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## Statutory Notice School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** in accordance with section 44 of the School Standards and Organisation Act 2013 and the School Organisation Code 2018 that Caerphilly County Borough Council, having consulted such persons as required by relevant legislation, proposes to make the prescribed alterations as follows:

**Expand the existing Trinity Fields School and Resource Centre, via a new building extension and outdoor play space with an anticipated completion date of September 2023.**

The school is currently maintained by Caerphilly County Borough Council.

The Council undertook a period of consultation before deciding to publish this proposal. A consultation report containing a summary of the issues raised by consultees, the proposer's responses and Estyn's full response is available on the Council website at:

<https://www.caerphilly.gov.uk/Services/Schools-and-learning/21st-Century-Schools>

It is proposed to implement the proposal with an anticipated effective date being circa September 2023.

The current number of pupils at the school at present is 183.

The proposed number of pupils the school will be able to accommodate once the proposal is implemented will be 263, to accommodate the existing cohort and provide an additional 80 places.

Admissions to the school are managed by the local authority via a Specialist Placement Panel, where a statutory process is followed to discuss pupils' individual needs.

The 'Measuring Capacity of Schools Guidance in Wales' 2011, describes the method for assessing the capacity of all maintained mainstream schools in Wales. Special Schools such as in the case of Trinity Fields is not subject to this legislation and as such this means that there is no published capacity calculation.

It is proposed that the catchment area for Trinity Fields Special School, which covers the whole area of the borough, will remain unchanged as outlined in the Consultation Document (page 14).

The Council's policy on school transport, provides free transport to all pupils who attend Trinity Fields Special School, irrespective of distance and family circumstances and Pupils are provided with the appropriate transport arrangements, as determined by the individual needs of the child. This will remain unaffected.

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## Objection Period

Within a period of 28 days of the date on which the proposal was published, that is to say, between Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021 and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2021, any person may object to the proposals in writing or by email to the proposer.

Objections by email should be sent to [21stCenturySchools@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:21stCenturySchools@caerphilly.gov.uk)

Objections in writing should be sent to Caerphilly County Borough Council, for the attention of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools Team, Directorate of Education and Corporate Services, Penallta House, Tredomen Park, Ystrad Mynach, CF82 7PG.

The Council will publish a summary of any such objections made (and not withdrawn in writing) within the objection period, together with their observations thereon, at the time of notification to stakeholders of the determination of the proposal.

Richard Edmunds

Corporate Director for Education and Corporate Services



For Caerphilly County Borough Council

Dated: 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This does not form part of the notice but is intended to explain its general meaning)

Caerphilly County Borough Council proposes to expand Trinity Fields Special School and Resource Centre, (Caerphilly Rd, Ystrad Mynach, Hengoed CF82 7XW) with effect from the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023.

With effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023, pupils in the existing school will have access to the additional facilities available in the new extension at the school.