

APPENDIX 6

Formal responses to consultation:

- Local Members for Fairwater – Cllrs Ford, McEvoy and Parry
- Local Member for Llandaff – Cllr Driscoll
- Estyn
- Cantonian High School Governing Body
- Western Learning Federation Governing Body
- Future Generations Commissioner for Wales
- Headteacher, The Bishop of Llandaff Church in Wales High School
- Chair of Governing Body, Cardiff West Community High School
- Fitzalan High School
- Cardiff and Vale UHB – Child Heath

School Responses / Ymatebion Ysgolion

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Sent: 24 April 2019 11:52
To: School Responses \ Ymatebion Ysgolion
Cc: Ford, Lisa (Cllr); Parry, Keith (Cllr)
Subject: Cantonian school site proposals

Local Member response from Cllrs Ford, Parry and McEvoy. This is also my AM response to the Consultation for the proposals at the Cantonian site:

1. Cantonian High School needs renewal. This is not up for argument. We support the expansion of Cantonian, with larger buildings re-built.
2. We support the specialist resource base with an autistic spectrum disorder
3. We would like to see the fields at Cantonian be used for the site of a 4g pitch facility.
4. We oppose the moving of Riverbank Special School and Woodlands High School to the Cantonian site.
5. We feel that it is in the best interests of the pupils of Riverbank and Woodlands that the facilities be renewed on their current sites.
6. Fairwater suffers from gridlock, air pollution and traffic chaos already. The surrounding Ward of Llandaf suffers from the same. The surrounding Ward of Radyr suffers from the same also. The local development green field building along Llantrisant Road already makes moving around the west of the City nigh on impossible at certain times. The increase in traffic around the Cantonian site makes the siting of 3 schools untenable.
7. There is a lack of detail in the proposals. Would there be 3 buildings or 1? Where will they be sited? What are the designated entrances? What safety measures will be taken to guard against accidents? This is a poor plan, driven by the pursuit of financial savings and not educational excellence.

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Subject: Cantonian Consultation Council's Band B 21st Century Schools programme,

I am sorry for the delay in getting this to you on the last day.

I would be grateful if my late comments could be included as part of the consultation.

I am very pleased with the proposed redevelopment of Cantonian High School and that it finally being re-furnished and expanded.

I also very much welcome the relocation and expansion of Riverbank Special School and Woodlands High School. Hopefully this plan will help meet increased demand for secondary and special school places.

I agree with the expansion of six form entry, plus the expansion plans for SRB provision for pupils with Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC).

However I would like to see plans in place to have provision for further expanding the ASC provision in the event places should be required in the future.

However, I do have some concerns about the impact these plans will have on the local transport infrastructure, but I feel sure these can be overcome with a proper transport plan.

With the expansion of Cantonian and the proposal to relocate Riverbank and Woodlands schools plus the inevitable proposals to take children from Plasdwr to Cantonian (as Secondary H S provision at Plasdwr will be some time away).

I feel this will have a massive detrimental impact on AQ and the local road networks, on roads that are already gridlocked at peak hours during the school term. I also feel we need to be looking at a proper separate transport plan to open up new access points to the school for transport to the school that will lessen the impact on traffic around Fairwater Grove East and West and roads around Doyle Avenue.

Bus and car journeys will increase and crisscross the area.

I would like to see improved plans for pedestrian and cycle access to and from new Bus Hub and the Waungron train Station.

I would also like to see plans put in place for separate cycle links through the school to pick up cycle traffic that crosses from Fairwater Dell, crossing over Fairwater Road cutting through the perimeter of the school grounds to pick up through Kenilworth Court onto the Waungron Bus Interchange.

A High School at Plasdwr needs to be brought forward to come online sooner.

Regards,

Sean Driscoll
Cllr for Llandaff.

Estyn response to the proposal by Cardiff City Council's consultation on proposals to meet increased demand for secondary and special school places and to replace the existing Cantonian High School, Riverbank Special School and Woodlands High School buildings.

This report has been prepared by Her Majesty's Inspectors of Education and Training in Wales.

Under the terms of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and its associated Code, proposers are required to send consultation documents to Estyn. However, Estyn is not a body, which is required to act in accordance with the Code, and the Act places no statutory requirements on Estyn in respect of school organisation matters. Therefore as a body being consulted, Estyn will provide their opinion only on the overall merits of school organisation proposals.

