

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

INFORMATION REPORT TO CABINET

26 JULY 2016

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND FAMILY SUPPORT

CAERAU PRIMARY SCHOOL POST INSPECTION ACTION PLAN

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Cabinet of the progress against the post inspection action plan drawn up in response to the Estyn inspection of Caerau Primary School, undertaken in January 2015, and the measures being taken to help the school improve.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Objectives / Other Corporate Priorities

- 2.1 The information in this report relates to the strategic priority in the Corporate Plan 'supporting a successful economy'.

3. Background

- 3.1 Caerau Primary School was inspected by Estyn in January 2015 and the report was published in March 2015. The full text of the report is available on the Estyn website: www.estyn.gov.uk
- 3.2 In 2015, Inspectors reached the following judgements:

Current Performance	Adequate
Prospects for Improvement	Adequate
How good are outcomes?	Adequate
Standards	Adequate
Wellbeing	Adequate
How good is provision?	Good
Learning experiences	Good
Teaching	Adequate
Care, support and guidance	Good
Learning environment	Good
How good are leadership and management?	Adequate
Leadership	Adequate
Improving quality	Adequate
Partnership working	Good
Resource management	Adequate

- 3.3. A Post Inspection Action Plan (PIAP) was drawn up to address the recommendations made by Estyn in order to improve services as follows:-

- R1 Improve pupils' standards in reading and writing
- R2 Improve pupils' attendance and punctuality
- R3 Plan more effectively to increase the level of challenge for more able pupils

- R4 Resolve, as a matter of urgency, the distribution of senior leadership roles and clarify responsibilities
- R5 Make the school's priorities clear through a single, measurable improvement plan

4. Current situation / proposal

4.1 These recommendations provide the structure for the Post Inspection Action Plan (the PIAP).

4.2 Progress against the PIAP has been monitored by the Challenge Adviser from Central South Consortium (CSC). Support was provided and brokered as needed and reports have been made to the Local Authority. Estyn conducted a follow-up inspection in April 2016. Estyn's judgements of progress in addressing the recommendations were:-

- R1 Improve pupils' standards in reading and writing – **strong progress in addressing the recommendation.**
- R2 Improve pupils' attendance and punctuality – **very good progress in addressing the recommendation.**
- R3 Plan more effectively to increase the level of challenge for more able pupils – **satisfactory progress in addressing the recommendation.**
- R4 Resolve, as a matter of urgency, the distribution of senior leadership roles and clarify responsibilities – **very good progress in addressing the recommendation.**
- R5 Make the school's priorities clear through a single, measurable improvement plan – **very good progress in addressing the recommendation.**

Therefore the team concluded that the school is removed from the list of schools requiring Estyn monitoring. There will be no further Estyn monitoring visits in relation to this inspection.

Estyn stated that to maintain and improve on this progress, the school should continue to sustain the level of progress it has already made, and continue to address those inspection recommendations where further progress is required.

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 equality impact implications 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 note the content of this report and the very good progress made by Caerau Primary School which has been recognised by Estyn.

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Background documents

Estyn 'Out of Estyn Monitoring' letter
Estyn Follow-Up Report