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INVENTORY OF PRODUCTIONS

In the Petition of

MORAY COUNCIL, constituted under the Local Government etc (Scotland) Act 1994, and having its principal office at Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

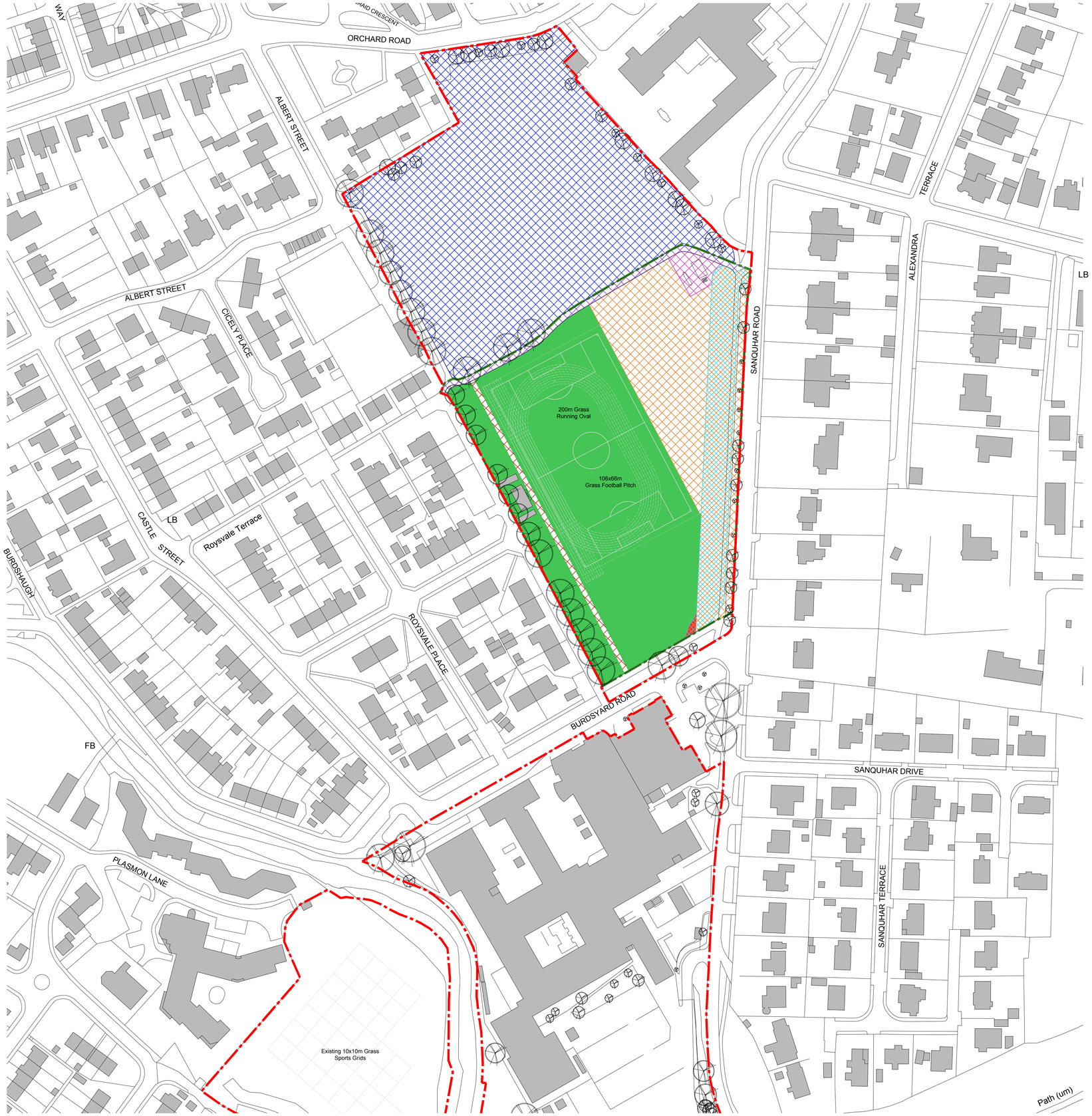
PETITIONERS

for

authority under section 75 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to dispose of or appropriate heritable property held as part of the Common Good of the Petitioners

1. Pre-Construction Plan
2. Post-Construction Plan
3. Common Good Consultation Page
4. Common Good Consultation Responses Spreadsheet
5. Feasibility Study carried out by jmarchitects in conjunction with Hub North Scotland Ltd
6. Report to ECLS Committee on 27 March 2024
7. Minutes of Special Meeting of ECLS Committee dated 27 March 2024
8. Report to ECLS Committee on 14 May 2024
9. Minutes of Meeting of the ECLS Committee dated 14 May 2024
10. Report to Full Council on 22 May 2024
11. Minutes of Meeting of the Moray Council dated 22 May 2024
12. Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 Consultation Proposal Document
13. Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 Current School Site

14. Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 Proposed Site Plan
15. Disposition by the Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres to the Joint County Council of Moray and Nairn, recorded in the General Register of Sasines for Moray on 27 June 1960
16. Disposition by the Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres in favour of the Joint County Council of the Combined County of Moray and Nairn recorded in the General Register of Sasines for Moray on 3 December 1955
17. Feu Charter granted by Alexander Edward of Sanquhar in favour of the Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of Forres, dated 4 December 1899, and recorded in the General register of Sasines for the County of Moray on 14 December 1899
18. Disposition by the Reverend Alexander MacKenzie and Others in favour of the Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Forres, dated 18 November 1891, and recorded in the General Register of Sasines for the County of Moray on 25 November 1891
19. Report to Special Moray Council on 21 January 2025 on Common Good Consultation
20. Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Moray Council dated 21 January 2025



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NOTES:

- Extent of development boundary
- Extent of construction site outwith Common Good Land (16795m2/ 1.67ha)
- Extent of Common Good Land (20,725m2/ 2.07ha)
- Extent of ancillary rights required for construction works (410m2/ 0.04ha)
- Extent of contractors compound/ site within Common Good Land (7025m2/ 0.70ha)
- (Extent of contractors compound/ site which will go on to be cycle path/ pavements and bus drop off (2445m2/ 0.24ha))
- (Extent of additional area added post-consultation which will go on to be cycle path/ pavements and bus drop off (31m2/0.003ha))
- Extent of core path (515m2/ 0.05ha)
- Extent of swing park (330m2/ 0.03ha)
- Extent of area available for use by the public and schools (12445m2/ 1.25ha)

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P03	Hatches and areas generally updated. Purpose updated to 'Preliminary'. Proposed drainage removed.	16.09.25	CD	SD
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Replacement Forres Academy

TITLE
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PURPOSE: Preliminary
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Moray Council

PURPOSE
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- Learning Estate Strategy (/moray_standard/page_138258.html)
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- Forres Academy (/moray_standard/page_151256.html)
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Public Consultation on Forres Common Good Land known as Roysvale Park under Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015

The common good is a fund of money and assets, formerly owned by a burgh and now owned and administered by the Moray Council.

