
**GWYNEDD COUNCIL CABINET
MINUTES
19 May 2015**

Present –

Councillors: Dyfed Edwards (Chairman), John Wynn Jones, Dafydd Meurig, Mair Rowlands, W Gareth Roberts, Dyfrig Siencyn, Gareth Thomas, Ioan Thomas, Mandy Williams-Davies.

Also present –

Iwan Trefor Jones (Corporate Director), Iwan G D Evans (Legal Services Manager), Dewi Morgan (Senior Finance Manager), Guto Rhys Huws (Leading Manager Primary Schools Reorganisation), Dafydd Gibbard (Corporate Property Senior Manager), Idris Jones (Customer Contact Manager), Bethan Richardson (Cabinet Support Team Leader - Taking the minutes).

1. WELCOME/APOLOGIES

Cabinet members and officers were welcomed to the meeting.

Apologies -

Cllr. Peredur Jenkins, Cllr. Louise Hughes (Local Member for Item 6).

Apologies from the following Local Members who also declare an interest in Item 6 - Linda Morgan, Gethin Glyn Williams, John Pughe Roberts Dilwyn Williams (Chief Executive), Morwena Edwards (Corporate Director), Dafydd Edwards (Chief Finance Officer), Arwyn Thomas (Head of Education).

2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn declared a personal interest in item 6 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 OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chairman signed the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 5 May 2015.

6. THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION PROVISION IN YSGOL Y GADER CATCHMENT AREA – STATUTORY NOTICE

The report was submitted by Cllr Gareth Thomas.
It was seconded by Cllr Dafydd Meurig.

DECISION

Implement the proposal 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 y Clogau (Bontddu) and Ysgol Ganllwyd on 31 August 2017 and 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.

As a result of the importance of appointing a head teacher and the need for him/her to be appointed in advance, approve the establishment of a shadow governing body during the Summer Term of 2015 and finance the head teacher of the All-through Catchment School from the scheme savings as soon as possible.

Delay confirming the statutory notice on Ysgol Machreth (Llanfachreth) in order to obtain clarity on recent developments. It will be possible to submit an application to confirm a statutory notice on Ysgol Machreth before the Cabinet at a later date without compromising the timetable outlined above.

7. ADOPT AND PROMOTE THE .CYMRU DOMAIN NAME

The report was submitted by Cllr Ioan Thomas.
It was seconded by Cllr Mair Rowlands.

DECISION

To buy www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru and www.gwynedd.gov.wales when they become available.

To promote www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru alone for the website.

Continue to use Welsh and English endings for friendly addresses in order to direct customers to the page in their chosen language on the website (E.g. www.gwynedd.gov.uk/cynllunio and www.gwynedd.gov.uk/planning).

Adopt only Welsh addresses (@gwynedd.llyw.cymru) for e-mails.

Adopt only Welsh addresses for generic e-mail addresses to be used on Welsh and English pages on the website (E.g. trethcyngor@gwynedd.llyw.cymru).

Replace www.gwynedd.gov.uk addresses with www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru on materials and publications when they expire.

The meeting commenced at 1.00pm and concluded at 1.50pm.

CHAIR