

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.

CABINET EXECUTIVE

10th July 2018

**REPORT AUTHOR: County Councillor Myfanwy Alexander
Portfolio Holder for Learning & Welsh Language**

**SUBJECT: Polisi Amddifyn Plant – Safeguarding Policy
Archwiliad Amddifyn Plant – Safeguarding Audit**

REPORT FOR: Discussion

1. Summary

1.1 To present the Schools Service Safeguarding Policy (incorporating a model policy for schools, PRU and pre-school settings). Previously, the Schools Service has provided model policies to schools, the most recent of which were documents supplied by ERW, the school improvement regional consortium. With the change in admission age and the introduction of funded 3+ places in Early Years provision, it was recognised that those model policies needed to be updated to reflect this change. Previously, the Schools Service had followed corporate safeguarding practices and schools had operated under the model policies. The change to the model policy provided an opportunity to develop a new umbrella safeguarding policy for the Schools Service that would encompass all staff and activities within Education: Schools Service, schools and 3+ settings.

1.2 To report on the findings from the Safeguarding Audit undertaken in schools.

2. Proposal

2.1 To note the new Safeguarding Policy.

2.2 To note the findings of the Safeguarding Audit.

3. Options Considered / Available

3.1 Not applicable as yet – action plan to be developed.

4. Preferred Choice and Reasons

4.1 Not applicable as yet.

5. Impact Assessment

5.1 Is an impact assessment required? N/A

5.2 If yes is it attached? N/A

6. Corporate Improvement Plan

6.1 N/A

7. Local Member(s)

7.1 N/A

8. Other Front Line Services

Does the recommendation impact on other services run by the Council or on behalf of the Council? N/A

If so please provide their comments

9. Communications

Have Communications seen a copy of this report? No

Have they made a comment? N/A

10. Support Services (Legal, Finance, Corporate Property, HR, ICT, Business Services)

10.1 Legal – N/A

10.2 Finance – The Finance Manager notes the contents of the report and understands that there are no financial implications from the change in policy

10.3 Corporate Property (if appropriate) – N/A

10.4 HR (if appropriate) – N/A

10.5 ICT (if appropriate) – N/A

11. Scrutiny

Has this report been scrutinised? Yes

If Yes what version or date of report has been scrutinised? Policy – v2.6 and current version of Safeguarding Audit report – 18 June 2018. Please insert the comments.

What changes have been made since the date of Scrutiny and explain why Scrutiny recommendations have been accepted or rejected? N/A

11.1 N/A

12. Statutory Officers

The Head of Financial Services (Deputy Section 151 Officer) notes the comment by the Finance Manager.

13. Members' Interests

The Monitoring Officer is not aware of any specific interests that may arise in relation to this report. If Members have an interest they should declare it at the start of the meeting and complete the relevant notification form.

Recommendation:	Reason for Recommendation:
Cabinet to note the report.	Agree for the service to implement the plan and keep them updated on progress.

Relevant Policy (ies):			
Within Policy:	Y / N	Within Budget:	Y / N

Relevant Local Member(s):	
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Person(s) To Implement Decision:	
Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:	

Is a review of the impact of the decision required?	N
If yes, date of review	
Person responsible for the review	N/A
Date review to be presented to Portfolio Holder/ Cabinet for information or further action	N/A

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Background Papers used to prepare Report: