

19 December 2025

Dear Stakeholder

Determination of proposal to Extend the Age Range of Ysgol Gymraeg Coed-Y-Gof

I am writing to update you on the proposal to:

- Extend the age range of Ysgol Gymraeg Coed-Y-Gof, Beechley Drive, Pentrebane, Cardiff, CF5 3SG from 4-11 to 3-11 by establishing a Welsh-medium nursery unit as part of the school.

The change is proposed to take effect from September 2026.

At its meeting on 18 December 2025 the Council's Cabinet considered the proposal, the statutory objections submitted and the Local Authority response to the issues raised. It was noted that there were no objections received.

The Cabinet approved the proposal as set out above without modification.

The Cabinet was satisfied that:

- The consultation on the proposed changes was carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Welsh Government School Organisation Code (November 2018)
- The proposal was published in accordance with the requirements of the Code and contained all the required information.
- The proposal would not have any negative impact on the quality of standards of education, the delivery of the Foundation Phase or each key stage of education at the school.
- The proposal would maintain the current standards of education and provision in the area.

The Cabinet was also satisfied that the proposal would:

- Provide additional Welsh-medium nursery places serving local families.
- Remove the need to travel to alternative sites for siblings of primary and nursery age, in turn impacting positively on parents' time and reducing the logistical difficulties that seeking an alternative childcare provider may cause.
- Provide continuity of provision to support and embed the ethos and culture of the school.

- Support the development of strong and effective parental links from the earliest possible opportunity.
- Ease transition for a nursery-aged child when promoting to Reception class (where an admission application for Reception has been successful).
- Allow for earlier identification of vulnerable groups and learning needs.
- Support pupils' well-being and learning by having an early year's unit within the school.
- Allow for continuity and progression between Early Years and Foundation Phase, enhancing the opportunity to appropriately address individual developmental and cultural needs.

Referral of Local Authority Decision 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:

- i. Another local authority affected by the proposals*
- ii. The appropriate religious body for any school affected*
- iii. The Governing Body of a voluntary or foundation school subject to the proposals*
- iv. A trust holding property on behalf of a voluntary or foundation school subject to the proposals; and*
- v. A further education institution affected by the proposals*

The decision is subject to the call-in procedures as set out in the Council's constitution which allows decisions taken by Cabinet to be reviewed. Should a call in of the decision take place, all stakeholders would be informed.

If you have any queries or require additional information, please contact the School Organisation Planning Team on 029 2087 2720 or via email to schoolresponses@cardiff.gov.uk

Yours faithfully



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