Estyn has considered the educational aspects of the proposal and has produced the following response to the information provided by the proposer.

Introduction

This is a consultation proposal from Cardiff City Council as part of the Council's Band B 21st Century Schools Programme.

The proposal is to:

- Expand Cantonian High School from six forms of entry (6FE) to eight forms of entry (8FE) with sixth form places for up to 250 pupils including the replacement of the Cantonian High School buildings with larger new build school facilities on the same site.
- Expand the Specialist Resource Base (SRB) for pupils with an Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC) that is hosted at Cantonian High School from 20 to 30 places. The new Cantonian school buildings would include enlarged purpose built accommodation for the SRB.
- Expand Riverbank Special School from 70 to 140 places, which is to be achieved by relocating the school into new larger purpose built facilities on the Cantonian High School site.
- Expand Woodlands High School from 140 places to 240 places, which is to be achieved by relocating the school into new larger purpose built facilities on the Cantonian High School site.

Summary/Conclusion

The proposal focuses on meeting the projected increased demand in the number of pupils entering secondary school (Year 7) in Cardiff as well as a high demand for Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC) Provision and Special School places. The proposer has outlined clearly, that the proposal should meet the forecast demand for these extra places in the school.

In Estyn's opinion, the proposal is likely to maintain at least the current standards of education and provision in the area.

Description and benefits

The proposer has given appropriate reasons for the proposed expected benefits in relation to expanding Cantonian High School due to an increase in demand of places within the catchment area. In addition to this demand, the proposer alerts us to the number of planned housing developments in or near to the Cantonian High School catchment area, which would significantly increase the number of children in the area.

The proposer also notes that it wants to retain the Specialist Resource Base (SRB) for learners with an Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC) at Cantonian High School. The proposer states further that increasing the number of special school places at Riverbank Special School and Woodlands High School is important in order to meet increasing and anticipated demand. It notes appropriately the advantages of these proposals. These include an increase in the number of special school places for learners with complex ALN aged 4-19 and in the number of SRB places for learners aged 11-19 with an Autistic Spectrum Condition.

The proposer gives a clear rationale that there is not enough room on the current site to expand either or both schools and therefore, states reasonably that moving the site would provide a highly specialist-learning environment and curriculum for children with complex learning needs. Additionally, the proposer notes that this move would also support links and meet professional development needs for staff between the SRB and the special school.

The proposer has also noted clearly that the Cantonian High School site is one of the largest school sites in Cardiff and it is relatively central. The proposal does note that the two special schools will remain as separate entities, but moving to the same site would allow for all of the schools to work together and access specialist facilities. It also notes that new buildings, indoor and outdoor facilities in a single site school would provide enhanced opportunities for both pupil and community use.

The proposer has identified suitably the disadvantages of the current proposal, which include the potential for increased traffic congestion around the school site at the start and end of the school day. It also focuses on the impact of change on some pupils with ALN whilst moving to a new building on a new site.

Educational Aspects of the proposal:

The proposer makes appropriate reference to the outcomes of the three schools' most recent Estyn inspections. It identifies correctly that current performance and prospects for improvement at all schools were judged adequate at the time of the core inspection. However, it also notes that all three schools have been removed from schools requiring Estyn monitoring. The proposer also refers briefly to the schools' categorisation within the National School Categorisation System. All three schools are currently in the 'yellow' support category.

It concludes reasonably that it does not anticipate any negative impacts on the quality of standards of education and wellbeing of pupils in the school. It states that the Cantonian High School site is one of the largest in Cardiff and offers opportunities for accommodating a greater number of pupils.

**Cantonian High School Governing Body formal
response to the proposals for Cantonian and for the co-location of
Woodlands and Riverbank Schools**

The Governing Body of Cantonian High School has discussed the proposal upon several occasions and in a strong degree of detail. As an opening overall comment I would wish to formally record that the Governing Body unanimously supports the proposal and will work with energy and enthusiasm to ensure that it is delivered to afford the best outcomes for the pupils and staff within the school.

In the course of these discussions a number of areas of concern have arisen and in making this reply, I would wish to draw them to the attention of the team formulating the Band B proposals for 21st Century schools.

