STATUTORY NOTICE TO DISCONTINUE YSGOL MAES EDWIN, SCHOOL LANE, FLINT MOUNTAIN, FLINTSHIRE, CH6 5QR

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Notice is given in accordance with Section 43 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013, and the School Organisation Code that Flintshire County Council of County Hall, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 6ND ("the Local Authority"), having consulted such persons as required, propose to:-

• Discontinue Ysgol Maes Edwin, School Lane, Flint Mountain, Flintshire CH6 5QR as of 31 August 2016.

Ysgol Maes Edwin, Flint Mountain is an English medium community primary school maintained by the Local Authority.

The Local Authority undertook a period of consultation before deciding to publish the proposals. A consultation report containing a summary of the issues raised by consultees, the proposer's responses and the views of Estyn is available on www.flintshire.gov.uk, or alternatively you may request a copy by emailing 21stcenturyschools@flintshire.gov.uk

It is proposed to implement the discontinuance of Ysgol Maes Edwin, Flint Mountain on 31 August 2016.

The Local Authority proposes that existing pupils may attend either Ysgol Gwynedd, English medium community based primary school, Cornist CP School, English medium community based primary school, or Ysgol Owen Jones, Northop English medium community based primary school. This is however subject to parental preference and subject to available places. Parents may express a preference for the said schools or indeed another school and the Local Authority will comply with any such expressed preference subject to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, Section 86 (3).

Home to school transport arrangements for pupils currently in Ysgol Maes Edwin, Flint Mountain shall be dealt with in reference to the Local Authority's Home to School Transport Policy.

Within a period of 28 days of the date on which the proposal was published, that is to say by **Friday**, **26**th **February 2016** any person may object to the proposal.

Objections should be sent in by email to 21stcenturyschools@flintshire.gov.uk or in writing to Ian Budd, Chief Officer, Flintshire County Council, County Hall, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 6ND.

Please note that it would be helpful if any such objection sent by email or post contain the full name and postal address of the objector.

Signed

Ian Budd

Chief Officer – Education and Youth For Flintshire County Council

29th January 2016

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Explanatory Note

(This explanatory note does not form part of the Notice but is offered by way of explanation)

- 1. The Local Authority is proposing to close Ysgol Maes Edwin, Flint Mountain as of the 31 of August 2016. Ysgol Maes Edwin, Flint Mountain is an English medium community primary school.
- 2. The proposals is one of identified through the 'School Modernisation Strategy' which was undertaken by the Local Authority to address issues including Headteacher recruitment, unfilled places, and the sustainability of schools.
- 3. The school census at January 2015, Ysgol Maes Edwin, Flint Mountain had 66 (Reception -Year 6) total full time pupils on roll against a capacity of 76 full time pupils. In January 2015, there were 10 unfilled places, which equates to 13.16% unfilled places.
- 4. The school census at September 2015, Ysgol Maes Edwin, Flint Mountain had 55 (Reception -Year 6) total full time pupils on roll against a capacity of 76 full time pupils. In September 2015, there were 21 unfilled places, which equates to 27.63% unfilled places.
- 5. The rationale for this proposal was set out in the consultation document circulated in October 2015, further copies of which are available on request from the address set out above.
- 6. A copy of the Local Authority's School Admissions Policy is available from Admission Team, Education and Youth at the address in the above Notice.
- 7. A copy of the Local Authority's Home to School Transport Policy is available from www.flintshire.gov.uk.
- 8. This Notice marks the start of a 28 days objection period from 29th January 2016 to 26th February 2016 and sets out the address to which objections in writing may be submitted.