



MINUTES OF MEETING

SCRUTINY : LEARNING AND LGES MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 10TH MAY, 2023

PRESENT: Councillors L Mytton (Chair)
G Lewis (Vice-Chair)

Councillors C Jones, J Scriven, C Tovey and A Williams-Price

Cooptees: L McClean, L Matuszczyk & J Beard

Outside Bodies:
Clara Seery (CSC) & Natalie Gould (CSC)

Officers:

M Phillips (Democratic Services Officer), E Galeozzie (Democratic Services Officer) and M Edmunds (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
841	Apologies for absence	Apologies received from Helen Power
842	Declarations of Interest (including whipping declarations)	No declarations of interest were recieved
843	Forward Work Programme 2022/2023	A detailed review of the Forward Work Programme 2021-2022. The new Forward Work Programme will be presented in June.
844	Effectiveness of Central South	Presented by Cllr M Jones

	Consortia (CSC)	<p>The following questions were raised;</p> <p>What is the origin of CSC?</p> <p>Regarding 6.2 could you provide additional information on improvement partners?</p> <p>Merthyr requires a lot of support – does the CSC have sufficient capacity to provide sufficient support?</p> <p>Regarding the importance of collaborating with communities. There are barriers to working with communities. What is the CSC doing to support this?</p> <p>What mechanism is in place to check the quality of the work of the improvement partners?</p> <p>6.18 regarding leadership development – What was the participation of the leadership programme in Merthyr vs neighbouring authorities?</p> <p>If the prospective Head doesn't pass the assessment, can they retake it?</p> <p>Is there a link between poverty and attainment?</p> <p>The following comments were made;</p> <p>Chair: Extends thanks for a very detailed report and appreciates the improvement in collaboration and support during difficult post-pandemic times.</p>
845	Report Recommendations	
846	Feedback on Scrutiny Activities	
847	Self-Evaluation Report (SER) Feedback from the Workshop	
848	Any other business deemed urgent by the Chair	No other business was deemed urgent by the Chair