

CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION AND YOUNG PEOPLE CABINET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**HELD AT THE COUNCILLORS MEETING ROOM (235) GUILDHALL,
SWANSEA ON WEDNESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2015 AT 4.00 PM**

PRESENT: Councillor D W W Thomas (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)	Councillor(s)	Councillor(s)
C R Doyle	F M Gordon	C Thomas

Apologies for Absence – Councillors J P Curtice, R V Smith & L V Walton.

Officer: G Borsden – Democratic Services

9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

In accordance with the provisions of the Code on Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

10 DISCUSSION RELATING TO SCOPING OF EXERCISE ON NEET'S.

The Chair reported further to the discussions undertaken at the CAC meeting held on 4 November and referred to the issues highlighted and identified as areas for possible inclusion in the review.

Members present discussed the issues outlined and agreed that a questionnaire be circulated to all schools requesting answers to the topics outlined below.

The CAC requested that all schools be actively encouraged to complete the questionnaire and that it be circulated as soon as possible with a deadline for responses of 6 January 2016 in order that Officers from the Education Department can review the information and report back to the 3 February meeting of the CAC.

1. How do you use the VAP data that you receive.
2. What strategies or interventions do you put in place as a result of knowing which pupils are most vulnerable.
3. How do you evaluate the effectiveness of these.
4. For secondary schools, what is your rate of NEET school leavers for the past five years.

5. Do you consider how to address this, using the VAP data as a method of predicting who might become NEET and targeting them, to reduce the numbers leaving and becoming NEET.

6. What do schools use the NEET statistics and SIMS for and how can this be expanded and better utilised.

7. Could schools list and share any current examples of good practice within Swansea or in other Welsh local authorities that they are aware of/involved in.

8. Ask schools if they have any ideas how can NEET'S be reduced.

RESOLVED that the survey be circulated to all Schools.

The meeting ended at 4.22 pm

CHAIR