The School Journey to higher performance

Cantonian High School has been upon a journey for around four years. This period has witnessed a transformation in the performance of the school. The senior team and the governors are ambitious for the future and seek to move the standards in school to the highest level achievable. During the recent period, this progress has reached new highs in virtually every key measurement area across the school. These comments have been recognised in the recent inspection findings by ESTYN.

The journey however, still has some way to go and it would be the earnest wish of the governors not to let this progress be hampered by the demands imposed by the construction of the new school.

The governors have clearly stated therefore, that they wish to see this progress continue throughout the incoming construction and demolition period, despite the recognition of some of the challenges that lay ahead. It is these challenges that I refer to below and they are put forward as constructive comments.

How to demolish and rebuild the school?

During the recent community consultation it was described how the likely preferred strategy was for the new school to be built upon the footprint of the current school building. This represented a change to the originally described plan, which allowed for the new build to be completed before the old school was taken down.

Whilst recognising that the new approach has benefits, it does mean that the whole school would have to be relocated into temporary classrooms – we

estimate for a period of approximately two years. Governors, therefore, would like to know more about this plan and to be assured that the implications of this have been carefully studied and evaluated, particularly against the desired intention to keep improving standards and that such a 'temporary' move would not slow up the rate of progress. Whilst we recognise that, at the moment, this plan has not been agreed categorically and it might yet change, Governors ask that the issue of temporary classrooms is clarified so that intentions are specifically clear and appropriate planning can take place.

Health and Safety

The wellbeing of our pupils and staff is an absolute critical priority. In order to more formally discuss issues relating to Health and Safety, the governors have recently formed a new committee to consider and evaluate the safety implications which may arise during the construction project. The committee has been given a high status and the terms of reference will reflect this priority. Parents similarly will have concerns about children and their proximity to the demolition and construction areas.

The governors who serve upon this committee have expertise in these areas and support will also be afforded by the Authority Safety professionals. It is the intention to keep the wellbeing of staff and pupils as a key priority and it is hoped that there will be opportunities for the school Health and Safety team to work closely and in harmony with the building contractors.

Sharing a location with two other schools

The proposal as described, to co - locate Cantonian with Woodlands and Riverbank is supported fully by the governing Body of Cantonian High School. At a future date opportunities for synergy will be thoroughly explored.

In more detail, the governors resonate with the opportunities afforded by a common site for the 3 schools. This will offer savings of scale for security, premises care, lighting and other areas relating to the fabric of the buildings. The details of how these savings might be achieved and managed have not yet been finalised – although initial contact with the corresponding governing body of the other schools has begun and a meeting is planned for later in May.

In the fullness of time, the governors would envisage other opportunities for economies relating to areas where resources may be duplicated.

Rapidly rising pupil numbers

The pupil numbers in Cantonian have been rising steadily for 3 years and are planned to rise to a higher figure until all of the capacity is full. A sixth form of 250 with a wider curriculum offering is also targeted.

Governors are aware of this development and welcome it with great enthusiasm.

The rising population however, has implications for ensuring that sufficient classroom space is available as numbers rise and for allowance to be made, in the requirement for temporary classroom space when demolition and construction begins in earnest.

Governors would wish to see a careful evaluation of this requirement and for there to be clear assurances that this change can be delivered seamlessly and not by a series of unforeseen crises that might disrupt the children's rate of progress.

Governors would see the need to balance the rising pupil numbers with the availability of high standard classroom space as a key and fundamental requirement.

Financial considerations

Cantonian has a rolling school deficit currently running at circa £800K. This figure has been achieved with a combination of great austerity and meticulous cost control. The current figure represents a reduction of almost 40% over the last 4 years. The longer term objective is for the school is to remove this deficit in full, within 8 years.

Efforts to further reduce the deficit will continue in earnest toward eventually eliminating it. Governors have recognised that opportunities to make savings are getting harder to find – and this initiative will have to continue throughout the lifespan of the building project. Governor concern has been noted that the ability to continue to reduce the deficit will be severely hampered, if unanticipated costs creep in as the new build moves forward.

It is expected that these areas will have to be strenuously monitored to avoid slippage or to witness the future deficit rising for any reason, which is categorically prohibited at the moment. The school has a firm commitment to only spend up to the defined budget level and this is not negotiable.

Significant changes facing the school in key delivery areas.

In this context, there are two major changes upon the horizon which governors have seen as critical priorities. These changes will have to be delivered during the lifespan of the construction process. They are a non - negotiable priority for all schools.

