



21st Century Schools – Community Benefits

Introduction

What is the 21st Century Schools programme?

- It is a unique collaboration between Welsh Government, the Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA), local authorities, colleges and diocesan authorities investing in the educational estate in Wales.
- 8 schools within the Vale of Glamorgan were refurbished or provided with new buildings under Band A of the programme.
- More than £167 million is proposed to be invested in schools across the Vale of Glamorgan between April 2019 and March 2024.

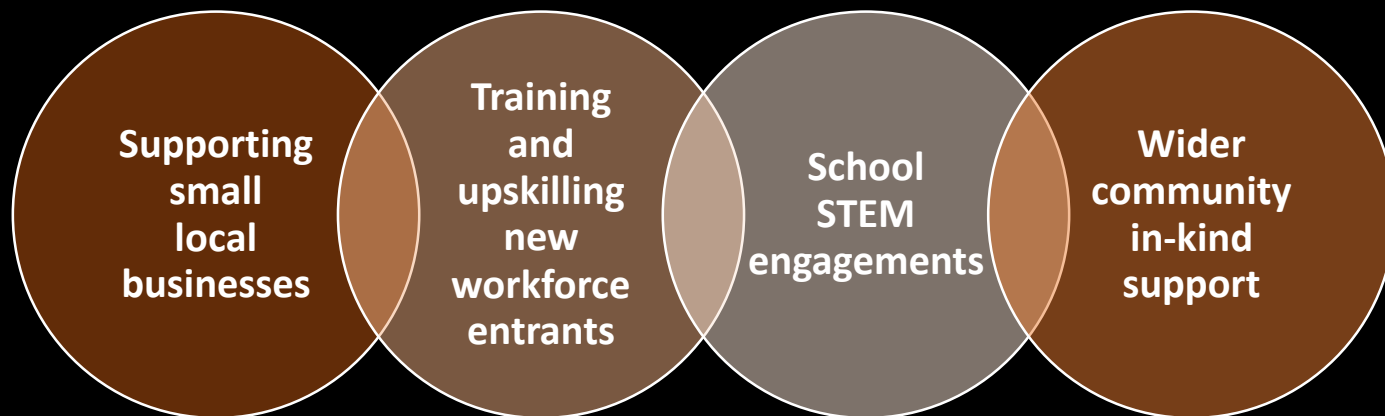


Scheme	School	Project Type	Value (£ million)	Contractor
Barry Secondary Learning Communities	Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Morgannwg	Refurbishment and expansion	£21.4	ISG construction
	Whitmore High School	New build	£30.5	Morgan Sindall
	Pencoedtre High School	New build	£34.6	Bouygues UK
Western Vale Primaries	St David's CIW Primary	New build and expansion	£12.6	ISG construction
	St Nicholas CIW Primary	New build and expansion		
	Llancarfan Primary	New build and expansion		
Ysgol Sant Baruc		New build and expansion	£7.4	
Cowbridge Primary Provision (phase i)		New build	£5	
Additional Learning Needs	Ysgol Y Deri	New build	£11	
	Centre for Learning & Well-being	New build	£4.4	
Penarth Nursery & Primary Provision		New build	£5.5	
3-19 Faith School		New build	£31.9	

Contractors have been appointed for the BSLC and WVP schemes and community benefits are being delivered alongside construction works. The new and refurbished buildings are due to be completed between September – December 2021.

What are community benefits and why do we deliver them?

- The Council's 21st Century Schools programme aims to provide long-term social, environmental and economic benefits to schools and the wider community.
- To achieve these wider programme aims, our appointed contractors are required to deliver on a range of community benefits targets.
- The targets are set as part of the procurement process and are consistently higher than the minimum required by Welsh Government.
- Targets include...



A collaborative approach

- Hold monthly meetings with all the contractor community engagement officers;
- Hold joint supply chain and other events;
- Implement a standard work experience programme;
- Encourage healthy competition; and
- Hold quarterly steering group meetings with wider partners



Achievements to date

Summary figures

Between January 2019 – February 2020, the Barry Secondary Learning Communities (BSLC) project has delivered:

- Over **1,200** person weeks of New Entrant Jobs;
- Over **600** person weeks of New Entrant Training;
- Over **200** hours of school STEM engagements;
 - **4** supply chain engagement events;
- **77%** construction spend within Wales (average);
 - **73%** of subcontractors based in Wales; and
- **50%** of the workforce coming from the local postcode

The BSLC procurement approach has also been short listed for the Welsh Government and UK Go Awards in Social Value.

Work experience, training and upskilling

The main contractors, construction consultants AECOM, and supply chain partners are engaged in apprenticeships and work experience requirements to enable training across a range of specialties.

- Council's Communities 4 Work
- Jobcentre Plus
- Y Prentis
- CITB 'Career Changers' programme
- 'School of Hard Knocks' programme



School engagements

Assemblies;

- Building project updates;
- Site safety information; and
- Career opportunities in construction.

Pupils will also have opportunities to take part in;

- Site visits;
- The construction ambassadors programme; and
- National competitions promoting STEM in construction.



Environmental and well-being enhancement

- Design and deliver BREEAM Excellent standard facilities (includes energy efficient buildings and enhancing habitats for wildlife);
- 90% diversion of waste from landfill;
- Nature and sporting facilities;
- 'Green wall' site hoarding competition; and
- Opportunities for pupils to get involved in landscaping, including tree planting and creating allotments.



Supply chain engagements and supporting social enterprises

- Joint supply chain event during the summer 2019
- Main contractors upskilling a number of sub-contractors
- Increased targets for shared contractors



Ysgol y Deri, catering social enterprise:

- Site catering for the three BSLC projects
- Pupils will gain work experience
- Mobile canteen unit donation will enable this to be a sustainable enterprise



Community projects and engagements

A range of in-kind donations and voluntary support is available to projects and could include help with painting a community space, procurement advice, or training opportunities for service users.

Apply for support at: www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/21st-Century-Schools



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Open evenings

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Community newsletters

Christmas trees to schools

Hampers to local food banks



Thank you,
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