



## REPORT TO GARIOCH AREA COMMITTEE – 19 JUNE 2018

### PROGRESS UPDATE - SCHOOLS IN GARIOCH

#### 1 Recommendations

The Committee is recommended to give comments on the report for consideration by the service.

#### 2 Background / Discussion

- 2.1 On 30 January 2018, the 2017 Based School Roll Forecast report was presented at Garioch Area Committee.
- 2.2 The report detailed the schools within Garioch that are currently operating above published capacity, and the approach officers are taking.
- 2.3 The Committee requested that an update report be presented at Garioch Area Committee within 6 months, detailing the progress made to address any capacity issues.
- 2.4 On 1 February 2018, the Primary School Capacities Review 2017 was presented at Education & Children's Services Committee. The Committee approved the revised capacities for Aberdeenshire primary schools based on Scottish Government guidelines.
- 2.5 Table 1 below details the schools within Garioch that are currently over the updated published capacity and the approach officers are taking.

**TABLE 1 – Garioch Schools Over 100% Capacity in 2017/2018 School Session**

School Name	Cluster	Roll (May 2018)	Comments
Kemnay Academy	Kemnay	820	Kemnay Academy has a working capacity of 1000 due to non-linked classrooms. All current pupils can be accommodated within this capacity.
Kinellar	Kemnay	382	Kinellar pupils have relocated to Midmill School, Kintore in order for the delivery of a replacement Kinellar School on the existing site. The capacity of the replacement school will be 484 when it opens in the 2018-19 session.
Old Rayne	Meldrum	54	This school is experiencing a peak in roll. A one class extension is planned to address the capacity issues. A business case has been completed and is awaiting approval. A number of options have been developed and indicative plans have been drawn up. The service is waiting for formal costs to come back. The next

			stage will be discussions with the parent council and the school as to best options for progression.
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2.6 Table 2 below details the schools in Garioch no longer over 100% capacity based on the primary school capacity review approved at Education & Children’s Services Committee on 1 February 2018.

**TABLE 2 – Garioch Schools now within capacity**

School Name	Cluster	Roll (May 2018)	Comments
Midmar	Alford	52	The school has a revised capacity of 75 and is no longer over capacity. The roll is forecast to continue to remain within capacity in future years.
Premnay	Huntly	42	The school has a revised capacity of 50 and is no longer over capacity. The roll is forecast to exceed the capacity in future years. Options are currently being assessed to replace the temporary accommodation with a permanent structure. A business case is being formulated and is currently going through the property prioritisation process.
Logie Durno	Meldrum	26	The school has a revised capacity of 45 and is no longer over capacity. The roll is forecast to continue to remain within capacity in future years.
Kintore	Kemnay	559	The school has a revised capacity of 651 and is no longer over capacity. The roll is forecast to continue to remain within capacity in future years.
Hatton (Fintray)	Inverurie	52	The school has a revised capacity of 60 and is no longer over capacity. The roll is forecast to continue to remain within capacity in future years.
Rayne North	Meldrum	66	The school has a revised capacity of 74 and is no longer over capacity. The roll is forecast to continue to remain within capacity in future years.

2.7 New Machar School is operating within its current capacity and is forecast to remain within the revised capacity of 484 until 2022, when it is forecast to exceed this by 3 pupils. Early Years officers are currently undertaking an options appraisal exercise to review the capacity requirements in the Newmachar area, to enable delivery of the Scottish Government’s expansion of Early Learning & Childcare entitlement from 600 hours to 1140 hours from 2020.

2.8 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.

### 3 Scheme of Governance

- 3.1 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 as it relates to an education matter specific to the Garioch area.

### 4 Implications and Risk

- 4.1 An equality impact assessment is not required because as this report provides an update of pupil numbers and does not propose any changes that would impact upon protected characteristics.
- 4.2 There are no direct staffing and financial implications arising from this paper.
- 4.3 The following Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Corporate Level: Social risk (demographic change) [Corporate Risk Register](#). The following Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Strategic Level: A Future Fit E&CS Estate [Directorate Risk Registers](#). The proposed works will ensure the Learning Estate is fit for purpose and able to deliver the curriculum in improved environments, ensuring equity for learners.
- 4.4 A Town Centre Impact Assessment is not required as this report provides an annual update and is not proposing any changes that would impact upon town centres.

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