All Common Good property falls into one of two categories – alienable or inalienable. Alienable property can be sold, leased or otherwise disposed of in a permanent or semi-permanent way that reduces public use. Inalienable property cannot without a court order. Inalienable property includes town halls, market squares, parks or greens, and churches – although the status of each asset needs to be individually determined, it cannot be assumed. All other Common Good property would be alienable.

Moray Council propose to use part of Roysvale Park in connection with the construction of the proposed new Forres Academy. Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of the use of Common Good assets. As Roysvale Park is held as a Common Good asset, the Council is accordingly undertaking a consultation on its proposals.

The Council considers that the proposals at Roysvale Park to facilitate the future Forres Academy have a number of benefits:

- On completion of the project, the majority of Roysvale Park will be returned for public use with grassed pitch and pavilion, with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.
- Improve the traffic flow within the area, providing a dedicated bus drop off adjacent to Sanquhar Road. This could be utilised outside school hours as parking for access to Roysvale Park and community use assets in the new school and surrounding area.

Throughout the construction phase, a substantial area of Roysvale Park will be available for use by the public and schools, including the pitch, as the use of the common good land will be minimised as far as possible.

Background

Forres High School was part of a successful bid to Scottish Government for Learning Estate Investment Programme (LEIP) Phase 3 funding. Following approval at the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee on 19 September 2023, a feasibility study to support the Future Forres Academy Project was instructed and undertaken by hub North Scotland supported by JM Architects, Goodson Associates (Civil & Structural Engineers), Rybka (Mechanical & Electrical Engineers), Currie & Brown (Quantity Surveyors), The Learning Crowd (Educationalists) and Ryder (Consultation). The study concluded that a refurbishment option would not offer value for money and be unlikely to meet the aspirations of the local community and it was therefore decided to progress with a new build solution. The study continued to complete an appraisal of three site options for a new build school against fourteen factors weighted with respect to national policies that Moray Council are aligned with. This included the National Planning Framework (NPF4), local living and 20 minute neighbourhoods, climate change and reducing carbon emissions policies.

The Education, Children's and Leisure Service Committee on 14 May 2024 considered the outcome of the feasibility study along with the outcome of public engagement and recommended to Moray Council that the Applegrove/ Roysvale site be the preferred development site for the future Forres Academy. On 22 May 2024 Moray Council agreed the recommendation that Applegrove/ Roysvale site be the preferred development site for the Future Forres Academy new build.

Roysvale Park has been identified as the only viable site to facilitate the construction compound. Roysvale Park is currently utilised by the public, is hired out for football mainly between April and September and used by Forres Academy for PE.

What land is affected?

This consultation covers proposals in respect of Roysvale Park, Sanquhar Road, Forres (**Park**) with the extent of land shown in the image below:

Roysvale Park



Proposals

The proposals for **the Park** are as follows:

Construction Area (short term disposal and change of use)

Part of **the Park**, shown in orange hatching on the plan (Table 1), to be utilised **temporarily** during construction as site setup, contractor's compound and construction traffic parking for the duration of the build (estimated around 32 months)**.** Following completion of the construction and removal of the compound area, the area will revert to its original grassed condition**.** The area will require to be fenced off for a further period of 12 months to allow the grass seeding to establish and restore the area to its original status**.**

Bus Drop Off Area (appropriation of 12m strip)

- Part of the area to the right of **the Park** shown in light blue hatching on the plan (Table 1) will be **appropriated** by Moray Council to provide a bus drop off for the new school. This would be a maximum12m width of land inclusive of a 4.5m shared footway/ cycleway and would look to retain (or replace as required) all of the well-established trees.

Footpath and Drainage (management proposals)

Although this is not part of the common good consultation, for completeness, we are also informing and consulting the public on:

- Laying of a new 2.5m wide footpath adjacent to the pavilion (requirement subject to detail design) shown in brown hatching on the plan (Table 1). This does not constitute a change of use or disposal and is a management decision to change the surface of **the Park** to allow safe and useable access by pedestrians and cyclists.
- Laying of new drainage within **the Park** and ground improvement works shown in dark blue broken line on the plan to facilitate the drainage associated with the future Forres Academy and which will improve the drainage and condition of **the Park.**

The proposals have been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that **the Park**, swing park, footpath and playing field can still be used and enjoyed by the public. The proposed final layout of **the Park** following completion of the works is shown in Table 2.

The Council currently anticipates that construction will commence in 2025 and complete in 2028.

