

**QUESTION NO 13**

**By Councillor Booth for answer by  
the Convener of the Education,  
Children and Families Committee at a  
meeting of the Council on 10  
December 2020**

The following questions concerning the council's current consultation on Gaelic Medium Education at secondary level are all supplementary to my questions on the same topic asked at the November meeting of council.

**Question** (1) Further to the answer to question 1, what proportion of the current school roll at Taobh na Pairce live within 3 miles of each of the four options for GME secondary as well as Darroch and JGHS, broken down by school year?

**Answer** (1)

**Question** (2) Further to the answer to question 2, what proportion of the current Sgoil-araich and P1-4 at Taobh na Pairce currently live within a) 15 minutes' walk; b) 15 minutes' cycle of each of the four options, plus Darroch and JGHS?

**Answer** (2)

**Question** (3) Further to the answer to questions 3 and 4, how were these answers calculated, and did it assume travel at rush hour or outside of rush hour, in pre-covid or post-covid travel conditions?

**Answer** (3)

**Question** (4) Further to the answer to question 5, please can you supply this information broken down by school year?

**Answer** (4)

**Question** (5) Further to the answer to question 6, parts a) and b), please can you clarify that the intention is to withdraw curriculum support from JGHS as soon as Darroch opens in 2022? Why is that?

**Answer** (5)

**Question** (6) Further to the answer to question 6, parts a) and b), please can you clarify which subjects will be taught using curriculum support outside Darroch; when this will start, and which school years this will affect, and how many school pupils might be expected to attend curriculum support outside Darroch in a week? Will this be all subjects which cannot be taught in Gaelic, or is some other criteria used, and if so, what criteria? How is it expected that educational outcomes for GME pupils will be improved by this arrangement?

**Answer** (6)

**Question** (7) Further to the answer to question 6, parts a) and b), please can you outline what mode of travel is assumed for pupils travelling to a) Tynecastle, b) Boroughmuir, c) St Thomas' and d) JGHS for curriculum support, and in each case please give the estimated travel time;

**Answer** (7)

**Question** (8) Further to the answer to question 6, parts a) and b), when will the council publish, as referenced in the approved Gaelic Language Plan 2018 -2022, the long-term plan to ensure the quality and sustainable expansion of secondary GME which will support the increasing numbers of pupils from Taobh Na Pàirce and any future GME primary school, as they move into S1 and beyond, which was due for completion in 2020?

**Answer** (8)

**Question** (9) Further to the answer to question 6, part b), please can you clarify how many pupils in each of the city's secondary schools currently receive curriculum support in another school, and in each case identify what proportion of the school roll that represents?

**Answer** (9)

**Question** (10) Further to the answer to question 6, part b), please can you clarify what the mode of travel and travel time is for each secondary school which currently sends pupils to other secondary schools for curriculum support?

**Answer** (10)

**Question** (11) Further to the answer to question 6, parts c) and d), please can you clarify why a different answer was given to these questions at the parent consultation event on Wednesday 25 November? Which answer is correct?

**Answer** (11)