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Dear Consultee,

**Notification of County Council Decision -
Proposal to change the nature of provision at Ysgol Y Felin**

On Wednesday 9th March 2022, Carmarthenshire County Council approved the following proposal:

From 1 September 2022 the nature of Foundation Phase provision at Ysgol Y Felin will change to Welsh medium education with Dual Stream provision remaining from Key Stage 2 (KS2).

Objections to the proposal- 4 objections were received.

This proposal was considered in accordance with the requirements of the School Organisation Code (2018) of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and noted that four objections had been received in respect of the proposal during the statutory objection period.

In determining the proposal the County Council took into account the following factors as outlined in the School Organisation Code 2018 as follows:

Quality and standards in education

It is the authority's opinion that this proposal is likely to maintain or improve the standards of education provision in the area as supported by Estyn during the formal consultation period.

The County Council has considered that the proposal is in line with Carmarthenshire's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan to increase the provision of Welsh medium education in the locality and ensures children have the opportunity to become fluent in both Welsh and English.

Need for places and the impact on accessibility of schools

In approving this proposal, the County Council has considered the sufficiency of places and the likely demand for places in the future, along with the demand for Welsh medium education within the area. The school will have been developing Welsh medium provision over time, as is expected of all schools under the auspices of the County Council's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan.

There will be no change for current pupils at the school, current pupils will continue to receive their education through the current language arrangements. Any pupils starting at the school following implementation will be taught through the medium of Welsh in the Foundation Phase with the choice of language medium being introduced at Key Stage 2.

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Resourcing of education

In reaching this decision a number of factors have been taken into account, in particular increasing Welsh medium provision in line with Carmarthenshire County Council's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan.

Referral of local authority decisions to the Welsh Ministers

Should any of the following bodies believe that an incorrect decision has been made by the local authority then under section 54 of the 2013 Act they may within 28 days refer the proposal to the Welsh Ministers for consideration:-

- Another local authority affected by the proposals;
- The appropriate religious body;
- The governing body of a voluntary or foundation school;
- A trust holding property on behalf of a voluntary or foundation school;
- A further education institution affected by the proposals.

Please contact Roger W. Bowen of this department if you have any queries.

Yours Sincerely,



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