Table 1 - Proposed Construction Site Layout including bus drop off

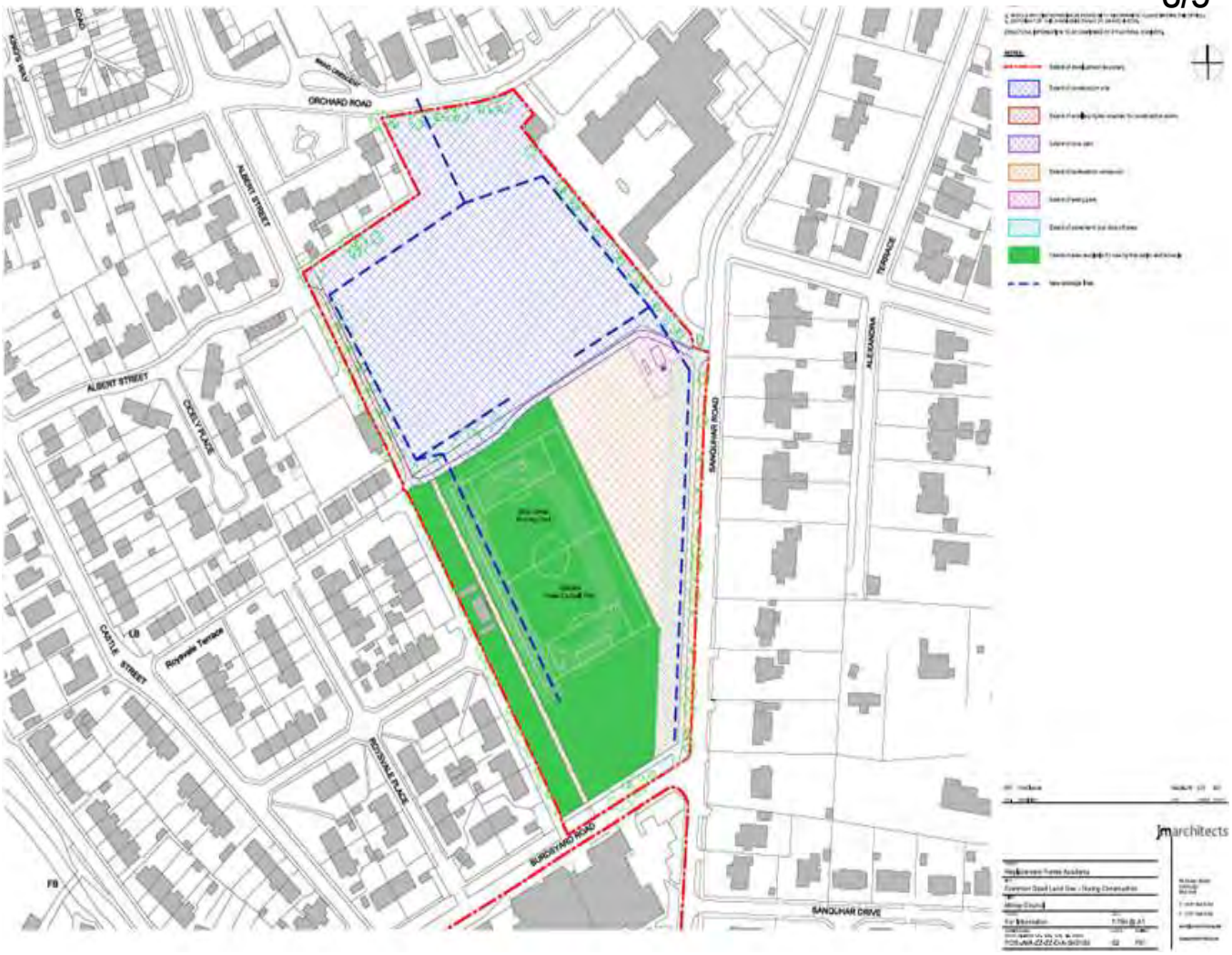

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Table 2 - Proposed Final Layout Post Construction



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Consultation

Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities when considering disposing or changing the use of Common Good assets. This includes where the proposal is to use a Common Good asset for another purpose. Therefore, the consultation is seeking the views of the community in respect of the proposals in order to inform the decision-making process.

Key Questions

- What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?
- Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?
- Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?
- Do you have any additional comments?

Representations

The Council will take all representations into account in reaching a decision.

Anyone may make representations to Moray Council in respect of the above proposals.

Representations must be received by - Tuesday 12 November (8 weeks)

A public drop in session will be held on Monday 21 October at Forres Academy between 4pm - 7pm

Please submit written representations to:

- Email: learningestate@moray.gov.uk
- Post: : FAO Learning Estate Team – Roysvale Park Common Good, Room 209, Moray Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

A template for responses can be found here (https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BXZX6M2) if you wish to use this format.

All representations received will be published on the Council's website and can be viewed here. (/moray_standard/page_157202.html)

Moray Council is the Data Controller for this process. Please see our Privacy Notices (/moray_standard/page_142831.html) for information about how the personal data provided on this form will be used.

After the consultation

After the consultation closes Council officers will consider all representations received in relation to the proposals. Council officers will then provide a report to Corporate Committee on the outcome of the consultation at which time a decision will be sought on the proposals.

If after this consultation, the proposal progresses to a court application the public will have a further opportunity to make representations within the Court process. A statutory advertisement will be placed in the local press to inform the local public that the court process has commenced.

The proposals will be subject to any decisions made on the future Forres Academy, and all necessary future planning and other permissions that the Council requires to obtain.

