

REPORT TO GARIOCH AREA COMMITTEE – 3 DECEMBER 2019

2019 BASED SCHOOL ROLL FORECASTS

1 Reason for Report / Summary

- 1.1 Education & Children's Services publish School Roll Forecasts for all primary and secondary schools in Aberdeenshire on an annual basis.

2 Recommendations

The Committee is recommended to give comments on the report for consideration by the Education & Children's Services Committee.

3 Purpose and Decision Making Route

- 3.1 The 2019 based School Roll Forecasts will be discussed at each Area Committee between November 2019 and January 2020. A report will be taken to Education & Children's Services (E&CS) Committee on 30 January 2020 which will combine the information presented to each Area Committee.
- 3.2 This report gives area committees the opportunity to consider the schools in their area and highlight any areas of concern to the Service.

4 Discussion

- 4.1 The 2019 School Roll Forecast is attached as Appendix 1. The school roll data in the report is based upon the annual census which took place in September 2019. However, officers are continually monitoring actual school rolls in order to identify, and react to, any deviations from the forecast as soon as possible.
- 4.2 The following tables highlight the schools within Garioch that are currently or are forecast to operate in excess of capacity. The steps that are taken to address the capacity pressures will depend on the number of pupils and the length of time that the school roll is likely to exceed capacity. The tables also show schools that are currently or are forecast to operate at lower than 25% capacity. These are schools operating significantly under capacity. Officers will continue to monitor and review these schools in line with [Developing a Strategic Approach to the Learning Estate](#) for Aberdeenshire Primary Schools as agreed by Education & Children's Services Committee on 11 October 2018.
- 4.3 Appendix 2 shows amended forecasts for Kellands, Strathburn and Uryside Schools if the Review of Inverurie Primary School Catchment Areas is approved at Education & Children's Services Committee on 5 December 2019.
- 4.4 Table 1 details schools within Garioch that are currently operating above published capacity, and the approach officers are taking.

TABLE 1: Garioch Schools Over 100% Capacity in 2019

School Name	Cluster	Capacity	Current Roll	Comments
Kemnay Academy	Kemnay	700	941	Kemnay Academy has a working capacity of 950 due to the temporary units that are on site. Work is programmed to reconfigure some spaces within the school to increase flexibility and support timetabling.

- 4.5 Table 2 details schools in Garioch that are forecast to have a roll in excess of the current published capacity in five years' time (2024).

TABLE 2: Garioch Schools Over 100% Capacity in 2024

School Name	Cluster	Capacity	Roll 2024	Comments
Echt	Alford	50	59	Echt School is forecast to have a rising roll due to two larger cohorts of P1 pupils expected in 2021 and 2023. Officers will monitor for the current session and then develop appropriate strategies with the school as the roll increases.
Inverurie Academy	Inverurie	1100	1267	The new Inverurie Community Campus will open in 2020 with an increased capacity of 1600 pupils.
Kemnay Academy	Kemnay	700	1037	In addition to the reconfiguration of spaces further options will continue to be explored to address capacity pressures at Kemnay Academy.
Premnay	Huntly	50	67	An extension for Premnay School is currently programmed. This will result in an increased capacity for the school from August 2020.

- 4.6 Table 3 details schools in Garioch that are currently operating at below 25% capacity, and the approach that officers are taking.

TABLE 3: Garioch Schools Below 25% Capacity in 2019

School Name	Cluster	Capacity	Current Roll	Comments
Midmill	Kemnay	434	92	The capacity at Midmill School has been reduced due to the relocation of a number of teams to the school as part of an office space strategy. The slow delivery of new housing has resulted in a

				slower increase to roll than previously anticipated.
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4.7 Garioch Schools Below 25% Capacity in 2024

There are no schools in Garioch that are forecast to have a roll of 25% of capacity or lower in five years' time (2024).

5 Council Priorities, Implications and Risk

5.1 This report helps deliver Council Priority 3 - Providing the best life chances for all our children and young people by raising levels of attainment and achievement.

