

Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council



SCHOOL STANDARDS AND FRAMEWORK ACT 1998

GWERNLLWYN JUNIOR SCHOOL AND DOWLAIS INFANT SCHOOL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Sections 28(1) and 29(1) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, and the Education (School Organisation Proposals) (Wales) Regulations 1999 (S.I. 1999/1671) that the Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council, having consulted such persons as appeared to them to be appropriate, propose to:

1. Discontinue Dowlais Infant School, Market Street, Dowlais, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 3HW, with effect from 31st August, 2009;
2. Extend the age range of Gwernllwyn Junior School, High Street, Caeharris, Dowlais, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 3HB, from 7-11 years to 3-11 years, with effect from 1st September, 2009. The extended school will be a primary school (capacity 210 places) with effect from 1st September, 2009;
3. Transfer pupils currently attending Dowlais Infant School, subject to parental preference, to this primary school, with effect from 1st September, 2009;

The admission authority will be Merthyr Tydfil Local Education Authority. The admission arrangements for the primary school will be as outlined in the Local Education Authority Admission Policy. It is not proposed that the admission arrangements will make any provision for selection by aptitude, or for pupil banding.

Pupils currently attending Gwernllwyn Junior School and Dowlais Infant School will, subject to the expression of parental preference, attend the primary school. The number of pupils to be admitted to the school at age 4 or 5 in the first school year in which the proposals have been implemented is 30. The school will include nursery provision for 30 pupils. School transport will be provided in accordance with the policy of the Local Education Authority.

Within a period of two months after the date of publication of these proposals, that is to say by 6th July, 2009, any person may object to these proposals. Objections should be sent to the Head of Governance, Inclusion and Support, Integrated Children's Services, Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council, Ty Keir Hardie, Riverside Court, Avenue de Clichy, Merthyr Tydfil, CF47 8XD. The Local Education Authority will send copies of any such objections made (and not withdrawn in writing) within the objection period, together with their observations thereon, to the Welsh Assembly Government within the period of one month after the end of the objection period.

The proposals will (unless withdrawn) require the approval of Welsh Ministers if:

- (a) within two months after a copy of them is sent to the Welsh Ministers they give notice that they require such approval; or
- (b) objections have been made within the objection period and have not been withdrawn during that period.

Where the proposals do not require such approval, the Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council will decide whether to implement them.

Dated this 7th day of May, 2009.

Chris Abbott, Director, Integrated Children's Services

Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Merthyr Tudful

DEDDF SAFONAU A FFRAMWAITH YSGOLION 1998

YSGOL IAU GWERNLLWYN AC YSGOL FABANOD DOWLAIS

YHSYBYSIR TRWY HYN yn unol ag Adranau 28(1) a 29(1) o Ddeddf Safonau a Fframwaith Ysgolion 1998 a Rheoliadau Addysg (Cynigion Trefniadaeth Ysgolion) (Cymru) 1999 (O.S. 1999/1671) fod Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Merthyr Tudful, ar ôl ymgynghori ô'r bobl briodol yn ei farn ef, yn cynnig:

1. Cau Ysgol Fabanod Dowlais, Stryd y Farchnad, Dowlais, Merthyr Tudful, CF48 3HW, ar 31 Awst 2009;
2. Ymestyn ystod oed Ysgol Iau Gwernllwyn, Y Stryd Fawr, Caeharris, Dowlais, Merthyr Tudful CF48 3HD, o 7-11 oed i 3-11 oed, o 1 Medi 2009. Bydd yr ysgol estynedig yn gweithredu fel ysgol gynradd (gyda 210 o leoedd) o 1 Medi 2009;
3. Trosghlywdd disgyblion sy'n mynychu Ysgol Fabanod Dowlais ar hyn o bryd, yn amodol ar ddeisiadau rhieni, i'r ysgol gynradd hon, o 1 Medi 2009;

Yr awdurdod derbyn fydd Awdurdod Addysg Lleol Merthyr Tudful. Bydd y trefniadau derbyn ar gyfer yr ysgol gynradd fel yr amlinellir yn Mholisi Derbyn yr Awdurdod Addysg Lleol. Ni chynigir bod y trefniadau derbyn yn gwneud unrhyw ddarpariaeth ar gyfer dethol ar sail gallu, nac ar gyfer bandio disgyblion.

Bydd disgyblion sy'n mynychu Ysgol Iau Gwernllwyn ac Ysgol Fabanod Dowlais ar hyn o bryd yn mynychu'r ysgol gynradd, yn amodol ar ddeisiadau rhieni. Bydd 30 o ddisgyblion yn cael eu derbyn i'r ysgol yn 4 neu 5 oed yn y flwyddyn ysgol gyntaf o ôl gweithredu'r cynigion. Bydd yr ysgol yn cynnwys meithrinfa ar gyfer 30 o ddisgyblion. Darperir cudiant ysgol yn unol â pholisi'r Awdurdod Addysg Lleol.

Gall unrhyw un wrthwynebu'r cynigion hyn o fewn deufis i ddyddiad eu cyhoeddi, sef erbyn 6 Gorffennaf 2009. Dylid anfon pob gwrthwynebiad at y Pennaeth Llywodraethu, Cynhwysiant a Chefnogaeth, Gwasanaethau Integredig i Blant, Tŷ Keir Hardie, Cwrt Glan Afon, Merthyr Tudful CF47 8XD. Bydd yr Awdurdod Addysg Lleol yn anfon copïau o unrhyw wrthwynebiadau a wneir (ac sydd heb eu tynnu'n ôl ar bapur) o fewn y cyfnod gwrthwynebu, ynghyd â'i sylwadau ar y gwrthwynebiadau, i Lywodraeth Cynulliad Cymru o fewn mis i ddiwedd y cyfnod gwrthwynebu.

Bydd angen cymeradwyaeth Gweinidogion Cymru i'r cynigion (os na chânt eu tynnu'n ôl):

- (a) os yw Gweinidogion Cymru yn hysbysu, o fewn deufis o dderbyn copi o'r cynigion, bod angen cymeradwyaeth o'r fath iddynt; neu
- (b) fod gwrthwynebiadau wedi'u gwneud o fewn y cyfnod gwrthwynebu ac nad dydnt wedi cael eu tynnu'n ôl yn ystod y cyfnod hwnnw.

Os nad oes angen cymeradwyaeth o'r fath i'r cynigion, bydd Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Merthyr Tudful yn penderfynu a fydd yn eu gweithredu ai peidio.

Dyddiedig 7 Mai, 2009.

Chris Abbott, Cyfarwyddwr, Gwasanaethau Integredig i Blant