

CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

County Hall, Carmarthen, SA31 1JP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Section 44 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 (the Act) and the School Organisation Code that Carmarthenshire County Council (the Council), having consulted such persons as required, propose to discontinue Ysgol Rhydygors Special School, Llansteffan Road, Johnstown, SA31 3NQ. The school is currently maintained by Carmarthenshire County Council.

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 proposer's responses and the views of Estyn is available on the [Ysgol Rhydygors Consultation Page](#)

It is proposed to implement the proposal on 31 August 2022.

Should the above be approved, from 1 September 2022 it is proposed that the Local Authority establish a Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) on the site of the former Ysgol Rhydygors school. Additionally, the Local Authority will establish a Children's Home/Respite centre on the site of the former Ysgol Rhydygors school/Residential Unit as of 1 September 2022. Pupils registered at Ysgol Rhydygors Special School prior to the implementation of the proposal will automatically be admitted to the PRU from 1 September 2022.

Transport will be provided in accordance with the Council's School Transport Policy.

Within a period of 28 days after the date of publication of this proposal, that is to say by **6 February 2022**, any person may object to this proposal. Objections should be submitted through:

completing the [online survey](#),

by e-mail to MEPConsultations@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

or sending a letter to Mr Gareth Morgans, Director of Education and Children's Services, Carmarthenshire County Council, Building 2, St David's Park, Job's Well Road, Carmarthen, SA31 3HB.

Signed: Gareth Morgans
Director of Education and Children's Services
For Carmarthenshire County Council

Dated: 10 January 2022

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Explanatory Note does not form part of the Notice but is offered by way of clarification)

1. It is the Authority's intention to discontinue (close) Ysgol Rhydygors Special school from the 31 August 2022 and make provision for pupils in a new Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) established on the former Ysgol Rhydygors school site from the 1 September 2022.
2. Pupils registered at Ysgol Rhydygors Special School prior to the implementation of the proposal will automatically be admitted to the PRU from 1 September 2022.
3. From 1 September 2022, all former Ysgol Rhydygors pupils who have an element of residential education as part of their ALN Statement will continue to receive this on the site of the former Ysgol Rhydygors school.
4. The establishment of a PRU (in place of Ysgol Rhydygors Special School) should be considered separate and will be carried out via separate procedures following the necessary determination of the proposal.