

# **EDUCATION, YOUNG PEOPLE & THE WELSH LANGUAGE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FORWARD PLAN**

FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2024 TO 23 MAY 2024

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Divisional Service Delivery Plans	The Divisional Delivery Plans set the strategic actions and measures that the services within the Division will take forward in order for the Council to make progress against its Well-being Objectives, thematic priorities and service priorities.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 31 Jan 2024	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	<i>Gareth Morgans, Director of Education &amp; Children's Services edgmorgans@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Jan Coles, Head of Children and Families jcoles@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Simon Davies, Head of Access to Education sidavies@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Aeron Rees, Head of Strategy and Learner Support jarees@carmarthen</i>

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Forthcoming Items	To provide background information on the forthcoming items to be considered by the Education, Young People and the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee at its next meeting.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 31 Jan 2024	No	Cllr. Carys Jones	<i>Julie Owens, Democratic Services Officer JuOwens@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</i>
Performance Management Report Quarter 2	The report provides an update in respect of the Actions and Measures relevant to the Education, Young People and Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee's linked to the Corporate Strategy and Well-being Objectives. The report will be circulated to the Committee for consideration outside the meeting process by email.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 31 Jan 2024	No	Cllr. Glynog Davies, Cabinet Member	<i>Jan Coles, Head of Children and Families jcoles@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Simon Davies, Head of Access to Education sidavies@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Aeron Rees, Head of Strategy and Learner Support jarees@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Aneirin Thomas, Head of Education Services and</i>

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Revenue & Capital Budget Monitoring Report 2023/24	To provide Scrutiny with an update on the latest budgetary position as at 31st October 2023, in respect of 2023/24. The report will be circulated to the Committee for consideration outside the meeting process by email.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 31 Jan 2024	No	Cllr. Glynog Davies, Cabinet Member, Cllr. Alun Lenny, Cabinet Member	<i>Chris Moore, Director of Corporate Services cmoore@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</i>
Revenue Budget Strategy Consultation	The objective of the report is to allow members to consider the corporate budget strategy and the associated service delivery impact and options for the forthcoming years.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 31 Jan 2024	No	Cabinet Member for Resources	<i>Chris Moore, Director of Corporate Services cmoore@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</i>
Update on Childcare Offer for Wales	To receive an update on the Childcare Offer for Wales in accordance with its intended primary aims to: -enable more parents, particularly mothers, to return to work -increase the disposable income of those in work and help counteract poverty for those in low-paid jobs -encourage child development and school readiness	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 31 Jan 2024	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	<i>Jan Coles, Head of Children and Families jcoles@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Noeline Thomas, Service Manager NoThomas@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</i>

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Update on Estyn Report Publications	The report provides links to the latest Estyn report publications, which will enable the Committee to be appraised of developments/emerging issues. The report will be circulated to the Committee for consideration outside the meeting process by email.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 31 Jan 2024	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	<i>Gareth Morgans, Director of Education &amp; Children's Services edgmorgans@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</i>
Performance Management Report Quarter 3	The report provides an update in respect of the Actions and Measures relevant to the Education, Young People and Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee's linked to the Corporate Strategy and Well-being Objectives. The report will be circulated to the Committee for consideration outside the meeting process by email.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 3 Apr 2024	No	Cllr. Glynog Davies, Cabinet Member	<i>Jan Coles, Head of Children and Families jcoles@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Simon Davies, Head of Access to Education sidavies@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Aeron Rees, Head of Strategy and Learner Support jarees@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Aneirin Thomas, Head of Education Services and Inclusion ARThomas@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</i>
Revenue & Capital Budget Monitoring Report 2023/24	To provide Scrutiny with an update on the latest budgetary position as at 31st December 2023, in respect of 2023/24.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny	No	Cllr. Glynog Davies, Cabinet Member, Cllr. Alun Lenny, Cabinet	<i>Chris Moore, Director of Corporate Services</i>

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Progress Update on the Roll-out of Free School Meals Across Carmarthenshire	The report will detail the progress made by the Council on the roll-out of Free School Meals across Carmarthenshire against Welsh Government timescales. An overview of the challenges in terms of capacity issues, including kitchen facilities and staffing resources will also be included.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 17 May 2024	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	<i>Simon Davies, Head of Access to Education sidavies@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</i>
Update on the Work of the Carmarthenshire Youth Council	To receive an update on the work of the Carmarthenshire Youth Council in accordance with the four main areas of representation pertaining to: -Education -Universal -Special Interest -Welsh Youth Parliament	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 17 May 2024	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	<i>Gill Adams, Principal Manager - Youth Support Service GMAAdams@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Sarah Powell, Young People's Participation Co-ordinator SJPowell@carmarthenshire.gov.uk, Aeron Rees, Head</i>

