

APPENDIX A

**2023-24 Forward Work Programme**  
**Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 1**

Friday 26 May 2023 at 11.00am		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
EFS Strategic Plan	Provide Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 1 (SOSC1) members with an opportunity to view and comment on the draft Education and Family Support Directorate (EFS) Strategic Plan 2023-2026.	<p><b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b> Cabinet Member for Education</p> <p><b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Education and Family Support Group Manager School Support Group Manager Inclusion and School Improvement School Programme Manager Group Manager Business Support Group Manager Family Support</p> <p><b><u>CSC</u></b> Managing Director Assistant Director for Curriculum and Professional Learning Principle Improvement Manager</p> <p><b><u>Headteacher Nominees</u></b> Headteacher, Nantyllyllon Primary School Headteacher, Pen-y-Fai Church in Wales Primary School Headteacher, Bryntirion Comprehensive School and Chair of BASH</p>

Thursday 13 July 2023 at 11.00am – CANCELLED		
Report Topics	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees

Monday 11 September 2023 at 11.00am		
Report Topics	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Youth Justice Service Update and Operational Plan	T12 within the Education Directorate Strategic Plan	<p><b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Cabinet Member for Education</p> <p><b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director of Education and Family Support</p>

		Operational Managers, Youth Justice Service  <b><u>CSC</u></b> N/A  <b><u>Headteacher Nominees</u></b> N/A
<b>Draft Outline Forward Work Programme</b>		

<b>Thursday 12 October 2024 at 11.00am</b>		
<b>Report Topics</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Whole School Approach to emotional health and wellbeing</b>		<p><b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b> Cabinet Member for Education Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Wellbeing Deputy Leader of Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services</p> <p><b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Education and Family Support; Group Manager Learner Support; Group Manager Inclusion and School Improvement; Early Intervention Locality Manager; Group Manager (School Support); Lead Officer, Strategic Development (Primary Sector); Principal Educational Psychologist (INC);</p> <p><b><u>CSC</u></b> NA</p> <p><b><u>Headteacher Nominees</u></b> Headteacher, Ysgol Maesteg Headteacher, Porthcawl Comprehensive School; Headteacher, Cefn Glas Infants School; Headteacher, St Robert's Primary School;</p> <p><b><u>External</u></b> Whole School Approach to Health and Well-being Coordinator; CAMHS Senior Nurse; and Head, The Bridge Alternative Provision</p>

<b>Monday 4 December 2024 at 11.00am</b>		
<b>Report Topics</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
Universal Primary Free School Meals (UPFSM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programme delivery, provision of free school meals and funding</li> <li>• New equipment</li> <li>• Challenges of staffing/catering services</li> <li>• Club settings (youth, breakfast, after school)</li> <li>• Quality and cost of meals</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b> Cabinet Member for Education</p> <p><b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Education and Family Support Group Manager, Business Support; and Team Manager – Catering Services</p> <p><b><u>CSC</u></b> N/A</p> <p><b><u>Headteacher Nominees</u></b> Headteacher, Headteacher, Penybont Primary School Headteacher, Llangynwyd Primary School</p>

<b>Thursday 18 January 2024 at 11.00am</b>		
<b>Report Topics</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
Draft Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024-25 to 2027-28 and Budget Proposals		<p>Cabinet Members Leader of Council Deputy Leader of Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Early Help Cabinet Member for Finance, Resources and Legal Cabinet Member for Education</p> <p>Officers Chief Executive Chief Officer Finance, Performance and Change Corporate Director Education and Family Support</p> <p>Head of Education and Family Support Interim Deputy Head of Finance Interim Finance Manager Budget Management: Communities, Education and Family Support</p> <p>CSC N/A</p> <p>Headteacher Nominees Chair of Schools Budget Form Chair of BASH</p>

