

**CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL**

**County Council  
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**REPORT AUTHOR: County Councillor Myfanwy Alexander, Portfolio Holder  
for Education**

**SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor Graham Breeze**

**Question**

**Many residents in the Welshpool Llanerchydol Ward have voiced concerns regarding the closure in 2018 of Ardwyn Junior & Infants School and the future of the building in particular.**

**Could the Portfolio Holder outline what considerations have been given to this building's future following closure in 2018, particularly in view of its Grade II Listed status, limited access and any potential impact on nearby residents?**

**Answer**

It is expected that the two new Primary Schools will be built and occupied at the start of the 2019-20 School year in September 2019. The Schools service will declare the 3 vacant sites, Gungrog C in W, Oldford N & I and Ardwyn N & I Schools surplus to its requirements and will request corporate property to either transfer the sites to another service or dispose of the sites. Part of the Gungrog C in W school site will revert to the St Asaph Church Authorities.

Officers from the service has already raised the potential availability of the 3 sites to the multi-service strategic asset board and discussions are on-going on how the sites can be utilised to meet the authority's strategic priorities. I can give Councillor Breeze the assurance that the residents of his ward will be informed and consulted upon the future use of the schools building.