

Cardiff 2020

‘Aiming for excellence
– a renewed vision for education in
Cardiff’



The Strategy so far



We have been focusing on:

- Meeting minimum standards
- Acting where schools are failing
- Making data on performance visible and transparent
- Shifting the focus to enable schools to lead improvement across the system
- Building partnerships between schools, communities and institutions
- Innovation in teaching and leadership



A strategy to address inadequacies is different from a strategy which builds on improving practice and aims for excellence.



Challenges we face

- Population growth and demand for school places
- Increasing numbers of pupils with ALN
- Pupil mobility and English as an Additional Language
- Timing and implications of curriculum reform and ALN reform
- Recruiting the best school leaders and teachers
- Changing needs of employers and the economy
- Significant pressure on public finances
- Closing the gap and increasing opportunities for all learners



Cardiff 2020 Vision

‘All children and young people in Cardiff attend a great school and develop the knowledge, skills and characteristics that lead them to become personally successful, economically productive and actively engaged citizens’



Cardiff 2020 Aims



- Excellent outcomes for all learners
- A high quality workforce
- 21st Century learning environments
- A self improving school system
- Schools and Cardiff in partnership



Excellent outcomes for learners

- Quality teaching
- Curriculum pathways
- ALN reform
- Assessment for learning
- Parent and carer engagement



A high quality workforce

- Recruitment and retention
- Career progression
- Leadership development
- Leadership models
- Enquiry led learning and coaching



21st Century learning environments

- Implementing 21st Century SOP
- Sufficiency of school places
- Provision for learners with ALN
- Best value
- Modern technologies – digital learning environments



A self-improving school system

- School Improvement Groups (SIGs)
- Clusters and Federations
- School to school engagement
- Open and transparent data
- Governor development



Schools and Cardiff in partnership

- Schools / Business partnerships
- Transition from Early Years including Flying Start
- Youth engagement and progression
- An effective approach to “early help”
- Governor recruitment

