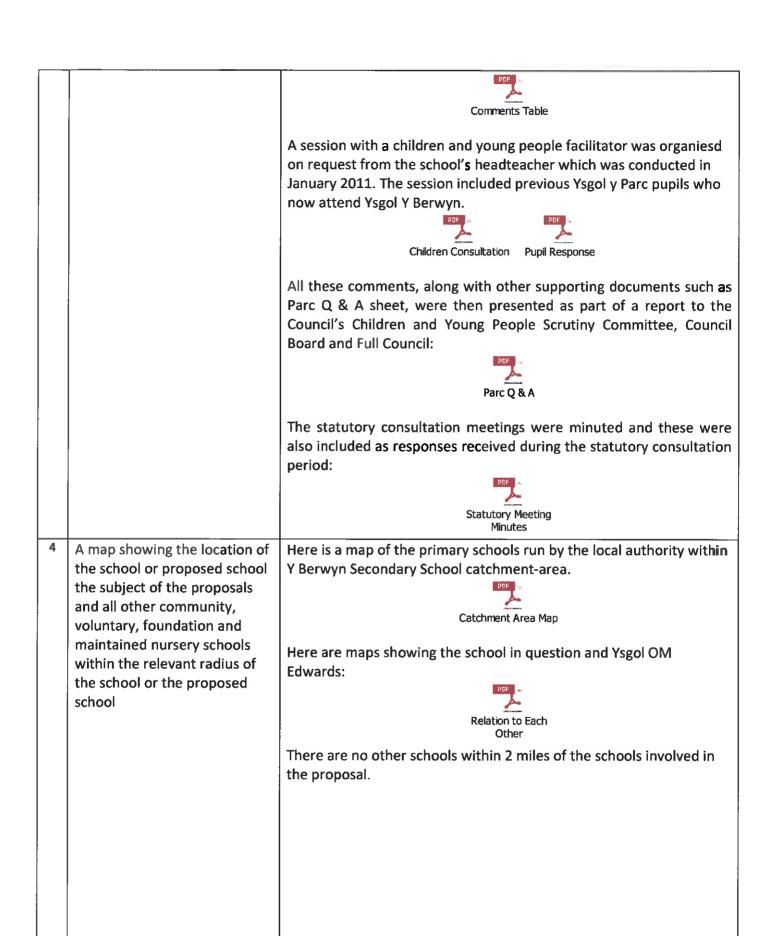
Proposal to Discontinue Ysgol y Parc

INFORMATION TO BE SUPPLIED WHERE THE PROPOSALS ARE PUBLISHED UNDER SECTION 28 & 29 OF THE ACT (Schedule 4 Part II)

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	proposals were published	Consultation										
	including-	a)	Document									
	a) copies of the consultation											
	documents; and											
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	b) the views and responses	b) The number and details of the responses received during the statutory consultation period were as follows:								tne		
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		Council's website, Council offices and on request from the School Organisation Office.										
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	A list of all schools within the
	relevant radius of the school
	or the proposed school the
	subject of the proposals,
	stating which of such schools
	are maintained by a different
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	together with the following
	information in respect of each
	school for the current school
	year*, and (except for the
	information specified in sub-
	paragraph (d)) the previous
	school year:

a)	the admission number for
	each relevant age group

- b) the number of year groups
- c) the capacity of the school;
- d) the number of pupils at the school;

and a forecast of the matters specified in sub-paragraphs (b) to (d) for each of the subsequent five school years

		Ysgol Y Parc		_	l OM ards	
		2010- 2011	2011- 2012	2010- 2011	2011- 2012	
a) the	Nursery	3	3	6	6	
admission	Reception	4	4	9	9	
number	Year 1	4	4	9	9	
for each	Year 2	4	4	9	9	
relevant	Year 3	4	4	9	9	
year group	Year 4	4	4	9	9	
	Year 5	4	4	9	9	
	Year 6	4	4	9	9	
b) the numb groups	er of year	8	8	8	8	
c) the	Nursery	3	3	6	6	
capacity of the school	Reception to Year 6	33	33	69	69	
d) the number of pupils at the school		19	20	51	60	

	b) the number of			pacity of the	d) the number of pupils at the	
	rear	year groups	Nursery	Reception to Year 6	school	
	2012-2013	8	3	33	20	
	2013-2014	8	3	33	20	
Ysgol Y Parc	2014-2015	8	3	33	21	
	2015-2016	8	3	33	22	
	2016-2017	8	3	33	20	
	2012-2013	8	6	69	63	
Ysgol OM	2013-2014	8	6	69	70	
Edwards	2014-2015	8	6	69	68	
EUWAIUS	2015-2016	8	6	69	66	
	2016-2017	8	6	69	70	

NB - Forecast numbers for 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 have nursery figures based on an average of the previous 5 years.

