

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

INFORMATION REPORT TO CABINET

3 OCTOBER 2017

REPORT OF THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND FAMILY SUPPORT

ESTYN INSPECTION OUTCOMES FOR YSGOL GYMRAEG BRO OGWR

1. Purpose of report

1.1 This report informs Cabinet Members of the outcomes of the recent Estyn inspection of Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Ogwr.

2. Connection to corporate improvement objectives/other corporate priorities

2.1 The information in this report relates to the following strategic priority in the Corporate Plan:

- Supporting a successful economy.

3. Background

3.1 Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Ogwr was inspected by Estyn in June 2017 and the report was published on 8 August 2017. The full text of the report is available on the Estyn website: www.estyn.gov.uk

4. Current situation/proposal

4.1 Inspectors reached the following judgements:

Current Performance	Good
Prospects for Improvement	Good

How good are outcomes?	Good
Standards	Good
Wellbeing	Good

How good is provision?	Good
Learning experiences	Good
Teaching	Good
Care, support and guidance	Good
Learning environment	Adequate

How good are leadership and management?	Good
Leadership	Adequate
Improving quality	Good
Partnership working	Good
Resource management	Good

The school's current performance is good because:

- most pupils make good progress in their learning;
- nearly all pupils feel happy and safe at school, and know whom to approach if they need help or support;
- staff provide comprehensive learning experience for pupils, which engage their interest and motivate them well;
- staff apply the requirements of the National Literacy and Numeracy Framework purposefully to their schemes of work to enable most pupils to make good progress in their literacy and numeracy skills over a period of time;
- provision for the Welsh language and the Welsh dimension is effective;
- the quality of teaching is effective in many classes;
- it is a caring community in which pupils' wellbeing is a clear priority, and all pupils treat each other with respect and care; and
- there is a homely and inclusive ethos.

Prospects for improvement are good because:

- the acting headteacher, with the valuable support and contribution of the senior management team, sets a purposeful strategic direction for developing the school;
- leaders evaluate the quality of the school's work systematically by implementing a cycle of effective monitoring activities that have been planned well;
- the school development plan is comprehensive and identifies a number of relevant improvement targets;
- the school works successfully with a variety of partners in a way that has a positive effect on pupils' standards and wellbeing, and expands their learning experiences well;
- the school is staffed effectively and makes successful use of individuals' expertise to enrich teaching and learning;
- support staff are an integral part of the team and contribute significantly towards the success of learning; and
- the school provides good value for money.

4.2 The report included the following recommendations:

- R1 Respond to the health and safety issues that were raised during the inspection
- R2 Improve pupils' information and communication technology (ICT) skills
- R3 Improve pupils' ability to work independently and take responsibility for their own learning
- R4 Share best practice in the Foundation Phase across the phase
- R5 Develop the strategic role of governors to enable them to challenge the school effectively about its performance

4.3 The school will draw up a post-inspection action plan which will show how it will address the recommendations.

4.4 The local authority with Central South Consortium will support the school to continue to improve outcomes and address all the recommendations.

5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules

5.1 There is no impact on the Council's policy framework or procedure rules.

6. Equality Impact Assessment

6.1 There are no direct equality impact issues arising from this report.

7. Financial implications

7.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this information report.

8. Recommendation

8.1 It is recommended that Cabinet notes the content of this report.

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Background documents

Estyn inspection report