Respondent No.		Representative Comments	Response	Contact details Provided	type of contact details	Response sent
1	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am against the proposed site for the new Academy for a number of reasons, one of which is the loss of Common Good Land (for Bus drop offs). There are already significant safety issues at peak times of the day when parents/guardians are dropping off/picking up children from Applegrove. Parking restrictions are regularly ignored and I have witnessed a number of "near misses" at these peak times . Siting the new Academy at the proposed location will result in major traffic management issues.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A transport assessment will be necessary as part of any future planning application. This will involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	address	letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I do not see any benefits to the community of the proposals. I believe the proposed site for the Academy is far too constrained.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? See above.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I would like the Council to reconsider their decision on the proposed site. In my opinion the Lochyhill Site is a much better location.				
2	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I disagree with what it being proposed. Initially, the level of disruption that will cause the local area while the new school is being built will have a negative effect to the residents and young people accessing the school. Having such a huge building in front of the residential houses could have a detrimental effect on future selling prices due to the views that are now impacted. The traffic that it will cause in front of the houses, mixed with potential traffic from the primary school in the morning will be horrendous and cause gridlock. Having the new senior school in this place will continue to place a burden the local streets. It will impact future expansion of the school.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A transport assessment will be necessary as part of any future planning application. This will involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, there will be ground improvement works to improve the drainage and condition of Roysvale Park with the proposal developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As mentioned abve				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The site outside of the town is a better option. It allows for expansion in the future and traffic directed away from the town centre. The proposed site's drainage issues should have been dealt with previously due to the close proximity to the primary school, and yet, it still hasn't been addressed. Using the proposed site, removes training facilities for many clubs and more pressure on the spaces within Grant Park and other green areas				
3	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Very upsetting and angry. To see any green space used other than green multipurpose space lost is great shame as we will never gain anymore green space. Also the new school should be built there as no one wants it there	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Not really, as the current green space does everything				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Traffic, noise pollution, litter during and after construction and the loss of green space that gets used everyday for active and non active activities. Not being able to use the space during construction or after as it will be tarmac.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I live within 100m of the development, this will seriously contribute negatively to me mentally and physically				
4	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think the proposals have been done on a cost saving benefit rather than for the benefit of the town. The space is too small for school fit for an ever expanding town, it imposes on the primary children's learning and it takes away green space. The park was for the community and I think it's shocking it can be taken away. Green spaces are incredibly important and this creates a dangerous precendent	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, there will be ground improvement works to improve the drainage and condition of Roysvale Park with the proposal developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I cannot see any benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Many as mentioned above. Similarly, the park floods regularly despite many attempts to fix this problem. Building on this land creates concern for further flooding to the area and the local houses nearby.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I would urge you to reconsider this proposal				
5	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think the removal of large parts of this facility to the public for 32 months is wholly unacceptable. I do not believe that parts of it will safely remain accessible to the public or indeed to the school pupils of the Academy or Applegrove, as there will be many traffic movements, dust, noise. Hence, the people of Forres will lose valuable green space. I do not agree with the proposal to permanently create bus lanes on part of the existing park. This was not the intended purpose of the space when it was gifted to the people of Forres and it does not benefit the people of Forres in any way.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Common Good land is owned and administered by the Moray Council but administered separately from other local authority property. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, there will be ground improvement works to improve the drainage and condition of Roysvale Park with the proposal developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No. Forres should have a secondary school complex at least equal to those in other towns across Scotland. The vast majority of these are built on the edge of town where construction can take place more easily and without massive disruption to the centre of town. The pupils of Forres Academy and Applegrove Primary deserve better than this proposal. The people of Forres and the surrounding areas deserve better than this proposal.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I see green space being taken away from Forres. I see play spaces being taken away from the young people of Forres. I envisage noise, dust and potential flooding which will impact those people living in Roysvale. I envisage a higher number of vehicles using roads around the park and as a consequence, a higher risk of children and young people being involved in road accidents. This is not an appropriate site for a construction compound. This was not the intended purpose of the park when it was gifted to Forres.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Please re-think this proposal, and identify a better site for our new school.				
6	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The fact that Moray Council are even considering this is a disgrace. 32 months and the trees may be saved or replaced. There should be no maybes about any of this. The information should be clear not maybe this or maybe that	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition there will be ground improvement works to improve the drainage and condition of Roysvale Park. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are none.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, the flooding that regularly occurs around this area, the park is often waterlogged even after a few hours of rain. The park is a necessary soak away for all the rain and there's been plenty of it even over the summer. A clear danger of flooding if this goes ahead which could affect the surrounding houses particularly the ones that run alongside the park. The roads particularly the junction at Burdsyard regularly becomes waterlogged for days if there is heavy rained we get plenty of that. The traffic around this area at school times when children are being dropped off or picked up, the traffic to and from the gym/swimming pool already compromises the roads and now you want to allow the buses to have a designated parking area on what is the common good land when there is a huge car park behind the academy, beggars belief.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Yes plenty but it has been previously shown that Moray Council does lots of surveys, people respond and then their views are ignored as has been proven during the whole debacle about a new school.				
7	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it is a real shame that the town is going to lose this much loved and used green space. It's also a massive lose for the children of Applegrove primary.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The only benefit I see clearly is that there will be a new much needed high school.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I'm concerned that this isn't the right site for the new school				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No				
8	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Very understandable suggestion	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee. No new common good assets can be created.	yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Can the old Sanquhar playing fields (never used by the school) not be put into common good land ?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
9	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The location for the new academy building itself is OK but the school buses and teacher parking are going to cause problems	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Loss of amenity of Roysvale Park. The park is very well used by locals and also for several football teams. The amount of space that will be lost to planned school bus waiting areas is going to significantly reduce the size of the park. Loss of use (to public) of Orchard Road car park. Being the nearest car park to the proposed new academy it will be filled with teachers' cars every school day, given the number of cars parked in the existing academy car park. The proposed new car park for teachers on the site of the existing academy is too far away, anyone who has to carry items in to the school will not park there. Also when the weather is wet or icy they won't want to walk all the way down to the new school.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				

