.

## 4. ICT

None

## 5. Risk Management Issues

The disparity between Welsh and English nursery provision with the catchment of Ysgol Parc y Tywyn.

## 6. Physical Assets

None

# CONSULTATIONS



I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below:

Signed:      G. Morgans      Director of Education and Children's Services  
                 S. Davies      Modernisation Services Manager

**1. Scrutiny Committee** – The Scrutiny Committee were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period.

**2. Local Member(s)** – Local members in the Wards of Pembrey (Cllr. Shirley Matthews and Cllr. Hugh Shepardson) and Burry Port (Cllr. John James and Cllr. Amanda Fox) were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period.

**3. Community / Town Council** – The Pembrey & Burry Port Town Council were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period.

**4. Relevant Partners** – All relevant partners were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period.

**5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations** – Staff side representatives and other organisations were formally notified of the Statutory Notice period.

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information**  
**List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

Title of Document	File Ref No. / Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Stage 2 Approval – Permission to Notice	<a href="http://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/documents/s18977/Summary.pdf">http://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/documents/s18977/Summary.pdf</a>
Stage 1 Approval – Permission to Consult	<a href="http://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/documents/s16464/SUMMARY.pdf">http://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/documents/s16464/SUMMARY.pdf</a>
Carmarthenshire's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2014-2017	<a href="http://gov.wales/topics/educationandskills/publications/guidance/welshmededstrat/?lang=en">http://gov.wales/topics/educationandskills/publications/guidance/welshmededstrat/?lang=en</a>
MEP Biennial Review	<a href="http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk">www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk</a> Executive Board 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2016
21 <sup>st</sup> Century Schools Website	<a href="http://www.21stcenturyschools.org">www.21stcenturyschools.org</a>