

## CARDIFF COUNCIL

### SCHOOL STANDARDS AND ORGANISATION (WALES) ACT 2013

#### ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS PROVISION

#### TY GWYN SPECIAL SCHOOL

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** in accordance with Section 44 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and the School Organisation Code, that Cardiff Council (herein after “the Authority”), having consulted such persons as appeared to them to be appropriate, propose to alter Ty Gwyn Special School, Vincent Road, Caerau, Cardiff, CF5 5AQ by:

- Increasing the designated number of Ty Gwyn Special School from 198 to 240.

It is proposed to implement the proposal from September 2022.

The school is currently maintained by Cardiff Council.

The Authority undertook a period of consultation before deciding to publish this proposal. A consultation report containing a summary of the issues raised by consultees and the Authority’s responses and the views of Estyn is available to view at:

[Agenda for Cabinet on Thursday, 10th March, 2022, 2.00 pm : City of Cardiff Council \(moderngov.co.uk\)](https://www.moderngov.co.uk/2022/03/10/city-of-cardiff-council-agenda-for-cabinet-on-thursday-10th-march-2022-2-00-pm)

The current pupil capacity of the school is 198 places. The current number of pupils at the school is 205.

The proposed capacity once the proposal is implemented will be 240.

The school will continue to provide places for learners with complex learning disabilities and autism spectrum condition (ASC) aged 3 – 19.

Children are taught in mixed age classes and the numbers per age group may vary however the overall number would not exceed 240.

There are no plans to change the Council’s policy on the admission of children to schools as a result of these proposals.

Admissions to the school are managed by the local authority and subject to a statement of Special Educational Needs (SEN) or Individual Development Plan (IDP) as appropriate.

Any arrangements for the transport of pupils will be made in accordance with the Authority’s existing policies on school transport.

Within a period of 28 days of the date of publication of these proposals, that is to say by 02 June 2022, any person may object to these proposals.

Objections should be sent to the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning, Cardiff Council, County Hall, Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff CF10 4UW.

Objections may also be sent to the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning, Cardiff Council using the following e-mail address: [SchoolResponses@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:SchoolResponses@cardiff.gov.uk)

Please note that any such objection must contain the full name and postal address of the objector.

The Authority will publish a summary of any such objections made (and not withdrawn in writing) within the objection period, together with their observations thereon, before the end of 7 days beginning with the day the proposal is determined.

Dated this 06 day of May 2022

Signed: Davina Fiore  
Director of Legal, Governance and Monitoring Officer  
For Cardiff Council

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

Ty Gwyn is a special school located at Vincent Road in Caerau. The school admits pupils from across Cardiff.

The school is designated to provide 198 places for learners aged 3-19 with complex learning disabilities and Autism Spectrum Condition, including those with multiple or profound disabilities who require high levels of support.

The school has been federated with Riverbank Special School and Woodlands High School, as the Western Learning Campus Federation, since January 2018.

To meet the demand for specialist provision for learners with complex learning needs and autism spectrum condition it is proposed to increase the designated number of places at Ty Gwyn Special School from 198 to 240 from September 2022.

The number of pupils at the school is 205 with the additional children being accommodated within the existing accommodation.

It is proposed that the school would expand by adapting the former Trelai Youth Centre to provide additional accommodation and facilities with a further extension to the south of the site which will have 3 additional classrooms and support areas. This would allow for up to 240 children to be accommodated.



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In addition to the proposed increase in designated places at Ty Gwyn Special School, additional places for pupils with complex learning needs and autism spectrum condition have been proposed for a number of schools within the local authority. Details of these proposals and copies of the statutory notices can be seen at [Complex Learning Needs/Autism Spectrum Condition provision \(cardiff.gov.uk\)](http://cardiff.gov.uk/Complex-Learning-Needs-Autism-Spectrum-Condition-provision)