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To: Parents of primary age children living within Pencoedte and St Cyres school catchment areas
Parents of primary age children living within Ysgol Dewi Sant and Ysgol St Baruc school catchment areas
Parents of children currently attending Ysgol Dewi Sant and Ysgol St Baruc primary schools
Prescribed Consultees

Dear Consultee,

VALE OF GLAMORGAN SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2022/2023

I am writing to advise on the outcome of the recent consultation exercise on proposed admission arrangements for the academic year 2022/2023. The proposed change included a temporary change to St Cyres school catchment area for a period of three years commencing 2022/23 and a permanent change to Ysgol Dewi Sant school catchment area. There were no proposed changes to the admission policy and oversubscription criteria used for entry to schools.

During the consultation period concerns were raised and received from secondary schools in Barry. Consequently, counter proposals were made by the three English medium secondary schools to work with the Council to manage demand in the Barry area. As a result of this, the outcome of this consultation was a proposed amendment to the initial proposal as follows;

- Discontinuation of the proposal to establish a dual catchment area for St Cyres School to include Pencoedtre High School catchment area.
- Inclusion of an additional criterion in the secondary school oversubscription criteria prioritising pupils who were on roll at a previous feeder school prior to the withdrawal of the feeder arrangement for a period of three years commencing 2022/23
- Progress with the proposal to change the Ysgol Dewi Sant catchment area.

The Council carefully considered all comments received at its Cabinet meeting on the 22 March 2021 together with the amendment to the initial proposal. Cabinet approved the amendments as described above to discontinue the establishment of a dual catchment area for St Cyres School, to include an additional criterion in the secondary school oversubscription criteria to reflect previous feeder school arrangements and to change the Ysgol Dewi Sant catchment area.

The school admission policy for 2022/2023 can be viewed on line at <https://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/living/schools/Consultations/School-Admission-Arrangements-2022-23.aspx> Stanwell School and St Richard Gwyn Catholic School are not affected by the proposed change as they are their own admissions authority and determine their arrangements separately.

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Yours sincerely

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