Here are the projections for each school year group:



current school year is school year (1 Sept - 31 Aug) in which notice published.

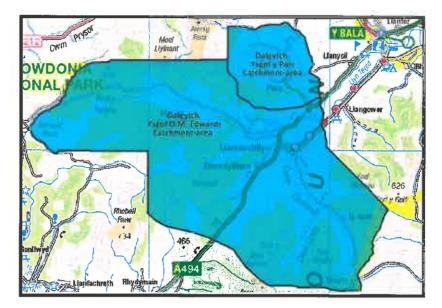
INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED WHERE THE PROPOSALS ARE TO DISCONTINUE A SCHOOL (Schedule 4 Part V)

	Ysgol Y Parc			_	Ref				
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	current school year and				2010-	2011-	2010-	2011-	
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	(except for the information		a) the admission	Nursery Reception	3 4	3	9	6	
	specified in sub-paragraph		number	Year 1	4	4	9	9	
	(d)), the previous school year –		for each	Year 2	4	4	9	9	
			relevant year group	Year 3 Year 4	4	4	9	9	
	a) the admission number for			Year 5	4	4	9	9	
	each relevant year group			Year 6	4	4	9	9	
			b) the numb groups	er of year	8	8	8	8	
	b) the number of year groups		c) the	Nursery	3	3	6	6	
			capacity of	Reception	33	33	69	69	
	c) the capacity of the school;		d) the numb	to Year 6					
	and		at the schoo		19	20	51	60	
	d) the number of pupils at the								
	school.								
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39	The following information	Ysgol y Parc							
	relating to the		PDF 72		Single sit		c) Primary school		-
	accommodation at the school:			5,	LL23 7YV		site –		
		a) Parc				·	3.00		
		",							
	a) the location of the								
	accommodation;					Parc			
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	b) whether the school						Capacit	y Calculation	'
	occupies a single or split			ļ					
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	site; and								
	c) details of general and								
	specialist accommodation.								
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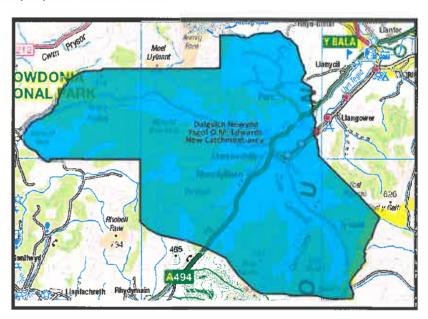


who are currently at the school to transfer to other schools together with any transitional arrangements.

These are the current school catchment areas:



The proposal would mean one catchment area:



One catchment area over the previous catchment areas of Ysgol y Parc and Ysgol OM Edwards. The amalgamation of the two previous catchment areas into one catchment.

Transportation will be provided in accordance with the Council's Transport Policy:



41	An assessment of the quality
	An assessment of the quality of any schools to which it is
	proposed that such pupils may
	transfer.

The Authority is of the opinion that the education provided within this proposal would sustain and in some respects improve the quality of education for pupils who would attend Ysgol OM Edwards. Pupils would have the opportunity to be taught with their peers in significantly larger groups, by a larger number of teachers who could give and share their expertise.

The Estyn report for the two schools are as follows:

	Ysgol y Parc	Ysgol O.M. Edwards
Date of the Inspection	December 2007	May 2006
Summary of		7 x Grade 1
Inspection Reports	7 x Grade 2	
Inspection Reports	ESTYN Report	ESTYN Report

Estyn Results Key:

Grade 1 = good with outstanding features

Grade 2 = good features and no important shortcomings

42 N/A Where the school provides sixth form education the information specified in paragraph 26 in relation to the school

N/A

Documentation Requested via E-mail by Abigail Williams on 06-03-12 Regarding Proposal to Discontinue Ysgol y Parc

