



Statutory Notice

Proposal to discontinue Froncysyllte Community Primary School, Woodlands Road, Llangollen, LL20 7SU

School Standards and Organisations (Wales) Act 2013

School Organisation Code (2018)

Wrexham County Borough Council

Notice is given in accordance with section 43 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and the School Organisation Code 2018 that the local authority of Wrexham County Borough Council, having consulted such persons as required, proposes to:

Discontinue Froncysyllte Community Primary School ('Froncysyllte CP') from 31 August 2026, or sooner should pupil numbers fall to zero.

Location: Woodlands Road, Llangollen, LL20 7SU

Froncysyllte CP is an English medium, mixed sex, mainstream primary school for pupils aged 3-11. The school has a Published Admission Number of 12 pupils. The school is maintained by Wrexham County Borough Council ('the Council').

Wrexham County Borough Council undertook a period of consultation before deciding to publish this proposal. A consultation report containing a summary of the issues raised by consultees, the proposer's responses, and the views of Estyn is available on the Council's website:

[Consultation on the Dee Valley Federation of Schools](#)

Admissions

From 1st September 2026, pupils currently attending Froncysyllte CP will be able to express a preference for an alternative school. The Council will comply with any such expressed preference subject to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, Section 86(3). In future, any new pupils living in the Froncysyllte area will be able to apply for a place in accordance with the Council's School Admissions Policy.

Details of Nearest Alternative Schools

The nearest alternative schools for pupils currently attending Froncysyllte CP within a 2-mile walking distance would be as follows:

School	School Type	Language Category
Garth Community Primary School	Community Primary	English-medium
Ysgol Acrefair	Community Primary	English-medium
Ysgol Min y Ddol	Community Primary	Welsh-medium
Ysgol Cefn Mawr	Community Primary	English-medium
Pentre Church in Wales Voluntary Controlled Primary School	Voluntary Controlled	English-medium

Details of any other measures proposed to be taken to increase the number of school places at the nearest alternative schools

It is anticipated that the number of pupils transferring to any of the nearest alternative schools would be small, and therefore the impact on these schools would not be significant and there are sufficient places in schools in the surrounding area. In view of this, no measures are proposed to be taken to increase the number of school places available due to the proposed discontinuation of Froncysyllte CP.

Home to School Transport Arrangements

Transport for pupils shall be dealt with in accordance with the Council's School Transport Policy. Details of the Council's Admission Policy and School Transport Policy are available at [Wrexham County Borough Council](#)

Implementation

The proposal will be implemented by Wrexham County Borough Council.

Proposal to Discontinue Froncysyllte CP

Factors that have been considered by the Council in deciding to proceed with this proposal include:

- To ensure future sustainability of schools in the Dee Valley Federation.
- To enable pupils to attend alternative schools which would be better equipped to meet the new Curriculum for Wales.
- To enable pupils to attend alternative schools which would provide a wider range of educational and extra-curricular opportunities.
- To enable pupils to attend a school with a larger cohort, so that pupils can be taught in classes of a similar age group providing additional opportunities for peer support.
- To enable pupils to attend schools with better quality accommodation.
- To ensure efficiency of resource planning and management.
- To reduce the Council's overall surplus capacity in Wrexham's primary schools.
- To address the issue of low pupil numbers on roll and projected intake.
- To ensure that the Council complies with its duty to monitor the demand for school places and ensure viability of the school estate.
- To realise a financial saving accrued to the Dee Valley Federation budget.

Objection Period

Within a period of 28 days after the date of publication of these proposals, that is to say by **10 March 2026**, any person may object to the proposals.

Objections should be sent to:

Chief Officer Education & Early Intervention
Wrexham County Borough Council
Crown Buildings
31 Chester Street
Wrexham
LL13 8BG

Or by email to: DeeValleyConsultation@wrexham.gov.uk

Wrexham County Borough Council will publish a summary of any such objections made within the objection period (and not withdrawn in writing), together with the Council's observations thereon, within the specified time period outlined in the School Organisation Code 2018.

Signed: *K Evans*

Chief Officer Education & Early Intervention

Dated: 6 February 2026

Explanatory Note

This is not part of the formal notice. It is intended to provide further information and background to the proposals.

1. Pupil numbers have decreased overall in Wrexham schools over the past five years and are expected to continue decreasing. As a result, the proportion of surplus places across the County Borough will continue to increase.
2. Change is needed to ensure that children and young people in Wrexham achieve the best they can, and the Council is committed to delivering that change.
3. Following consideration of all responses from the consultation process, a decision has been made by the Council's Executive Board to proceed with the proposal to discontinue Froncysyllte CP on the 31 August 2026, or sooner should pupil numbers fall to zero.
4. By bringing this proposal forward, the Council intends to address the issue of low pupil numbers in the school which are impacting on the school's educational and financial sustainability and reduce the overall surplus capacity in primary schools across the County Borough.
5. From 1st September 2026, pupils currently attending Froncysyllte CP will be able to express a preference for an alternative school. The Council will comply with any such expressed preference subject to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, Section 86(3). In future, any new pupils living in the Froncysyllte area will be able to apply for a place in any school in accordance with the Council's School Admissions Policy.
6. Transport for pupils shall be dealt with in accordance with the Council's School Transport Policy.
7. This document is available in hard copy or in languages other than Welsh or English upon request. It is also available in accessible formats such as large print, Braille, BSL DVD and audio-CD upon request. To make a request for this document in another format or language or hard copy:
 - a. Email: DeeValleyConsultation@wrexham.gov.uk
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 - b. Write to: Access and School Places Team, Education and Early Intervention Department, Crown Buildings, 31 Chester Street, Wrexham, LL13 8BG.