



## **REPORT TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE**

**22 SEPTEMBER 2016**

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**Report by:** GwE Managing Director & GwE Lead Director / Chair of Management Board

**Subject:** Regional Business Plan 2016-19 & Post-Inspection Action Plan

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### **1.0 Purpose of the Report**

1.1 To present the draft Business Plan 2016-19 incorporating the Post-Inspection Action Plan to the Joint Committee.

### **2.0 Background**

2.1 Following the report on the quality of school improvement services provided by the North Wales Consortium that was presented to the Joint Committee in July 2016, a revised Business Plan for 2016-19 has been drafted to incorporate the post inspection action plan.

2.2 The Regional Business Plan 2016-19 (& post inspection plan) sets out the 3 year vision, priorities, actions, outputs & success criteria across the region.

### **3.0 Considerations**

3.1 The revised business plan has been produced in response to the Estyn inspection that took place in April 2016.

3.2 The post inspection action plan has been incorporated into the business plan to ensure that both plans are coordinated effectively.

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3.3 A GwE Business Planning Framework (appendix 9.2) & a GwE Regional Accountability Framework (appendix 9.3) have been developed in order to ensure clarity in the roles & responsibilities within the consortium as well as ensuring that the plans contain clear success criteria to ensure effective & systematic monitoring.

3.4 The Regional Business Plan 2016-19 (& post inspection plan) sets out the 3 year vision, priorities, actions, outputs & success criteria across the region. This plan is the Level 1 plan within the new Business Planning Framework & is the responsibility of the Managing Director & Chair of the Management Board to deliver as the accountable officers. The Joint Committee are ultimately accountable for its delivery.

3.5 Annual Level 2 & 3 plans sit below the Level 1 plan & give more detailed information with regard to both the regional & local priorities. The Level 2 & 3 plans provide detail with regard to the actions to be delivered & the outputs & success criteria to be achieved. The 3 level business planning framework developed ensures accountability for delivery & provides the structure for monitoring progress effectively.

3.6 Progress against the Business Plan will be reported upon at future Joint Committee meetings.

#### **4.0 Recommendations**

4.1 The Joint Committee is asked to approve the Business Plan for 2016-19 (& the Post Inspection Action Plan).

#### **5.0 Financial Implications**

5.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

#### **6.0 Equalities Impact**

6.1 There are no new equalities implications arising from this report.

#### **7.0 Personnel Implications**

7.1 There are no new personnel implications arising from this report.

#### **8.0 Consultation Undertaken**

8.1 The GwE Management Board & Advisory Board have been consulted during the development of the document.

**9.0 Appendices**

9.1 (Draft) Business Plan 2016-19 & Post Inspection Action Plan

9.2 Business Planning Framework

9.3 Regional Accountability Framework

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**OPINION OF THE STATUTORY OFFICERS**

**Monitoring Officer:**

No observations in relation to propriety

**Statutory Finance Officer:**

I understand that any financial implications arising from the Business Plan are to be funded from current resources and/or specific grants. The Joint committee accepted a challenge to make permanent efficiency savings worth £131,180 in 2016/17, and the local authorities that jointly fund the services may ask GwE to identify further efficiency savings during the lifetime of this Business Plan, that is during 2017/18 and 2018/19. Any impact on the business plan should be outlined in advance