		Although the other proposed site is currently on the edge of Forres it won't be long before the town spreads out in that direction. I really hope that the new school has sufficient capacity to allow for future population growth. So often you hear of schools roll increasing so that any new school is already at capacity by the time it is actually ready for use.				
10	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I do not want any part of Roysvale Park or Applegrove to be used either permanently for the new school, or during construction. I think this is the wrong site for the school and is too small and will not allow space for future expansion. I think it will cause an unacceptable level of disruption to the local area and will permanently reduce and damage green space in the centre of the town. I think splitting the site and having parking located elsewhere will not work in the longer term. I am worried that the council plans to occupy, degrade and then utilise common good land in future.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I do not see any benefits to the local community - this will result in the loss of and damage to valuable green space which is in very regular use for a range of sporting activities.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As stated, permanent reduction to green space, permanent damage to green space and common good land, damage to or destruction of well established and beautiful trees, permanent damage to the views and vistas across Forres, flooding concerns, noise and traffic disruption, volume of traffic affecting road safety, permanent congestion problems affecting Grantown Rd, Orchard Rd, Sanquhar Rd.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Please see above.				
11	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale Park is a valuable town centre green space which should not be reduced in size for any reason. Likewise the Applegrove School field should not be used as a building site.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A transport assessment will be necessary as part of any future planning application. This will involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both email address not recognised	letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I do not see any benefits of a town centre site for the new school.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Loss of valuable town centre green space. Loss of Applegrove School playing field. Added traffic congestion.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The site selection process was flawed and was not transparent. It appears that the site selection was cost driven.				
12	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It's absolutely appalling, grabbing the limited green space that is used continuously from the centre of town, for a new academy that would be better placed in the other proposed site.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I can see no benefits.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I have major concerns, that when the flood defences were designed, at a cost of £21 million have to date, avoided damages of around £20 million, with 900 residential and 50 business properties protected. The factoring of this new academy would not have been anticipated in this flood design, and the Victorian drainage cannot cope at this present moment, without the increase of the new build.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? My concern basically is that drawings are not dimensioned and therefore, no one can determine size of permanent proposed structures above and below ground or area of land to be used for construction. I believe without accurate dimensioned or coordinated drawings this proposal is flawed, and you cannot determine how much of Roysvale will be lost permanently. No accuracy in your project to inform the public of the actual proposal. You are trying to establish loss of common good land before adding on the academy, therefore not being transparent.				
13	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale should not be the site for the new Academy. Our common good land must be protected. Forres will end up a concrete city, squeezing in buildings that don't need to be 'squeezed' in.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Building on the natural soak away, will have a detrimental effect on the surrounding properties. Scottish Water have offered flood doors to some locals instead of sorting the drainage. It is criminal if the build goes ahead there when there is another more suitable and less disruptive choice.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, the loss of green space, the school will be three stories high which will overshadow the bungalows and create havoc during construction in an already busy area. It will be an accident waiting to happen. The roads are not good enough for 48 tonne vehicles. The water table shows that water is 2ft from the surface therefore the school will have pulons drilled into the ground causing untold damage to surrounding properties.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Save our common good land!!!!! This proposed build will go over budget and money will not the saved trying to squeeze a school on this.				
14	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Happy. Fingers crossed you can get things moving ASAP	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee. Direct access would be maintained during the construction phase from Applegrove Primary School to Roysvale Park.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? We are in desperate need of a new school and this is the best site				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Looking at plans during construction phase it is not clear if there is direct access from Applegrove school to the playing field - it appears that you would have to walk the long way round via sanquhar road. This would present another barrier to school using outdoor space. I would suggest maintaining path access directly from school.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? You will inevitably get more negative feedback and complaints in this consultation process than you will positive. This does NOT represent the true feelings of the community but more the feeling of people living in the vicinity AKA NIMBYs				
15	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The park is common good, and is for all the people of Forres to use. It's a lovely bit of green in town that is used and enjoyed by individuals and clubs.The ground at the current Academy site is wet and not a suitable alternative. Green areas in towns need to be preserved for the mental and physical health of all. With a view to current thinking on reducing emissions in towns how can bringing busses and cars through here daily possibly be a positive move?.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No. Each proposed site has positive and negative arguments, but fundamentally this goes against the proposed use of this land.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Traffic Pollution Ongoing building works reducing access to the park This site is not easily accessed				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The consultations already undertaken show an overall consensus that people do not want this build to take place here. This really should be further taken into account. Money should not be the bottom line.				
16	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? This would be a huge loss of a fantastic green space which is used regularly.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Applegrove pupils will suffer greatly as they have a lovely green space to play in which will be lost. Orchard Road is already a huge problem area with traffic congestion all day every day. This is much worse at the beginning and end of the day with parents parking on both sides of Orchard Road and one side of Sanquhar Road. The new Academy car park is planned to be much to far away from the school. Parents dropping off and picking up from the Academy (there are a lot) will add to the dangerous traffic issues on Orchard Road.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
17	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it's a very poor choice!	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? It IS central, certainly, and moray council already own the land that Applegrove primary and the current academy is on.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? It takes away a huge field from the primary children, it will be incredibly disruptive to them and the neighbours, many of which are elderly or vulnerable. It takes away tge roysvale field that is currently used by several public groups including the forres harriers, the football teams and a toddler football group. I've seen a few members of public running on the tracks.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Very bad decision!				
18	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Temporary disruption for the better longer term good. No problem with proposal	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Improved drainage system would be welcome as frequently surface water issues . Should enhance green space for sport rather than use chemically harmful synthetic pitches				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The nimby brigade preventing progress!				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Just get it done. New Academy well overdue				

19	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Small price to pay for giving Forres a better school. This is a real common good benefit for generations Short term pain for long term gain.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Drainage system will prevent sport being cancelled from water logging of pitches. Improved transport movement around area if buses given room.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes. Folk living around the proposed site whipping up division as they can't see past their own short term inconvenience to the longer term benefit. The silent majority want a new school in a central location.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Just seems a sensible proposition to allow progress.				
20	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Why put such a large building in a small place. The roads are conjested at school times with just a primary school . Whats happening to the town when green spaces are becoming built up raeas	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? none.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? yes traffic congestion. Pupils out and about at lunch times in a residential area				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The area has a history of use by Forres people going back over a hundred years				
21	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Do not agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Negative response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
22	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't believe the ground should be taken away from the public of Forres. Especially when there is other perfectly good areas to build the school. The far majority in the area have cars to take children to school even if it's further out. The roads round about the proposed area is no way good enough to have the size of footfall coming into the area.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? A lot of issues as said above, the road infrastructure isn't great, the flooding fields are just a few to mention!				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
23	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Good place to build a new Academy Then when the existing one is demolished it could become a huge park	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Yes the area is central				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? At present the school is old and not fit for purpose				
24	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I believe it is a terrible idea to site a new school here, green spaces in towns need to be preserves. This is disgraceful that the council thinks they can use the land in this way	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are no benefits to this site except an initial cost , however I do not believe it will be on budget therefore cost should not be an important factor				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
25	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think the location is preferable option. If Scottish Government and Moray Council wish to increase number of journeys made via Active travel having a central location is key. The access to swimming pool and outdoor gym are also advantageous at the proposed site.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The location is preferable for cycling to school, walking to school, access to swimming pool and outdoor gym.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Consideration should be given to orchard road capacity for both Applegrove primary school and the secondary school. The new proposed secondary school could present a challenge for motorists dropping and collecting pupils.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
26	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It should be kept as a green space.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.	Yes	email	no email address not recognised
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No benefits I can see.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Many concerns. Loss of green space used by the community and schools. Disruption due to major building works.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The space should not be used to build on and should be left as is.				
27	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Shouldn't be in Roysvale. Taking up a green space that is used by all. It should be on land that is more accessible and that can be adapted and built on further if needed. It shouldn't just be squeezed on land for the sake of it. The population of Forres is creeping higher and higher, so planning should be put in place to build a brand new school fit for purpose. Not just a replica of what is there now.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? It should be located elsewhere and not at roysvale.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Parking. Common good land being taken away. Space. Not fit for purpose. Will be grown out of. Disruption whilst the building work is going on. No option for further upgrades later on. Squished in. Taking up a primary schools option to build additional buildings if needed.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The council should have listened to those who voted and realised that we will be the ones using the new school so should have a voice and be listened too. Money is everything and saving it can and should come in different ways, and none that become a detriment to our children - who will be the ones around longer than those who have made the decision				
28	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale is a well used space by community and school. The surrounding homes will be badly affected by losing their view and disruption by construction The principle of taking 'common good land' away is wrong	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None. I am very dismayed that a large primary school will lose their playing field				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Dislike the idea of this site; No scope for expansion if the roll increases Not convinced about the 5 - 18 campus idea Applegrove with a sizeable number of ASN pupils loses its big green space - such an important resource. Increase traffic concentrated around the two schools				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? It was never called the Applegrove option. Always the Roysvale option. A big and nasty surprise to find the new school will take over Applegroves playing field.				
29	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It is a community space, and a buffer between the academy and applegrove however still prone to flooding. Building the school on the opposite side of the road due to sheer convenience is idiotic and hypocritical by the council for offering a survey in school sight and going against the majority decision.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Zero benefits and only negatives of the current decision in the proposed site.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
30	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Wrong space to use, it should be kept as it is, green space in town for all.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Benefits?!				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Flooding is the very obvious issue and appears to be being ignored by council				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				

