

At its meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2014, Council Cabinet made the following decisions.

Cabinet agreed:

To note the outcome of the statutory objection period/process and agree to the removal of secondary school surplus places in the south of the borough by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015 by:

- the closure of Fairwater High School with effect from September 2015
- the closure of Llantarnam School with effect from September 2015
- the formation of a new school on the Fairwater High School site from September 2015
- a review of catchment areas for Llantarnam, Fairwater and Croesyceiliog for September 2015.

To ensure that transition plans are put in place as soon as possible following this decision to keep any disruption to teaching and learning to an absolute minimum

That £100,000 of capital be authorised for immediate spend on site investigation surveys on the Fairwater site. This will enable the work to be carried out in the school summer holiday period, thus making good preparation for early commencement of refurbishment works. The budget for this immediate spend will come from the Education Modernisation Fund.

That the “working name” for the new school is Cwmbran High School, subject to approval as required in the instrument of government next year.

**REASONS FOR DECISION:** as set out in the report. link: <http://www.torfaen.gov.uk/en/CouncillorsAndCommittees/Meetings/Cabinet/2014/07/15/Cabinet15-Jul-2014.aspx>

**CONSULTATION:** as set out in the report. Link: <http://www.torfaen.gov.uk/en/CouncillorsAndCommittees/Meetings/Cabinet/2014/05/06/Cabinet06-May-2014.aspx>

In accordance with section 5.10 of the Council’s Constitution the decisions listed above are subject to a challenge process and will be implemented on or after Tuesday 22 July 2014, unless a challenge is made. Any challenges had to be notified to the Chief Executive and the Chief Legal Officer and Monitoring Officer (and copied to the Lead Officer Council and Shadow Lead Officer, Elections) by 12.00 noon on Monday 21 July 2014.

As no challenges were received within this deadline, the Cabinet decisions referred to above, will now be implemented.

I trust this is helpful, but if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards, Mark

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