

Joint Committee Monitoring Report Regional Business Plan 2014-15

Priority	Increase	the proport	ion of learners who achieve the Level 2+ Threshold at the end of KS4	
SLT Lead Member	EVJ			
	Risk Ass	essment		
Action			Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
Robustly support and challenge			Robust challenge in all underperforming schools conducted during Visit 1.	Ensure that relevant schools have prompt and timely
underperforming schools [specifically				access to specialist, bespoke quality support [from 2015
those identified through the			GwE SLT have quality assured process within and across hubs and have instigated	Autumn Term onwards].
categorisation process] and ensure that			further discussions and support where inconsistency has been detected.	
they have :				Ensure robust follow-up monitoring visits during 2015
i. effective strategic			Targeted schools have more robust strategic improvement plans in place and	Spring and Summer Term.
improvement plan for raising			which clearly outline how they will make effective use of GwE commissioned	
achievement which clearly			support and national grants [SEG/PDG].	Plan a training and support programme to upskill CAs
outline how they will make				and Headteachers to implement the revised model from
effective use of GwE			Commissioned budget allocated to support all amber and red schools.	September 2015 onwards
commissioned support and				
national grants [SEG/PDG]				Plan a programme of intensive scrutiny for those
ii. prompt and timely access to				schools where weak aspects have been identified so as
specialist, bespoke quality				to ensure prompt support
support. Quality assure the work of all Challenge				Make internal presentings for monitoring and quality
Advisers to ensure that all schools				Make internal procedures for monitoring and quality assurance more incisive
receive the highest level of challenge				assurance more incisive
and support.				
Ensure support and development			See commentary on relevant priority below.	See commentary on relevant priority below.
programmes for :			see confinentary of relevant priority below.	see confinentially of relevant priority below.
effective leadership at senior and				Review and amend this year's training programmes
middle leader level which includes				before delivering them to the next generation of leaders
specific focus on securing effective				before delivering them to the next generation of leaders
and consistent use of self-				Plan and deliver a pedagogy/methodology training
evaluation to challenge and				programme
improve standards				
improving the quality of teaching				Ensure that the contributions of co-leading schools to
and learning				the above agenda have been clearly defined to the
Best practice across the region will be				range of stakeholders
utilised as lead schools/lead				
departments/lead practitioners to raise				
standards.				
Further develop the regional capacity of			Effective use made of commissioning budget, S>S support and Headteacher	Ensure that all relevant schools have prompt and timely
the service to support underperforming			secondment for targeted schools.	access to specialist, bespoke quality support [from 2015
and coasting school via secondment				Autumn Term onwards].
opportunities and discrete			Stakeholder response in relevant surveys and case studies confirm strong impact	
commissioning to respond to situations			and appreciation of GwE targeted support.	Ensure robust follow-up monitoring visits during 2015

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			Implement the revised model from September 2015 onwards and ensure a mature programme of S>S support
Leading Practitioners (for Mathematics and Science) have attended Heads of		Leading Practitioners (for Mathematics and Science) have attended Heads of	

Mathematics/Science meetings in many LAs. A National Conference was held on 26 March to showcase good practice with Expected timeline of action outlined in approved plans regard to GCSE. Nearly 300 attended and feedback was very positive for WG. Confirmation of WG grant for £75,000 to support Welsh BAC developments received in January. Development groups for the three Challenges and the Individual project have been meeting regularly. GwE has facilitated the formation of Welsh BAC Co-Ordinator groups in each LA and a regional Welsh BAC group. Dissemination of materials will take place in a conference to be held on May 15th, 2015 28 schools across the region took part in the NFER PISA based tests in January, schools will receive a detailed analysis of the results in May, 2015 Schools Challenge Cymru: WG approval of IDPs and finance (June 2015) Single Development Plans for all five SCC schools approved and funding 2014-15 Individual Development Plans for each of the five SCC schools have been implemented 2015-16 Individual Development Plans for each of the five SCC schools have been submitted to WG Disseminate key messages and best practice to all regional schools [Spring/Summer 2015]. Capital Spending has been confirmed and funding drawn down via LA. Capacity Building plans submitted and approved and all partner schools informed. Leading Schools to continue to produce exemplar materials during 2015-16

School	Capacity Building	Revenue	Capital:
Caergybi	£13,260	£149,298	£199,876
Treffynnon	£16,025	£159,202	£12,500
Rhosnesni	£15,525	£138,700	£110,000
Bryn Alyn	£71,125	£180,300	£140,000
Clywedog	£71,875	£162,500	£180,000

Hold workshops in the four subjects in October 2015, February 2016 and June 2016

Leading Practitioners to visit individual schools/groups of schools to offer additional support during 2015-16

Leading Practitioners (in the four subjects) to attend

	TOTAL:	£187,810	£790,000	£642,000	Subject Head meetings in each LA
	the region has been a	o WG for £15,000 to supp ccepted. Recent confirm 00 to support regional dev	ation received		Implement the revised model from September 2015 onwards and ensure a mature programme of S>S support
	Lead Practitioners will le challenges and one for t Learning package to s challenges/Individual pro place on November 27 th school BAC Co-Ordinator	ave been identified – two ad four Development Gro the Individual Project) wh support the developme oject. The first meeting of and awareness raising me is and SMT members.	oups (one for ea o will produce nt of the ski the developme etings have also	ach of the three a Teaching and ills within the ent groups took taken place for	Appointment of teacher on a part time secondment (2 days a week) until March 2016
	Baccalaureate in the reginerate in the reginerate four Leading Practitioner Groups (one for each of	on during 2014-15 Ts have been identified — a the three Challenges and and Learning resources t	and have led for	ur Development dividual Project)	Supporting schools in the delivery of the revised Welsh Baccalaureate from September 2015 Continue to support the Welsh Baccalaureate Coordinator groups in every LA and the regional Welsh Baccalaureate group during 2015-16
	A Regional Conference v attended and the feedba	placed on the GwE website was held on 15 May 2015 ck was very positive n Baccalaureate Co-ordin	to share resou	urces. Over 100	
	facilitated and a regional An application for a £50 Baccalaureate in the region	Welsh Baccalaureate group, 0,000 grant to support to during 2015-16 has been	ip has been crea	ated.	
	based tests during the sp testing as Y11 would be i	gion have expressed an in ring term. Several schools ncluded in the sample. Th rther contacting schools d	decided not to nese concerns h	take part in the ave been raised	Disseminate key messages and best practice with regard to PISA to every school in the region (autumn term 2015)
	Many schools decided no sample. These concerns h	egion sat the NFER PISA it to take part in the tests have been raised with Wel	as Y11 would be sh Government	e included in the	
Sharpen the focus on tracking, self- evaluation and improvement planning across all monitoring visits and placing a	•	toring visits honed and aliperations to the control of the control	•		Ensure robust follow-up monitoring visits during 2015 Spring and Summer Term.

much greater emphasis on aspects			Ensure QA processes are operational across all hubs for
which schools need to address more		Expectations shared with key stakeholders and CA's briefed and supported to	all termly monitoring visits.
effectively.		deliver high level of challenge during monitoring visits.	
			Share best practice re: challenging, supporting,
		GwE SLT have quality assured % of visits within and across hubs.	commissioning and reporting with all GwE CA's.
			Implement the regional agreement whereby GwE will
			collect and challenge every school's targets, and
			monitor progress towards outcomes on 3 specific points
			per year.

