

STATUTORY NOTICE TO REORGANISE CANOLFAN ENFYS TO PLACE UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF YSGOL PEN COCH AND INCREASE THE NOMINAL CAPACITY FROM 98 TO 128 FROM 1ST APRIL 2025

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Notice is given in accordance with section 42 of the School Standards and Organisation Act 2013 and the School Organisation Code that Flintshire County Council of Ty Dewi Sant, St Davids Park, Ewloe, Flintshire, CH5 3FF ("the Local Authority"), having consulted such persons as required, proposes to reorganise Canolfan Enfys, Clayton Road, Mold, CH7 1SU under the management of Ysgol Pen Coch, Prince of Wales Avenue, Flint, CH6 5DL and increase the nominal capacity from 98 to 128 from 1st April 2025.

Reorganise Canolfan Enfys under the management of Ysgol Pen Coch and increase the nominal capacity from 98 to 128 from 1st April 2025.

Canolfan Enfys and Ysgol Pen Coch are specialist educational provisions currently maintained by Flintshire County Council.

The Local Authority 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 Estyn's full response is available on www.flintshire.gov.uk, or alternatively you may request a copy by emailing 21stcenturyschools@flintshire.gov.uk

It is proposed to implement the proposal on 1st April 2025.

The proposal is to reorganise the provision at Canolfan Enfys and move the provision from under the current management of Plas Derwen (Pupil Referral Unit) to under the management of Ysgol Pen Coch. The proposal will result in the nominal capacity at Ysgol Pen Coch increasing from 98 to 128 by April 2025.

The increase in nominal capacity would be achieved through Ysgol Pen Coch taking control of the management of Canolfan Enfys at its current base in Mold.

The current numbers on roll at Ysgol Pen Coch are 100 with 97 full time places and 3 part time. The nominal capacity is 98. Current numbers for Canolfan Enfys are 28 with a nominal capacity of 30.

Admission arrangements will continue to be dealt with within the Flintshire County Council ALN Decision Panel process.

There will be no impact on home to school transport based on this proposal.

Within a period of 28 days of the date on which the proposal was published, that is to say by **4**th **December 2024** any person may object to the proposal.

Objections should be sent in by email to <u>21stcenturyschools@flintshire.gov.uk</u> or in writing to Claire Homard, Chief Officer, Education & Youth, Flintshire County Council, Ty Dewi Sant, St Davids Park, Ewloe, Flintshire, CH5 3FF.

Please note that it would be helpful if any such objection sent by email or post contained the full name and postal address of the objector.

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Claire Homard

Chief Officer, Education & Youth For Flintshire County Council

Dated: 1st November 2024

EXPLANATORY NOTE;

This note does not form part of the statutory notice, but is intended to explain its general purpose.

- Flintshire County Council acting as the Local Authority intends to reorganise the provision at Canolfan Enfys and move the provision from under the current management of Plas Derwen (Pupil Referral Unit) to under the management of Ysgol Pen Coch. The proposal will result in the nominal capacity at Ysgol Pen Coch increasing from 98 to 128 by April 2025.
- 2. The increase in nominal capacity would be achieved through Ysgol Pen Coch taking control of the management of Canolfan Enfys at its current base in Mold.
- 3. The council is acting in response to the Estyn inspection of Plas Derwen in October 2023 which determined that Canolfan Enfys needed improvement and that the expertise to support the service did not sit within Plas Derwen given the very different nature of the provision offered and the complex needs of the children attending Canolfan Enfys. The authority was advised to remove it from the management of Plas Derwen and secure suitable management through an alternative mechanism.
- 4. Transport and Admissions arrangements will be in accordance with the prevailing Flintshire County Council policies.
- Further information about the proposals may be obtained from the School Modernisation Team, Ty Dewi Sant, St Davids Park, Ewloe, Flintshire CH5 3FF. Tel: 01352 702188 / 704015. Email: 21stcenturyschools@flintshire.gov.uk