The report helps deliver Council Priority 10 – Having the right people, in the right place, doing the right thing, at the right time.

5.2 The table below shows whether risks and implications apply if the recommendation is agreed.

Subject	Yes	No	N/A
Financial		X	
Staffing		X	
Equalities		X	
Fairer Scotland Duty		X	
Town Centre First		X	
Sustainability		X	
Children and Young People's Rights and Wellbeing		X	

5.3 An equality impact assessment is not required because this report provides an annual update of pupil numbers and does not have a differential impact on any of the protected characteristics.

5.4 The following Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Corporate Level: ACORP007 Social risk (demographic change) [*Corporate Risk Register*](#). The following Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Strategic Level: ECSR002 Developing Excellence and Equality [*Directorate Risk Registers*](#). The monitoring of school roll forecasts will help ensure that existing resources are better utilised, particularly in areas with substantial population growth.

6 Scheme of Governance

6.1 The Head of Finance and Monitoring Officer within Business Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report and their comments are incorporated within the report and are satisfied that the report complies with the Scheme of Governance and relevant legislation.

6.2 The Committee is able to consider and take a decision on this item in terms of Section B.1.2 of the List of Committee Powers in Part 2A of the Scheme of Governance which allows the Committee to consider, comment on, make

recommendations to Services and any other appropriate Committee on any matter or policy which impacts its Area.

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Appendix 1 – 2019 Based School Roll Forecast

Appendix 2 – Amended forecast for Review of Inverurie Primary Catchment Areas

School	Area	Capacity	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Current % Capacity	% Capacity 2024
Aboyne Academy	Marr	750	707	691	705	719	722	686	652	613	572	537	92%	87%
Aboyne PS	Marr	342	301	313	313	296	286	287	285	290	269	262	92%	83%
Ballater	Marr	145	80	70	73	69	66	71	80	80	84	80	48%	55%
Braemar	Marr	50	30	31	35	38	41	44	43	40	40	35	62%	86%
Crathie	Marr	47	9	9	10	8	8	8	7	8	8	7	19%	16%
Finzean	Marr	71	51	45	38	35	32	28	26	27	26	26	63%	36%
Kincardine O'Neil	Marr	69	24	24	27	25	28	30	29	28	28	26	35%	42%
Logie Coldstone	Marr	47	19	19	16	16	14	15	13	11	13	11	40%	28%
Lumphanan	Marr	100	60	39	37	38	42	43	44	42	44	43	39%	44%
Tarland	Marr	155	87	90	91	88	73	68	64	60	61	55	58%	41%
Torphins	Marr	200	163	166	153	158	153	164	156	151	142	137	83%	78%
Alford Academy	Marr	700	655	680	699	712	718	714	677	627	569	543	97%	97%
Alford PS	Marr	372	328	333	350	370	365	366	369	371	363	338	90%	99%
Cluny	Garioch	96	90	81	76	82	79	74	78	76	72	70	84%	81%
Craigievar	Marr	47	29	33	27	29	26	23	23	22	21	20	70%	48%
Dunecht	Garioch	75	60	43	48	48	53	54	52	50	48	44	57%	70%
Echt	Garioch	47	34	38	41	49	50	57	59	61	63	61	81%	126%
Keig	Marr	50	28	25	19	15	13	11	11	11	10	9	50%	21%
Lumsden	Marr	50	12	12	11	10	9	10	11	13	15	15	24%	22%
Midmar	Garioch	75	42	38	32	32	30	27	27	24	24	24	51%	36%
Monymusk	Marr	75	58	62	66	61	62	64	63	59	58	51	83%	84%
Strathdon	Marr	50	24	28	22	23	25	27	24	23	19	20	56%	47%
Tough	Marr	60	34	29	26	23	18	20	18	18	19	17	48%	30%
Towie	Marr	50	51	51	53	48	51	49	49	51	50	48	102%	99%
Tullynessle	Marr	50	21	15	15	12	13	14	13	14	15	15	30%	26%
Banchory Academy	Marr	900	817	813	855	858	874	902	896	879	846	807	90%	100%
Banchory PS	Marr	550	409	406	406	405	412	405	408	400	389	384	74%	74%
Crathes	Marr	50	34	39	38	43	49	51	55	59	59	58	78%	109%
Drumoak	Kincardine & Mearns	155	119	124	129	140	125	128	126	119	116	109	80%	81%
Durris	Kincardine & Mearns	60	40	47	49	49	45	46	48	45	41	37	78%	79%
Hill of Banchory	Marr	434	377	376	359	347	348	352	350	346	327	314	87%	81%
Strachan	Marr	50	0	0	5	8	14	18	20	22	23	21	0%	40%

