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Dear Stakeholder

On 10 March 2016 the City of Cardiff Council Cabinet agreed a proposal to establish a new 2 FE Welsh-medium primary school with nursery on the Hamadryad site located adjacent to the Hamadryad playing fields off Hamadryad Road, Cardiff (the school is to open initially at 1FE only in temporary accommodation adjacent to the Ninian Park Primary School site in the accommodation formerly occupied by Ysgol Tan yr Eos on Virgil Street, Cardiff).

The Cabinet considered the proposal, the statutory objections submitted and the local authority response thereon.

It was noted that there were two statutory objections. The concerns raised are summarised in the objection report together with the response from the local authority. It was considered that the response made by the local authority answered the issues raised.

The objection report is available to view on the Council website https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Schools-and-learning/Schools/21st-Century-Schools/Keep-up-to-date-and-contact-us/Pages/default.aspx

The Cabinet were satisfied that the proposal would:

- achieve a better match between the supply and demand for Welsh-medium primary school places within the local area.
- provide the opportunity to invest in providing high quality, modern facilities which would be able to support the delivery of a broad and balanced curriculum.
- result in reduced home-to-school travel distances for some pupils.
- precede new housing within the Butetown/Grangetown areas and therefore provide sufficient places in advance of this housing.

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 within 28 days refer the proposal to the Welsh Ministers for consideration;

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

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 2917 or via email to schoolresponses@cardiff.gov.uk.

Regards

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