



Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Colleague / Parent / Student,

I am writing to you as the current Executive Trustee of the TyrAbad Outdoor Education Centre. As you may know, this centre has been an integral part of the education offered by Maiden Erlegh School, The Emmbrook School and Charters School to thousands of local people for nearly 50 years and has provided opportunities that many would never have experienced if this centre did not exist. It has become part of the foundations of all of our three schools.

It is, therefore, with enormous regret that I have to write to inform you that a managed voluntary liquidation process has now been initiated for the charity due to it entering an untenable financial position during the COVID19 global pandemic. With no income and the prospect of no bookings being made before September 2021 looking likely, myself and other trustees have had to make this heart-breaking decision. Throughout this period, we have sought funding opportunities and liaised with creditors to try and sustain this wonderful community commodity but to no avail.

We will continue to work with our colleagues in Wales to support them as best as we can. Once again, I am sorry to have to inform you of this terrible news.

Kind regards,

**Paul Gibson**  
Executive Trustee  
Tyr Abad Outdoor Education Centre