School	Area	Capacity	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Current % Capacity	% Capacity 2024
Banff Academy	Banff & Buchan	1220	808	815	834	861	863	856	848	789	725	645	67%	69%
Aberchirder	Banff & Buchan	225	128	127	132	124	121	121	127	129	124	113	56%	57%
Banff PS	Banff & Buchan	459	347	353	352	364	370	361	344	341	324	317	77%	75%
Bracoden	Banff & Buchan	145	41	42	41	39	46	49	49	51	51	51	29%	34%
Fordyce	Banff & Buchan	47	18	25	21	22	20	20	20	17	19	20	53%	43%
Macduff	Banff & Buchan	420	321	326	295	274	279	268	243	237	229	231	78%	58%
Ordiquhill	Banff & Buchan	100	60	49	49	45	40	41	42	42	41	38	49%	42%
Portsoy	Banff & Buchan	267	152	137	135	130	119	121	128	128	125	121	51%	48%
Whitehills	Banff & Buchan	134	122	115	111	104	102	110	110	107	109	110	86%	82%
Ellon Academy	Formartine	1300	1084	1134	1154	1153	1152	1192	1186	1159	1143	1100	87%	91%
Arnage	Formartine	75	42	39	41	35	37	33	33	30	29	27	52%	45%
Auchterellon	Formartine	459	361	344	334	308	302	295	283	268	251	243	75%	62%
Balmedie (City)	Formartine	484	405	408	410	420	452	514	571	613	619	624	84%	118%
Ellon PS	Formartine	345	301	289	288	302	301	306	313	316	312	302	84%	91%
Foveran	Formartine	47	23	28	31	30	40	50	55	65	66	65	60%	117%
Hatton (Cruden)	Buchan	155	102	103	99	107	106	100	106	102	97	94	66%	69%
Meiklemill	Formartine	317	209	228	223	227	251	271	285	305	310	319	72%	90%
Newburgh Mathers	Formartine	217	135	147	156	165	163	159	162	151	143	135	68%	75%
Slains	Formartine	50	32	30	27	24	23	25	24	25	23	21	60%	48%
Tipperty	Formartine	50	37	35	37	31	31	26	23	22	19	17	70%	45%
Fraserburgh Academy	Banff & Buchan	1510	1125	1090	1119	1105	1120	1102	1067	1039	989	941	72%	71%
Crimond	Buchan	155	81	86	86	87	92	96	91	88	80	77	55%	59%
Fraserburgh North	Banff & Buchan	217	138	119	117	112	103	109	109	110	116	105	55%	50%
Fraserburgh South Park	Banff & Buchan	550	379	364	364	349	347	339	343	328	325	312	66%	62%
Inverallochy	Banff & Buchan	155	113	122	116	122	120	126	124	123	115	111	79%	80%
Lochpots	Banff & Buchan	267	194	199	191	194	189	188	186	181	173	169	75%	70%
Rathen	Banff & Buchan	90	57	55	62	65	65	73	77	81	77	70	61%	85%
Rosehearty	Banff & Buchan	217	160	150	137	144	134	135	125	120	117	118	69%	58%
Sandhaven	Banff & Buchan	100	84	90	78	82	74	67	63	61	59	58	90%	63%
St Andrew's, Fraserburgh	Banff & Buchan	429	336	328	356	367	374	389	402	399	391	378	76%	94%
St Combs	Buchan	100	44	48	47	51	54	52	50	43	38	35	48%	50%
Tyrie	Banff & Buchan	71	41	31	21	17	16	15	17	17	17	18	44%	23%