		It would be a mistake to site new school here, out of town location allows for future growth much better too	consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			
31	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Do not take away the space for a school. It is land that will never be reclaimed. The building will disrupt Applegrove School and cause chaos with traffic. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I don't seen any benefits. During the building, the roads around the build will be chaotic. Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, the taking away of free space in the heart of the community. Q4 Do you have any additional comments? It is no doubt a foregone conclusion that the park will be build on	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A transport assessment will be necessary as part of any future planning application. This will involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
32	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't feel that there is enough space for the academy and the primary school to access the sport facilities proposed. The loss of common good land is not wort the proposal to squeeze the new academy into an unsuitable space. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are no benefits at all in my view. Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, where will all the children go at break times/lunch time from both schools? This is a very short sighted project and one which I'm certain will throw out more problems than benefits. There will not be enough lesson time to get to the 3d pitch for sports for the primary or the academy. Q4 Do you have any additional comments? You are not making the best choice for the children of forres. This is going to impact terribly on the primary children and there is no room for growth with the academy. Taking away the green space of the common good land and the primary schools large grass space is so detrimental to health and wellbeing.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
33	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't think it is good to lose beautiful green space in our town when there is another space on the edge of town that could be used for it Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No are there any? Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Q4 Do you have any additional comments?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
34	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it is the perfect location, central, not too far from the existing site Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The benefits of a 5-18 campus will support those young people who have issues with transition and create greater links between primary and secondary pupils Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No, as long as the design is appropriate I feel this is an excellent proposal Q4 Do you have any additional comments? Roysvale will be returned to its original state with the benefit of a synthetic pitch, additional car parking and better public transport layout. I cant see any issues	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	both	yes email
35	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The new school should be built elsewhere Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No as I can't see any only that's it's cheaper for the council Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Damaged to surrounding buildings Q4 Do you have any additional comments? Yet again more failings by moray council. Education is in a poor state within Moray and they will be providing a new school that will not be big enough for the future growth of the area	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
36	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Excellent choice Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Central location Amenities, old and new, located together Would fix issues regarding drainage etc Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No, none Q4 Do you have any additional comments? I live in the Sanquhar area of Forres, and fully expect traffic disruption etc. This is not an issue for me because the location for the build is ideal. Best of luck with it all	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee. A transport assessment will be necessary as part of any future planning application. This will involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
37	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Sensible option for site of newKeep the school central and accessible for all Forres Academy building Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Keeps the school central and accessible for all areas of the town catchment. Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? None Q4 Do you have any additional comments? A central situation is important and costs will be less great.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	both	yes email
38	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am unhappy that there is a need to utilise a community park to facilitate the placing a new secondary school into a space that doesn't allow for future expansion and adds further congestion to an old part of old part of town. It is unbelievable that there is an appetite to remove green space (of historic interest) from the centre of town when the benefits are widely known. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I have safety concerns about the increased traffic that will result of the proposals and drainage concerns due to the fragility of the network. I am also concerned about the potential loss of mature tress in the area. I do not believe that the contractors compound is large enough and will overspill into the football pitch. Q4 Do you have any additional comments?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
39	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale park is a valuable and well used green space in the heart of the town, it's important that as much of the park area as possible is retained for public use after the new school is constructed. It's regrettable that a large part of the park will be unusable during the construction phase, it would be good if as large an area as possible is retained for public use at this time. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The plans for a cycle way and footpaths are welcome and improving the drainage throughout the park are would be of real benefit to users of the park and the surrounding area. Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The veteran holly trees at the roadside where the bus drop off is planned are of high biodiversity value due to their age, providing many ecological niches. It would be preferable for some or all of the veteran trees to be retained as part of the bus drop off strip. I appreciate that trees can be felled and replaced but it would take decades for newly planted trees to provide the same level of biodiversity benefit. Q4 Do you have any additional comments? The pavillion in Roysvale is looking dated and if a new, modern, facility could be included in the plans, for public use, it would help negate the issues arising from the permanent change of use of some of the park area.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use	Yes	email	yes email
40	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Against as goes against numerous policies within the development plan. Loss of green space for all is against all forward thinking planning. It is common good land for the common good. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are none, building on Roysvale goes against the development plan regarding green spaces. Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, numerous. Due to a green space being covered in concrete and the existing school site being covered in concrete. A no win situation depleting the towns green areas and working against any net zero policies. What would the carbon offset be, destroying more mature trees and pretending planting whips would compensate??? Q4 Do you have any additional comments?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use	Yes	email	yes email

