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Date : 09/03/2016 - 19:01 (GMTST)

To : [REDACTED]

Subject : RE: An invitation to Trefonen, Treflach and Nantmawr residents

Good evening K,

I believe Rev Kathy represented the school governors on Saturday at the Consultation event. I have been asked tonight at a meeting of the full governors to also respond.

Thank you for putting so much work into all of this, it is heartening to see such a committed community. We realise this is not a planning document and that there is reference to smaller houses and bungalows in the current draft statement. We also recognise that the terms of reference for a VDS are specific.

The Local Authority bases its projections of school intake on figures from in catchment. Our school numbers are currently doing very well and we have 136 on role. However for the last few years between a third and a half of pupils have come from out of area. If this sort of balance is maintained it would of course not be recognised in LA school planning. Our concern is that as a result we may be incorrectly deemed too small to remain viable. We are in no way asking for further development in the area but if there is to be any it would be valuable for sustainability of the school if the housing needs of young families were included in the mix. This may or may not be something you are able to reflect in the VDS but if it were possible we would appreciate our view being shared.

With regard to the lack of response from school I am looking into why your email failed to reach our Head teacher. I apologise for this breakdown in communication

Best wishes

Molly Harvey

Chair of Governors Trefonen School

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