# POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013

Notice is hereby given in accordance with section 41, 43 & 48 of the School Standards and Organisation Act 2013 ("the Act") and the School Organisation Code that Powys County Council of County Hall, Llandrindod Wells, Powys LD1 5LG ("the Council"), having consulted such persons as required, proposes the following:-

# From 31 August 2020:

- . The Council proposes to discontinue the following two schools:
  - Llanfyllin Community Primary School, Llanfyllin, Powys, SY22 5BJ;
  - Llanfyllin High School, Llanfyllin, Powys, SY22 5BJ;

## From 1 September 2020:

i. The Council proposes to establish a new bilingual community school for boys and girls aged 4-18 years old, that will operate on the current sites of Llanfyllin C.P. School and Llanfyllin High School.

From the 1st September 2020, pupils currently attending Llanfyllin Community Primary School and Llanfyllin High School and those admitted during the 2019-20 school year will be able to attend a new bilingual community school for pupils aged 4-18 years old, which will be maintained by Powys County Council. The new school will operate from the sites currently occupied by Llanfyllin Community Primary School and Llanfyllin High School, Llanfyllin, SY22 5BJ.

The Council undertook a period of consultation before deciding to publish this proposal. A consultation report containing a summary of the issues raised by consultees, the responses of the Council and the views of Estyn is available on the Council's website:

https://en.powys.gov.uk/article/5267/Llanfyllin-C.P.-School-and-Llanfyllin-High-School

#### Admissions

The Council will be the admission authority for the new school. The admission number for first time admission to the primary phase at the new school in the first year in which the proposals have been implemented is 27. The admission number for pupils in Year 7 at the new school in the first year in which the proposals have been implemented is 146.

From 1 September 2020, pupils will be admitted to the new 4-18 school in accordance with the Council's admissions arrangements, which do not take account of the sex, aptitude or ability of the child. The following arrangements will apply:

- Pupils currently in Reception Year 6 at Llanfyllin Community Primary School and those admitted during the 2019-20 school year will be admitted to the Primary Phase Campus;
- Pupils currently at Llanfyllin High School and those admitted during the 2019-20 school year will be admitted to the Secondary Phase Campus;
- Pupils entering Year 7 from other primary schools in the catchment area from the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 onwards will be required to apply for places at the secondary phase of the new school in accordance with the Council's Admissions arrangements.

Parents may express a preference for another school and the Council will comply with any such expressed preference subject to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, Section 86(3).

### Language Category

The language category of the proposed new school, as defined by "Defining Schools According to Welsh medium Provision" Welsh Assembly Government Information Document No: 023/2007 is as follows:

- Primary Phase Dual Stream
- Secondary Phase Bilingual Category 2C

## **School Capacity**

The new school's capacity will be 1,101 (+ 26 nursery places). This will include 185 places (+ 26 nursery places) at the Primary Phase Campus and 916 in the Secondary Phase Campus.

### **Transport**

Transport arrangements will be in accordance with the Council's Home-to-School Transport Policy.

#### **How to Object to this Notice**

Within a period of 28 days after the date of publication of these proposals, that is to say by 17<sup>th</sup> April 2019 any person may object to the proposals.

Objections should be sent to Alison Bulman, Corporate Director (Children and Adults), Powys County Council, Powys County Hall, Llandrindod Wells, Powys, LD1 5LG or by email to <a href="mailto:education@powys.gov.uk">education@powys.gov.uk</a>.

Powys County Council will publish a summary of any such objections made within the objection period (and not withdrawn in writing), together with the Council's observations thereon, within the period set out in "the Code".

Alison Bulman
Corporate Director (Children and Adults)
For Powys County Council

Dated this day 20th March 2019

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This explanatory note does not form part of the Notice but is offered by way of explanation).

- The intention of the Council is to close Llanfyllin High School and Llanfyllin Community Primary school on the 31st August 2020 and open a new school for 4-18 year old pupils on the 1st September 2020.
- This will not affect the right of parents to express a preference for other schools.
- Transport arrangements will be made for pupils who qualify under the Council's school transport policy.