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Dear Parent/Carer

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Synthite Fire, Mold – River Alyn

Please see the communication below regarding the recent fire at the Synthite works in Mold which has unfortunately had an impact on the Alyn River which flows through a large part of the County and into country parks such as Loggerheads and Alyn Waters.

The multi-agency response to the factory fire on Denbigh Road, Mold is continuing.

Firefighters remain at the scene however North Wales Fire and Rescue Service operations are now scaling down as the fire is suppressed.

Lyndsey Rawlinson from Natural Resources Wales said:

"The multi-agency approach continues as we monitor and try to minimise the impact on the community and environment. Officers remain on site as part of the on-going operation.

"We can confirm that around 50 dead fish have been found. Further samples will now be taken from around the site and further downstream to be analysed.

"We will take any necessary action needed to identify and mitigate any impacts downstream. "As a precaution, we're asking people not to go near the River Alyn and to also keep animals away from the water.

"Multi agencies will continue to work together to minimise the impact on the community and environment."

Ongoing firefighting control measures are such that there is no need for local communities to close windows and doors – however the cordon remains in place and the road remains closed.

North Wales Police and North Wales Fire and Rescue Service are assisting the Health and Safety Executive with their investigation.

Yours sincerely

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Mr C Ellis <u>Headteacher</u>