Priority	Rais	e standards fo	or learners eligible for FSM	
SLT Lead Member	SM+	AsJ		
	Ris	k Assessmen		
Action			Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
Seek to ensure that every school has a			As part of Visit 1 conducted by Challenge Advisers with all schools, an item of	Identify with all schools where the lead person is not the
clearly designated lead for FSM pupils			focus was an audit of the school's plan for deployment of PDG funding.	Headteacher.
and that schools have appropriate plans				
for effective deployment of PDG funding			A session was held for CAs on 23 April on the requirements of PDG planning for	Share best practice re: planning and deployment of PDG
[as part of a wider strategy to raise			2015/16. Relevant documents were shared with schools via the GwE website,	
standards for this cohort of learners].			which include many case studies of successful practice	CAs to discuss and challenge schools' improvement plans
				as part of the autumn term 2015 visits/meetings
			A regional lead was seconded to co-ordinate the LAC regional strategy, who	
			started in post on 1/6/15.	Sessions to share information and plan support for
				vulnerable learners are held on 9/10 July 2015. There will
				be an opportunity for vulnerable learner leaders/co-
				ordinators in every school within the region to attend.
				Daned on selected research in these sessions of
				Based on schools' response in these sessions, a programme of relevant training will be arranged to start
				from September 2015 onwards
				nom september 2013 onwards
				Networking meetings for vulnerable learner leaders will
				be held in order to offer opportunities to share effective
				practice and offer support where needed (from
				September 2015 onwards)
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Continue to ensure a firm focus on			All Visit 1 sessions with schools required the Challenge Adviser to focus	Remaining visits during Spring and Summer 2015 will
tracking outcomes for FSM learners in all			specifically on outcomes for FSM learners. The quality assurance visits carried out	pursue this theme.
GwE challenge and monitoring visits and			by Senior Challenge Advisers and an audit of Visit 1 reports confirmed that this	
that effective and timely use is made of			was being carried out as planned. In most cases the Advisers also discussed with	Specific focus on outcomes during the monitoring visits of
available funding streams to support the			schools the new requirements for School Development Plans and the future PDG	the autumn term 2015.
development of effective teaching and			funding arrangements.	
learning strategies that is differentiated				
to meet the needs of the pupils.				
Organise an effective approach to the			GwE is actively organising conferences to showcase best practice and it is	Conference planning to proceed to implementation

sharing of the most effective practice for	anticipated that this will include the performance of FSM pupils and effective use	[Spring and Summer 2015].
all schools in GwE in relation to	of the PDG grant.	
promoting the achievement of FSM		
pupils by :	During the school-to-school conference held on 2 June 2015, lead schools	Lead schools to include FSM good practice from Spring
arranging annual conference to	delivered workshops in which they shared their effective practice with regard to	2015.
showcase best practice [this should	raising the attainment of FSM learners. Eight schools were part of this.	
involve working with the other		Identify more co-leading schools during June 2015,
regions in Wales, and practitioners	Lead schools will be identified following the processes of selection that are being	specifically those that have been successful in raising the
from beyond Wales]	conducted during late Autumn 2014 and early Spring 2015.	literacy and numeracy attainment of FSM learners.
development of website to share		
best practice	Planning for co-leading schools, including those with good practice in promoting	Visits to co-leading schools to be promoted in areas
work with stakeholders to	the achievement of FSM pupils, will facilitate visits by schools across the region.	including good practice with FSM pupils from Spring
recognise lead regional schools		2015.
promote and facilitate visits to lead	A focus of Visit 1 has been to identify current practice in school to school working,	
schools	and during the remainder of the year this will form the basis for further	Guidance to be provided to Advisers prior to visits in
promote cluster of school>school	development, including the sharing a good practice in working with FSM pupils.	Spring and Summer terms.
collaboration to address		
underperformance of FSM pupils		See above – presentation to CAs in April 2015
		Arrange a conference on closing the gap, to be held
		during the autumn term 2015

Priority SLT Lead Member	Raise standards for learners in the national reading and numeracy tests across the region SM					
Action	Risk Assessment	Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]			
Ensure high quality co-ordination and support across region by : • identifying Senior Challenge Adviser for Literacy & Numeracy • develop regional strategy for Literacy and Numeracy		Senior Challenge Advisor in post since September. This has significantly increased capacity and the pace of action with regards to this priority area. Regional Strategy has been developed under the leadership of the SCA, working with a <i>Task and Finish Group</i> with representatives from schools, LAs and the NSP. It has been shared with GwE <i>User Group</i> and LAs to date. Final draft will be shared with Challenge Advisors before the end of the Autumn Term. The T&F group advised against sharing with schools at this point in the term and suggested postponing until the beginning of the Spring Term. Strategy has now been shared with stakeholders. SCA follow-up to headteachers' strategic meetings by invitation. Autumn term actions have been 'RAG'ed by the SCA L/N and this will be/was scrutinised and challenged by the Regional Strategic	December 19th – share with all Challenge Advisors at team meeting. January 5th document to be e-mailed to all schools. January>February 2015 presentation at each HT Federation meeting across the region by either the SCA for the hub, or the SCA for L/N. Termly, from February 2015 onwards, the strategic group will meet to monitor the implementation of the strategy. Continue with the action above			
		Group on 11/2/15 Implementation of the strategy for 2014/15 has been evaluated and areas for development for the forthcoming year have been identified. A meeting was held on 23 June to report to LA officers.	Based on an evaluation of the 2014/15 action plans prepare a new plan for 2015/16 and share the prioritie for action with stakeholders by means of the GwE Use Group on 9 July			

Coordinate and align the work of GwE Challenge Advisers, Associate Partners, with the National Support Programme in order to ensure consistent messages and high quality support for schools from all partners and avoid duplication of support or any gaps in provision	Due to the increased capacity (see above) there have been more regular meetings between the SCA L/N and the NSP Senior Partner. This has resulted in a more coordinated approach to the support being offered to schools, and less duplication, although this has not been totally eradicated. An agreement between the NSP and GwE with regards to partnership working has also been established and shared with all stakeholders. This needs to be further consolidated over the coming term. Regular meetings have continued to take place between the NSP's Senior Partner and the SCA L/N. These have resulted in a faster response to support requests from schools. There has also been reduced duplication at local level; however this	As negotiations take place between LAs and GwE around the implementation of the National Model, joint working will need to be revisited and possibly amended. WG's announcement on 2/2/15 will have implications for this action. Needs to be reviewed
	continues to be a concern at a national level.	No further action required as the NSP is coming to an end
	Collaboration between GwE and the NSP continued. The NSP will come to an end in July 2015 and the recent focus has been on the transfer of information to GwE, which will take on the responsibility of supporting schools with literacy and numeracy from September onwards. The SCA has continued to attend national meetings with CfBT so as to ensure there is no duplication in the support offered to schools	
Develop regional strategy to improve the quality of senior and middle leadership	See RHH's comments about leadership development programme.	See RHH's comments about leadership development programme.
in the field of literacy and numeracy, as part of the wider programme of	In the meantime, GwE's Associate Partners have provided support for leaders of literacy and numeracy in schools this term through:	APs will continue to support, coach and mentor targeted
developing middle leadership	 network meetings for literacy and numeracy leaders in secondary schools 	literacy and numeracy leads during 2015 Spring and Summer Terms.
	 training for numeracy co-ordinators in primary schools on developing numerical reasoning training for literacy leaders in Flintshire LA on developing extended writing in their primary schools 	CA's will monitor during 2014>2015 educational year
	Nothing further to add at this point	It is intended to continue to work on developing the skills
	Secondary school networking sessions have been very successful this year, with very positive feedback from a high percentage of schools that attended. However, literacy and numeracy leaders in secondary schools not having enough noncontact time to take action on the recommendations of these meetings is still a cause for concern, as is lack of time to share the information with colleagues and to support other staff. During the spring and summer term 2015, the following training for literacy and numeracy leaders took place:	of literacy and numeracy leaders next year by delivering a 'Leading Teaching and Learning' programme, with a focus on literacy and numeracy. This will be part of the GwE leadership development programme and will commence in October.
	Numerical Reasoning (Primary) – 84 schools Procedural Numeracy (Primary) – 62 schools	

