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To:-

- Staff (teaching, non-teaching & support) of Maendy Primary School.
- The Governing Body of Maendy Primary School.
- Parents/carers of pupils attending Maendy Primary School.
- Statutory Consultees and Other Interested Parties.

Dear Sir/Madam,

## **MAENDY PRIMARY SCHOOL – PROPOSAL TO REPLACE AND EXTEND SCHOOL ON ITS EXISTING SITE.**

Construction of a new replacement and extended Maendy Primary School on its existing site has been delayed, meaning the original proposed implementation date (when the building would be available for occupation) of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 will now not be achieved.

Unfortunately, due to increased costs, a revised budget has had to be agreed before construction can begin. However, this is nearing the final stages of agreement and it is now currently anticipated that the new accommodation will be available for occupation at the latter part of the Summer Term 2025 i.e. Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 (to be formally confirmed).

The replacement Primary School was subject to a formal consultation process and the publication of statutory notices.

Because the council advised in that notice that the proposal was to be implemented on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 and that will now not be achieved, the council must, in accordance with the requirements of the School Standards & Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 determine to delay implementation if they are satisfied that the implementation of the proposal on the original date would be unreasonably difficult.

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Notification of any determination to delay a proposal must be given to relevant parties including the Welsh Ministers, Estyn, the governing bodies, parents, pupils and staff of any affected school, as appropriate within seven days of it being made.

It should be noted that whilst the Education provision as detailed in the original statutory notice dated 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020 will remain unchanged (i.e. 420 places plus nursery and other facilities (SNRB & Pre-school)), due to the revised overall budget for the project, access to the site will revert to the current arrangements, rather than a new access off Maendy Way.

There will therefore be a further opportunity to comment on this part of the proposal when the formal planning process for the new school begins.

The final modified date will be agreed as stated above by Council Cabinet, probably during the Autumn Term 2023, and this letter is provided as a further update on the proposal. Consultees will receive a further update, confirming the modified implementation date as soon as possible after Cabinet have considered this further.

I hope this is helpful, but if in the meantime you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



**MARK HORTON,  
PRINCIPAL OFFICER  
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