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Service Area	Schools Service	Head of Service	Lynette Lovell / Emma Palmer	Portfolio Holder	Cllr Phyl Davies
Proposal			Caereinion C.P. School and Caereinon		I-age school in Llanfair Caereinion. This wil g a new all-age school providing education
Outline Summ	ary / Description of Propos	al			
-		Strategy for Transforming Education in 'Develop a network of all-age schools	-	-	form the Powys education system over the
of moving to es school in Llanfa	tablish an all-age school in ir Caereinion. This proposal	Llanfair Caereinion. These discussions	have indicated that the two governi Council's Transforming Education Prop	ng bodies agree in princi	nion High School, to explore the possibility ple to move towards establishing an all-ag he proposal be implemented, the current

1. Version Control (services should consider the impact assessment early in the development process and continually evaluate)

Version	Author	Date
	Developed at a workshop attended by the following:	
1	 Sarah Astley, Programme Manager, Transforming Education Team Richard Williams, Programme Officer, Transforming Education Team Glyn Whiteford, Challenge Advisor Delyth Jones, Challenge Advisor Bedwyr Fychan, Welsh Language Officer Bets Ingram, Strategic Planning and Risk Officer 	03/09/2020



2. Profile of savings delivery (if applicable)

2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	TOTAL
£	£	£6,996.50	£4,997.50	£	£11,994

3. Consultation requirements

Consultation Requirement	Consultation deadline/or justification for no consultation
Public consultation required	If approved by Cabinet, it is anticipated that consultation in accordance with the School Organisation Code will commence in October and the consultation stage of the process will be concluded by the end of 2020.

4. Impact on Other Service Areas

Adult Services		Education	\checkmark	Legal and Democratic Services	\checkmark
Children's Services	\checkmark	Finance	\checkmark	Property, Planning and Public Protection	\checkmark
Commissioning		Highways, Transportation and Recycling		Transformation and Communications	\checkmark
Digital Services	\checkmark	Housing and Community Development		Workforce and OD	\checkmark
Data Protection Impact As	sessment				
Will the proposal involve pr Is Powys County Council the	•	details of individuals? Yes ✓ No □ ✓ No □			
If you have answered yes to For further advice please co		ou will be required to complete, as a minimum, the screance Team.	eening ques	tions on the data protection impact assessment.	

4a Geographical Locations



What geographica	Nhat geographical area(s) will be impacted by the proposal? (Chose all those applicable)									
Powys		Brecon		Llandrindod and Rhayader		Machynlleth				
		Builth and Llanwrtyd		Llanfair Caereinion	\checkmark	Newtown				
North		Crickhowell		Llanfyllin		Welshpool and Montgomery				
Mid		Hay and Talgarth		Llanidloes		Ystradgynlais				
South		Knighton and Presteigne								

5. How does your proposal impact on Vision 2025?

Council's Well-being Objective	How does the proposal impact on this Well-being Objective?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
The Economy We will develop a vibrant economy	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.
Health and Care We will lead the way in providing effective, integrated health and care in a rural environment	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.
Learning and skills We will strengthen learning and skills	The proposal would provide a more sustainable model for delivering primary and secondary education in Llanfair Caereinion, and would have a positive impact on the quality of education provided to pupils.	Good		Choose an item.
Residents and Communities We will support our residents and communities	The proposal would have a positive impact on residents in the Llanfair Caereinion area as it would provide a more sustainable model for delivering primary and secondary education in the town. In addition, it would provide enhanced opportunities for primary aged pupils to access community facilities located on in the secondary school.	Good		Choose an item.



Source of Outline Evidence to support judgements Initial meetings with governing bodies

6. How does your proposal impact on the Welsh Government's well-being goals?

Well-being Goal	How does proposal contribute to this goal?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
A prosperous Wales: An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.
A resilient Wales: A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change).	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.



