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Dear Consultee,

**Notification of County Council Decision -
The closure of Llanfynydd Voluntary Aided Primary School**

On Wednesday 14th of January 2015, Carmarthenshire County Council approved the proposal as follows:

To discontinue Llanfynydd Voluntary Aided Primary School and to re-designate the catchment area within the existing catchment area of Cwrt Henri Primary school from the 13th April 2015.

The Council considered the proposal in accordance with the requirements of the School Organisation Code 2013 and noted that no statutory objections had been received in respect of the proposal during the statutory objection period.

In determining the proposal the Council took into account the following factors as outlined in the School Organisation Code 2013 as follows:

Quality and standards in education

It was Estyn's opinion that the proposal would maintain the present standards of education provision in the area with both schools reporting good pupil outcomes showing improvement in the last three years. The local authority worked closely with the Headteacher and respective governing body to ensure a smooth transition to alternative schools.

Need for places and the impact on accessibility of schools

In approving this proposal, the Council has considered the sufficiency of places and the likely demand for places in the future. Due to the very small number of pupils at Llanfynydd VA primary school, the proposals are likely to have a limited impact on other schools in the area. There are sufficient places at Cwrt Henri to accommodate additional pupils which in turn will

have a positive impact reducing the surplus places at Cwrt Henri primary school.

Resourcing of education

In reaching this decision a number of matters have been taken into account, in particular the significant fall in pupil numbers; the associated affect on education provision and the high cost of running the school with a significant deficit budget.

The current projected revenue savings arising from this proposal amounts to £78,755 per annum. These savings would be re-invested within the education service.

Objections to the proposal

No objections were received.

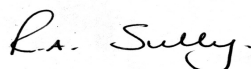
Referral of local authority decisions to the Welsh Ministers

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 Sharon James of this department if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,



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