Item no 5.5

QUESTION NO 5

By Councillor Hutchison for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee at a meeting of the Council on 6 February 2020

The Royal High School Parent Council have raised urgent and serious concerns about the increasing pupil numbers at the Royal High School. This is having an increasingly negative effect on the pupils' health, safety, and education.

In numerical terms;

- the current notional capacity of the school is 1200
- the current School roll is 1268
- the roll for next year will be 1340
- based on current known populations in the feeder primary schools the school roll will rise to around 1600 in 2027.

Can the Convener please confirm:

Question

(1) If he was aware of the issue of rising rolls at the Royal High School prior to receiving this question?

Answer

(1)

Question

(2) What actions have been taken to date to address the issue?

Answer

(2)

Question

(3) What actions are now proposed to address these concerns as the problem is predicted to become more acute?

Answer

(3)

Question

(4) What actions have been taken to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students at the school given that it is already operating over its notional capacity?

Answer

(4)

Question

(5) What actions have been taken to ensure the high standard of education delivered at the Royal High School is maintained given the fact the school is operating over its notional capacity?

Answer

(5)

Question

(6) What strategic plans the administration has to address the issue of rising school rolls in the area?

Answer

(6)