Required Information	Evidence				
A statement as to how the	On 05 March 2012 the Statutory Notice was released;				
publication requirements have	POF &				
been met, indicating the locations of the published notice.	Rhybudd Statudol				
Also, we would be grateful if you could send a copy of the published notice as it was printed in the newspaper, for evidence of the date the notice was	On the date of publication, March 5th 2012, the statutory notice was placed in four places in the village: the school door, the school gate, on a lamp post in proximity to the school gate and the gate of the village playing field.				
published.	The notice was in the Daily Post on the date of publication, March 5th 2012 and in the Cambrian News on March 8th 2012 (first issue following the publication date).				
	Daily Post & Cambrian News				
	The statutory notice was also in the local weekly community newspaper Y Cyfnod, that was published on 16 March 2012. Y Cyfnod				
	Copies of the notice, along with a covering letter, were delivered by officers directly to the school for staff, governors and parents. A copy was sent to Bala library, the Dolgellau, Pwllheli and Caernarfon Area Offices for reference and was placed on the Council's website. Copies were also available on request to the School Organisation Office.				
	All objections received were sent an acknowledgment letter. Here is the letter sent in response to the first objection: Acknowledgemt				
	Closure of the Objection Period following publishing the Statutory Notice is on 05 April 2012. Objections have been received to this notice. Analysing and answering comments/questions within the objections will be completed by 19 April 2012.				
	On 19 April 2011 the proposal will be transferred to the Minister for Education and Skills, Welsh Government.				

	Evidence of Consultation
	Prior to Statutory Consultation
Autumn 2009	The Berwyn Catchment Review Panel (CRP) was established to assist the Education Portfolio Leader to draft proposals for school reorganisation in the catchment. The CRP included representatives from the schools in the district, including the head teacher, chair of governors and parent governors of all primary and secondary schools, local area Councillors as well as a representative from the Diocese of St Asaph. An invitation was extended to others at the request of the CRP. There were five CRP meetings.
4 November 2009	CRP Meeting 1 CRP 1
2 December 2009	CRP Meeting 2 CRP 2
4 February 2010	CRP Meeting 3 CRP 3
March 2010	Children Consultation Children Consultation
23 March 2010	CRP Meeting 4 CRP 4
12 May 2010	CRP Meeting 5 CRP 5 E-mail 3
Newsletters 2009-2010	Newsletter 1 Newsletter 2 Newsletter 3 Newsletter 1 Newsletter 2 Newsletter 3 Newsletter 3
15 July 2010	Report to the Full Council to seek approval to continue to a period of statutory consultation on the proposal to close Ysgol y Parc. Full Council

There were many appendices to the report:



A list of Background Documents



- Question & Answer Sheet
- CRP1-4 Documents (above)



- Models
- Children Consultation Report (above)
- Newsletter 1 and 2 (above)



Collaboration Models

- Models of collaboration
- Headteacher & Site Manager Job Description



Statutory Consultation

Letters of consultation together with a note of those to whom they have been sent. The date of issue of letters needs to be clear, and also the date by which consultees were expected to respond; this helps to establish that consultation requirements have been met.

13 December 2010 - 04 February 2011 (Consultation Period)

A statutory document was formed in accordance with the Schools Standards Framework Act 1998 on the intention to close Ysgol y Parc by September 2012, providing places for children from the catchment-area at Ysgol OM Edwards, Llanuwchilyn.





A letter was sent with the statutory consultation paper:

The consultation document was distributed to all members of the CRP directly, copies were sent directly to the school for staff, governors and parents, to Bala library, and was available on the Council's website or on request to the School Organisation Office. Here is the distribution list:



Copies of letters sent by interested parties in response to the consultation (and any letters issued by the LA in response).

The number and details of the responses received during the statutory consultation period were as follows:

	L	etter	S	E	-mail	S			
	Welsh	English	Bilingual	Welsh	English	Bilingual	Other	Total	
Y Parc	43	3	2	25	0	0	1 Petition with 668 names	74	
General	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	3	
Total		49			27		1	77	

There were 74 responses received in reponse to the statutory consultation to close Ysgol y Parc and 3 general responses (another consultation was being held simultaneously). Councillors had full copies of all the responses received (full responses are in section 3b) above).

The responses received were only made public following the redaction of personal information. These were available on the Council's website, Council offices and on request from the School Organisation Office.

All responses received were acknowledged with a letter or e-mail (depending on which format the response was submitted).



Any additional explanatory information, or consultation documents which have been sent to consultees, or circulated at meetings.