	Higher Order Reading Skills (Primary) - 166 schools Numerical Reasoning (Secondary) – 14 schools Developing Whole School Literacy (Secondary) – 21 schools Revised Areas of Learning and Programmes of Study (Primary and Secondary) 321 schools Supported Marking – Numerical Reasoning (Primary and Secondary) – 133 school The feedback for all these sessions was very positive indeed	
Ensure all schools have access to guidance and training re: analysing national test data, developing SMART development plans, monitoring the implementation, progress and outcomes of any intervention programmes used Challenge Advisers to monitor inclusion of appropriate priorities to raise standards in the national tests in SIPs Challenge Advisers to support schools in evaluating their progress against agreed priorities	Through the NSP, all schools have had the opportunity to access support is analysing test data by including it as one of their five support priorities. At the end of this term, the NSP will transfer to GwE all the information about their support to schools in the region; following this, there will be an opportunit to analyse exactly what training each school has had during the existence of the NSP. SCA L/N shared key regional messages about the national test data at a full C team meeting, thus making all CAs aware of the regional improvement priorities for 2015. As part of the Autumn Term's monitoring visits, CA have challenged schools improvement priorities, and offered feedback on SDPs, including schools' plans of monitoring impact.	reaching a judgement about their progress against their improvement priorities. Further training will be offered to schools in the Spring Term on monitoring the implementation and impact of intervention strategies. This will not now take place until the summer term, due to the need to respond to WG's plans that all schools are offered support on planning for Phase 1 of the Revised Curriculum in the spring term Sessions were held for Gwynedd Headteachers during the summer term 2015 on monitoring and managing intervention programmes. Similar input will be included
Ensure that the support offered by NSP Partners allows schools to make intelligent use of WG diagnostic tool	NSP Partners providing guidance, as part of the partnership agreement with GwE This will now need to be reviewed. See the above comments on the transfer of data from the NSP to GwE CA made aware of the diagnostic tool, and able to challenge schools on their us of it. This has taken place as part of the training for CAs There was support available to schools on using the diagnostic tool as part of the supported marking sessions held in May 2015 (see above)	Handling data and analysing the results of tests to identify priorities for improvement will be part of the
In conjunction with the national programme, support schools to ensure that every teacher is a teacher of literacy and numeracy with the skills, knowledge and specialism to deliver the LNF at classroom level	Partnership agreement established between GwE and the NSP to ensure that there are no gaps in support for schools, and no duplication either. This partnership has been established and, overall, duplication has been avoided even though there are some schools that choose to attend training by both Gw and the NSP on the same areas.	On-line bulletin will ensure that more teachers will have

- target the support of the Associate Partners effectively to provide training, mentoring and coaching to individuals and groups of teachers
- share best practice through a half termly bulletin, as well as network meetings

In conjunction with the national programme, support the up-skilling of teachers to plan the development of literacy and numeracy skills across the curriculum and across the range of age and ability, to use effective teaching strategies, including appropriate differentiation and to plan and prepare for the national tests

- Associate Partner support targeted at schools with the lowest % of pupils scoring >115 in the national tests
- Support and training for schools to plan rich tasks to stretch more able learners

GwE using the NSP analysis of schools' requests to target support, as well as analysis of national test data, and referrals from individual CAs.

The above will need to be revised following WG announcement on 2/2/15

Overall, most of the requests for support for individual schools were made by the CA rather than the NSP

Secondary literacy and numeracy network meetings held in each LA area during the Autumn Term. Effective practice and key developments shared. Literacy and Numeracy Bulletin has also been launched and two editions will have been distributed to schools by the end of the Autumn Term.

See above comments on the secondary Networks. A literacy and numeracy bulletin was published every half term during the year. They are all now available on the GwE website.

Numeracy co-ordinators from 243 primary schools attended training provided by GwE's AP team on Numerical Reasoning in November. This was a 'train the trainer' session. Numerical Reasoning was the main support request identified by the NSP in GwE schools. Numeracy co-ordinators in secondary schools in Gwynedd and Ynys Mon also received raining in this area.

Satisfaction levels were high for this course, with 96% of participants stating that they 'strongly agreed' or 'agreed' that the training would be of use to them in developing numerical reasoning in their school.

See above comments on further training during the spring and summer terms

Literacy co-ordinators from 40 Flintshire primary schools attended training provided by GwE's AP team on Extended Writing across the curriculum in November. A higher % of primary schools had requested support on literacy than any other LA in GwE.

Satisfaction levels were high for this course, with 98% of participants stating that they 'strongly agreed' or 'agreed' that the training would be of use to them in developing extended writing in their school.

GwE facilitated and delivered the National Literacy Trust's Premier League Reading Stars training in November/December. This pilot is funded by WG and has successfully improved boys' motivation and standard in reading in England. Around 120 schools have attended this training. In every LA in GwE girls outperform boys in SS115+ in the reading test, both Welsh and English.

The AP who delivered this training on behalf of the National Literacy Trust is supporting schools who have requested follow-up to this training.

Numerical Reasoning training for secondary numeracy co-ordinators will be delivered in February 2015.

Training on higher order reading skills and on procedural numeracy will be available in the 2015 Spring Term.

Update on this training will be available for the next meeting

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		Individual APs have supported over 100 schools in total during the Autumn Term. These have been targeted according to need identified by the CA, or through the schools' own request for support via the NSP. This data will be available at the end of the spring term The region's lowest performing schools in the national tests have been identified and those not already supported by the APs will be offered training and support in the Spring term. Higher order reading skills training offered to schools in 5 LAs in the spring term (2 days in English and 3 days in Welsh) Procedural Numeracy training offered to schools in 3 LAs in the spring term (2 days in English and 1 day in Welsh) A spreadsheet of all the schools in the region was prepared, which notes what literacy and numeracy support each school has received from GwE during this academic year. This was shared with LA officers and with the GwE SMT. There are	
Deliver staff training for catch-up programmes		7 schools in the region that have not received any support or training 3 training sessions delivered for volunteers to support pupils with reading and basic numeracy skills – a total of 24 volunteers will be deployed to their local schools in the new year.	Deliver against agreed training sessions [Spring/Summer 2015]
		75 teachers and teaching assistants were trained in Catch Up Literacy or Catch Up Numeracy during the Autumn term. No Catch Up training organised for the Spring Term — see above comment re: other WG-led initiatives	
		Follow up sessions in Dyfal Donc literacy and numeracy were held during the summer term 2015. 38 members of staff attended the numeracy sessions and 52 attended the literacy sessions, which were an opportunity for those who are already implementing the intervention programme to reinforce and evaluate Schools who are interested in receiving training during the autumn term were given an opportunity to express interest by 26 June. This will be arranged in response to need.	
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Priority	Increase the uptake of, and raise standards in, Welsh as a First Language across the region.		
SLT Lead Member	EEJ		
	Risk Assessment		

Action				Progress Re	port and evidence of imp	pact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
To work with Welsh Government	A -	Initial ev	aluation of	2014 Welsh F	irst Language assessmen	t data completed	Develop regional data system to track progress in Welsh
colleagues to develop national and	Υ		204.4	. Malak Firet	l	v.E. no sie n	First Language (March 2015)
regional data sets which will enable progress in Welsh to be tracked [to			2014	% of	Language Outcomes – G	WE region	Formulation of an over-arching Regional Welsh
include identifying and challenging the				cohort		% of candidates	Education Plan (July 2015) to include :
reduced cohort who study Welsh as a		KS	Cohort	assessed	% of cohort achieved	achieved expected	targets for increasing the number of pupils
First Language as a proportion of the				Welsh 1 st	expected level	level	assessed in Welsh First Language
total cohort for all other core subjects].				language			targets for increasing the number of pupils
In addition, the standards achieved		FP	7537	34.5%	30.5% (LCW5+)	88.4% (LCW5+)	educated through the medium of Welsh
within that reduced cohort have to be		KS2	6880	33.4%	29.1% (L4+)	87.2% (L4+)	raising standards in Welsh First Language and
identified and challenged.		KS3	7137	29.4%	26.4% (L5+)	89.7% (L5+)	Welsh Second Language across the region
		KS4	7408	29.6%	21.2% (GCSE A*-C)	71.6% (GCSE A*-C)	Paice awareness of Hoodtoochers (Drimany and
		2015)			d on secondment to lead Welsh Government (2.12		Raise awareness of Headteachers (Primary and Secondary) during Summer Term 2015. Develop and formalise links with WG during 2015Spring
			•		•	,	Term
		LA Strat 2015)	egic Welsh	Education Pl	ans have been collated	and analysed (February	Meeting of the region's Building Capacity Welsh medium Sub-group.
			being colladucation Pla		the target setting proc	tess for the overarching	
		includes	recomme	ndations tha	ndards in Welsh First L t focus on raising sta een key stages	,	
		1			on a WG working group, Idren and young people	discussing the informal	
Ensure that effective use is made of the challenge and monitoring visit to evaluate the standards, provision and ethos for developing Welsh across all		monitor • st	ing visit. Th	is will include	ussion during 2015 Spri discussions on: or Welsh, and to gathe		Collate and analyse information received from CAs following spring term challenge and monitoring visit (April 2015)
schools in the region.		• e>		ich the schoo	relopment of Welsh as a s I responds to the Authori	•	Analysis of information received to inform GwE over- arching Regional Welsh Education Plan (May 2015)
		ol	ojectives an	d guidelines	hool responds to Wels		Distribute regional and local reports summarising the main findings of spring term's monitoring and challenging visits.
		W	elsh Langua	age) and 2.1.3	(Provision of Welsh and	Welsh Dimension)	
				-	nitoring visit form revis chool versions produced.		

