



OBJECTION REPORT

**For the proposal to Enlarge the Premises at Ysgol Penyffordd
Increasing the Capacity at Ysgol Penyffordd from 315 to 375
Full Time Pupils from 1 September 2023**

November 2022

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1. Purpose

The report is published in line with the requirements under section 49 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013. This is a summary of the statutory objections – otherwise known as “the Objection Report”.

2. Publication of the Statutory Notice

Following the formal consultation period, having been provided with the information gathered through the Consultation, the decision taken by Cabinet on 12 July 2022 to proceed to publish the proposal, by way of a statutory notice for 28 days from Thursday 29 September 2022 to Thursday 27 October 2022.

The Statutory Notice was published in accordance with Section 41 & 43 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013. The Statutory Notice was published on the Flintshire County Council website and posted at the main entrance of Ysgol Penyffordd. Each school affected by the proposal received electronic copies of the notice and provided with details of how to obtain hard copies of the notice. The table below sets out the list of recipients who received a copy of the Consultation Document and Statutory Notices, in accordance with the School Organisation Code.

Requirement under the Organisational Code 011/2018	It will be distributed to
School community	The Headteacher, teachers, staff and the governing body of Ysgol Penyffordd Pupils at Ysgol Penyffordd Parents, carers and guardians (and where possible prospective parents, carers and guardians) of pupils attending Ysgol Penyffordd Governing Body of Ysgol Penyffordd
the maintaining or proposed maintaining authority for any school likely to be affected by the proposals;	Flintshire County Council is submitting the proposal
any other local authority likely to be affected - including in the case of dedicated Special Education Need (SEN)/Additional Learning Need (ALN) provision any authority placing or likely to place statemented pupils in it;	
the Church in Wales and Roman Catholic	Church in Wales Diocese

Diocesan Authority for the area in which any school likely to be affected is located;	Roman Catholic Diocese
any other appropriate religious body for any school likely to be affected by the proposals;	
The governing body any school which is the subject of the proposals and of other schools likely to be affected by the proposals, including those that might receive any displaced pupils.	Governing Body of St John the Baptist Governing Body of Ysgol Derwen Foundation School, Higher Kinnerton
The governing body of other schools which the proposer considers are likely to be affected by the proposals;	Governing Body of Castell Alun High School Governing Body of Elfed High School
The Welsh Ministers.	
Assembly Members (AMs) and Members of Parliament (MPs) representing the area served by/intended to be served by any school which is the subject of the proposals.	MPs AMs
Estyn.	Chief Inspector of Education and Training in Wales
Teaching and staff trade unions representing teachers and other staff at any school which is the subject of the proposals.	Representatives of NASUWT; NEU; UCAC; ASCL; UNISON
The relevant Regional Education Consortium.	GwE Advisor for Ysgol Penyffordd
The relevant Regional Transport Consortium.	
The Police and Crime Commissioner for the area served by/intended to be served by any school which is the subject of the proposals.	Police Commissioner for North Wales
Any community or town council for the area served by/ intended to be served by any school which is the subject of the proposals	Penyffordd Community Council
The local Communities First Partnership (in relevant areas).	
In the case of proposals affecting nursery provision, any independent providers who may be affected;	
In the case of proposals affecting nursery provision, the Children and Young People's Partnership and/or the Early Years Development and Childcare Partnerships where present.	Mudiad Meithrin Early Years Wales National Day Nursery Associate PACEY
In the case of proposals affecting Special Education Need/Additional Learning Need provision, any relevant health or third sector bodies with an interest.	
In the case of proposals affecting secondary provision, any further education institutions serving the area of the school.	
In the case of proposals affecting secondary provision, parents of pupils attending primary	

schools from which pupils normally transfer to that secondary school.	
In the case of proposals affecting Welsh language provision, the Welsh Language Commissioner.	
Other	All Flintshire Council Councillors The wider community of Penyffordd who had consented to receive information Flintshire County Council relevant Officers

3. Objections

During the objection period, **1 objection was received** by Flintshire County Council in relation to enlarging the premises at Ysgol Penyffordd increasing the capacity at Ysgol Penyffordd from 315 to 375 full time pupils from 1 September 2023.

The correspondence was received by email from a member of the local community of Penyffordd and can be found in full at Appendix 1.

The objection has been categorised by what *should* be taken into account by relevant bodies when exercising their functions of preparing and publishing school organisation proposals, or approving/determining them.

1. Resourcing of Education and other Financial Implications	FCC Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of foresight on the original build 	The new school building was designed to take into consideration future expansion to increase its capacity further to accommodate 375 full time pupils. Planning permission is already in place for this. Since 2019 increased pupil demand and availability of capital investment under Section 106 planning contributions has created opportunity to further invest and expand Ysgol Penyffordd. At the time of the new build, budget was not available for the additional classrooms and numbers weren't sufficient to justify the additional capacity.
2. Community Impact	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The increase in capacity leading the way to further housing development in Penyffordd 	<p>The pace of housing developments will be controlled by the plans of local site owners/developers, the housing market, current economic climate and other factors which are unpredictable.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of investment in other vital local services and amenities 	<p>The section 106 money from planning contributions can only be used for Education purposes within a school that has had an increase in numbers from a development in the area.</p>

In accordance with the School Organisation Code (2013) this Objection Report is made available to stakeholders via an email link and also published electronically on Flintshire County Council's website at:

www.flintshire.gov.uk/schoolmodernisation

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4. Decision Notification

As outlined during the consultation process, the proposal to enlarge the premises at Ysgol Penyffordd increasing the capacity at Ysgol Penyffordd from 315 to 375 Full Time Pupils from 1 September 2023, requires the approval of the Local Authority Cabinet Members.

This Objection Report alongside a copy of all the Objections, a copy of the consultation document; a copy of the consultation report, and a copy of the published notice will be forwarded to Cabinet Members for determination.

APPENDIX 1

Objection to the proposal to enlarge the premises at Ysgol Penyffordd increasing the capacity at Ysgol Penyffordd from 315 to 375 Full Time Pupils from 1 September 2023

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 October 2022 19:52
To: 21stCenturySchools
Subject: Statutory Notice Ysgol Penyffordd

Dear Sirs,

Further to the Statutory Notice Ysgol Penyffordd, I wish to register my objection to the expansion of the school.

I object to the increase on the following basis:

- Lack of foresight on the original build
- The increase in capacity leading the way to further housing development in Penyffordd
- Lack of investment in other vital local services and amenities

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Regards

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