

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET EXECUTIVE

11th April 2017

**REPORT AUTHOR: County Councillor Arwel Jones
Portfolio Holder for Education**

SUBJECT: ERW Business Plan 2017-20

REPORT FOR: For information

Summary

Through a legal agreement, Powys is one of the six local authorities alongside Ceredigion, Carmarthenshire, Pembrokeshire, Neath Port Talbot and Swansea that constitutes the south west and mid wales regional education service for the delivery of school improvement services.

ERW is governed through a joint committee which comprises the chief executive and leaders of the six authorities.

Background

In order to deliver its strategy, on an annual basis ERW produces a three year business plan which is endorsed by the leaders of the respective local authorities.

The Business Plan for the period 2017-2020 is to be found at Appendix 1 accompanying this report.

Proposal

The proposal is that Cabinet receives the report and business plan for information.

One Powys Plan

Transforming Learning and Skills is one of the five main themes of the One Powys Plan with the overarching aim that "All children and young people are supported to achieve their full potential".

The One Powys Plan states that "we will fully implement the Education through Regional Working (ERW) school improvement strategy. This will ensure school leaders are supported and held to account for their performance and that of their school to ensure that all children achieve their potential".

Options Considered/Available

N/A

Preferred Choice and Reasons

N/A

Sustainability and Environmental Issues/Equalities/Crime and Disorder/Welsh Language/Other Policies etc

N/A

Children and Young People's Impact Statement - Safeguarding and Wellbeing

Safeguarding and wellbeing is core to the business of all ERW activity.

Local Member(s)

N/A

Other Front Line Services

N/A

Support Services (Legal, Finance, Corporate Property, HR, ICT, Business Services)

Legal: The recommendation can be supported from a legal point of view.

The Schools Finance Manager notes the contents of the report.

Local Service Board/Partnerships/Stakeholders etc

N/A

Corporate Communications

N/A

Statutory Officers

The **Solicitor to the Council (Monitoring Officer)** has commented as follows: "I note the legal comment and have nothing to add to the report"

The **Strategic Director Resources (S151 Officer)** notes the comments made by finance.

Members' Interests

The Monitoring Officer is not aware of any specific interests that may arise in relation to this report. If Members have an interest they should declare it at the start of the meeting and complete the relevant notification form.

Recommendation:	Reason for Recommendation:
To receive and note the ERW business plan for 2017-20	To ensure that Cabinet are aware of the objectives, aims and actions of the regional school improvement service

Relevant Policy (ies):	One Powys Plan		
Within Policy:	Y	Within Budget:	Y

Relevant Local Member(s):	N/A
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Person(s) To Implement Decision:	N/A
Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:	N/A

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Background Papers used to prepare Report:

ERW Business Plan 2017-2020