	All CAs informed and briefed on the focus for the Spring Term challenge and monitoring visit. (26 January Headteachers have been informed of the focus for the termly challenge and monitoring visits (Letter to Headteachers, September 2014). Discussions with Headteachers have also taken place in strategic forum meetings and in User Group meetings. The information received during the spring term's monitoring and challenging visits has been collated	
Ensure that a School>School support programme is developed which will encourage schools to improve standards and provision in Welsh First and Second Language at all key stages.	GwE School>School Collaboration Strategy developed and shared with all Headteachers (October 2014). Discussions with Headteachers have also taken place in relevant strategic forum meetings. S>S collaboration is a focus for discussion during the termly challenge and monitoring visit. Autumn, Spring and Summer term challenge and monitoring visit forms revised to include focus on S>S collaboration. CA's informed of S>S collaboration (September 2014) Leading practitioners have produced exemplar learner profiles to support the moderation of Teacher Assessment at the end of KS2 and KS3 and delivered training for schools. Discussions were held with Athrawon Bro (Conwy, Denbighshire and Flintshire) on developing exemplar learner profiles for Welsh Second Language Leading schools have delivered workshops on the new Welsh First Language GCSE (February and July 2015). The workshops focus on the methodology required to successfully implement the new specification.	Inform and brief all CAs on the focus for termly challenge and monitoring visits (January, May 2015) SCAs to discuss and identify Welsh as an area for School>School collaboration (Spring term 2015) CAs to discuss Welsh as an area for School>School collaboration during Spring Term challenge and monitoring visit (Spring term 2015) Information gathered in the spring term challenge and monitoring visit collated and used to inform S>S collaboration (April 2015) Second workshop on the new Welsh First Language GCSE to be delivered on 15 July

Priority	Increase the proport	ion of 16 year old learners who achieve at least 5 A st or A grades [including language	and mathematics] by the end of KS4
SLT Lead Member	AJ		
	Risk Assessment		
Action		Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
Work with Welsh Government		Initial discussion between WG and the 4 consortia have led to the inclusion of a	Discussion to continue within relevant national strategic
colleagues to develop national and		new indicator for the national categorisation system based on 5+ A*/A grades or	forums.
regional benchmarking data sets which		equivalent. However, this measure does not include language/mathematics.	Discussion to continue within relevant national strategic
will enable the service to more			forums.
effectively challenge schools.		New indicator for the national categorisation system based on 5+ A*/A grades,	
		not including English/Welsh and Mathematics, has been introduced.	

Input into secondary school Headteacher forums across the region with follow-up at subject level as appropriate – see below	Senior Challenge Advisers have all provided input into secondary Headteacher forums across the region. Senior Challenge Advisers have all provided input into secondary Headteacher forums across the region.	Continue to facilitate discussions with key stakeholders in relevant forums. Provide updates related to any adjustment of the categorisation in Autumn 2015.
Work with all schools to target the improvement in attainment of most able pupils through: • ensuring that the measurement is known to all • promoting effective practice in terms of classroom teaching and school leadership • facilitating regional events with schools and key stakeholders to promote the learning of the most able • ensure that national and local best practice are disseminated effectively and that appropriate follow-up action is taken in schools	Awareness-raising has had the effect of ensuring measurement is known to all. Effective practice in terms of classroom teaching and school leadership will be a focus for the remainder of the school year. Planning of regional events will be coordinated in relation to those already being planned, but it is anticipated that showcasing will include items on the More Able and Talented. National models of best practice will be disseminated through the regional events. Appropriate follow-up by schools will feature as part of the school-to-school agenda. Senior Challenge Advisers have continued to facilitate discussions with key stakeholders in relevant forums. Effective practice has been disseminated via school to school and co-leading practitioner approach. Awareness-raising has had the effect of ensuring measurement is known to all. Effective practice in terms of classroom teaching and school leadership will be a focus for the remainder of the school year.	Continue to facilitate discussions with key stakeholders in relevant forums. From Spring term ensure effective practice is disseminated via S>S and co-leading practitioner approach. National showcase conference to be facilitated by GwE in 2015 Summer Term. Appropriate follow-up by schools will feature as part of the school-to-school agenda.
Include the 5 A*/A indicator as a focus for GwE termly monitoring visits and for regional target setting when quality data is available.	In the majority of Local Authorities the A*/A indicator has been included in the target-setting processes for secondary schools. Discussion on A*/A performance challenged in all secondary monitoring visits. The A*/A indicator has been included in the revised target-setting processes provided by GwE for secondary schools. Discussion on A*/A performance has been challenged in all secondary monitoring visits.	Need to ensure consistency of approach across all LA's re: target setting and in level of challenge by CA in monitoring visits. Need to ensure consistency of approach in the level of challenge provided by each CA in their work with schools.

Priority	Establish and promote an effective regional model for school>school support
SLT Lead Member	RHH
	Risk Assessment

Action	Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
Regional strategy developed and shared with stakeholders	Regional strategy has been developed and shared with all stakeholders.	Implement strategy across region (Dec 2104-July 2015)
Model and action plan for effective school>school collaboration completed and agreed with relevant stakeholders.	GwE action plan completed and was shared with stakeholders.	Implement action plan (Dec 2104-July 2015)
Challenge Advisers briefed and updated regarding the role and expectations [supporting; facilitating; challenging; monitoring and ensuring accountability]. Termly monitoring visits to be conducted to measure progress and impact.	Challenge Advisers have been briefed and updated. S>S collaboration discussed and challenged during Visit 1 [monitoring will be completed by end of term]. New model of working for Challenge Advisers meets this requirement also	Further professional development for CA is planned focusing on coaching skills May/June 2015. This will ensure higher quality support and guidance to school leaders. Term 2 and 3 monitoring visits will be conducted accordingly and before end of July 2015 Ensure that the procedure for placing schools in collaboration groups is given prominence
Financial incentive to schools available to facilitate and promote collaboration [specific criteria agreed re: engagement conditions].	Financial incentive given to all schools within the GwE region based on an agreed formula with all LA's.	Monitoring procedures to be operational as part of termly visits.
Enhanced opportunity for all primary schools to access additional financial support for cross LA/region collaborative projects.	Information and application details sent to all schools with closing date (11:12:14) noted. 9 effective cross-authority collaboration projects are operational across the GwE region. Many key areas are addressed. Workshops presented in the School to School Conference to share good practice	Selection process on 12:12:14 will determine the five most effective projects to receive the funding. 9 schools selected Agreed engagement and monitoring procedures need to be agreed between the successful schools and GwE by January 2015. Meeting on 25/02/15 Progress reports/monitoring reports to be presented by 18/09/15, noting key impact of the collaboration Received a Case Study from each project – these are available on the GwE website
Model established [and criteria agreed] for regional approach to support emerging practitioners, departments, schools. Lead practitioners, departments, schools will receive financial incentive from GwE with specific agreed engagement conditions.	Model and criteria being established by GwE SMT Schools notified of intention of creating co-leading schools across the region. Referenced within the GwE S>S strategy. Challenge Advisers briefed on the intention of creating co-leading schools and to start identifying potential schools, departments, lead practitioners and leaders.	Completed by January 2015 - completed Establish criteria for identification of co-leading schools by January 2015 - completed Notify schools of criteria and application process by January 2015 - extended to February 2015
	Head teachers of schools briefed on GwE intention of creating co-leading schools	Identify/select co-leading schools and practitioners. Hold