Well-being Goal	How does proposal contribute to this goal?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
A healthier Wales: A society in which people's physical and mental well-being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood. Public Health (Wales) Act, 2017: Part 6 of the Act requires for public bodies to undertake a health impact assessment to assess the likely effect of a proposed action or decision on the physical or mental health of the people of Wales.	The proposal would have a positive impact on learners in Llanfair Caereinion. In particular, it would enable primary aged pupils to access specialist facilities at the high school, including community and sports facilities located on the site, resulting in a positive impact on learner well-being and physical & mental health.	Good		Choose an item.
A Wales of cohesive communities: Attractive, viable, safe and well-connected Communities.	The proposal would lead to the establishment of one all-age school in Llanfair Caereinion, which would bring the two existing school communities in the town together. It is anticipated that this would lead to improved cohesion between primary and secondary parents and learners, both in the town of Llanfair Caereinion and across the wider Caereinion catchment area.	Good		Choose an item.



A globally responsible Wales: A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being.An environmental proactive (see guidance) UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: The Convention gives rights to everyone under the age of 18, which include the right to be protected from discrimination; that organisations act for the best interest of the child; the right to life, survival and development; and the right to be herd.No impactNeutralNeutralFeature child: c	Well-being Goal	How does proposal contribute to this goal?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
	A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being. Human Rights - is about being proactive (see guidance) UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: The Convention gives rights to everyone under the age of 18, which include the right to be treated fairly and to be protected from discrimination; that organisations act for the best interest of the child; the right to life, survival and development; and the right to be	No impact	Neutral		



Well-being Goal	How does proposal contribute to this goal?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
Opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and treating the Welsh language no less favourable than the English language	The proposal is to amalgamate two dual stream schools in order to establish a new dual stream all-age school. Whilst the proposal would not change the current language category of the two schools, it is anticipated that amalgamating the two schools would lead to enhanced opportunities to use the Welsh language throughout the school, for example by providing opportunities for older pupils to act as Welsh advocates within the school, increased opportunities for participation in Welsh language extra-curricular opportunities and involvement in the Urdd. Implementation of the proposal would also result in the establishment of a new governing body and staffing structure, who would be responsible for embedding a vision for the Welsh language across the whole school, and for ensuring consistency across both phases of education. It is not anticipated that the proposal would lead to the Welsh language being treated less favourably than the English language.	Good		Choose an item.



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Opportunities to promote the Welsh language	 The proposal is to amalgamate two dual stream schools in order to establish a new dual stream all-age school. Whilst the proposal would not change the current language category of the two schools, it is anticipated that amalgamating the two schools would lead to enhanced opportunities to promote the Welsh language within the school, for example: By having one 'Siartr laith' (Welsh Language Charter) across the whole school By having one 'Criw Cymraeg' working to promote the Welsh language throughout the school and the wider community Improved transition opportunities for Welsh-medium pupils, between Key Stage 2 and 3 in particular Increased opportunities for school to school working in order to promote the Welsh language Improved opportunities to provide Welsh language cluster activities. 	Good		Choose an item.



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People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation.	The proposal would lead to increased opportunities for learners in the primary phase to use specialist facilities currently available at Caereinion High School, including sports facilities, as well as art, music, cookery, technology.	Good		Choose an item.
	es people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circl Act 2010 (Statutory Duties) (Wales) Regulations 2011 and the Social Econo			
Age	The proposal would provide improved educational opportunities for all school aged pupils in Llanfair Caereinion, regardless of their age.	Good		Choose an item.
Disability	 The proposal would provide improved educational opportunities for all school aged pupils in Llanfair Caereinion, including any pupils with disabilities. The proposal would amalgamate the two schools in their existing accommodation, therefore there would be no change in terms of access for disabled pupils in accordance with requirements under the Equality Act 2010. It is anticipated that the proposal would provide improved provision for pupils with additional learning needs, as they would be part of one school throughout their time in school, enabling consistent support to be provided to them. 	Good		Choose an item.
Gender reassignment	No impact.	Neutral		Choose an item.
Marriage or civil partnership	No impact.	Neutral		Choose an item.