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Revenue & Capital Budget Monitoring Report 2023/24	To provide Scrutiny with an update on the latest budgetary position as at 28th February 2024, in respect of 2023/24. The report will be circulated to the Committee for consideration outside the meeting process by email.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 17 May 2024	No	Cllr. Glynog Davies, Cabinet Member, Cllr. Alun Lenny, Cabinet Member	<i>Chris Moore, Director of Corporate Services cmoore@cardiffshire.gov.uk</i>
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PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE CAPACITY OF YSGOL GYMRAEG GWENLLIAN	Statutory process for the proposal to relocate Ysgol Gymraeg Gwenllian to a new site and increase its capacity to 210 + 30 nursery places as of September 2024, when occupation of the new school is proposed.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 17 May 2024	No	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes, Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	<i>Sara Griffiths, Modernising Education Programme Manager smgriffiths@cardiff</i>

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Additional Learning Needs Update	The report will provide information pertaining to the progress made regarding the implementation of the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Act and the areas of best practice with pupils with Additional Learning Needs.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 26 Jun 2024	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	<i>Aneirin Thomas, Head of Education Services and Inclusion ARThomas@carma rthenshire.gov.uk</i>
Scrutiny Actions Update	The report will enable the Committee to review the progress made in relation to actions, requests or referrals recorded during previous meetings of the Committee.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 26 Jun 2024	No	Cllr. Carys Jones	<i>Julie Owens, Democratic Services Officer JuOwens@carmart henshire.gov.uk</i>
10 YEAR SOCIAL SERVICES STRATEGY	To provide members with a vision on how the Council will provide the statutory social services functions over the next decade. The document will detail the following areas: Introduction, Vision Statement, The services people receive, Social Work Models of care, Safeguarding, Integration and Partnerships , Workforce and an Action Plan.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 26 Jun 2024	No	Cllr. Jane Tremlett, Cabinet Member	<i>Jake Morgan, Director of Community Services jakemorgan@carm arthenshire.gov.uk</i>
REVIEW OF THE POSITION REGARDING SCHOOL BUDGETS IN PRIMARY, SECONDARY	This report provides an update on the local authority's strategy and position with maintained schools facing or predicting budget deficit	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 23 Oct 2024	No	Cllr. Glynog Davies, Cabinet Member	<i>Aneirin Thomas, Head of Education Services and Inclusion ARThomas@carma rthenshire.gov.uk</i>

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Update on the Strategic Focus Groups within the Education and Children's Services Division	The report provides a biannual update on the work of the Strategic Focus Groups within the Education and Children's Services Division, with an opportunity for the Committee to input as the work develops departmentally.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 23 Oct 2024	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	<i>Jan Coles, Head of Children and Families jcoles@carmarthen-shire.gov.uk, Simon Davies, Head of Access to Education sidavies@carmarthen-shire.gov.uk, Aeron Rees, Head of Strategy and Learner Support jarees@carmarthen-shire.gov.uk, Aneirin Thomas, Head of Education Services and Inclusion ARThomas@carma-rthenshire.gov.uk</i>
CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24	Under the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 the Authority is required to publish an Annual Report on its Well-being Objectives. Under the Local Government and Elections Act (Wales) 2021 the Authority has a duty to report on performance based on a self	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 23 Oct 2024	No	Cllr. Philip Hughes, Cabinet Member	<i>Gwyneth Ayers, Corporate Policy and Partnership Manager GAyers@carmarthen-shire.gov.uk</i>



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	assessment approach. The Council's Annual Report aims to meet both these requirements in one document.				
Update on Estyn's Review of the Welsh for Adults Provision (TBC)	To review the council's current position and be assured that arrangements are in place to address any identified recommendations / areas for improvement.	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language Scrutiny Committee 4 Dec 2024	No	Cllr. Glynog Davies, Cabinet Member	<i>Aeron Rees, Head of Strategy and Learner Support jarees@carmarthen-shire.gov.uk</i>