

Dear Consultee,

Proposal to relocate and increase the capacity of Ysgol Gymraeg Y Fenni

Monmouthshire County Council has a statutory duty to secure sufficient and suitable school places for children within the County, and in doing so ensure that resources and facilities are efficiently utilised to deliver the education opportunities that our children deserve.

Monmouthshire also fully support and are committed to Welsh Governments national strategy Cymraeg 2050, which introduces a long term vision for a Wales where the Welsh Language thrives. The establishment of a third Welsh medium primary school in Monmouthshire is a central element of our Welsh in Education Strategic Plan, which focuses on increasing the number of pupils being taught through the medium of Welsh by 2031.

As part of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013, the Council has a statutory duty to consult with members of the community and appropriate stakeholders when considering any significant school organisation proposals.

On 17th January 2024, the Council's Cabinet agreed to commence the required statutory consultation processes on the proposal to relocate Ysgol Gymraeg Y Fenni to the site previously occupied by Deri View Primary School, and in doing so allow for the capacity of the school to increase to 420 places plus 60 place Meithrin.

Statutory consultation on the proposal will commence on **Monday 29th January 2024** and will remain open for a period of 42 days, concluding on **11th March 2024**.

The Council has developed a consultation document which offers more details on these proposals, and is available for you to access via the Monmouthshire County Council website, and specifically via the following link [School Reorganisation - Monmouthshire](#)

A hard copy of the consultation document can be provided on request by emailing strategicreview@monmouthshire.gov.uk.

You are encouraged to take some time to study the consultation document prior to submitting your formal response to this consultation. If you have any comments, observations and / or concerns in relation to the proposal, it is important that you let us know by completing the online response form, which is also available via [School Reorganisation - Monmouthshire](#)

The Council will hold consultation sessions with parents, governors, staff and other interested parties during the 42-day consultation period, providing an opportunity to ask any questions on the proposals.


All views expressed throughout the consultation period will be considered in deciding next steps, so it is imperative that you take some time to share your views. Please make sure that your response clarifies whether or not you are in support of the proposals, and is submitted prior to the closing date of **11th March 2024**.

Unfortunately, the Council is unable to accommodate any responses received after this date.

Following the conclusion of the statutory consultation process, the Council's Cabinet will receive a consultation report analysing the feedback received during the consultation period. It is this report that will inform any decision taken on the next steps of the statutory process. Should the Cabinet undertake a decision to proceed with proposals, statutory notices will be published providing a 28 day notice period for formal objections to be made.

I look forward to receiving your observations. Please remember that all responses must be received by the Council no later than **11th March 2024**.

Yours Sincerely



Will McLean

Chief Officer for Children and Young People

Mae'r Cyngor yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg, Saesneg neu yn y ddwy iaith. Byddwn yn cyfathrebu â chi yn ôl eich dewis.

Ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

The Council welcomes correspondence in English or Welsh or both, and will respond to you