CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor Matthew Dorrance

Can the Cabinet Member inform Council what additional support will be provided by Powys County Council to support Brecon High School and the Governing Body?

Powys and Ceredigion Schools services are working closely with the management team and governing body of Brecon High School so the school addresses the Estyn recommendations in a timely manner. At this stage this includes challenge, support and guidance in formulating a revised post inspection action plan and providing support related to the plan. The Local Authority is monitoring progress the school on a half termly basis with this being led by the Schools designated system leader Paul Coackley with experienced system leaders from both Powys and Ceredigion. The Interim Head of Schools is monitoring progress and attending meetings of governing body and relevant sub committees as and when appropriate. The Council's HR department is providing advice to the school in terms of staffing structures to ensure appropriate levels of accountability and responsibility. Improvements will also be scrutinised by elected members through the Cabinet member for Education and Children's Services and Chair of People Scrutiny Committee