

# EXECUTIVE BOARD

Monday, 8 February 2021

**PRESENT:** Councillor E. Dole (Chair)

**Councillors:**

C.A. Campbell, G. Davies, H.A.L. Evans, L.D. Evans, P.M. Hughes, P. Hughes-Griffiths, D.M. Jenkins, L.M. Stephens and J. Tremlett

**Also in attendance:**

Councillor D.M. Cundy, J.S. Edmunds and R. James

**The following Officers were in attendance:**

W. Walters, Chief Executive

J. Morgan, Director of Community Services

P.R. Thomas, Assistant Chief Executive (People Management & Performance)

R. Mullen, Director of Environment

L.R. Jones, Head of Administration and Law

J. Jones, Head of Regeneration

R. Hemingway, Head of Financial Services

S. Davies, Head of Access to Education

D. Hockenull, Marketing and Media Manager

M. Evans Thomas, Principal Democratic Services Officer

S. Rees, Simultaneous Translator

J. Corner, Technical Officer

K. Thomas, Democratic Services Officer

R. Lloyd, Democratic Services Officer

E. Bryer, Democratic Services Officer

**Virtual Meeting - 10.00 am - 10.45 am**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST.**

Councillor	Minute No (s)	Nature of Interest
Hazel Evans	6 - Proposal to Change the Nature of Provision at Model VA Primary School	Is a member of the Executive Board for St David's.
Glynog Davies	14 - Crown Precinct Building, Llanelli	Has a personal and prejudicial interest.

**3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HELD ON THE:**

**3.1. 18TH JANUARY, 2021**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 18th January, 2021 be signed as a correct record.

**3.2. 25TH JANUARY, 2021**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 25th January, 2021 be signed as a correct record.

**4. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BY MEMBERS**

The Chair advised that no questions on notice had been submitted by members.

**5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

The Chair advised that no public questions had been received.

**6. PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE NATURE OF PROVISION AT MODEL V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL**

[NOTE: Councillor H. Evans had earlier declared an interest in this item and left the meeting prior to the consideration and determination thereof.]

The Executive Board considered a report setting out its proposals that from the from 1st September 2022 the nature of Foundation Phase provision at Model VA Primary School would change to Welsh medium education.

The change would only affect pupils starting in the Foundation Phase at the school from September 2022 onward and that current pupils attending the school would be unaffected.

It was stated that the proposal supports Carmarthenshire's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan and national policies in moving the county's schools along the Welsh language continuum.

The Executive Board Member for Education & Children re-iterated that approval was being sought to initiate the formal consultation proposal only, which was in line with Welsh Government regulations. It was suggested that the Authority should write to the First Minister asking him to publicly clarify the regulation with regards to consultations. The Leader confirmed he would write to the First Minister accordingly.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve:**

- 6.1 The proposal as outlined within the report and in the consultation document;**
- 6.2 That officers initiate formal consultation on the proposal;**
- 6.3 That a report is submitted to the Executive Board at the end of the consultation period.**

**7. PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE NATURE OF PROVISION AT YSGOL Y FELIN**

The Executive Board considered a report setting out its proposals that from the from 1st September 2022 the nature of Foundation Phase provision at Ysgol Y Felin would change to Welsh medium education.

The change would only affect pupils starting in the Foundation Phase at the school from September 2022 onward and that current pupils attending the school would be unaffected.

It was stated that the proposal supports Carmarthenshire's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan and national policies in moving the county's schools along the Welsh language continuum.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve:**

- 7.1 The proposal as outlined within the report and in the consultation document;**
- 7.2 That officers initiate formal consultation on the proposal;**
- 7.3 That a report is submitted to the Executive Board at the end of the consultation period.**

**8. STRATEGIC EQUALITY PLAN ANNUAL REPORT 2019/20**

The Chair advised the Executive Board that the report had been withdrawn.

**9. ANNUAL REPORT ON THE WELSH LANGUAGE 2019/20**

The Chair advised the Executive Board that the report had been withdrawn.

**10. ANY OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT BY REASONS OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE CHAIR DECIDES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 100B(4)(B) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972.**

The Chair advised that there were no items of urgent business.

**11. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED, pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items as the reports contained exempt information as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.**

## 12. LAND AT PENPRYS, LLANELLI

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 11 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act). The public interest test in respect of this report outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information contained therein as disclosure would put the authority at a material disadvantage in any subsequent negotiations with third parties and potentially harm the public purse.

The Executive Board considered a report on proposals for the disposal of council owned land at Penprys, Llanelli.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to approve that authority be delegated to the Head of Regeneration, in consultation with the Executive Board Member, to negotiate terms and enter into an option agreement with the adjoining landowner at Penprys, Llanelli.

## 13. PLOT 4, TROSTRE RETAIL PARK, LLANELLI

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 11 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act). The public interest test in respect of this report outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information contained therein as disclosure would put the authority at a material disadvantage in any subsequent negotiations with third parties and potentially harm the public purse.

The Executive Board considered a report on proposals for the disposal of council owned land at Plot 4, Trostre Retail Park, Llanelli.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the proposed disposal of land at Plot 4, Trostre Retail Park, Llanelli on the terms detailed in the report be approved.

## 14. CROWN PRECINCT BUILDING, LLANELLI

[NOTE: Councillor G. Davies had earlier declared an interest in this item and left the meeting prior to the consideration and determination thereof.]

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 11 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act). The public interest test in respect of this report outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information contained therein as disclosure would put the authority at a material disadvantage in any subsequent negotiations with third parties and potentially harm the public purse.

The Executive Board considered a report proposing the disposal of the Crown Precinct building in Llanelli town centre to support the refurbishment / extension of the adjoining Crown Building.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the disposal of the Crown Precinct Building, Llanelli on the terms detailed in the report.**

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**CHAIR**

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**DATE**