When the consultation document was sent to the consultees background documentation was also sent. Background document packs were also available at the school, Bala library, Dolgellau, Pwllheli and Caernarfon area offices for peolpe to see. The documents were also on the Council's website or on request to the School Organisation Office. The background documentation included:



- Y Berwyn Statistical Analysis
- The CRP meeting minutes (see above)
- Language Impact Assessment (see below)
- Community Impact Assessment (below)
- Full Council Report 15 July 2010 (see above)
- Models for Y Berwyn catchment-area (see above)

Notes of any consultation meetings.

The Statutory Consultation meetings with Ysgol y Parc Staff, Governors and Parents were held on January 10, 2011. On the school's request the meeting for parents was opened to members of the community. Minutes of meetings below:



A session with a children and young people facilitator was organiesd upon request from the school's headteacher, which was conducted in January 2011. The session included previous Ysgol y Parc pupils who now attend Ysgol Y Berwyn.







Evidence of how the views of consultees were taken into account prior to the decision being taken to publish notices (this might be in the form of Council minutes or papers); dates when decisions were made should be clear.



Consultees were included in each stage prior to the statutory notice being published. They were integral in the CRP meeting discussions when the proposals to be consulted on were developed. They were sent the consultation documents and the responses received were all analysed, answered and presented along with a full report to the Full Council on 12 May 2011 — here the final decision on whether or not to publish the statutory notice on the proposal was made.



During the discussions fears regarding transportation to Ysgol OM Edwards arose. A senior ancillary services officer went with the school's headteacher to ensure the routes from the current children's homes and Ysgol OM Edwards were appropriate for a school taxi/bus. This was to alleviate fears in the local community.

On 26 July 2011 the Council Board decided to change the implementation date to August 2013, to reflect local demands of assurance that the improvements to the Ysgol OM Edwards building would be completed before the transferral of Ysgol y Parc pupils.

Matters such as the future use of the school hall by the community, should the proposal be implemented, have been and continue to be discussed. Here is one letter from the property department to the headteacher of Ysgol y Parc:



Documentation identifying the delegated decision making body (e.g. Cabinet) which took the decision to proceed to publication of each statutory notice.

On 12 May 2011 a report was presented to the Full Council following the consultation period to seek approval to implement proposal to close Ysgol y Parc and recommendation to publish Statutory notice to that effect.



Further to the Council report a background information folder was also

presented to supplement the report. The background information folder included:

Welsh Government Circular 021/2009



- **Gwynedd Council Education Strategy**
- CRP papers and minutes (see above)
- Y Berwyn Statistical Analysis (see above)
- Language Impact Assessment (see below)
- Community Impact Assessment(see below)
- Full Council Report 15 July 2010 (see above)
- Full Council Decision Sheet 15 July 2010 (see above)
- Models for Y Berwyn catchment-area (see above)

Here are the Full Council meeting's minutes. Relevant sections are highlighted.



On 26 July 2011 the Council Board decided to change the implementation date to August 2013:



On 01 March 2012 a report was presented to the Full Council regarding funding the proposal:



Please send copies of all impact appraisals conducted, i.e.: Welsh Language, **Equality, Community. There is** an increasing emphasis on ensuring that public authorities, including the Welsh Government, comply with equality legislation and we need to advise the Minister, when submitting proposals to him for decision, as to our satisfaction that equality issues have been properly considered by the LA, and matters arising dealt with. LA's

Community Impact Assessment Language Impact Assessment



Language

Equality Assessment



must at least be able to evidence that they have considered all their equality duties, and this is generally achieved through the production of an equalities impact appraisal. A short paragraph describing The Authority is of the opinion that the education provided within this the quality of the educational proposal would sustain and in some respects improve the quality of provision at the schools education for pupils who would attend Ysgol OM Edwards. Pupils would involved based on the LA's own have the opportunity to be taught with their peers in significantly larger school improvement groups, by a larger number of teachers who could give and share their information and the most expertise. recent reports resulting from an inspection under Section 10 of The Estyn report for the two schools are as follows: the Schools Inspections Act Ysgol O.M. 1996 (Estyn inspection report). Ysgol y Parc Edwards The LA's view of the reports is required in addition to copies Date of the Inspection December 2007 May 2006 of the reports. **Summary of** 7 x Grade 1 **Inspection Reports** 7 x Grade 2 **Inspection Reports** ESTYN Report ESTYN Report Estyn Results Key: Grade 1 = good with outstanding features Grade 2 = good features and no important shortcomings **National Curriculum** Assessment Results for the last National Curriculum three years benchmarked

against free school meals data.