

Education, Children and Families Committee

10.00am, Tuesday, 16 April 2024

Maybury Community Hub and Maybury Primary School

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Education, Children and Families Committee:
 - 1.1.1 Approve that the new building accommodating Maybury Primary School and other community facilities and services in the Maybury area of the city be named 'Maybury Community Hub'; and
 - 1.1.2 Note the update on the opening of the new Primary School.

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2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 This report proposes that the new building under construction in the Maybury area of the city, which will accommodate a range of community services and facilities including a primary school and health centre, be named 'Maybury Community Hub'.
- 2.2 This would be consistent with the Council's [Corporate Property Strategy](#) and, it is hoped, encourage greater community use and ownership. The new building will open in October 2024.

3. Background

- 3.1 The delivery of a new primary school and a health centre as part of the West Craigs development was a requirement of the 2016 Local Development Plan. In its planning stages the development was informally labelled the 'Maybury development' due to its location in the Maybury area and the proposed school was consequently referred to as 'Maybury Primary School'.

4. Main report

Naming Conventions

- 4.1 While the major development in which the school site is located is now recognised as 'West Craigs', the wider area is still widely referred to as 'Maybury' and the name 'Maybury Primary School' has endured for the new primary school during the planning, development and consultation phases.
- 4.2 However, the new school building has been designed and developed according to the principles of the Council's Corporate Property Strategy; bringing together school and other community services on a single site as a community hub. In addition to the school, the building provides a Health Centre and General Practitioner (GP) surgery capable of serving 10,000 patients. It is also the intention that the school's facilities such as outdoor spaces, the sports hall and activity studios be shared with the community.

- 4.3 Accordingly, recognising its place in the centre of the community it serves and its role as a focus for community services and activities, it is proposed that the building be called and signposted as, 'Maybury Community Hub'. Maybury Primary School and the Health Centre will then be constituent parts of the Hub.
- 4.4 The new building has been designed with a single, welcoming, visitor entrance to emphasise the joined up approach to service provision and physically represents the Council's desire to simplify people's access to services. By naming the new building a 'community hub' it is hoped that greater community use and ownership of the facilities and services available in the building will be encouraged.

Update on the Opening of Maybury Primary School

- 4.5 The new primary school will accept its first P1 intake in August 2024. However, the new school building will not be ready for use until October 2024. Accordingly, pupils due to attend the new school will be based with their teachers and staff from the new school in East Craigs Primary School for their first term.
- 4.6 This arrangement provides a great opportunity to build strong links between the two schools and develop cluster working which will be valuable in developing collaborative working between staff and sharing of resources. Plans are being developed between the schools to maintain a "buddying" system and peer interaction opportunities for pupils from the newly developing school.

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 If the recommendations are approved, the necessary administrative actions will be taken for the new facility to be named as Maybury Community Hub which will include Maybury Primary School and the new health centre.

6. Financial impact

- 6.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

7. Equality and Poverty Impact

- 7.1 There is no equality, human rights (including children's rights) or socio-economic disadvantage implications arising from this report. The proposal in this report to apply the name 'Maybury Community Hub' to the new building in the Maybury area is intended to help simplify people's access to services and encourage the use of facilities by the wider community. This is consistent with the intentions of the Council's approaches to poverty prevention and 'living well locally' messaging.

8. Climate and Nature Emergency Implications

- 8.1 This report has no direct climate or nature emergency implications. However, the new building is being constructed to energy efficient Passivhaus standards and it is hoped that by naming the building 'Maybury Community Hub' it will receive greater community use resulting in higher occupancy levels throughout the day.

9. Risk, policy, compliance, governance and community impact

- 9.1 There has been no community engagement undertaken. However, the new primary school has been widely advertised by developers and through the informal and statutory consultations to allow its establishment as 'Maybury Primary School'. Accordingly, it would be consistent to retain the name 'Maybury' in the naming of the new building.

10. Background reading/external references

- 10.1 Information regarding the new Maybury Primary School, including the statutory consultation undertaken in 2021 can be found at:
- [New Maybury Primary School – The City of Edinburgh Council](#)
 - [New Maybury Primary School and Health Centre – The City of Edinburgh Council – Citizen Space](#)

11. Appendices

- 11.1 None.