



Catholic Schools Consultation



Children and Young People's Consultation Report



Cynllunio a Darpariaeth Ysgolion
School Planning and Provision

YOUR VOICE MATTERS



What We Heard and What Happens Next

What Was The Consultation About?

The consultation asked people what they thought about plans to:

- Close St Anthony's Catholic Primary School
- Bring together St David's, St Mary's and St Richard Gwyn
- Create a new Catholic school for children and young people aged 3-18
- Build a brand-new school in Flint in the future

No final decision has been made yet.



Who Shared Their Views?

We heard from:

- Pupils
- Parents and carers
- Teachers and staff
- Governors
- Community members
- Church representatives
- Trade unions Estyn



Everyone's views were carefully considered.

What Did People Say?

Many people liked the idea of:

- New classrooms
- Modern facilities
- Better sports and learning spaces
- More resources and equipment
- A school designed for the future



Many people were also worried about:

- Losing their current school
- Being further away from school
- Leaving friends and teachers
- Changes to school communities
- Longer journeys to school



What Did Children And Young People Tell Us?

You told us you love your schools because of:

- Your teachers
- Your friends
- School trips and activities
- Feeling safe and supported
- Being part of your school community
- Opportunities to learn new things



What Could Be Good About The Proposal?

Some pupils said a new school could mean:

- Better learning spaces
- Better sports facilities
- More resources and equipment
- Opportunities to make new friends
- Specialist classrooms
- More activities and clubs
- Modern school buildings



What Were Pupils Worried About?

Many pupils told us they were concerned about:

- Leaving friends
- Leaving favourite teachers
- Travelling further
- Adjusting to a different school
- Feeling nervous about change
- Losing part of what makes their current school special

These concerns have been listened to and carefully considered.



How Were Your Views Used?

Your views helped us understand what matters most to children and young people.

The Council and Diocese recognise the importance of:

- Supporting wellbeing
- Helping children feel safe
- Maintaining friendships
- Planning transitions carefully
- Protecting the positive things that make each school special



What Does The Council Think Now?

After reviewing all consultation responses, the Council and Diocese have decided that their assessment of the proposal remains unchanged.

They still believe the proposal could:

- Improve learning environments
- Provide better facilities
- Improve links between different age groups
- Support Catholic education into the future



However, all of the concerns raised during the consultation have been recorded and considered.

What Happens Next?

The Council and Diocese will now decide whether to move to the next stage.

If they decide to continue:

- A Statutory Notice will be published.
- People will have another opportunity to formally object.
- A final decision would then be made.

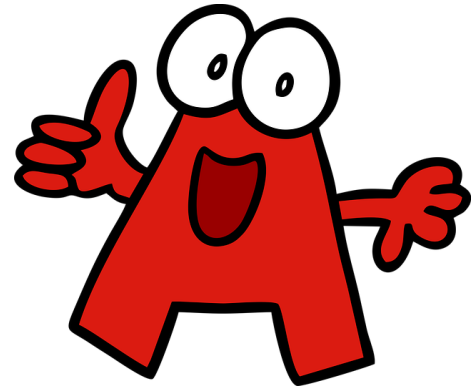


Thank You

Every opinion matters

A huge thank you to everyone who took part in the consultation about the future of Catholic education in Flintshire.

Your ideas, questions and opinions have helped us understand what is important to children and young people.



Thank you for taking part!

Flintshire County Council

Diocese of Wrexham

School Modernisation Team

THANK YOU!