Firstly the new legislation for pupils with additional learning needs is imposing a high degree of additional work which has to be implemented by 2020. Cantonian has almost 40% of its pupil base within this category.

Secondly the new curriculum changes arising from the Welsh Government Legislation will require a fundamental redesign of the structure of the curriculum and outcomes for most secondary schools.

These major changes will have to be put in place as the school rebuild process develops.

Governors would wish me to highlight this as a significant challenge as the school moves forward which will have an impact on the design and building of the new schools

Traffic impact upon the local community

Cantonian High School is sited in an area where road access is busy and limited. Governors have expressed concern in particular about Doyle Avenue, which is a fairly narrow road to the east of the school which might play a significant role in site access. However, all of the roads around the school have concerns attached to them for various reasons.

The governor concerns' can be briefly described in the following way. In summary, the demolition of an almost 50 year old school and the construction of a new one, will require the movement of an enormous volume of materials – in and out. This will be supplemented by the movement in of a high number of large portable classrooms.

Governors feel that this will amount to a large number of heavy vehicles, which might be in transit at the particular times during the day - when perhaps the children are making their way to and from school. There are other environmental considerations also.

The governors fully and realistically recognise that the roads are a given and that they cannot be changed. What the governors would wish to see however, is a plan and an analysis of what the optimum solution would look like and what provisions have been made to address their real concerns.

Governors similarly have expressed willingness to assist in deliberations affecting the community – if it is felt that their views would add value. The governing body would urge that this offer be taken up by the planners.

Building stronger and proactive links with the Community

Cantonian High School has always been a pivotal institution within the wider Fairwater community. Local people are justifiably proud of the school and identify strongly with its history and its importance. The school similarly wants to build stronger links to the community and to encourage use of the school for evenings and other times when not in use .

The school wants to expand its range of classes and other opportunities for local people to pursue after work. When consultations begin about the specific design of the school and availability of facilities - the impact on the local audience will be a key consideration and the availability of drama, art and dance studios might be a typical way forward.

The governors fully support this approach and see the new school as a great opportunity to really energise the thrust to develop the school's role to the wider Fairwater community and surrounding areas.

Summary conclusion

The governing body of Cantonian High is delighted by the future developments planned for our school. The reconstruction of the school coincides with a point in time when standards will have reached an impressive level. The new school will therefore mark the beginning of a new chapter in the school's progress.

The governors believe that this is a great opportunity for Fairwater and the whole surrounding community. The new school will be a genuine local school which is prized by the residents and recognised as a strong school where high attainment is possible. The new school will also be seen as a long term investment for the expanding population in the Western part of the City.

All of the governors I believe would express great pride in playing a part in moving the school forwards and in securing the future for future generations. Being part of this dynamic has been a privilege.

Alvyn Morgan
Chair of Governors

Response of Western Learning Federation

As the Chair of Governors for the Western Learning Federation, I write to you on behalf of the Governing Body. I would like you to include this response to the 21st Century Schools Consultation Document 2019, with specific reference to the redevelopment of Riverbank and Woodlands schools.

As the governing body for the Western Learning Federation:

- We recognise that there is an increasing need for ALN provision within Cardiff and that our schools within the Federation are already at full capacity.
- We agree that “Riverbank Special School and Woodlands High School were also identified as being in need of replacement.” Riverbank School has reached a point where it is not fit for purpose and that the education of the children attending the school is affected by the condition and equally importantly the layout of the classrooms and the administration office. Some classrooms are sub divided by curtains and in one corridor two people cannot pass each other because of the narrowness of it. The proximity of the Head Teacher’s office to the administration office where visitor’s sign into the school make confidential discussions difficult to hold. Whilst Woodlands School is in a better structural condition, it remains a building constructed in the 1950’s 1960’s as a small secondary school and lacks many of the facilities that would be expected in a school for children with Special Education / ALN Needs.
- Whilst the staff in both schools must be commended for their work and dedication in providing education provision for our children, many with complex needs, we, as a governing body recognise that the time these building can be used for their current purpose is limited.
- We therefore fully support the proposal of the local authority under the 21st Century Band B Schools Programme that two new school be built to replace our existing ones.