	through Headteacher forums and meetings. Information and application details sent to all schools with closing date noted. Part 1 of Gwe's Co-leading Strategy is operational — 19 Co-leading Literacy/Numeracy/MFL schools have been identified GwE is in the process of working with Welsh Government to promote the Co-leading Schools in the Arts programme	briefing sessions during January 2015 – extended to February 2015 Engagement and monitoring procedures need to be agreed between the successful schools and GwE. Quality assurance procedures need to be agreed between Co-leading schools and GwE Those schools that the Co-leading schools will be assisting need to be identified This will be operational by October 2015
Arrange regional conference to showcase school>school effective collaboration and disseminate best practice.	Regional Conference arrangements being established by GwE SLT and engagement conditions agreed with participating schools. Assistance regarding the facilitation of the conference from Blahdblah (BdB) branding company. A National School to School Conference was held on 2 June 2015 to showcase effective collaboration. Over 300 attended and the feedback was very positive	Specific roles and expectations of participating schools to be agreed during Spring Term. Professor Mel Ainscow confirmed as Key Note Speaker

Priority	Develop quality leadership and teaching and learning at all levels				
SLT Lead Member	RHH				
	Ris	k Asse	essment		
Action				Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
Audit and to determine current provision for leadership development				Audit has taken place and a report written detailing current provision across the six local authorities.	Completed.
across the six North Wales LA's.					
Determine key features of programmes				Key features for programmes have been identified and presented to GwE SLT.	Ensure that all future programme planning includes 'high
required and present these in report to					level principles' identified – ongoing.
GwE SLT. The report to include 'high				The report states clearly the high level principles of leadership that will be used in	
level principles' for proposed				future programmes.	
programmes.					
GwE SLT to evaluate, discuss and give				GwE SLT have evaluated, discussed and given feedback on report.	To ensure that the report informs future planning
feedback so that report can be amended					regarding leadership – ongoing.
and finalised with actions for provision.				Report has been amended in light of this and finalised with actions for provision.	
Draft and publish a 'Prospectus of		Α		Prospectus for Middle Leadership Programme drafted and discussed with ADEW.	Send out finalised Middle Leadership Prospectus in
Leadership & Management Development		-			January 2015 – completed change to July 2015
Programmes' for each of the identified		Υ		GwE Middle Leadership Programme Prospectus is currently being published and	
areas:				will be distributed to school in January.	Create prospectus detailing all middle leadership
Moving good teaching to excellent					provision across the region for 2015-16 - send out to
Middle Leadership					schools February 2015 – change date to May 2015

Senior Leadership Prospectus to include clarity on: Vision, aims and objectives; Strategic intention; Menu of programmes — personal development/subject specific; Focus and means of delivery and accountability; Impact and standards driven / factors; Costs; Timings; Accreditation; Career progression		Programme prospectus contains vision, aim and objections, strategic intention, details of target audience, funding information, process, timings and programme content. GwE's Middle Leadership Development Programme is developing effectively. 60 individuals have completed the training with a further 32 part of the development of Middle Leadership/Physical Literacy at present. A further 60 individuals will commence the programme at the end of September 2015	Draft and Publish prospectus for Leadership and Management Development Programmes for: • Moving good teaching to excellent [March 2015] – change date – June 2015 • Senior Leadership [May 2015] completed Identify accreditation opportunities [ongoing].
		RHH and Gareth Williams, an Independent Education Adviser, are evaluating the programme at present.	Publish Monitoring/Evaluation report – October 2015
		Experienced Headteachers Development Programme is operational – 19 individuals have successfully taken part in the programme and are assisting GwE to amend the programme for September 2015 onwards RHH is monitoring/evaluating developments. GwE's Leadership Development Programme includes CPD for every part of the	July/September 2015
		developing leadership pathway for practitioners in north Wales. The Programme has been discussed with Welsh Government and approved as good practice. Welsh Government and the other 3 consortia are interested in adopting specific elements of the GwE programme.	
		There is a possibility that Welsh Government will commission GwE to develop an effective CPD Programme for Headteachers in post	September 2015 onwards
Establish criteria for identification of a network of Lead Practitioners, Departments, Schools across North	A - Y	Schools notified of intention of creating co-leading schools across the region. Referenced within the GwE school to school strategy.	Establish criteria for identification of co-leading schools by January 2015 completed
Wales who will be required to deliver support, training and development for other schools, departments, teachers, leaders.		Head teachers of schools briefed on GwE intention of creating co-leading schools through Headteacher forums and meetings. CA's briefed on the intention of creating co-leading schools and to start	Notify schools of criteria and application process by February 2015 completed
Lead Practitioners identified Termly monitoring and quality assurance procedures agreed and implemented.		identifying potential schools, departments, lead practitioners and leaders Part 1 of Gwe's Co-leading Strategy is operational — 19 Co-leading Literacy/Numeracy/MFL schools have been identified	Create brief/contracts for co-leading schools and practitioners by February 2015 completed
		GwE is in the process of working with Welsh Government to promote the Coleading Schools in the Arts programme	Identify co-leading schools and practitioners. Hold briefing sessions by March 2015 completed
			Quality assurance procedures by June 2015 operational

		GwE is in the process of collaborating with Welsh Government to promote the 'Pioneer Schools New Deal', the 'Pioneer Schools Successful Futures 'and the 'Pioneer Schools Digital Competence'	Relevant schools need to be identified – July/August 2015
Liaise closely with other regional consortia with regard to cultivation of 'self-development' packages for schools to use in-house – to include pedagogical development, leadership development and succession planning for schools [to be made available digitally on GwE website].		Enquiries currently being made with regard to what other consortia use offer as self-development packages. Commissioned work for leadership undertaken with North West Wales Headteacher forum and Cynnal and to be trialled with Welsh medium/bilingual schools during Spring/Summer/Autumn 2015. Web-site planning contains area to hold digital resources for school to use in house as training packages. GwE is in discussion with Welsh Government and the other consortia so as to identify effective practice across Wales in order to share expertise	Produce report paper outlining what is available in other consortia by April 2015 Undertake monitoring and evaluation of GwE/NWW headteachers/Cynnal project during 2015>2016. Start creating resources to be held centrally on GwE Web-site for use in schools [ongoing]. Ongoing Joint meeting of the SLT of all 4 consortia has been arranged for September 2015.
Evaluate the effectiveness of current external providers that GwE could commission if required to further enhance capacity and effectiveness of provision.	A - Y	Discussions and evaluations taking place regarding external providers that could be commissioned to provide training in a number of areas. Potential external providers identified and currently being approached regarding availability. Effective external providers have been identified and commissioned to provide two programmes as part of GwE's Leadership Development Programme	Confirmation needed from external providers on availability and readiness to partake in GwE training-December 2014 onwards. – ongoing RHH currently in discussion with possible external providers and evaluating current provision offered. – completed Need to monitor developments and the impact of these programmes by external providers – September 2015 to July 2016
j j	A - G	Discussions currently taking place between NLDB, ERW and GwE regarding Executive Head Conference. Providers and practitioners identified to lead and showcase effective practice conference.	Confirm arrangements of conference by January 2015 Completed
Establish a more flexible and effective school>school support programme [implementing a 'ladder of learning' principle where appropriate] which will	A - Y	All school received GwE S>S strategy and Headteachers briefed in relevant forums. CA's briefed on strategy during CA training day. CA Performance Management	Monitor individual schools' school to school programmes during visit 2 and 3 – ongoing. CAs to involve themselves in various projects and

