

BRIEFING NOTE

TO: COMMUNITY SERVICES SCRUTINY AND PERFORMANCE PANEL

DATE: 26 NOVEMBER 2009

RE: BRYNTYSILIO WORKING GROUP – FINAL REPORT

Purpose

To receive the final report of the Bryntysilio Working Group established by the Panel at its meeting on 8 June and reconvened on 17 June 2009.

Background

The former Neighbourhoods Scrutiny and Performance Panel identified the Council's use of Bryntysilio Outdoor Education Centre as a potential service to investigate during the 2009/10 budget setting process and recommended that this piece of work was completed during the forthcoming year. The Panel were concerned about the costs incurred by the Council and wished to investigate the potential to use other alternative facilities.

This recommendation was picked up by the Community Services Scrutiny and Performance Panel, which succeeded the former Neighbourhoods Scrutiny and Performance Panel, who appointed a small working group to consider the issue at its meeting that took place on 8 June 2009 and reconvened on 17 June 2009 and approved terms of reference for the working group at its meeting on 8 September 2009.

The working group's final report including its key findings and recommendations is currently being finalised with Members and will be sent out before Panel meeting on 26 November 2009. The Panel are asked to consider the report and approve the recommendations for submission to Cabinet.

Recommendations

That:

- 1. the Panel considers the report of the Bryntysilio Working Group and determines whether it wishes to agree the findings for submission to Cabinet, and;**
- 2. the Panel review the outcome of the Executives response and review progress with the implementation of the working group's recommendations after six months.**

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