

COUNCIL:

25 JUNE 2015

REPORT OF THE COUNTY CLERK & MONITORING OFFICER

**URGENT DECISION TAKEN BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION IN
RELATION TO THE MICHAELSTON / GLYN DERW FEDERATION**

Reason for this Report

1. In accordance with the Council's Scrutiny Procedure Rule 13(a), an urgent decision taken by the Director of Education under the Scheme of Delegations in relation to the Michaelston / Glyn Derw Federation is being reported to Council for information.

Issues

2. An Officer Decision - Intervention in Michaelston / Glyn Derw Federation ("the Decision") was taken on 17th April 2015 as an urgent decision. The Decision was to:
 - a. Intervene in the Michaelston/Glyn Derw Federation pursuant to the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 ('the SSOW Act 2013');
 - b. Suspend the right of the Governing Body to a delegated budget pursuant to Section 8 of the SSOW Act 2013; and
 - c. Appoint 3 Additional Governors, Dewi Jones, Carolyn Asante and Anne Carhart and nominate Dewi Jones to be the Chair of the governing body in place of the current Chair pursuant to Section 6 of the SSOW Act 2013.

Reasons for Decision and Urgency

3. The reason for the Decision was that pursuant to the SSOW Act 2013, one or more of the statutory grounds for intervention by the Council existed in that a Warning Notice has been issued to the Governing Body which has not been complied with to the Council's satisfaction, and the exercise of the Council's powers of intervention was considered urgently necessary in order to address these concerns and secure improvement.

4. The Decision was taken in consultation with the Cabinet Member with portfolio responsibility for Education and local ward Members. The Monitoring Officer in consultation with the Chair of the Children & Young People's Scrutiny Committee certified that the decision should be taken on an urgent basis for the reasons summarised above.

Financial Implications

5. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

6. There are no direct legal implications arising from this report. Legal implications were considered and included as part of the Officer Decision process.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the report for information.

Marie Rosenthal
COUNTY CLERK & MONITORING OFFICER
17 June 2015

Background Papers

Officer Decision 17 April 2015– Intervention in Michaelston / Glyn Derw Federation