



REPORT TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE

24 MAY 2023

Report by: Arwyn Thomas, GwE Managing Director

Subject: Reform journey celebration event

1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 To present information to Joint Committee members regarding the intention to host a 'Curriculum for Wales Marketplace' for regional school leaders on 22 June 2023 at Venue Cymru, Llandudno to celebrate the reform journey thus far.

2.0 Background

2.1 The aim of the event is to provide an opportunity to share Curriculum for Wales (CfW) developments and celebrate achievements, with the aim of sharing emerging practice across the Areas of Learning and Experience.

2.2 The day will involve watching and listening to schools sharing their experiences of the reform journey thus far, in the form of workshops and market stalls. There will also be opportunity to listen to experts sharing their experiences and describing the international backdrop.

3.0 Matters for consideration

3.1 There will be opportunity to listen to presentations from first-class guest speakers and discuss with colleagues during the day. Guest speakers include Professor Graham Donaldson, Director of Education and the Welsh Language – Welsh Government, and DARPL (Diversity and Anti-Racist Professional Learning).

3.2 Delegates will be able to attend a selection of workshops and stands, or alternatively, delegates may choose to attend a session to hear speakers on the main stage.

3.3 The workshops will be an opportunity to listen to practitioners sharing their experiences, with presentations outlining:

- collaboration by Regional CfW Network members
- how specific schools have responded to CfW
- collaboration by schools in response to CfW

3.4 The wide range of workshops will focus on the following areas:

- Health and Wellbeing
- Humanities
- Expressive Arts
- Science and Technology
- Maths and Numeracy
- Languages, Literacy and Communication
- Curriculum Design
- Assessment
- Transition
- Mandatory and Statutory Element
- 2050 Cymraeg

3.5 There will also be up to 24 market stalls to share emerging practice in a less formal approach to share ideas, practice, and messages. There will be opportunity for a wide cross-section of stakeholders to contribute to the day.

4.0 Recommendations

4.1 The Joint Committee is asked to note the content of the report.

5.0 Financial implications

5.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report. GwE will operate within current financial resources.

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 Consultation with usual key stakeholders.

OPINION OF STATUTORY OFFICERS

Monitoring Officer:

Nothing to add from a propriety perspective.

Statutory Finance Officer:

I note that part 5 of the report confirms that there are no financial implications arising from the report, and that the event will be funded within their existing resources. Therefore, I have nothing to add to the report from the perspective of financial propriety.