

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT

REPORT TO: THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 17TH JANUARY, 2023

REPORT OF: DEMOCRATIC & COMMITTEE SUPPORT OFFICER

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR T. SMITH (CHAIR)

Councillors J. Morgan, J.P. (Vice-Chair)
C. Bainton
D. Bevan
K. Chaplin
G. A. Davies
Lewis R

Co-Opted Youth Member
Ms. R. Lewis

WITH: Corporate Director of Education
Interim Corporate Director of Social Services
Head of Children's Services
Head of Adult Services
Head of Governance & Partnerships
Head of School Improvement & Inclusion
Service Manger Education Transformation & Business Change
Strategic Education Improvement Manager
Policy Officer Engagement & Equality
Scrutiny & Democratic Officer

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION
No. 1	<u>SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION</u> It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.	

No. 2	<p><u>APOLOGIES</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were reported for Mr. Tim Baxter.</p>	
No. 3	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></p> <p>No declarations of interest or dispensations were reported.</p>	
No. 4	<p><u>PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</u></p> <p>The decisions of the People Scrutiny Committee held on 18th October, 2022 were submitted.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the decisions be accepted as a true record of proceedings.</p>	
No. 5	<p><u>ACTION SHEET</u></p> <p>The Action sheet arising from the meeting held on 18th October, 2022, was submitted.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the action sheet be noted.</p>	
No. 6	<p><u>ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES 2022/2023 (QUARTERS 1 AND 2)</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Interim Corporate Director of Social Services.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED to recommend that the report be accepted as provided (Option 2).</p>	
No. 7	<p><u>CORPORATE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION SERVICES - QUARTER 1 AND 2 2022</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to report of the Corporate Director of Education.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED to recommend that the report be accepted as provided (Option 2).</p>	
No. 8	<p><u>IMPROVING SCHOOLS PROGRAMME</u></p>	

	<p>Consideration was given to the joint report of the Head of School Improvement Inclusion and the Strategic Education Improvement Manager.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED to recommend that the report be accepted as provided (Option 2).</p>	
No. 9	<p><u>FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME: 28TH FEBRUARY 2023</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to report of the Scrutiny & Democratic Officer.</p> <p>The following amendments were reported:</p> <p>The Estyn Feedback report to be added, and the Safeguarding Performance Report to be removed and replaced by an end of year performance report (June 2023).</p> <p>The Committee AGREED, subject to the foregoing, that the Forward Programme for the meeting 28th February, 2023 be accepted (Option 1)</p>	