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Race	The proposal would provide improved educational opportunities for all school aged pupils in Llanfair Caereinion, regardless of their race.	Good		Choose an item.
Religion or belief	The proposal would provide improved educational opportunities for all school aged pupils in Llanfair Caereinion, regardless of their religion or belief.	Good		Choose an item.
Sex	The proposal would provide improved educational opportunities for all school aged pupils in Llanfair Caereinion, regardless of their sex.	Good		Choose an item.
Sexual Orientation	The proposal would provide improved educational opportunities for all school aged pupils in Llanfair Caereinion, regardless of their sexual orientation.	Good		Choose an item.
Pregnancy and Maternity	No impact.	Neutral		Choose an item.
Socio-economic duty	The proposal would contribute to the educational outcomes of specific groups, e.g. learners eligible for Free School Meals. It is anticipated that the proposal would at least sustain or improve outcomes for these groups of learners.	Neutral		Choose an item.

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Source of Outline Evidence to support judgements

The integrated approach to support effective decision making



Initial meetings with governing bodies PLASC 2019/2020

7. How does your proposal impact on the council's other key guiding principles?

Principle	How does the proposal impact on this principle?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
Sustainable Development Principle (5	ways of working)			
Long Term: Looking to the long term so that we do not compromise the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.	The proposal would provide a more sustainable model of delivering education in Llanfair Caereinion, enabling education to be delivered more efficiently, therefore safeguarding the provision of primary and secondary education in Llanfair Caereinion.	Good		Choose an item.
Collaboration: Working with others in a collaborative way to find shared sustainable solutions.	This proposal has been developed in collaboration with the governing bodies of Llanfair Caereinion C.P. School and Caereinion High School. There is already a strong commitment to cluster and collaborative working at both Llanfair Caereinion C.P. School and Caereinion High School. Implementation of the proposal would enable opportunities for collaboration within Llanfair Caereinion to be maximised. In addition, the new school would be expected to continue to collaborate with other schools, including other primary schools in the Llanfair Caereinion catchment area and other secondary and all-age providers across Powys and beyond, in order to maximise the opportunities available to pupils.	Good		Choose an item.



Principle	How does the proposal impact on this principle?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
Involvement (including Communication and Engagement): Involving a diversity of the population in the decisions that affect them including: Unpaid Carers: Ensuring that unpaid carers views are sought and taken into account	The proposal has been developed in discussion with the governing bodies of Llanfair Caereinion C.P. School and Caereinion High School. Should Cabinet decide to proceed with the recommendation, full consultation would be carried out with stakeholders in accordance with the School Organisation Code which would ensure the opportunity for all interested parties to give their views. The findings of this exercise would be reported to Cabinet and would be taken into consideration when determining how to proceed. This impact assessment will be updated throughout the process to reflect any feedback received. All stakeholders would have the opportunity to give their views as part of this process, this would include any unpaid carers in the area.	Good		Choose an item.



Principle	How does the proposal impact on this principle?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
Prevention: Understanding the root causes of issues to prevent them from occurring including: Safeguarding: Preventing and responding to abuse and neglect of children, young people and adults with health and social care needs who can't protect themselves.	The intention is that establishing a new all-through to serve the town would provide a more efficient delivery model, which would safeguard the provision of primary and secondary education in Llanfair Caerenion. The proposal would result in a larger school community, both in terms of number of learners and number of staff. Having a larger number of staff contributes positively to creating a safe environment. The secondary sector usually has more staffing roles which are dedicated to well-being and safeguarding learners. Should the proposal be implemented, it is anticipated that these roles would be replicated in the new all-age school, which would have a positive impact on the safeguarding arrangements for primary aged pupils. Should Cabinet decide to proceed with the proposal, full consultation would be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the School Organisation Code. This would include consultation with pupils, which would ensure that their views and any concerns would be taken into account.	Good		Choose an item.
Integration: Taking an integrated approach so that public bodies look at all the well-being goals in deciding on their well-being objectives.	No impact.	Neutral		Choose an item.



