
**COUNCIL CABINET
MINUTES
16 September 2014**

Present – Councillors: Dyfed Edwards, Gareth Thomas, Ioan Thomas, Paul Thomas, Peredur Jenkins, John Wynn Jones, R H Wyn Williams, W Gareth Roberts, John Wyn Williams and Dyfrig Siencyn.

Also present – Dilwyn Williams (Chief Executive Designate), Dafydd Edwards (Head of Finance Department), Morwena Edwards (Corporate Director), Iwan Trefor Jones (Corporate Director), Iwan G D Evans (Head of Legal Services), Hawis Jones (Performance Improvement and Efficiency Manager), Arwel Owen (Senior Housing Manager), Garem Jackson (Education Improvement Officer), Gareth Jones (Project Manager), Dafydd Gibbard (Senior Corporate Property Manager), Guto Rhys Huws (Leading Manager - Primary Schools Reorganisation), Gwenan Jones-Parry (School Organisation Project Manager) and Bethan Adams (Member Support and Scrutiny Officer).

Local Members present -
For Item 10: Councillor Louise Hughes

1. WELCOME/APOLOGIES

The Cabinet members, local members, members of the Press and the officers were welcomed to the meeting.

2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Councillor Peredur Jenkins declared a personal interest in item 10 on the agenda (The Future of Education Provision in y Gader Catchment Area), because he was a member of the governing body of Ysgol y Gader Dolgellau and his daughter was the head teacher of Ysgol Gynradd Rhydymain/Brithdir.

Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn declared a personal interest in item 10 on the agenda (The Future of Education Provision in y Gader Catchment Area), because his son was a pupil at Ysgol y Gader Dolgellau, he was also the Chairman of the Governing Body of Ysgol y Gader Dolgellau and a member of the Governing Body of Ysgol Gynradd Dolgellau.

The members were of the opinion that they were prejudicial interests, and they withdrew from the Chamber during the discussion on the item.

3. URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

There were no matters arising from scrutiny committees.

5. MINUTES

The Chairman signed the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 15 July 2014.

6. 2014/15 – 2017/18 FINANCIAL STRATEGY

The report was submitted by Cllr Peredur Jenkins, Cabinet Member for Resources.

DECISION:

To adhere to the direction of the Financial Strategy adopted and that there is no need to take any further steps to respond to the latest position that is becoming apparent.

7. GWYNEDD COUNCIL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2013/14

Submitted - the report by the Leader.

DECISION:

To recommend the adoption of the 2013/14 Gwynedd Council Performance Report by the Full Council.

8. EXTRA CARE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT – HAFOD Y GEST PORTHMADOG

The report was submitted by Councillor R H Wyn Williams, Cabinet Member for Care.

DECISION:

- To confirm a willingness to re-invest up to the total capital receipt from the sale of the Hafod y Gest land as a contribution towards the cost of the scheme.
- To confirm the financial model proposed to meet the cost of the Scheme and the decision to allocate funds from the Social Housing Grant in 2014/15, 2015/16 and 2016/17.

9. THE FUTURE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS PROVISION IN MEIRIONNYDD AND DWYFOR

The report was submitted by Councillor Gareth Thomas, Cabinet Member for Education.

DECISION:

- To approve the proposal to relocate Ysgol Hafod Lon and Tŷ Aran Unit to a new site in Penrhyndeudraeth on 1 September 2016
- To increase the capacity of the school and add a residential element to the provision
- And to issue statutory notices in accordance with the requirements of Section 48 of the Schools Standards and Framework (Wales) Act 2013 to implement this.

10. THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION PROVISION IN THE GADER CATCHMENT AREA

The report was submitted by Councillor Gareth Thomas, Cabinet Member for Education.

DECISION:

- To undertake a process of statutory consultation in accordance with the requirements of Section 48 of the Schools Framework Standards Act 2013 to close Ysgol y Gader, Ysgol Gynradd Dolgellau, Ysgol Brithdir, Ysgol Machreth (Llanfachreth), Ysgol Ieuan Gwynedd (Rhydymain), Ysgol Dinas Mawddwy, Ysgol Llanelltyd, Ysgol Friog, Ysgol Clogau (Bontddu) and Ysgol Ganllwyd on 31 August 2017.
- To undertake a process of statutory consultation in accordance with the requirements of Section 48 of the Schools Framework Standards Act 2013 on the preferred option, namely to establish a community catchment area All Through School for 3-16 year olds on the existing sites of Ysgol y Gader, Ysgol Gynradd Dolgellau, Ysgol Ieuan Gwynedd (Rhydymain), Ysgol Dinas Mawddwy, Ysgol Llanelltyd and Ysgol Friog, on 1 September 2017.

11. GWYNEDD COUNCIL CABINET'S FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The forward work programme was submitted by the Leader.

DECISION:

To approve the forward work programme.

The meeting commenced at 1.00pm and concluded at 2.30pm.

CHAIRMAN