encourage all schools to become even better and the best schools to support others.		objective aligned to this priority – facilitating S>S working amongst contact schools.	facilitate links [ongoing].
		All schools have received grant from GwE to establish S>S collaborative working.	GwE S>S showcasing event to share best practice and celebrate the success of the strategy by June 2015.
		CA's audit of S>S working currently taking place across the region during Visit 1[which will then be used as a benchmark].	completed – the National School to School Conference was very successful.
Pedagogy training events to be implemented with initial focus on effective assessment and moderation		A number of hub based training events have taken place during the autumn term e.g. what works best in the classroom/Assertive Mentoring training, moving learners to the next level, ICT etc.	Audit and evaluate hub training events that take place at present across the region
procedures.			Create a more regional approach towards pedagogy
		Moderation training taking place through <i>GwE Teacher Assessment Working Group</i> [training arranged for March 2015].	training and arranging regional training events by March 2015
		During March, training on the assessment and moderation of Teacher Assessment at the end of KS2 and KS3 in Welsh First Language, English, Mathematics and Science was held. Every cluster was invited to send a primary and a secondary	Continue with the support and guidance provided by GwE to the schools in the region
		representative for each subject to the training sessions. There were 11 sessions held in locations across the three hubs.	Continue to collaborate with the other 3 consortia and Welsh Government in order to promote effective
		Although concern had been expressed about insufficient warning of the training dates, the feedback on the content of the course and the quality of the training material was very encouraging. 91% of clusters ensured representation in each of the subject sessions.	assessment and moderation processes
		All the training material was published on the GwE website, including the exemplar Learner Profiles	
		Reports were received on cluster moderation meetings. Following the training, it seems that the moderation process has been strengthened, and clusters that have not ensured that consistent moderation meetings have taken place during	
		recent years have now ensured that this occurs.	
GwE to operate as project manager	А	GwE have successfully tendered to deliver the NPQH regionally and have arranged	Further consideration from January 2015 to :
regarding the delivery of the NPQH selection and assessment process.	- Y	and facilitated the selection process for the 2014/2105 process.	 appointing Strategic Project Manager for the NPQH process - competed
			arranging and facilitating appropriate further training for NPQH mentors ongoing
			assisting WG with the training arrangements for NPQH candidates ongoing
			arranging and facilitating the assessment process for the 2015/2106 process – ongoing
		GwE is collaborating with Welsh Government and the other 3 consortia on planning and implementing the new NPQH	September 2015 onwards

Priority	Support schools to develop more robust and effective assessment, standardisation and moderation processes				
SLT Lead Member	EJ				
	Risk Assessment				

Action				Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
To ensure representation at national				Representation from GwE on National Teacher Assessment Moderation Working	•
level on WG working groups looking at				Group meetings.	
ensuring consistency in Teacher					
Assessment across Wales.				Regional working group established with one representative from each core	
Representative will lead a regional				subject in each sector. Meeting held on 26 January to discuss the plan and the	
working group made up of Challenge				timescale.	
Advisers who have expertise in this area.					
,				Full time SMT member appointed on secondment to facilitate process and	
				prepare logistical plan for timetable, venues and guidance. (January 2015)	
Identify eight expert practitioners				Additional lead practitioners identified for Science and Mathematics (primary and	Cross phase moderation of the Maths learner profiles will
(representing primary x1 and secondary				secondary) in order to produce Welsh and English medium learner profiles.	take place before the end of February. A change in the
x1 from each core subject) to create a					GwE lead for secondary Maths and Lead Practitioner led
regional portfolio of standardised work				Learner profiles have been produced and quality assured by GwE working group	to a delay in starting work on the Learner Profiles.
for each subject in all three Key Stages.				members.	,
High quality portfolios will be distributed					
to all schools across the region as part of				Cross phase moderation of profiles taking place during the week beginning 9	
school's own CPD on Teacher				February.	
assessment. GwE staff will quality-assure					
the resources.				All profiles published on the GwE website	
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Sixteen 'deputy' expert practitioners will		A -		Deputy practitioners for all subjects in place	All deputy practitioners in place by February 2015
be identified by the GwE staff (2 people		Υ		, ,,	' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' '
per subject per phase). Practitioners will				Training arranged for the week beginning 23 February	Deputy practitioners to be trained by working group/lead
be trained by the expert practitioner in					practitioners by March 2015
the delivery of the training resources.				EEJ and DR have attended some Headteacher forums. Information was provided	'
GwE staff to quality-assure training.				from the other forums	
Lead practitioners to attend all		R		Letter has been sent to all Headteachers explaining the approach being taken and	GwE facilitator to arrange dates and agenda item-
Headteacher forums to present guidance		_		the timescale	February 2015
and profiles.		Υ			,
'				Training sessions were held in March. Positive comments on the content of the	Seconded Headteachers (EEJ and DR) to attend Head
				course and the quality of the training materials, including the learner profiles,	teacher forum meetings during February/March 2015
				although there was concern that not much notice was given of the sessions and	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
				that the timetable for the moderation process is tight.	
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				All the training materials are available on the GwE website	
Trainers to hold cluster training sessions		R		Training materials produced	Cluster sessions to be held during March 2015
attended by one secondary and one		_		<u> </u>	Ŭ
primary representative from each		Υ			Collect evidence of training on a school and cluster level
cluster.					
Expectation for identified cluster leads					
to disseminate the resources to all					
schools in cluster meetings.				Clusters have sent minutes of meetings	
Register of attendance at cluster				Challenge Advisers have completed reports on moderation meetings in which	
meetings will be taken and non-				they were present	
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attenders will be required to attend a subsequent one off <i>mop-up</i> training sessions. Challenge Advisors will sample a selection these sessions School representatives to	R -	Headteachers informed by letter of the requirements	Dissemination of resources and training to all school staff
train/disseminate to all staff in their schools and meetings to be chaired by SLT. Headteacher to sign off that meeting has taken place. Challenge Advisers will request evidence from the head that meetings have taken place.	Α	Further guidance to be provided in Headteacher forum meetings	during March 2015
Cluster meetings to take place by end of Spring Term to undertake cross phase moderation. Standards to be informed by regional training and the agreed resource. Cluster school's work will be required to	R - A	Headteachers informed by letter of the requirements Further guidance to be provided in Headteacher forum meetings Second cluster meetings not timetabled in most clusters, but the moderation process has been strengthened across the region this year.	Cluster meetings to take place between March/April 2015. School's work to be signed off by Head teachers by April 2015.
be signed off by a Headteacher from cluster. Hub Challenge Advisors to attend at least one moderation meeting within hub to quality assure process		Every school is aware of WG guidance on Strengthening Teacher Assessment and has been advised to plan a standardisation and moderation programme for the next academic year. A sample of schools across the region were part of the National Verification programme to strengthen teacher assessment. A team of verifiers within GwE have been part of verifying teacher assessment in other regions (ERW mainly)	Hub challenge advisors to attend at least one moderation meeting within hub to QA during April 2015.
Summer cluster moderation meeting to confirm judgements of learner profiles at the expected and higher level for pupils at point of transfer – Years 2, 6 and 9.	R - A	Headteachers informed by letter of the requirements Further guidance to be provided in Headteacher forum meetings	Summer cluster moderation to look at higher levels during May/June 2015.
Challenge Advisers to gather evidence through monitoring, reporting on and evaluating the delivery of the process [to be recorded].	R - A	Presentation given to all Challenge Advisers on the project	CAs gathering evidence in Visit 2 and 3 during 2015 Spring and Summer Term Working group to meet end of summer term [by June
Working Group to meet at the end of the summer term to evaluate the process using the evidence collated by Challenge Advisers. Regional facilitator to bring together		A team of GwE verifiers to meet with working group to discuss the outcomes of the process this year and to identify priorities for next year.	2015]. Evaluation paper written by regional facilitator during July/August 2015.
regional evaluation paper for dissemination to LA Directors.			Presented to ADEW during Autumn Term 2015. Briefing session for Headteachers on the outcomes of this year's external verification programme and to plan for meeting statutory requirements