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Gordon Schools	Marr	870	694	662	710	744	782	789	812	787	739	687	76%	93%
Cairney	Marr	50	16	14	18	17	19	22	22	22	23	21	28%	45%
Clatt	Marr	50	14	13	11	13	14	14	15	12	13	13	26%	30%
Drumblade	Marr	60	50	49	50	48	42	41	40	39	36	33	82%	66%
Forgue	Marr	45	34	25	22	23	18	18	16	16	17	17	56%	35%
Gartly	Marr	50	36	23	26	27	27	25	30	34	36	33	46%	60%
Glass	Marr	47	25	25	17	13	11	7	6	6	4	5	53%	13%
Gordon PS	Marr	484	419	425	407	379	364	366	349	333	312	297	88%	72%
Insch	Garioch	368	348	351	338	328	316	314	290	276	260	245	95%	79%
Kennethmont	Marr	50	29	36	40	39	47	52	52	54	53	50	72%	104%
Largue	Marr	50	10	12	10	10	11	11	11	12	11	12	24%	22%
Premnay	Garioch	50	46	46	52	49	57	61	67	69	71	66	92%	134%
Rhynie	Marr	71	42	33	32	31	33	34	39	42	42	41	46%	56%
Inverurie Academy	Garioch	1100	884	951	1015	1090	1157	1219	1267	1280	1243	1215	86%	115%
Chapel of Garioch	Garioch	71	29	30	32	34	34	33	36	39	38	36	42%	51%
Hatton (Fintray)	Garioch	60	53	49	48	44	42	43	40	38	40	39	82%	66%
Keithhall	Garioch	47	31	35	31	30	27	28	29	27	27	28	74%	62%
Kellands	Garioch	442	425	436	457	453	454	448	431	419	412	385	99%	98%
Newmachar (City)	Garioch	484	350	367	386	406	430	450	457	461	449	432	76%	94%
Oyne	Garioch	75	53	45	44	44	43	43	43	38	37	36	60%	57%
Port Elphinstone	Garioch	155	86	87	81	90	97	108	123	140	157	175	56%	79%
Strathburn	Garioch	480	424	419	413	414	403	406	400	384	370	349	87%	83%
Uryside	Garioch	589	315	348	398	436	457	475	478	488	488	484	59%	81%
Kemnay Academy	Garioch	700	877	941	974	999	1036	1063	1037	1030	978	917	134%	148%
Alehousewells	Garioch	217	136	130	128	126	112	111	103	97	92	87	60%	47%
Kemnay PS	Garioch	252	202	205	204	191	198	185	190	187	182	173	81%	75%
Kinellar	Garioch	484	392	382	382	377	363	358	361	349	336	320	79%	75%
Kintore	Garioch	559	537	501	461	434	388	381	368	339	332	314	90%	66%
Midmill	Garioch	434	79	92	103	126	160	195	227	251	268	285	21%	52%
Mearns Academy	Kincardine & Mearns	700	685	692	700	685	708	722	717	711	674	661	99%	102%
Auchenblae	Kincardine & Mearns	120	103	102	92	95	93	97	92	86	82	79	85%	76%
Fettercairn	Kincardine & Mearns	100	67	70	78	82	80	83	87	88	90	85	70%	87%
Laurencekirk PS	Kincardine & Mearns	434	312	312	341	372	385	407	413	422	422	386	72%	95%
Luthermuir	Kincardine & Mearns	99	56	57	52	56	54	56	61	64	68	67	58%	62%
Marykirk	Kincardine & Mearns	50	44	42	45	46	48	44	44	39	32	30	84%	87%
Redmyre	Kincardine & Mearns	75	74	70	72	70	77	70	67	65	65	65	93%	90%
St Cyrus	Kincardine & Mearns	171	149	141	136	148	138	138	140	140	138	139	82%	82%

