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# **OBJECTION REPORT**

**Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Bro Myrddin**

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# **Appendix A**

## **List of Objections to the Statutory Notice**

**Objections Received List**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position/Category of Respondent</b>
<b>1.</b>	Linos Thomas	
<b>2.</b>	Rhiannon Edwards	Prospective Parent

# **Appendix B**

**Summary of statutory objections received following publication of the Statutory Notice  
and Local Authority related responses**

Number	Objection	Response
1.	The consultee objects to changing the language category from bilingual 2A to Welsh medium.	<p>The consultee’s objection is noted. The proposal has been prepared in response to Carmarthenshire County Council’s Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2014-2017 (WESP) and the Welsh Government’s Welsh Medium Education Strategy (WMES). The Local Authority has a responsibility to <b>“increase the provision of Welsh medium education in Carmarthenshire and ensure linguistic continuity from the nursery sector along the key stages to the secondary sector so that every pupil becomes fluent and confident in both Welsh and English languages.”</b> It has been recommended that the County Council <b>“plans for growth in Welsh medium education in the secondary sector”</b> and <b>“agrees a timetable and plan to support 2A, 2B and 3 schools to move along the language continuum over a period of time and to lead to ensure that all other secondary schools move along the language continuum and create an ethos that encourages respect towards the Welsh language.”</b></p>
2.	The consultee objects to changing the language category from bilingual 2A to Welsh medium. It is felt that second language Welsh students would not achieve their full potential in Mathematics and Science by studying these subjects through the medium of Welsh. It is felt that pupils’ grades would not reflect the	<p>The consultee’s objection is noted. The proposal has been prepared in response to Carmarthenshire County Council’s Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2014-2017 (WESP) and the Welsh Government’s Welsh Medium Education Strategy (WMES). The Local Authority has a responsibility to <b>“increase the provision of Welsh medium education in</b></p>

	<p>true ability of the pupils; therefore affecting the school's overall standard. Also, pupils who wish to study these subjects through the medium of English at university would be at a disadvantage having learnt these subjects through the medium of Welsh at school. The consultee is also concerned that this change eliminates second language Welsh students from attending the school and that less students will now want to attend the school. Families may now want to send their children to an alternative school where they will have a choice of which language to study these subjects through.</p>	<p><b><i>Carmarthenshire and ensure linguistic continuity from the nursery sector along the key stages to the secondary sector so that every pupil becomes fluent and confident in both Welsh and English languages.</i></b>” It has been recommended that the County Council <b><i>“plans for growth in Welsh medium education in the secondary sector”</i></b> and <b><i>“agrees a timetable and plan to support 2A, 2B and 3 schools to move along the language continuum over a period of time and to lead to ensure that all other secondary schools move along the language continuum and create an ethos that encourages respect towards the Welsh language.”</i></b> The consistently high examination results in Science and Mathematics through the medium of Welsh shows that learning through the medium of Welsh is not a barrier to the pupils. All present Science and Mathematics teachers in Bro Myrddin are confident that moving to teaching through the medium of Welsh only has many advantages. The school prepares students to go to universities all over the world and learning through the medium of Welsh should not be seen as a disadvantage to pupils. It is the Local Authority’s intention that all current pupils remain at the school and that future pupils will continue to attend the school. Should the proposal be implemented, parents will have a choice of either a Welsh Medium school or Predominantly English medium secondary school with significant use of Welsh (EW) school in the Carmarthen area.</p>
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