**Thursday, 11 April 2024 at 11am**  
**Monday 18 March 2024 at 11am**

Report Topics	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
<p>Welsh in Education Strategic Plan (WESP)</p> <p>Central South Consortium Annual Report</p> <p>Information Report - Adult Community Learning update</p> <p>Information Report – Quarter 3 Performance 2023-24 (&amp; Dashboard)</p>	<p>2 March 23 – Recommendation from COSC - The challenges of recruiting Welsh speaking teachers into the County Borough be included in the scope of the report on Welsh in Education Strategic Plan.</p>	<p><b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b>            Leader of the Council            Cabinet Member for Education</p> <p><b><u>Officers</u></b>            Corporate Director Education and Family Support</p> <p><b><u>CSC</u></b>            Clara Seery            Andrew Williams            Darren Jones            Natalie Gould</p> <p><b><u>Headteacher Nominees</u></b>            Meurig Jones, Headteacher Ysgol Gyfun Llangynwyd            Sarah Gwen Richards, Headteacher Ysgol Cynwyd Sant            Neil Davies, Headteacher Mynydd Cynffig Primary School</p> <p><b><u>External</u></b></p>

**2024-25 Draft Forward Work Programme**  
**Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 1**

**Date TBC July 2024 at 11.00am**

Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
<p>Home-to-School/College Transport Policy</p>	<p>Outcome of the HTST policy public consultation.            To include aspects relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safe routes to schools</li> <li>• Implications of revised LDP</li> <li>• School catchment areas</li> <li>• Pupils' admission numbers</li> <li>• New school builds</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b>            Cabinet Member for Education</p> <p><b><u>Officers</u></b>            Corporate Director for Education and Family Support</p> <p><b><u>CSC</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Headteacher Nominees - TBA</u></b></p> <p><b><u>External</u></b></p>

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 11.00am –**

<b>Report Topics</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
Annual review of Education and Family Support Strategic Plan	To include update on ALN and Budget implications from 2024-25	<b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b> Cabinet Member for Education  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director for Education and Family Support  <b><u>CSC</u></b>  <b><u>Headteacher Nominees - TBA</u></b>  <b><u>External</u></b>

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 11.00am**

<b>Report Topics</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
School Modernisation Update	Pre-decision Scrutiny	<b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b> Cabinet Member for Education  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director for Education and Family Support  <b><u>CSC</u></b>  <b><u>Headteacher Nominees - TBA</u></b>  <b><u>External</u></b>

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 11.00am**

<b>Report Topics</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
Medium Term Financial Strategy 2025-26 to 2028-29		<b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b> Cabinet Member for Education  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director for Education and Family Support  <b><u>CSC</u></b>  <b><u>Headteacher Nominees - TBA</u></b>  <b><u>External</u></b>

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2025 at 11.00am		
Report Topics	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Upgrading of Older School Facilities  <u>or</u>  School Mergers	Scope to include - an update on the Corporate Landlord report in order to consider the current situation with the whole school estate	<b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b> Cabinet Member for Education  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director for Education and Family Support  <b><u>CSC</u></b>  <b><u>Headteacher Nominees - TBA</u></b>  <b><u>External</u></b>

Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 11.00am		
Report Topics	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Reduction in Nursery Education Provision		<b><u>Cabinet Members</u></b>  <b><u>Officers</u></b>  <b><u>CSC</u></b>  <b><u>Headteacher Nominees - TBA</u></b>  <b><u>External</u></b>

### **Members briefing sessions.**

- Reporting of exam results - Session to be held to update Members on recommencing of reporting exam results.
- Leadership and Safeguarding – How they are being audited. Secondary School meal Provision - Either an information report or a briefing session arranged as soon as possible to further explore issues raised by Members on this subject. Members have also requested more visits to schools, focusing on secondary school meal provision in this instance, and the capacity of the catering service to meet this need.
- New Estyn Inspection Framework
- Governing Bodies – Support and funding. Invitation to be extended to representatives and the Governors Association

### **Information reports to be provided.**

- English Language School's catchment areas / capacity
- Early Help Service Pressures
- Appointment of Local Education Authority (LEA) governors – Policy and rules  
- Criteria and procedure for the appointment and removal of local authority school governors'

### **Potential Items to be scheduled.**

- ALN Provision and Implementation Update
- Update on UPFSM Rollout (to include pupils' views and be invited to meeting)  
– possibly taken up by BREP
- Delegated budgets, monitor the implications of any proposed reduction to school delegated budget – on school budgets, staffing structures, redundancies, and any resulting impact on pupils – possibly taken up by BREP
- Central South Consortium – How they have provided value for the schools in the County Borough