School	Area	Capacity	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Current % Capacity	% Capacity 2024
Meldrum Academy	Formartine	980	990	989	993	1052	1062	1084	1071	1042	1021	956	101%	109%
Barthol Chapel	Formartine	50	33	35	27	24	21	20	20	19	15	16	70%	39%
Cultercullen	Formartine	75	52	52	56	64	67	73	76	73	73	69	69%	101%
Daviot	Formartine	120	104	111	104	97	97	96	93	93	91	86	93%	77%
Logie Durno	Garioch	45	26	30	31	30	34	35	36	37	38	37	67%	79%
Meldrum PS	Formartine	459	368	393	405	393	405	404	404	382	354	332	86%	88%
Methlick	Formartine	120	114	103	110	105	112	113	108	110	105	98	86%	90%
Old Rayne	Garioch	75	58	59	51	50	53	51	50	49	46	48	79%	67%
Pitmedden	Formartine	242	156	146	165	155	169	179	181	179	173	162	60%	75%
Rayne North	Garioch	74	66	62	60	58	58	51	53	54	50	49	84%	72%
Rothienorman	Formartine	150	137	140	148	132	138	140	133	136	130	122	93%	89%
Tarves	Formartine	217	129	132	143	153	149	169	168	160	150	138	61%	77%
Udny Green	Formartine	75	47	55	51	46	50	43	42	44	38	37	73%	56%
Mintlaw Academy	Buchan	900	796	786	807	837	868	867	846	833	795	759	87%	94%
Auchnagatt	Buchan	75	49	53	55	59	64	70	66	71	67	64	71%	88%
Fetterangus	Buchan	75	36	41	38	45	42	39	43	42	40	41	55%	58%
Kininmonth	Buchan	50	32	31	31	25	23	20	16	14	15	12	62%	31%
Longside	Buchan	217	155	154	155	143	148	155	158	158	155	147	71%	73%
Maud	Buchan	125	100	96	102	100	104	111	115	118	122	114	77%	92%
Mintlaw PS	Buchan	217	168	170	171	169	175	181	183	185	190	189	78%	84%
New Deer	Buchan	180	99	104	103	97	98	99	98	95	88	85	58%	54%
New Pitsligo & St John's	Buchan	155	120	123	110	102	98	99	94	87	80	76	79%	61%
Pitfour	Buchan	180	133	124	116	115	118	123	129	136	141	148	69%	71%
Strichen	Buchan	150	109	116	116	120	124	126	130	131	132	128	77%	87%
Stuartfield	Buchan	150	122	123	127	132	134	138	148	143	137	130	82%	99%
Peterhead Academy	Buchan	1700	1113	1142	1168	1230	1260	1298	1307	1292	1250	1186	67%	77%
Boddam	Buchan	217	135	126	123	126	120	124	116	109	106	105	58%	54%
Buchanhaven	Buchan	523	493	468	442	427	413	414	409	395	392	393	89%	78%
Burnhaven	Buchan	100	71	58	60	58	45	46	43	39	36	30	58%	43%
Clerkhill	Buchan	484	459	468	480	460	445	428	421	413	396	378	97%	87%
Dales Park	Buchan	317	205	228	265	304	359	382	404	407	406	392	72%	127%
Longhaven	Buchan	50	0	0	2	3	5	6	8	9	10	10	0%	16%
Meethill	Buchan	279	188	190	209	205	222	225	219	228	219	207	68%	78%
Peterhead Central	Buchan	300	182	168	176	181	183	184	188	193	193	185	56%	63%
Port Erroll	Buchan	242	120	119	122	124	141	149	151	147	147	148	49%	62%
St Fergus	Buchan	120	107	113	110	111	104	95	98	96	87	82	94%	82%

