

# Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

## Education, Children & Families Committee

20 September 2022

### Item 7.3 - Youth and Children's Work

To request an annual update report to this committee, detailing progress on the new strategy.

**Moved by:** Councillor Euan Davidson

**Seconded by:** Councillor Louise Young

# Addendum by the Administration

## Education, Children & Families Committee

### City of Edinburgh Council

20 September 2022

## Item 7.4 Gaelic Medium Education (GME) Update

Add to recommendations;

1. Notes the decision of Education, Children & Families committee on 1 March 2022 not to begin a consultation on a Gaelic-medium annex attached to the new Liberton High School and instead calling for further information on other options;
2. Notes the information provided in this report on other options, however notes that a full options appraisal has not yet been carried out on any potential other site;
3. Notes that in the medium term, the opening of Darroch, the Gaelic medium annex, will relieve the current overcapacity at James Gillespie's High School, although further notes that more capacity at JGHS will be needed in the longer term;
4. Agrees that it is important for the future of Gaelic in the Capital, that an appropriate site is found for a Gaelic high school and also recognises the potential to co-locate the high school with a Gaelic cultural hub;
5. Recognises the importance of having reasonable proximity and accessibility of a Gaelic high school with the Gaelic primary school at Taobh na Pairce, in order to encourage families to remain in and join Gaelic Medium Education;
6. Welcomes proposals to develop further sites for GME primary schools across the city, notes the preference of many parents that these should be standalone GME primary schools rather than units within English medium schools, and calls for to identify where these could be located and how they will be funded;
7. Therefore, agrees to further engagement with the Gaelic community through reconvening the Gaelic Implementation Group to discuss the current position and explore future proposals, if alternative sites become available.

**Moved by: Councillor Joan Griffiths**

**Seconded by: Councillor Val Walker**

# Addendum by the SNP Group

## Education Children and Families Committee

20 September 2022

### Item 7.4 – Gaelic Medium Education (GME) Update

- 1.2 That, given the information in reply to Cllr Booth’s Question on GME at Full Council on 25 Aug 2022, the Education, Children and Families Committee regrets the lack of action and dialogue with stakeholders, in particular between the Convener and Comann nam Pàrant Dùn Èideann, and regrets that there are no plans for further engagement with the Gaelic community.
- 1.3 That the Education, Children and Families Committee:
  - 1.3.1 regrets the lack of appointment of a Gaelic Champion.
  - 1.3.2 regrets the lack of appointment of a Gaelic Implementation Group.
  - 1.3.3 is concerned about the spiralling costs of school construction and the impact of any further delay in building a secondary GME school in Edinburgh.
  - 1.3.4 is very concerned, in delaying a decision on the site for a new secondary GME school, about the potential impact on teaching and learning at the new Liberton High School campus caused by a disjointed construction programme there.
  - 1.3.5 calls for further engagement with all stakeholders immediately and agrees that a substantive programme for the building of a secondary GME school will be brought back to Committee in no later than 12 months, with an interim update report in 3 cycles.

**Moved by: Councillor David Key**

**Seconded by: Councillor Simita Kumar**

# Addendum by the Green Group

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7. Therefore agrees to convene a short-life working group, with input from Comann nam Parant and other relevant stakeholders, to determine options for a Gaelic Medium Education high school and also to explore proposals for development of GME at pre-school and primary level, the working group to report its findings back to this committee.

**Moved by:** Councillor Kayleigh O'Neill  
**Seconded by:**

# Addendum by the SNP Group

## Education Children and Families Committee

20 September 2022

### Item 7.6 – School Meals Report 2022

- 1.1.5 Welcomes the Scottish Government announcement in its Programme for Government 2022/23 of £64 million of continued investment to extend universal provision of free school meals during term time – already available to those in Primary 1 to 3 – to children in Primary 4 and Primary 5 and alternative holiday meals provision for eligible children.
- 1.1.6 Welcomes the Scottish Government announcement in its Programme for Government 2022/23 that it will, subject to agreement with COSLA, begin to roll out the provision of universal free school meals to Primary 6 and Primary 7 pupils.

**Moved by: Councillor David Key**  
**Seconded by: Councillor Simita Kumar**

# Amendment by the Conservative Group

## Education Children and Families Committee

20 September 2022

### Item - 7.7 Early Years Partner Provider – Hourly Rate for Funded Early Learning and Childcare

1.1.4 Agree to a review of the hourly rate for funded providers in no more than three years from the date of this report.

Replaces with:

1.1.4 Agree to a review of the hourly rate for funded providers on an annual basis from the date of this report.

1.1.5 Agree to provide full detailed reports on the Gross Early Learning Annual Budgets for 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 to show how the Gross Early Learning Total Budget is allocated to the Private, Voluntary, Independent Sectors and the Local Authorities and how these allocations are calculated.

**Moved by: Councillor Tim Jones**

**Seconded by: Councillor Christopher Cowdy**

# Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

## Education Children & Families Committee

20 September 2022

### Item 7.11 - Quality, Improvement and Scrutiny

Committee agrees to the recommendations in the report and adds the following:

- 1.1.6 Agrees to provide a copy of all recent QICS school reports to members of the committee and relevant ward councillors.
- 1.1.7 Requests an update on 5.3 support at the December Education, Children & Families committee.
- 1.1.8 Requests an update on any new inspection visits that take place during September to December, at the December committee.
- 1.1.9 Agrees to provide a report to this committee (at the next scheduled date) on any school that receives a less than satisfactory rating for any \*individual score, to allow for detailed discussion and scrutiny.

**Moved by: Councillor Euan Davidson**

**Seconded by: Councillor Louise Young**