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**CURRICULUM FOR WALES**

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**Reasons for the Report**

1. To enable the committee to receive a verbal briefing on the Curriculum for Wales timeline from 2019 to 2022.

**Scope of Scrutiny**

2. The scope of the scrutiny of this report is to enable Committee to review, assess and challenge the progress being made in the implementation of the new curriculum through to 2022.

**Way Forward**

3. At the meeting Councillor Sarah Merry (Cabinet Member for Education), and Nick Batchelar (Director of Education and Lifelong Learning), and Mike Tate (Assistant Director of Education and Lifelong Learning) will be in attendance to present a verbal briefing and answer any questions Members may wish to ask.
4. Members may also wish to pass on any observations, comments or recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Education, Employment and Skills on the information presented at the meeting.

**Financial Implications**

5. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. However, financial implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. These financial implications will need to be considered before any changes are implemented.

## **Legal Implications**

6. The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters there are no direct legal implications. However, legal implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any legal implications arising from those recommendations. All decisions taken by or on behalf of the Council must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be within the powers of the body or person exercising powers on behalf of the Council; (d) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. Scrutiny Procedure Rules; (e) be fully and properly informed; (f) be properly motivated; (g) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (h) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee is recommended to:

Review and assess the information provided on the update of New Curriculum for Wales, and provide any comments, concerns or recommendations to the Cabinet Member and Director of Education and Lifelong Learning.

**DAVINA FIORE**

**Director Governance and Legal Services**

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