

COMMITTEE	Education and Economy Scrutiny Committee
DATE	20 September 2018
TITLE	Membership of the Scrutiny Investigation and Investigation Brief into "the impact of new building developments for schools on the quality of education".
PURPOSE	Accept the investigation brief and identify members
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1. In its meeting on 23 January 2018, the Committee resolved to support the principle of establishing a scrutiny investigation to look at the impact new buildings have on schools on the quality of education.
2. The draft brief submitted has since been developed, in consultation with the Education department. It is presented to the Committee in Appendix 1, to be adopted so that the investigation may begin.
3. The main questions the investigation will aim to answer are:
 - Has the financial investment led to improvement in quality?
 - Has there been good practice or lessons to be learnt as the development programme has progressed?
4. Case studies are to be used to gather evidence, and developments that show similar characteristics will be selected for scrutiny. The investigation will also focus on measuring the impact on the quality of education.
5. The schools that are intended to be studied are:
 - Ysgol Bro Llifon
 - Ysgol Craig y Deryn/Tywyn
 - Ysgol Glancegin
 - Ysgol yr Hendre
6. At the meeting of the Committee on 23 January, Councillors Steve Collings, Cai Larsen, Paul Rowlinson and Beth Lawton were selected as members of the investigation. There is further opportunity here for any member who wishes to be a member of the investigation to do so.
7. Recommendation - The Committee is asked to
 - a. Adopt the appended brief
 - b. Confirm members who will participate in the investigation