

# Report

Report to:	<b>Executive Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>28 March 2018</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Education Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>Outcome of the Statutory Consultation on Duncanrig and Calderglen High Schools</b> □
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ advise the Committee on the outcome of the statutory consultation undertaken on the proposal to change the catchment areas of both Duncanrig Secondary School and Calderglen High School with either
  - Option 1 – associate the new, non-denominational primary school planned for the Jackton/East Kilbride Community Growth Area (CGA) to Calderglen High School; or
  - Option 2 – change the association of Greenhills Primary School from Duncanrig Secondary School which would mean pupils would transfer to Calderglen High School as the local secondary school;
- ◆ advise the Committee that the final Consultation Report was published on 24 January 2018;
- ◆ request formal Committee approval for the implementation of the proposal with Option 1.

## 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the outcome of the statutory consultation undertaken on the proposal to change the catchment areas of both Duncanrig Secondary School and Calderglen High School, East Kilbride be noted;
- (2) that the publication of the final Consultation Report on 24 January 2018 be noted;
- (3) that that the implementation of the proposal with Option 1 be approved.

## 3. Background

3.1. Approval was given on 27 September 2017 to undertake a statutory consultation on the proposal to change the catchment areas of both Duncanrig Secondary School and Calderglen High School with either:-

**Option 1** – associate the new, non-denominational primary school planned for the Jackton/East Kilbride Community Growth Area (CGA) to Calderglen High School; or  
**Option 2** – change the association of Greenhills Primary School from Duncanrig Secondary School which would mean pupils would transfer to Calderglen High School as the local secondary school.

- 3.2. This consultation was undertaken in line with the Schools (Consultation)(Scotland) Act 2010 commencing 9 October 2017 and concluding on 18 December 2017 with receipt of Education Scotland's response.

#### 4. Outcome of the Consultation – Stakeholder Feedback

- 4.1. Notification of this consultation was provided to approximately 4,500 statutory consultees, and an advert appeared in the East Kilbride News on 4 October 2017 giving the details of the consultation, the closing date, how to access necessary documentation and the details of the public meeting.
- 4.2. The total number of responses that were received was 276 and the breakdown is shown below in Table 1.

**Table 1**

Responses	Number
In favour of the proposal and Option 1 (associate new primary school in Jackton/CGA to Calderglen High School)	144 (parents / others)  117 (staff)
In favour of the proposal and Option 2 (associate Greenhills Primary School to Calderglen High School)	12
Not in favour of the proposal and suggesting an alternate option	1
Undecided	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>276</b>

- 4.3. A breakdown of those responses by consultee designation is shown below in Table 2.

**Table 2**

Response to proposal	Parent Council of affected schools	Parent of pupil at Greenhills Primary School	Parent of pupil at Calderglen High School	Parent of pupil at Duncanrig Secondary School	Parent of pupil at another primary school	Local Resident	Staff	Other
In favour of proposal and Option 1	2	3	82	0	17	30	117	10
In favour of proposal and Option 2	0	1	1	4	4	1	1	0
Not in favour and suggesting alternative option	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Undecided	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>10</b>

- 4.4. The recurring themes raised within any comments provided were:
- ◆ continuity of association for Greenhills Primary School to Duncanrig Secondary School (maintaining established curricular links);
  - ◆ travel distance, transport and safe routes to school;
  - ◆ staffing/resources.

## **5. Outcome of the Consultation – Education Scotland Report**

- 5.1. Education Scotland was provided with the consultation proposal document at the start of the consultation period. In addition, a summary document including the note of the Public Meeting, all written responses to the consultation and Pupil Views was provided to consider in conjunction with the proposal.
- 5.2. A helpful report was received by the Council on 18 December 2017 in which Education Scotland recognised the clear educational benefit of addressing the emerging capacity issues at Duncanrig Secondary School and also that both Duncanrig Secondary and Calderglen High Schools are modern, purpose built schools, with very good facilities for learning.
- 5.3. It was identified that the educational benefits of Option 2 (change the association of Greenhills Primary School from Duncanrig Secondary which would mean pupils transfer to Calderglen High School as the local secondary school) were not sufficiently clear and that the Council would require to consider how to address the concerns raised should it decide to implement this option.

## **6. Summary of Consultation**

- 6.1 Education Resources reviewed the proposal having regard to the representations made at the Public Meeting, those received in writing and also, Education Scotland's report.
- 6.2 After review, the proposal to change the catchment areas of both Duncanrig Secondary School and Calderglen High School and associate the new, non-denominational primary school planned for the Jackton/East Kilbride Community Growth Area (CGA) to Calderglen High School is recommended.

## **7. Employee Implications**

- 7.1. In terms of employee resources, this will continue to be provided in each school by means of existing process e.g. annual class configuration protocols and agreed management allocations.

## **8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**

- 8.1 There is no requirement to carry out an impact assessment in terms of the proposals contained in this report. As referred to in 3.1 above, this consultation was undertaken in line with the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010.

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## **Link(s) to Council Values/Objectives**

- ◆ Raise educational achievement and attainment
- ◆ Achieve efficient and effective use of resources

## **Previous References**

- ◆ None

**List of Background Papers**

- ◆ Consultation Report (circulated via email to all Councillors 24 January 2018 and available from:-  
[http://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/11970/duncanrig\\_secondaryalderglen\\_high\\_school\\_consultation\\_report](http://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/11970/duncanrig_secondaryalderglen_high_school_consultation_report)

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