

CYNGOR GWYNEDD
SECTION 48 SCHOOL STANDARDS AND ORGANISATION ACT (WALES) 2013
NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO DISCONTINUE YSGOL FELINWYDDA
CYNGOR GWYNEDD, COUNCIL OFFICES, CAERNARFON, GWYNEDD, LL55 1SH

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 43 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and the School Organisation Code that Cyngor Gwynedd propose to discontinue YSGOL FELINWYDDA, Dinas, Gwynedd LL54 5UG. The school is currently maintained by Cyngor Gwynedd.

It is proposed to implement the proposal on **31 December 2023**.

Subject to parental choice, current pupils at Ysgol Felinwdda will transfer to either Ysgol Llandwrog, Llandwrog, Gwynedd LL54 5ST or Ysgol Bontnewydd, Bontnewydd, Caernarfon, Gwynedd LL55 2UF on 1 January 2024. Ysgol Llandwrog is a Welsh-medium voluntary controlled Church in Wales school and Ysgol Bontnewydd is a Welsh medium Community School. Both schools are for girls and boys aged 3 to 11.

The admission authority for Ysgol Llandwrog and Ysgol Bontnewydd will be Cyngor Gwynedd and pupils will be admitted to the schools by Cyngor Gwynedd in accordance with its admissions policy. The admissions arrangements for the school will not make provision for selection by aptitude or ability (pupil banding).

Transport will be provided to the schools in accordance with Cyngor Gwynedd's School Transport Policy, and transitional transport provision arrangements will be provided for pupils who are registered at Ysgol Felinwdda on the date of this notice, to Ysgol Llandwrog or Ysgol Bontnewydd.

Cyngor Gwynedd is the maintaining authority and will implement the proposal.

Any persons may object to the proposal within a period of 28 days of the date on which the proposal was published, that is by **4 October 2023**.

Objections should be sent to the Head of Education, Cyngor Gwynedd, Caernarfon, LL55 1SH or by sending an e-mail for the attention of the Head of Education to modernisingeducation@gwynedd.llyw.cymru.

The future of Ysgol Felinwdda's catchment area will be subject to a separate consultation on the matter if there is a decision to close the school following the objection period.

Signed:



Gareth Jackson
Head of Education, on behalf of Cyngor Gwynedd
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(The following is not part of the notice but is intended to explain its general purpose)

Cyngor Gwynedd is proposing to close Ysgol Felinwdda on 31 December 2023 and offer places for current pupils at Ysgol Llandwrog or Ysgol Bontnewydd.

In accordance with the Authorities admissions policy, parents are entitled to apply for admission (or transfer request) to any school.

Transitional provisions for free school transport will be in place for those pupils who are registered at Ysgol Felinwdda on the date of this notice, to Ysgol Llandwrog or Ysgol Bontnewydd, if they live more than 2 miles from the school of choice, or if they would be eligible for free transport due to the nature of the route to that school, in accordance with the current transport policy. This would be a temporary arrangement for the remainder of their time at the school.

If the closure of Ysgol Felinwdda is carried out on 31 December 2023, a consultation will be held to decide on the future of Ysgol Felinwdda's catchment area.