Powys County Council Workforce: What Impact will this change have on the Workforce?	 The proposal would impact on all current staff at Llanfair Caereinion C.P. School and Caereinion High School. Should Cabinet decide to proceed with the proposal, full consultation would be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the School Organisation Code, supported by the relevant LA teams (e.g. HR). This would include consultation with staff, which would ensure that they had an opportunity to give their views on the recommendation. Should the recommendation be implemented, the new school's temporary governing body would agree a new staffing structure would be produced for the new school, and the management of change process would take place. It is possible that there would be a change in the number of positions available at the new school. There would be an opportunity for staff to apply for positions in the new school, and an opportunity for any staff who do not secure a post in the new school to be redeployed. It is acknowledged that there would be a period of uncertainty for staff whilst these processes are taking place which could have a negative impact on them. As the new school would be an all-age school with a larger team of staff, it is anticipated that the proposal would have a positive impact on staff in the longer term, through enhanced opportunities for collaboration with colleagues, increased opportunities for staff development, and more leadership opportunities. 	Neutral	Ensure that processes are carried out as swiftly as possible to minimise the period of uncertainty.	Neutral
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Principle	How does the proposal impact on this principle?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
Payroll : How will this impact salary, any overtime/enhanced payments etc? Does this affect any particular group of employees? E.g. Male/Female dominated workforce. Does this proposal comply with the Councils Single Status Terms and Conditions?	Should the proposal be implemented, the new school would be allocated to a new school group for the purposes of leadership pay. The new school group is anticipated to be higher than the current school group for Caereinion High School, which could result in a higher level of pay for senior leadership roles.	Neutral		Choose an item.
Welsh Language impact on staff	Implementation of the proposal would provide more opportunities for all staff, including Welsh-speaking staff and staff who are learning Welsh, as a result of being part of a larger organisation.	Good		Choose an item.
Apprenticeships: Has consideration been given to whether this change impacts negatively, or positively on Apprenticeships within the service?	No impact.	Neutral		Choose an item.
Source of Outline Evidence to support	: judgements			
	Initial meetings with go	overning bodie	S	

8. What is the impact of this proposal on our communities?

Communities How does the proposal impact on residents and community?	IMPACT See impact definitions in guidance document	What will be done to better contribute to a more positive impact or to mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION See impact definitions in guidance document	Source of Outline Evidence to support judgement
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Llanfair Caereinion The proposal would have a positive impact on residents in the Llanfair Caereinion area as it would lead to in an increase in use by the primary phase of facilities available and provide a more sustainable model for delivering primary and secondary education in the town.	Minor		Choose an item.	
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9. What are the risks to service delivery or the council following implementation of this proposal?

Description of risks					
Risk Identified	Inherent Risk Rating Impact X Likelihood (See Risk Matrix in guidance document)	Mitigation	Residual Risk Rating Impact X Likelihood (See Risk Matrix in guidance document)		
Parents don't want their children to attend an all-through school, so move them to alternative schools	Low				
Lack of support for the proposal from other primary schools in the Llanfair Caereinion catchment area	Low				
Period of uncertainty for the two affected schools whilst the statutory process is being carried out and implemented may have a negative impact on standards at the two schools	Medium	Support to be provided to the two schools during the transition period	Low		
Uncertainty for staff during the transition period, may result in some staff leaving	Low	Ensure that processes are carried out as swiftly as possible to minimise the period of uncertainty.	Low		
Changes resulting from other developments as part of the Council's Transforming Education programme e.g. ALN transformation, Post- 16 transformation and Welsh-medium transformation	Medium	Support to be provided to the two schools during the transition period	Low		

10. Overall Summary and Judgement of this Impact Assessment?

Outline Assessment (to be inserted in cabinet report)

Overall, it is anticipated that the proposal to establish an all-age school in Llanfair Caereinion would provide improved educational opportunities for all school aged pupils in the town. Implementation of the proposal would provide a more sustainable model of delivering education in Llanfair Caereinion, ensuring that education could be delivered more efficiently, therefore safeguarding the provision of primary and secondary education in Llanfair Caereinion.

Cabinet Report Reference:

11. Is there additional evidence to support the Impact Assessment (IA)?

What additional evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?



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12. On-going monitoring arrangements?

What arrangements will be put in place to monitor the impact over time?

The Transforming Education Programme Board will continue to monitor impact over time.

Please state when this Impact Assessment will be reviewed.

This impact assessment will be reviewed at each stage of the process

13. Sign Off

Position	Name	Signature	Date
Impact Assessment Lead:	Sarah Astley		
Head of Service:	Lynette Lovell / Emma Palmer		
Portfolio Holder:	Cllr Phyl Davies		

14. Governance

Decision to be made by	Cabinet	Date required	29 th September 2020
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