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Portlethen Academy	Kincardine & Mearns	970	817	835	836	879	925	974	1001	1009	992	1001	86%	103%
Banchory-Devenick	Kincardine & Mearns	70	34	31	35	39	44	47	49	52	54	55	44%	70%
Fishermoss	Kincardine & Mearns	358	264	256	253	261	261	265	274	273	280	270	72%	76%
Hillside	Kincardine & Mearns	372	366	419	480	503	528	541	545	544	521	484	113%	147%
Newtonhill	Kincardine & Mearns	459	308	292	329	365	396	419	440	465	488	487	64%	96%
Portlethen PS	Kincardine & Mearns	342	264	260	256	241	222	219	219	211	206	195	76%	64%
Mackie Academy	Kincardine & Mearns	1290	1180	1159	1170	1181	1187	1170	1169	1155	1098	1040	90%	91%
Arduthie	Kincardine & Mearns	459	353	346	361	383	399	429	449	454	453	428	75%	98%
Bervie	Kincardine & Mearns	342	219	228	230	232	234	255	257	267	260	256	67%	75%
Catterline	Kincardine & Mearns	94	39	43	39	42	34	32	28	29	25	26	46%	29%
Dunnottar	Kincardine & Mearns	195	197	185	186	169	161	157	153	144	141	137	95%	79%
Glenbervie	Kincardine & Mearns	100	72	74	79	80	78	76	78	73	73	65	74%	78%
Gourdon	Kincardine & Mearns	100	85	86	78	71	71	70	71	64	65	61	86%	71%
Johnshaven	Kincardine & Mearns	50	35	34	36	30	32	33	37	38	37	33	68%	74%
Kinneff	Kincardine & Mearns	50	13	11	9	13	14	16	14	16	17	18	22%	28%
Lairhillock	Kincardine & Mearns	150	113	132	131	139	131	130	127	132	128	126	88%	85%
Mill O' Forest	Kincardine & Mearns	434	291	282	264	239	232	224	203	184	169	160	65%	47%
Turriff Academy	Formartine	840	665	627	623	656	640	628	627	592	553	508	75%	75%
Auchterless	Formartine	75	37	46	45	41	36	32	29	24	13	14	61%	39%
Crudie	Banff & Buchan	50	25	28	30	28	25	27	26	25	22	19	56%	52%
Easterfield	Formartine	25	19	17	20	17	16	17	17	16	17	15	68%	70%
Fintry	Formartine	50	37	27	28	24	20	15	13	11	13	11	54%	27%
Fisherford	Formartine	30	8	11	9	10	11	12	11	13	13	13	37%	38%
Fyvie	Formartine	155	118	123	129	114	112	107	103	95	89	81	79%	67%
King Edward	Banff & Buchan	47	28	23	20	23	19	22	18	21	23	21	49%	37%
Monquhitter	Formartine	217	136	137	123	112	116	116	110	107	97	96	63%	51%
Turriff Primary	Formartine	559	468	459	448	423	424	423	414	417	416	397	82%	74%
Westhill Academy	Garioch	1000	748	758	777	816	807	839	852	812	779	745	76%	85%
Crombie	Garioch	342	309	328	323	309	308	311	303	298	274	262	96%	89%
Elrick	Garioch	442	417	404	386	375	371	356	342	339	328	318	91%	77%
Skene	Garioch	100	72	76	82	80	86	85	93	96	98	90	76%	93%
Westhill PS	Garioch	342	287	280	302	309	320	323	324	335	332	312	82%	95%

Appendix 2 – Amended forecast related to Review of Inverurie Primary School Catchment Areas

	Capacity	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Kellands	442	425	436	443	426	432	413	379	354	339	321
Strathburn	480	424	419	430	456	468	478	473	458	449	423
Uryside	589	315	348	402	449	478	490	482	484	480	476