

# EDUCATION & CHILDREN SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019

## EDUCATION & CHILDREN SCRUTINY COMMITTEE DRAFT PLANNING AND SCOPING DOCUMENT - FEDERATING SCHOOLS IN CARMARTHENSHIRE

**To consider and comment on the following issues:**

**To consider the draft planning and scoping document and to decide on the participation of Members.**

**Reasons:**

At the ECS Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> June, Members asked for a focused scrutiny review on the federating of schools within the LA. The ECS Scrutiny Committee held on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019 agreed in principle that a one day investigative scrutiny review would be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

**To be referred to the Executive Board for decision: NO**

**Executive Board Member Portfolio Holder:**

Councillor G. Davies (Education & Children)

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The Education & Children Scrutiny Committee has agreed to establish a one day investigative scrutiny review in to the Federating of Schools in Carmarthenshire.

The Committee's discussions on the key aims and objectives for this task and finish review have been captured and developed into the appended Draft Planning and Scoping document which members of the Committee are asked to consider and agree.

The Committee is required to agree on the membership of a Review Group which should consist of up to 6 Members and be politically balanced (3 Plaid Cymru, 1 Labour, 1 Independent Group, and 1 New Independent Group/Unaffiliated). Members may also want to consider whether all Members should participate in the review day on the 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

The Task and Finish Group will arrange to hold its first meeting following the ECS Scrutiny Committee on the 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019 – following the Scrutiny Committee meeting. Officers from the Education & Children's Services Department and Democratic Services will support the work of the Review Group.

**DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?**

**YES**

## 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: Linda Rees-Jones Head of Administration & Law

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|---|-------|---------|------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities | Legal | Finance | ICT  | Risk Management Issues | Staffing Implications | Physical Assets |
| NONE                                    | NONE  | NONE    | NONE | NONE                   | NONE                  | NONE            |

## CONSULTATIONS

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

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1. **Local Member(s)** – N/A
2. **Community / Town Council** – N/A
3. **Relevant Partners** – Staff and Governors from relevant schools will be invited to submit evidence to the review.
4. **Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations** – Officers from the Education & Children's Services Department will participate in the review.

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

None.