

REPORT FOR SILVER 09/06/2020

OPTIONS FOR THE TRANSITION FROM THE CLOSURE OF EMERGENCY CHILDCARE HUBS TO THE REOPENING OF SCHOOLS ON 29TH June 2020

On Wednesday 3rd June, the education minister announced to reopening of all schools for all pupils on the 29th June 2020. It was announced that this would be a staggered approach in order for all pupils to check in, catch up and prepare for school in September.

The current situation is that in Powys we have been running 14 mainstream emergency childcare hubs and 2 special provision childcare hubs. The hubs have provided free childcare for key workers and vulnerable pupils from 8am – 6 pm, 7 days a week including bank holidays.

As all schools re-open, they will provide the childcare for the pupils in their own schools.

Schools who have been re-purposed as hubs will need time to transition to the new normal schools which will included added signage, circulation routes, staggered starts and ends to the day etc.

In order for this to happen the proposal brought to silver is as follows:

- All emergency childcare hubs close at 6pm on Wednesday 24th June 2020
- Childcare for key workers' children and vulnerable children to be provided by the child's own school or cluster on Thursday 25th June 2020 and Friday 26th June 2020 from 8.30am until 4.30pm provided the school building is safe for pupils and staff to do so.
- Bookings will remain a central function for key workers' children and vulnerable pupils until July 27th 2020.
- In the very few schools where key workers' children and vulnerable pupils attend on a regular basis, a cap will be placed on the amount of children coming into school so that all children can attend school at least once or twice before the end of term.

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