

SCHEMES OF DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS RECORD OF DECISION

1. Scheme Information:	
a. Decision Reference Number:	<input type="text" value="EFS-SM-16-31"/>
b. Decision Type (Proposed or Actual):	<input type="text" value="Actual"/>
c. Scheme under which decision is to be made	<input type="text" value="B1"/>
d. Paragraph Number:	<input type="text" value="2.1"/>
e. Does this Decision contain Exempt Information? If so, provide details with reference to paragraph(s) 12 to 18, Part 4 and paragraphs 19 to 21, Part 5 Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972.	<input type="text" value="No"/>
f. Does this Decision contain "Confidential information:	<input type="text" value="No"/>
2. Details of Decision (including: Any public interest test undertaken in relation to Part 1(e) above; equalities implications and details of any assessment undertaken)	
<input type="text" value="To authorise a virement of £1.2M within the Council's Capital budget allocation for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools programme, Band A from an ASD unit to the Garw Valley South Project."/>	
3. Reason for Decision (including any reasons for urgency which led to the implementation of the decision before the preparation of this record or before the expiry of 3 working days after the publication of the decision to which call-in provisions apply):	
<input type="text" value="The Council has previously approved funding within the Capital budget for Band A of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools programme, which is being jointly funded by Welsh Government and BCBC.

One of the schemes identified within this allocation is known as the Garw Valley South project and involves the replacement of the existing Betws Primary School on the school playing fields and the relocation of Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Cwm Garw to the site of the existing Betws Primary School buildings."/>	

Various Cabinet/Council decisions/approvals have been obtained in respect of land re-designation and tendering of the proposed scheme.

Prices for the construction of the new schools have been returned from five of the seven contractors who were invited to tender. The construction costs received from each of the tenderers are higher than anticipated and this has resulted in the whole project cost being greater than the budget available.

The design team were advised that they would be able to undertake an exercise to reduce the specification of the scheme and that the tender process could be re-run with the seven contractors.

Officers approached the Welsh Government capital funding team and explained the situation. It was agreed in principle in a meeting with Welsh Government officials that we would seek permission from Council to vire £1.2 million of the £1.5 million budget which is currently allocated against an ASD unit in the capital programme under the 21st Century Schools Programme, Band A, to the Garw Valley South Scheme to meet the shortfall in funding.

In order to resolve the budget issues for Garw Valley South, work undertaken by the design team which, coupled with the additional funding vired from the proposed ASD Unit to Garw Valley South, results in the scheme being viable. Should a decision be taken not to vire the funding, it will be necessary to undertake a full review of the scheme which will result in the Council having to undertake a further procurement exercise and this would put the match funding from Welsh Government at serious risk. A revised scheme may not be achievable at all within Band A of the programme.

The proposal will not change the overall envelope of the Band A programme. Formal approval from Welsh Government to vire the monies will need to be received in order to revise the allocations and this will be progressed.

In view of the fact that the next full Council meeting is not until October, approval is sought from the Chief Executive to vire the funding as detailed within this delegated power and to revise the Capital programme accordingly, as an urgent matter in accordance with the Council's Scheme of Delegation. The matter will subsequently be reported at the next full Council meeting.

Authorisation is sought to vire £1.2M from within the Council's Capital budget allocation for the 21st Century Schools programme, Band A from the proposed ASD Unit to the Garw Valley South Project.

4. Details of Consultation undertaken prior to the decision or, if none reasons why none undertaken:

Cllr P Foley
Cllr M Nott
Cllr M Reeves
Cllr C Green
Cllr J Tildesley
Cllr C Jones

5. Details of any interest declared in relation to the decision:

a. by any Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the Decision:

None

b. by any Cabinet Member who would have been the Decision maker except for the declaration of such an interest:

None

c. details of any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee in respect of interest declared:

None

6. Contact Details:**Case Officer****Decision-Maker**

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e. Date Decision made:	2 nd September 2016	
f. Signature:		

Notes:

1. Electronic copies of this form must be sent to Democratic Services - Committees (cabinet_committee)

7. Decision Administration Information (Cabinet & Committee Services use only)

a. Date received	5 September 2016
b. Confirmation of Urgency	-
c. Date published	5 September 2016
d. End of Call - In period (Scheme A & B1 only)	N/A
e. Decision Called in.	-
f. Effective date of Decision.	2 September 2016