Points we would like to make:

- Having recently formed the Western Learning Federation the fact that all of the three schools within this grouping existed on the same site gave the Federation a cohesiveness and shared links that was fundamental to the success of developing the Federation. Moving the new school onto the Cantonian High School site will bring a different dynamic to the Federation and will result in us having to develop a different approach to our working processes. This affects the communication and staff integration, the roles and logistics for Federation appointed staff, administration staff and for developing cross school events.
This should not be considered as a complaint from the governors about the proposed move to the Cantonian High School site. It is a statement that we are aware of the logistical, educational, administrative and governance changes that we will need to adapt to.

- We would want to be consulted at the earliest possibility regarding the considerations being discussed for the new school building or buildings.
- Whether it will be proposed to have :
Three separate school buildings. Cantonian, Riverbank and Woodlands.
Or Cantonian as a separate building and Riverbank and Woodlands in one building. An example of this is the new Gabalfa / Ysgol Glan Ceubal schools.
Or, all of the three schools in the same building complex. An example is the new Bae Baglan School. Knowing what the proposals are will allow us the plan in advance for the changes that will arise from having a different federation grouping than we have now.
- The building of new educational provision at the Cantonian, whilst it may come with concerns, provide us as a Federation, with the opportunity to have schools that are state of the art buildings in which the future development of the new Welsh Curriculum and ALN provision can be fully expanded.
- The Executive Headteacher and each of the Heads of Schools have been asked to consider what can be provided in the new schools that not only covers what we need now, but also what can we envisage that we would like to provide in our teaching and learning over the next ten or twenty years. Woodlands School has already considered the building and use of a furnished, fully functioning flat as part of the school to enable post 16 pupils to be taught and to develop the skills of life they will need when leaving school. This will interlink with the Adult Services provision that will be in the Ty Gwyn Annex site.
- The increase in numbers of pupils attending each of the schools will necessitate in the increase in appointments of new additional staff. This will enable the schools to plan the employment of teachers and teaching assistants dedicated to the developing areas of the curriculum and ALN needs. It will also enable staff to have developmental and career promotion opportunities within the schools and the Federation.
- The fact that in increasing the pupil numbers there will be an increase in financial support, enabling this increased budget to be used for extending and developing the educational work of the schools.
- The re-siting and the distance of travel to the new schools will need to be factored into our plans for the Federation, but we can understand and support the need to build the schools on a site away from their current position.
- The building of the schools at the Cantonian site enables the continuity of education at Riverbank and Woodlands Schools to continue over the next few years until completion of the new schools.
- In view of the complex needs of our children and their "fear" of change, we have been assured that a programme of familiarisation through talks and visits will be arranged to allow all of the children to see the building of their new schools. This is an important aspect to be considered, the children must feel that "this is their school" and that they can understand that this is the reason why they are moving from a school that they have an attachment to a new building a distance away from "their school".

Concerns.

- Access to the site. ALN / Special Needs Schools have by their very nature a high reliance on taxi and minibus transport to bring the children to and from the schools. We already stagger the times of arrival and departure of the transportation at the three schools and we think that this may be a greater problem with two schools and a large High school on the same site.
- We would like to have discussions with the local authority Highways department to consider their plans to provide access to the new schools.
- Whilst this is not a concern there will be a need to form a Joint Management Committee to work with Cantonian High School in the management of the co-established site. I have already arranged a meeting with the Chair of Governors and the Headteacher of Cantonian High School to ensure that the governing bodies of the Federation and Cantonian School are able to form a relationship and to discuss all issues and concerns in the period of design and planning prior to the three schools opening.
- I would recommend engagement, both verbal and written with staff and families during this process in order to ensure communication is consistent and ongoing throughout this process.

Therefore in summary, whilst we have some concerns about access and re-organisation of our current Federation working practices, we fully support the creation of two new schools for ALN education that will provide our pupils with the facilities and opportunities they deserve to have.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Saunders". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "David" and last name "Saunders" clearly legible.

David Saunders.

Chair of the Western Learning Federation.



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**Future
Generations**
Commissioner
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By email

08/02/2019

Re: Public Consultation

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for sending us the consultation on the expansion of various schools in the Cardiff area.

I attach some of my Future Generations Frameworks to support your work. My frameworks set up prompts to guide public bodies in formulating policies and developing projects, but also to scrutinize such decisions or policies.

As you will see the prompts set out in the frameworks will be relevant to the development of new school facilities (its substance and the way you use the five ways of working) and should therefore guide your work.

