Lixwm Primary School Fford Glediom Lixwm Holywell Flintshire, CH8 8NF

7th November 2019

<u>Proposal for the re-designation of Lixwm Community Primary School to a Voluntary Aided Church in Wales School</u>

Dear School Modernisation Team,

The governing body of Ysgol Licswm whole-heartedly endorses the proposal to change status from Community Primary to VA school.

As a school we already have close links with both the Church in Wales and Ysgol Yr Esgob. This proposal will allow us to continue along that journey with the target being to form a new federation with Ysgol Yr Esgob.

Best regards,

Mark Cockburn (Chair)

on behalf of Ysgol Licswm governing body

Lixwm CP School Redesignation Proposal

Formal Consultation Response from the Governing Body of Ysgol yr Esgob, Caerwys

The Governing Body of Ysgol yr Esgob agrees with the proposal for the redesignation of Ysgol Lixwm as a VA school.

There is close co-operation between staff and governors of the two schools. Staff from the two schools meet regularly, share curriculum initiatives, and undertake training together.

This is a partnership that is neither enforced nor contrived. It has grown because of shared values and the strong personal links. The proposal for Ysgol Lixwm to be re-designated as a VA school can only reinforce those shared values. If the re-designation were to provide an opportunity for more formal partnership between the two schools, in the form of federation, the Governing Body of Ysgol yr Esgob would wish to explore it enthusiastically.

Roland Ward, Chair of Governing Body, Ysgol yr Esgob, Caerwys, on behalf of the Governing Body

5th November 2019

To: Damian Hughes – School Modernisation.

Re: Lixwn School Redesignation to a VA school.

From: Cllr. Tudor Jones. Caerwys ward.

I have a direct and working relationship with Ysgol Licswm as County Councillor, Community Councillor and by my attendance at Governors meetings and school events.

I am a Governor with Ysgol yr Esgob, Caerwys with which Ysgol Licswm eventually wants to Federate.

I therefore have a direct and ongoing relationship with both schools and am very aware of the close working partnership both schools have with each other. This relationship is exemplified by the regularity of joint pupil activities at school and on visits beyond the school gates. The staff have already worked hard to share the load of developing the new Welsh curriculum and have developed close professional links with those staff they share the development work with.

Parents of both communities and schools support the eventual federation and are pleased with the progress being made towards this goal. This is a partnership; at all these levels, for which the seeking of VA status is based firmly on the shared values and pre-existing ambitions to provide a local education in the heart of both communities and of the highest of standards to every child.

I fully support the desire for the redesignation of Ysgol Licswm as a VA school.

Yours sincerely

Cllr. Tudor Jones.

8th November 2019



School Modernisation Team Education and Youth Flintshire County Council Ty Dewi Sant St David's Park Ewloe Flintshire CH5 3XT

Dear Sirs,

Re Lixwm CP School

Thank you for the consultation documentation. The Diocese of St Asaph has considered carefully the documentation.

The report explains the current position of the school and we firmly believe that at the heart of any school are its children and their needs are the most important consideration.

The needs of the current and future pupils are our priority, the Diocese of St Asaph wishes to support a way forward that enhances the educational opportunities for pupils so that the children of Lixwm and the wider community can benefit.

To enable this to happen the Diocese will work in partnership with Flintshire County Council, the Governing Body, Parents, Learners and the local community to support the proposal to establish a new Voluntary Aided Church in Wales school in Lixwm.

We wish to work together with all stakeholders creating a school that gives every child the very best opportunities to learn and achieve their full potential.

Yours faithfully

Rosalind Williams

Director of Education and Lifelong Learning

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