

QUESTION NO 16

**By Councillor Cowdy for answer by
the Convener of the Education,
Children and Families Committee at a
meeting of the Council on 27 June
2024**

Following:

- a) the acknowledgement in the report at item 7.5 of April's Education Committee - Learning Estate Update, point 4.8 - that increases in Council's school capacity may be required if VAT is added to school fees in the independent sector.
- b) the response to Question 15 at 21st March Full Council meeting that a steering group has been set up to explore and scope short term solutions.

Can the Convener confirm:

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| Question | (1) How many times has the steering group met and when was its last meeting? |
| Answer | (1) |
| Question | (2) Which of the Council's schools are most at risk? |
| Answer | (2) |
| Question | (3) What actions are planned to accommodate additional pupils? |
| Answer | (3) |
| Question | (4) What communications are planned to schools and parents of pupils about the impacts and solutions before the start of the next academic year? |
| Answer | (4) |