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Dear Stakeholder/Respondent

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Dear Stakeholder/Respondent

## **The proposal to discontinue Ciliau Parc, Dihewyd and Felinfach Primary Schools and build a new area school on a new site in the Aeron Valley**

On Thursday the 19 December 2019, Ceredigion County Council approved the proposal to close Ciliau Parc, Dihewyd and Felinfach Community Primary Schools as at 31 August 2022.

The Council considered the proposal, the statutory objections submitted, and the local authority response in accordance with the requirements of the School Organisation Code 2018 and the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013. In determining the proposal the Council were satisfied that the proposal will:

- Lead to greater efficiency in the resourcing of education both in the area and across the school estate;
- Maintain the standard of education provision overall in the area and ensure the delivery of a broad and balanced curriculum.

Please find below the link to the consultation documents for the proposal:

<http://www.ceredigion.gov.uk/resident/schools-education/planning-education-provision/>

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

### **Need for places and the impact on accessibility**

Pupils will be taught in closer age-range classes. The projected number of pupil places is 210 with an additional 60 nursery places.

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We welcome correspondence in Welsh and English. Correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and correspondence in English will be answered in English. Corresponding in Welsh will not involve any delay.

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## **Resourcing of education**

The Ceredigion average cost per pupil is £3,761 with the projected cost per pupil for a new area school being £3,298.

The projected revenue savings arising from the proposal is £66,609.

## **Quality and standards in education**

It was Estyn's opinion that the proposal is likely to maintain or improve the current standards in terms of education, provision, and leadership and management for children in the area.

## **Objections to the proposal**

11 objections were received.

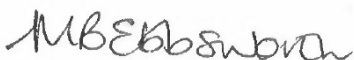
## **Referral of local authority decisions to the Welsh Ministers**

Under Section 54 of the 2013 Act where proposals have been approved by a local authority the following bodies may, before the end of 28 days beginning with the day of the decision, refer the proposal to the Welsh Ministers for consideration:

- Another local authority affected by the proposal;
- 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 proposal.

The bodies making the referral will need to set out why they believe that the decision reached by the local authority is incorrect.

Yours sincerely



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