Priority	Develop leadership a	nd business capacity to effectively fulfil key functions.	
SLT Lead Member	HFE/SOJ		
	Risk Assessment		
Action		Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
Increase capacity of SMT and regional	Υ-	Head of Brokerage and Support + Senior Challenge Adviser Literacy/Numeracy	
team to respond effectively to breadth		have taken up full-time post since September 2014. We have also appointed	
of responsibilities and expectation and		Headteacher secondment to lead on national projects [Schools Challenge	
the development of new streams of		Cymru/PISA Project] and have increased the cadre of seconded Headteachers	
work from April 2015 onwards		within each hub. This has significantly increase capacity and has allowed GwE to	
[Management of Regional Grants/HR		respond much more effectively to breadth of responsibilities and expectation.	
Services/14-19/Foundation			
Phase/Governor Services etc.]		Head of Standards appointed (start date to be confirmed) completing the Senior	
appointment of Head of Brokerage		Management Team.	
and Support			
appointment of Senior Challenge		Head of Standards has been in post full time since April 2015	
Adviser to lead Literacy/Numeracy			
and to ensure alignment with NSP			
reduction in number of contact			
schools for Senior Challenge			
Advisers			
appointment of Head of Standards			
• appointment of Headteacher			
secondment to lead on national			
projects Schools Challenge			
Cymru/PISA Project			
increase cadre of seconded			
Headteachers who are			
appropriately qualified and trained			
Challenge Advisers to support and			
challenge schools Ensure more effective use of data to		Regional consortium Data and Information Manager has transferred to GWE	
better support the work of school		during Autumn Term and is line managed by MD.	
improvement and to allow the more		Head of Standards is now the Line Manager of the Data and Information Manager	
effective deployment of resources :		Thead of Standards is now the Line Manager of the Data and millimation Manager	All historical data to be incorporated by January 2015.
• strengthen regional data		LA historical data in process of being collated at regional level and data sharing	completed
sharing/collation processes		protocols agreed. This will allow for a more effective and efficient system for	33
 develop pupil tracking system to 		analysing data and targeting resources.	
enable near real-time data within		Develop and publish reports on a regional, authority and school level. Developing	
Local Authorities, sub-regions and		the ability to publish them so that users can self service.	Briefing sessions arranged for LA's and schools before
the Consortium.			end of December with take-up for pilot project to be
		Research and pilot project to be undertaken to evaluate potential use of <i>Teacher</i>	discussed from January 2015onwards completed
		Centre which will allow for real-time tracking of pupil progress [MIS system	•
		developed and implemented by Ceredigion]. Teacher Centre has the potential to	

	provide the single view of a learner as sought by the Welsh Government. Additionally, it offers potential for financial savings and reducing the staff time needed to manage data allowing more time for analysis and reporting of data. The GwE Management Board decided not to proceed any further.	Developed an information sharing agreement with the 6 authorities in order to share data. In the process of arranging direct Access to DEWi so as to facilitate the availability of data to GwE. GwE is investing in a FFT system on a consortium level, which will facilitate the sharing of data
Increase business capacity and structures to respond effectively to breadth of wider responsibilities and expectation of National Model.	Consortium support staff have transferred to GwE. Roles and line management structure have been confirmed	
Ensure that effective structures are operational to allow an oversight of available resources and spend [including budget and proportion of employed staff and flexible resources for interventions]	Increased business capacity allows for a more cohesive approach to budget planning and monitoring. More robust financial monitoring systems and arrangements have been implemented between GwE Business Manager and host LA Finance Department. Monitoring of budget and any under/overspend undertaken in all GwE SLT meetings. Monitoring of the budget is undertaken at times appropriate to the Management Board	Ongoing
 Ensure that work of all CA supported by: relevant professional development opportunities, including access to the National and Local Training Programme. Key aspects of training programme will need to ensure that all Challenge Advisers are familiar with the key characteristics of effective school to school collaboration [including the facilitation of effective working]. quality assurance processes which will be followed rigorously to ensure high quality. effective and robust Performance Management structures for GwE staff [aligned with national standards and supported by national and local professional development programme] 	All Challenge Advisers participated in the national training provided by WG [October 2014]. Effective and rigorous Performance Management procedures are operational across all three hubs. All Challenge Advisers expected to participate in specific Estyn training. Robust QA procedures operational for all termly visits. A GwE Challenge Adviser Development Programme, with a specific focus on the core elements of the post, is now operational:: Challenge Advisers have attended specific training: - Three days developing coaching skills - Training on effective use of tracking systems and target setting	Ensure that regional Challenge Advisers training provided by GwE is aligned with outcomes from national discussions and local Performance Management needs [initial training will focus on developing coaching skills]. To be delivered during 2015 Spring/Summer Term. All Challenge Advisers will be expected to participate in specific Estyn training during 2015 Spring/Summer/Autumn Term. Ensure QA procedures are thorough and effective for Visit 2 and 3 during 2015 Spring and Summer Term. The Development Programme will continue, with the next step focussing on the specific skills required for dealing with schools in different colour categories
Establish effective internal structures to promote and develop the school>school support model	Challenge Advisers briefed and updated on regional developments and expectations re: promoting and facilitating more effective collaboration between schools	Further professional development for CA is planned focusing on coaching skills May/June 2015. This will ensure higher quality support and guidance to school leaders

	Performance Management objectives aligned with this key priority. S>S collaboration discussed and challenged during Visit 1 [monitoring will be completed by end of term] with monitoring follow-up to be completed during Visits 2 and 3 in Spring and Summer Term. GWE CAs have attended specific training – three days on developing coaching skills	completed Briefing and guidance for Term 2 and 3 monitoring visits will be arranged for CA prior to visits by during 2015 Spring and Summer Term. completed Implement the revised model for September 2015 onwards and ensure a mature programme of S>S support. Specific training developed for CAs, to be held early in September 2015
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Priority	Ensure the effective	governance of GwE.	
SLT Lead Member	HFE/EVJ		
	Risk Assessment		
Action		Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
In alignment with national model		Joint Committee and User Group membership/terms of reference currently aligns	
expectations, agree any amendments to		with NM expectations	
governance structure during autumn			
2014 for implementation by December		Agreement in place to establish Executive Advisory Board with initial	Re-visit the original Inter Authority Agreement to include
2014 :		membership/terms of reference. The group will have advisory and reporting	additions as a result of the National Model – autumn
• review Joint Committee		powers which correspond to the functions set out in the National Model, along	term 2015
membership/terms of reference		with delegated decision powers. The GwE MD will have access to the EAB along	
and align with NM expectations if		with the 6 Chief Education Officers	
required			
review User Group membership		Governance model agreed which outlines clearly the extent of delegated authority to directors and/or the MD and his team.	
and terms of reference and align		authority to directors and/or the MD and his team.	
with NM expectations if requiredestablish and agree			
 establish and agree membership/terms of reference for 		Report outlining the changes to the GwE governance structure (in response to the	
Executive Advisory Board		National Model) presented and approved by the 6 local authorities and the Joint	
agree working arrangements with		Committee	
Local Authorities for statutory		The report includes membership/terms of reference of the various groups as well	
responsibilities and ensure that		as the authorised levels to the various tiers.	
there is an effective feedback-loop			
through Elected Members/LA		Membership of Advisory Board confirmed, and 2 meetings of the (shadow)	
scrutiny processes and GwE		Advisory Board were held in April and July	
consultative processes to inform			
decision making within GwE.		A summary of decisions/discussions to be shared with the Joint Committed, for	
ensure that developed model		information	
outlines clearly the extent of			
delegated authority to directors			
and/or the MD and his team.			

