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Summary: This is a letter from the Scrutiny Programme Committee to the Cabinet Member following the meeting of the Committee on 11 March 2019. It is about a Call-in regarding confirmation that was sought of Cabinet on the 21 February 2019 to commit to the Capital Programme for the new build to Gorseinon Primary School, subject to entering into a contract with Welsh Government and in accordance with Financial Procedure Rule 7.

Dear Councillor Raynor,

Call in – New Build Gorseinon Primary School

Thank you for attending the Scrutiny Programme Committee on 11 March 2019 to outline and answer questions relating to a Call in received on the Capital Programme for the New Build to Gorseinon Primary School.

Following our discussion we agreed that we are satisfied with the explanation and the decision outlined in the Cabinet Report of the 21 February can now be implemented.

We did, however, wish to highlight the following points:

1. We would like to see a process developed where all future reports to Cabinet include an assessment on the impact that decisions may have in respect of the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act. Reports should then reference to the council's corporate priority on biodiversity and the preservation of green spaces.

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2. Concern was raised about the increase in the cost of the construction of the new school and how the figure was obtained. An explanation from the officers was given but it was not clear in the report. A learning point from this is that clear understanding of the figures should be written into future reports.
3. We would like to reinforce the need for as much 'greening' of the site as possible.

We welcome your views on these points and would request a written response by 11 April 2019.

Yours sincerely,

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