It is important that well-being objectives (of both public bodies and public services boards), the well-being assessments and plans, the statutory goals and the sustainable development principle (including the 5 ways of working) are considered throughout the process.

You might like to know that we are currently developing a new framework for public buildings in collaboration with 21st Century Schools, to ensure that the Act is properly applied and that public buildings are fit for purpose.

I hope that you will find our frameworks useful.

As I would like to create documents that are of great use for people and public bodies, I will continue developing my frameworks. Therefore, I would be grateful if you could provide us with any feedback on your experience of using them as part of your work.

Thank you in advance.

Yours sincerely,

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From: Mr M Belli <BelliM@bishopofllandaff.org>
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Subject: Consultation on Cantonian High School

I write with regard to the consultation on a new build for Cantonian High School.

I fully endorse the planned investment for Cantonian High School. A number of schools within the city's estate, including Cantonian require replacement. Cardiff should be rightly proud of the rapid progress the school has gone through under the leadership of Diane Gill and the staff. Despite the school's demographic and context changing significantly, the school has transformed from a position of in need of improvement to one where its outcomes in most indicators place the school in the top 25% of similar schools.

All children deserve the very best start in life through an outstanding education. I believe Cantonian are helping to improve the life chances of many students and a new build will help establish a new culture of excellence which I know the school has been striving for since 2015. In extremely challenging circumstances the school has worked tirelessly to deliver strong outcomes, provision and leadership. The new school build will strengthen provision within the city and offer children within the catchment an environment suitable for the best learning.

Kind regards,

Marc Belli
Headteacher

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Chair of Governors Cardiff West Community High School

It is appreciated that the Local Authority needs to expand its secondary school provision due to demographic trends within the CBC's boundaries.

There is potential for economies of scale and the transference of specialist expertise.

Fitzalan High School

As a neighbouring school, we are delighted to support the plans for Cantonian High School to be re-developed on the existing site.

We would ask for some clarity around any suggested catchment area changes or alterations as these could have significant implications for the young people in the local area.

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Subject: Band B 2st Century Schools Consultation

Thank you for the opportunity to consult on the proposals below.

We welcome the council planning to meet the needs of children in education specifically those who have specialist needs. We will need to ensure that the health needs are included in our future planning with Welsh Government and that the increasing demand is recognised as part of our changing population needs. We have also highlighted the changes that the ALN Wales Act will need to deliver in partnership with Education colleagues

The UHB already had the opportunity to discuss with colleagues in education the following action has been taken: The local authority and Cardiff and the Vale University Health Board are undertaking a joint review of health and specialist provision in Cardiff special schools and pupil referral unit. The findings of the review, overseen by a project group of representatives from health, education, social services, schools, and parents, will inform the design of the specialist provision.

The UHB will be unable to absorb the additional demand for health services without additional funding being provided from Welsh Government as part of the NHS planning cycle. The working group already set up will need to scope needs and service models to understand the resources required in order to inform future discussions

Many Thanks

Rose Whittle – On behalf of C&V UHB

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As part of the Council's Band B 21st Century Schools programme, the Council is consulting on proposals to meet increased demand for secondary and special school places.

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Mae'r neges hon yn gyfrinachol. Os nad chi yw'r derbynnydd y bwriedid y neges ar ei gyfer, byddwch mor garedig ? rhoi gwybod i'r anfonydd yn ddi-oed. Dylid ystyried unrhyw ddatganiadau neu sylwadau a wneir uchod yn rhai personol, ac nid o angenrhaid yn rhai o eiddo Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Caerdydd a'r Fro, nac unrhyw ran gyfansoddol ohoni na chorff cysylltiedig. Mae cyfathrebu drwy e-bost yn amodol I fonitro; am fwy o wybodaeth. <http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/864/cymraeg>

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Cofiwch fod yn ymwybodol ei bod yn bosibl y bydd disgwyl i Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Caerdydd a'r Fro roi cyhoeddusrwydd i gynnwys unrhyw ebost neu ohebiaeth a dderbynnir, yn unol ag amodau'r Ddeddf Rhyddid Gwybodaeth 2000. I gael mwy o wybodaeth am Ryddid Gwybodaeth, cofiwch gyfeirio at wefan Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Caerdydd a'r Fro <http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/864/cymraeg>