

# Equality Impact Assessment Screening Form – Appendix A

Please ensure that you refer to the Screening Form Guidance while completing this form. If you would like further guidance please contact the Access to Services team (see guidance for details).

## Section 1

Which service area and directorate are you from?

Service Area: Planning and Resources

Directorate: Education

### Q1(a) WHAT ARE YOU SCREENING FOR RELEVANCE?

Service/ Function	Policy/ Procedure	Project	Strategy	Plan	Proposal
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(b) Please name and describe here:

### Increased Planned Places at Ysgol Pen-y-bryn

Special school places in Swansea are running at maximum capacity, and increasing demand for places is projected for the future. The significant demand for places is leading the local authority to have no other option than to place pupils into independent and out-of-county schools.

Ysgol Pen-y-bryn has recently been given approval to take over the vacated Arfryn Pupil Referral Unit building that is approximately a mile away from their main site, to provide additional space and facilities. 14 additional planned places will be funded at the school from April 2021 to help to ease the pressure outlined in section 1 of this report. These places can be added without the need for a statutory proposal, as the additional places do not breach the 10% increase threshold that is specified in regulations.

School organisation regulations require a statutory proposal to take place if a special school increases their planned places by more than 10% (or 20 places, whichever is the lesser). Assessments indicate that the Arfryn site can accommodate a maximum of 45 special school places, taking the total number of places at Ysgol Pen-y-bryn to 190 places, and this increase triggers the need for a statutory proposal if we are to fully utilise the Arfryn site. Therefore a statutory proposal would be needed to add 31 extra planned places to the school (as 14 of the 45 extra places can be added without a proposal).

Increasing planned places at Ysgol Pen-y-bryn would alleviate pressure on the moderate ASD STFs. The pupils with the more severe needs (i.e. high ASD symptomatology) could transfer to Ysgol Pen-y-bryn, allowing the authority to place pupils with moderate ASD into the appropriate STFs. It would also alleviate pressure on mainstream schools and STFs that are struggling to cope with the demands of managing pupils with more severe learning difficulties.

### Q2(a) WHAT DOES Q1a RELATE TO?

Direct front line service delivery	Indirect front line service delivery	Indirect back room service delivery
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (H)	<input type="checkbox"/> (M)	<input type="checkbox"/> (L)

(b) DO YOUR CUSTOMERS/CLIENTS ACCESS THIS...?

Because they need to	Because they want to	Because it is automatically provided to everyone in Swansea	On an internal basis i.e. Staff
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (H)	<input type="checkbox"/> (M)	<input type="checkbox"/> (M)	<input type="checkbox"/> (L)

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## Q3 WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL IMPACT ON THE FOLLOWING...

	High Impact (H)	Medium Impact (M)	Low Impact (L)	Don't know (H)
Children/young people (0-18) →	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Older people (50+) →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any other age group →	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disability →	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Race (including refugees) →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Asylum seekers →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gypsies & travellers →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Religion or (non-)belief →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sex →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sexual Orientation →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender reassignment →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Welsh Language →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Poverty/social exclusion →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carers (inc. young carers) →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community cohesion →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marriage & civil partnership →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pregnancy and maternity →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Q4 WHAT ENGAGEMENT / CONSULTATION / CO-PRODUCTIVE APPROACHES WILL YOU UNDERTAKE?

**Please provide details below – either of your planned activities or your reasons for not undertaking engagement**

In order to create a further 31 planned places at Ysgol Pen-y-bryn (with the use of Arfryn), a statutory consultation process must be carried out. A report is being taken to Cabinet seeking authorisation for this. With the full breadth of stakeholders involved in the decision making process.

There is a medium term strategy to increase the number of planned places for special school provision from 205 to 300 places available in a single school to meet the needs of 3-19 ASD, PMLD & M/SLD learners, however this will take time to deliver, and there is a significant need to increase in-county places as soon as possible as a short term solution.

## Q5(a) HOW VISIBLE IS THIS INITIATIVE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC?

High visibility <input type="checkbox"/> (H)	Medium visibility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (M)	Low visibility <input type="checkbox"/> (L)
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## (b) WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL RISK TO THE COUNCIL'S REPUTATION? (Consider the following impacts – legal, financial, political, media, public perception etc...)

High risk <input type="checkbox"/> (H)	Medium risk <input type="checkbox"/> (M)	Low risk <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L)
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## Q6 Will this initiative have an impact (however minor) on any other Council service?

Yes     
  No     
 If yes, please provide details below

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## Q7 HOW DID YOU SCORE?

*Please tick the relevant box*

MOSTLY H and/or M → HIGH PRIORITY →  EIA to be completed  
Please go to Section 2

MOSTLY L → LOW PRIORITY / NOT RELEVANT →  Do not complete EIA  
Please go to Q8 followed by Section 2

Q8 If you determine that this initiative is not relevant for an EIA report, you must provide a full explanation here. Please ensure that you cover all of the relevant protected groups.

## Section 2

NB: Please email this completed form to the Access to Services Team for agreement before obtaining approval from your Head of Service. Head of Service approval is only required via email – no electronic signatures or paper copies are needed.

Screening completed by:
Name: Rhodri Jones
Job title: Head of Education Performance Team
Date: 02/02/2021
Approval by Head of Service:
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Position: Head of Education Planning and Resources
Date: 02/02/2021

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