

HOUSE OF COMMONS LONDON SW1A 0AA

Lynne Neagle Cabinet Secretary for Education Welsh Government Cathays Park Cardiff CF10 3NQ

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Dear Minister,

Re: Godre'r Graig Primary School

I am writing to raise serious concerns about the future of Godre'r Graig Primary School.

Five years after its closure, pupils are still being taught in temporary offsite portacabins. These facilities are not suitable for long-term education, and parents continue to raise concerns about uncomfortable temperatures and extended daily travel.

There is growing frustration at the lack of progress. Closing the school and subsequently demolishing the building without a clear, timely plan for a permanent replacement has led to years of disruption and uncertainty for the pupils and parents of Godre'r Graig.

I understand Neath Port Talbot Council have sought funding from the Welsh Government for a replacement new-build school through the Sustainable Communities for Learning Nine-Year Rolling Programme.

In light of this, I would be grateful if you could confirm:

- -Whether Welsh Government has received this application
- -The timeline for reviewing the application and making a decision
- -The criteria being applied in considering the proposal
- -Whether any interim support will be offered to improve current learning conditions

This matter should be treated as a priority - families in Godre'r Graig have waited long enough for a permanent solution.

Thank you for your attention, I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

David Chadwick MP