Priority	Ensu	ıre rol	bust quality	assurance, scrutiny and accountability at all levels	
SLT Lead Member	HFE,				
	Ris	k Ass	essment		
Action				Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
Ensure that robust Performance				Performance Management procedures agreed for all CA and operational across all	Agree PM procedures for support staff by January 2015.
Management procedures are applied				3 hubs [to be completed by December 2015].	
consistently and that national training					Ensure that regional CA training provided by GwE is
programmes for up-skilling Challenge				All Challenge Advisers participated in the national training provided by WG	aligned with outcomes from national discussions and
Advisers are underpinned and reinforced				[October 2014]. Discussion ongoing re: regional supplementary training.	local Performance Management needs [initial training
by regional support.					will focus on developing coaching skills]. To be delivered
					during 2015 Spring/Summer Term.
				Performance Management for all GwE CAs has been completed	All CA expected to participate in specific Estyn training
				refrontiance wanagement for all GWE CAS has been completed	during 2015 Spring/Summer/Autumn Term.
				Performance Management of business team completed	during 2013 Spring/Summer/Addum Term.
				The state of the s	The Development Programme will continue, with the
					next step focussing on the specific skills required for
				A GwE Challenge Adviser Development Programme, with a specific focus on the	dealing with schools in different colour categories
				core elements of the post, is now operational::	
				Challenge Advisers have attended specific training:	
				- Three days developing coaching skills	
				- Training on effective use of tracking systems and target setting	
Further hone GwE internal self-				Full self-evaluation against regional performance, leadership and governance	From January 2015 onwards, ensure that self-evaluation
evaluation structures and develop ways				aspects and quality of provision and support by GwE completed for Estyn	processes are operational for all GwE led initiatives and
of measuring the impact of actions				thematic inspection. 5 stakeholder surveys undertaken during period between	projects so that we can measure impact of actions and
whilst ensuring that the findings of those				April 2013>December 2014. Key strengths and areas for further improvement	set appropriate targets for improvements.
processes are used effectively to set				identified and included within 2014-2015 Business Plan.	
appropriate and challenging targets and					
quality indicators to improve the					
performance of the service and schools.					
Ensure that SCA attend SLT meetings of				All SCA attend regular meetings with LA home team.	Continued presence in meetings.
LA home team to report on progress					
against key priorities [including					
performance of targeted schools].					
SCA to evaluate respective LA				SCA currently updating reports on hub LA performance for 2013-2014 with	Both reports to be submitted to relevant scrutiny panels
performance in Autumn Term and to				finalised KS4 data. MD has completed annual regional report on performance.	within respective LA's [December 2014>February 2015].
present annual report to scrutiny committee and LA Senior Officers.				Both reports to be submitted to relevant scrutiny panels within respective LA's.	LA Lead Members/Portfolio Holder/Cabinet Member to
LA Lead Members/Portfolio					report on findings of individual scrutiny processes to
Holder/Cabinet Member to report on					Joint Committee in first 2015 Spring Term meeting
findings of individual scrutiny processes					John Committee in mot 2013 Spring Term meeting
to Joint Committee.					Joint Committee to agree on any further action required
to John Committee.	i		L		Joint committee to agree on any farther action required

Joint Committee to agree on any further action required by GwE SLT			by GwE SLT following above reporting.
MD to evaluate regional performance in Autumn Term and to present: i. annual report for scrutiny to Advisory Board and Joint Committee ii. updates on progress against key priorities at timetabled meetings		MD has completed annual regional report on performance	Report to be submitted to all respective LA scrutiny panels and Joint-Committee by early 2015 Spring Term with updates when required.

Priority	Ensure that GwE be	comes a sustainable and effective partner within the educational community	
SLT Lead Member	RHH		
	Risk Assessment		
Action		Progress Report and evidence of impact	Further action to be taken [with timescale]
Ensure a high level of GwE brand		External branding company commissioned with action/implementation plan	Updates to be provided during the year as project
identification across the region so that		completed.	develops.
all professionals know what GwE			
can/will deliver :		Briefing sessions for Challenge Advisers have taken place.	Feedback form stakeholder sub group considered and
Commission external "branding"			implemented by December 2014 - completed
company" to assist/advise and		Stakeholder sub group has been set up in order to discuss requirements.	
implement developments.			Briefing session for all key stakeholders by March 2015
Challenge Advisers and key		GwE training activities prospectus under development and to be published via	51 4 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
stakeholders to be briefed and		phase 1, 2, and 3.	Phase 1 to be published in January 2015
updated regarding developments		Conflicted with the state of th	Face and the second sec
develop prospectus of GwE		GwE interactive website under development [will be published via phase 1, 2, and	Ensure regular updates to User Group [from January 2015 onwards].
activities re: support/bespoke and		3]. Lead schools for 2015 GCSE project will trial the VLE developments.	2015 Oliwarusj.
generic training which will be		Presentation given to GwE User Group regarding developments to date [Nov	Evaluation of action plan by July 2015.
available to schools.		2014]	Evaluation of action plan by July 2013.
establish GwE website/moodle/VLE platform to inform and share host		2014)	
platform to inform and share best practice across the region.		Improved GwE profile has resulted in initial improved awareness amongst all	Continue to develop the profile of GwE – ongoing
GwE User Group to advise and		stakeholders regarding the effective services provided by GwE.	continue to develop the prome of care on going
assist developments.			Ensure that the new leadership structure is known to all
 evaluation of progress and 		New GwE website is live. The website is developing as is appropriate	– September 2015
effectiveness of <i>new brand</i> .			'
brand identification operational		GwE's new logo is now operational and known to all	
across the region.			
across the region.		New GwE Leadership Structure is now operational	
Ensure that all Challenge Advisors		All Challenge Advisers participated in the national training provided by WG	Ensure that regional Challenge Advisers training
deliver high levels of good quality		[October 2014]	provided by GwE is aligned with outcomes from national
services for schools.			discussions and local Performance Management needs

 full participation in the National Challenge Advisers training participation in specific Challenge Advisers follow-up training events 		Effective and rigorous Performance Management procedures are operational across all three hubs. All Challenge Advisers expected to participate in specific Estyn training.	[initial training will focus on developing coaching skills]. To be delivered during 2015 Spring/Summer Term completed
 [to include coaching and mentoring training] participation in specific Estyn training for Challenge Advisers 			All Challenge Advisers will be expected to participate in specific Estyn training during 2015 Spring/Summer/Autumn Term.
 rigorous and challenging performance management procedure in operation for all Challenge Advisers. bespoke training and support programme made available and to include opportunities for leadership experience in school settings 		A GwE Challenge Adviser Development Programme, with a specific focus on the core elements of the post, is now operational:: Challenge Advisers have attended specific training: - Three days developing coaching skills - Training on effective use of tracking systems and target setting	All employed CAs gave attended relevant Estyn training.
		The Development Programme will continue, with the next step focussing on the specific skills required for dealing with schools in different colour categories	September 2015
Ensure regional consistency in terms of the provision available to develop the		Bespoke GwE training development and support programme activities prospectus under development [see commentary on relevant priority above].	See commentary on relevant priority above.
quality of school leadership and teaching [see Learner Outcomes Priority 3 and 7 above].		See above comments on GwE Leadership Development Programme and specific training for Challenge Advisers	Bespoke Coaching Skills development training arranged for Ch. Ad – April 2105 completed Phase 1 Continue with developments – ongoing
Develop a prospectus of GwE activities/support/bespoke and generic training which will be available locally to schools [see Learner Outcomes Priority 7 above].		See commentary on relevant priority above. See commentary on relevant priority above	See commentary on relevant priority above. See commentary on relevant priority above
Develop a GwE website/moodle platform to inform and share best practice across the region		See commentary on relevant priority above. New GwE website is live. The website is developing as is appropriate	See commentary on relevant priority above. GwE Website to go live February / March 2015 Completed – Phase 1 Continue to develop the website and the relevant materials – ongoing
Develop strong links and a clear reciprocal relationship with key regional partners eg Universities/FE/Employers	R- A	No action taken to date. Contact made with Glyndwr University and Bangor University. Discussions continue regarding the joint planning of Leadership CPD for north Wales practitioners	Initial meetings with key regional partners to be instigated during May 2015 completed – Phase 1 ongoing