		This is Moray Councils Planning at its worst, does not take into account the heritage and attractiveness of the existing town and basically goes back to the bad old days of the 60's when our towns were destroyed by over zealous planners and councillors. Let's learn from that not repeat.				
41	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? This green space should be left as it is. Given the drainage issues, this site should never have been considered for the new secondary school.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The central location is a huge benefit, allowing most children living within the town the opportunity to walk or cycle to school. The children are made to feel part of the community with the school placed centrally. The school is close to local shops, the swimming pool & fitness centre, community centre, GP/dental practices. Close to the towns 3 primary schools.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Building the new school in the playground of Applegrove school. This will take most of the primary schools playing field which is a key feature of this school. The disruption to the primary school children, staff, parents of the ongoing building works of new secondary. Traffic congestion surrounding the building site and then centrally once the school is located there.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Although the option of keeping the secondary school central within the town sounds good, logistically it does not make sense. Providing transportation will be made available to children having to travel 2miles or more, I feel the Lochyhill site is the more sensible option. Space is not a concern, no known issues with draining at this site, better infrastructure for cars, buses etc getting to/from the site, no beautiful green space it to be built upon and we can preserve our Roysvale part and Applegrove playground.				
42	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? In favour of the proposal.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Good use of land that is currently only used for sports. With better sporting facilities proposed as part of the development.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? That the proposed astro pitches, that will replace the current labs use, will not be built at the same time as the new school.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
43	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Should not be built on	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Poor drainage and loss of public space,				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
44	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It is less than ideal that a primary school will loose their green space. However I did vote in favour of it as it is more accessible than the alternative site for my own children who live near to Dyke, and it will ensure the high street does not loose custom from the high school students. I would note that my preferred option was the site on the Grantown road.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Pleased that my children will be able to safely cycle to school if they wish. They will have easy access to their after school clubs and the leisure centre. Children who wish to go home for lunch or are carers for family members will more easily be able to get home with time to spare. I believe children should be a visible part of a community and not shunted to the outskirts of the town.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Flood risks are of concern. I would like there to be a transfer of some of the old academy site to common good land in place of what is being taken away.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I am highly concerned that plans are still only in the discussion phase when our kids need a new school yesterday. The school environment is woven into the psyche of our young people and it will have damaging and limiting effects the longer they have to attend the current high school.				
45	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I honestly think it is a stupid idea to build the new high school over Roysvale Park. To me, it does not seem like a good long term solution. As many others have said, Roysvale floods very, very often and I can't see how erecting a big building on that ground is beneficial to that. I also feel that as Applegrove is the resourced school for the area, there will be a number of children who cannot cope with the disruption that this will cause for quite a long time. their schooling has already been hampered by Covid and its implications, this is just another thing that will mean our children are not supported in a nurturing way. I live out the other side of town and would welcome the Lochyhills development.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No. I cannot think of a single benefit that will come from siting the Academy on Rosyvale.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Many. See above. I feel like it will end up costing more trying to take the common good land than just outright purchasing the alternative where designs can be made from scratch. I can also foresee extra problems in the future with things like drainage, and expansion, much like Forres Academy has at the moment where remedial works have had to be done at a huge cost!				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Don't build on Roysvale, it is a terrible idea!				
46	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? In general, I'm happy with the proposals. I'm just concerned about the tree with the rabbit warren. Also as Roysvale is used for the builders, Applegrove Primary will have reduced playing space.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The befits are long term. The short term may be tough for children having reduced playing areas, especially for Applegrove pupils.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The rabbit burrow in one of the trees. Loss of play/ sport area for the duration of the build. Disruption for Applegrove pupils and loss of school play area. Possible mitigations could be considered- written in next section.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? 1. An adventure play area installed within Applegrove Primary. 2. The grassy area opposite Forres Legion fenced off, fully grassed and swings installed as a new playing area. 3. Free mixed sport sessions re-established in Forres community centre for Applegrove Families. 4. Free fit life cards for a year for Applegrove families. 5. Professional work done to develop the woodland/ sensory garden in Applegrove.				
47	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Awful place for an academy, there is not enough room for future expansion if needed. The congestion during pick up and drop off would be awful for residents who live in the area.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
48	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Yes it's a good place to build it	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee. A transport assessment will be necessary as part of any future planning application. This will involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes I live in cumming street, and with apple grove that street is a nightmare and a disaster waiting to happen during drop off and collect time, something needs to be done about this as with the academy as well it will be even more of a nightmare				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
49	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? don't think that is the best area. It will have a huge knock on affect on Applegrove and I dread to think about the congestion and traffic in that area if building there goes ahead.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I can see no benefits of building there.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? That area has serious drainage issues and also it will affect the local primary.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				

			transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			
50	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale Park is not a suitable location for a new school. The traffic management in Forres has been worsened in recent years with the poorly planning traffic lights on St Catherine Road which causes unbelievably traffic building up for such a small town. If there is the opportunity to build the school elsewhere which would help ease the existing traffic issues this should be the priority. This would aid in reducing pollution within the town. Page 128-129 of the National Planning Framework 4 states for the north east: "The area's growth strategy includes commitment to building with nature by creating multi-functional blue and green networks and improving green spaces in and around settlements, connecting with the national long distance cycling and walking network and facilitating active travel." The proposals do not improve green spaces but reduces and limits them.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I cannot see any benefits from the information provided by the council.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes - the location of the proposed school is removing the green space areas of the current playground of Applegrove Primary. This will result in the children at Applegrove primarily having concrete to play on which limits the activities and play they can carry out. Orchard Road cannot handle traffic presently and there is no way that it could handle further traffic upon completion of the school or for the duration of the construction. During the construction of the school, the noise and disturbance would have a large impact on the learning of the children at Applegrove which is already a poorly scoring school and I expect that this would have a further detrimental impact on this.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I am a Chartered Surveyor - I fully expect that if this proposal had been submitted by a private landowner that it would be declined and development would not be permitted. The spatial principles within National Planning Framework 4 are: • Just transition. We will empower people to shape their places and ensure the transition to net zero is fair and inclusive. • Conserving and recycling assets. We will make productive use of existing buildings, places, infrastructure and services, locking in carbon, minimising waste, and building a circular economy. • Local living. We will support local liveability and improve community health and wellbeing by ensuring people can easily access services, greenspace, learning, work and leisure locally. • Compact urban growth. We will limit urban expansion so we can optimise the use of land to provide services and resources, including carbon storage, flood risk management, blue and green infrastructure and biodiversity. • Rebalanced development. We will target development to create opportunities for communities and investment in areas of past decline, and manage development sustainably in areas of high demand. • Rural revitalisation. We will encourage sustainable development in rural areas, recognising the need to grow and support urban and rural communities together. I do not see how the proposed development supports any of these principles. Each point of the spatial principles is not met. In order: the vast majority of the local community disagree with the location proposed, the proposal does not empower people to be part of this. It does not conserve or recycle existing assets and will emit significant carbon. It does not limit urban growth but expands it in a town which cannot handle additional infrastructure without extreme further upgrades which from precedent set by the council and other developments within the town, will not be done. It does not rebalance development, it leaves land that has been set aside for development at the enterprise park vacant and unused. Finally, it does not support rural revitalisation. If planning is permitted for this, I will have serious questions on how the planners think that it could be approved due to the limitations set out in the local plan and the national planning framework.				
51	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The school should not be built there. Not only are they going to use Rosevale (which belongs to the people of Forres and is well used by clubs and locals) it is cheap land for the taking in comparison to the other site. There is no mention about about taking land from Applegrove PS which is well used by pupils- mental wellbeing space and football groups(young children)	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No. You are taking away a green space which has been used by locals for 1000+ years. It is a cheap piece of land to take away from the people of Forres. The other site is a field, good roads and only a line of houses on one side. Rosevale is beside pensioner houses, private house and removal of healthy mature trees.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? More disruption for this quiet part of Forres. It is bad enough for people living there with traffic, the road parking and congestion. Okay it isn't 24/7 but it is still an issue. It is a cheap piece of land to take away from the people of Forres. (Common Good Land) Rosevale has pensioner houses down one side, private houses on the opposite, mature 🌳 trees. THE OTHER SITE is a field, good roads, houses down one side.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Disappointed on the proposition of this site. When the present school was built it was vacant land apart from the gate house to the Sanquhar estate. The estate was purchased and houses built. There is a field above the school grounds that has never been mentioned in any plans yet it has been used by the school for sports.				
52	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Would cause complete havoc and congestion in the area. Major loss of green space for Applegrove. Far roo close proximity of older secondary pupils to young vulnerable primary pupils. Parents will always seek shortcuts when dropping off pupils. Orchard Road and Sanquhar Road will be a nightmare. Loss of Park Space for buss pull ins. Major drainage issues not yet fully investigated or resolved. Impact on all houses near the new school.. Drop in house prices. Increased risk of flooding.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I don't see any benefits to this site. Pupils may like it because easier access to their unhealthy diets of cheese and chips for lunch.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Flooding Congestion Bullying- proximity to primary school Drop in house prices Loss of much valued green space. General destruction of a very pleasant quiet residential area				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Please listen to what people are saying and do not take the short sighted cheaper option which is likely to cost far more in he longer term				
53	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? If they can create an all weather pitch I think it would be a good addition although I do think they need to consider the effect of construction noise on Applegrove	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Forres desperately needs an all weather pitch for sports clubs. Good central location with opportunities to improve active travel				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Drainage concerns, noise pollution, disruption to primary children				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
54	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Agree to use roysvale and return after	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? An inconvenience for a short while but academy remaining central is important				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Once work complete the whole area including where skatepark was should be rejuvenated for sports and leisure				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
55	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It's the best location as its central	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	email	yes
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Ideally should be 2 high schools as Forres seems to be growing,with no additional facilities				
56	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it is unacceptable putting the new school on park land/applegrove playing field. It will cause even more congestion to the road. The residents of that area are not happy at all. The primary school children at applegrove already get bullied terribly by the academy kids when passing the school field. Lots of the wee kids are terrified of them. Is it worth building a new school on low ground in a already bad area for flooding when you could of had lochyhill which Is on high ground and has plenty of room for future expansion and more space for school socialisation. It may be further for the academy kids to travel but it is the best and more sensible location by far	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				

		Other than being closer to the shops , I see no benifit whatsoever	transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Just because the site at roysvale is cheaper, doesn't mean it's better. The applegrove kids are already terrified of the academy students due to bullying on their lunch breaks, why should they also loose their playing field and park for a school that is smack bang in the middle of an flood zone. Its absolutely ridiculous				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Build the academy in lochyhill. It has far more space and is never going to flood. There's enough room for further development in the future. Build a small shop with the school for the children so they have lunch options, a shop would hugely benefit the forbeshill residents too. It may cost more but it is a far better decision longterm by far				
57	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	Yes	both	yes email
		I 100% disagree with it. It may be the cheaper proposal but it's not the best proposal.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?	The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.			
		The only benefit apart from being cheaper is that it would be more central but that would be outweighed by the traffic chaos.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.			
		Ha! Ha! Just that,like the first poll that was taken, the majority will be totally ignored. I think it's a disgrace that the majority have already been ignored.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		I would hope that the majority will be listened to.				
58	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	No		
		Will keep the Academy in the Town making it easier for pupils to access the public transport system. It will also make it safer when accessing the Town during their lunch breaks.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?	The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.			
		See 1 above.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?	As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use			
		None, other than losing a green space in the Town. This would be solved with the demolition of the old Academy. The old site could then be turned in to green space.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		A much needed building which I hope will be built big enough to take in the extra students caused by the expansion of housing in the area.				
59	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	Yes	both	yes email
		Think it's the perfect site for the new school				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?	The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.			
		We live cross the road from it & is easy walking distance for our boys when they are older				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			
		Only concern is the amount of traffic from the working will cause				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?	Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.			
		No				
60	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	No		
		Although a better location (geographically) this is a poor decision as it's too close to the primary school (Applegrove) and has horrendous flooding/boggy issues due to the water table. Also not a big enough piece of land and the town grows the school needs to be bigger and better with better facilities.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?	The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.			
		None				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			
		Being too close to Applegrove and lack of space for expansion and good facilities.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Picking Roysvale was the cheaper of the 2 sites and of course the council had picked it before the people of Forres were asked for their opinion. The last "consultation" was a box ticking exercise by Moray Council. This location is the lazy choice. Moving the Academy away from the centre of town would help with traffic congestion around the grantown road/ orchard road areas and drop off and pick up times. Their has to be a more suitable place for the new school that's not too out the way but also not taking away green space or in a boggy marshy area				
61	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?		No		
		Xxx				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		Xxx				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Xxx				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Xxx				
62	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	No		
		I think the park should be kept as a green space for the community to use. A new academy should be built on the outskirts of Forres. Roysvale has limited scope for extending the school in the future.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?	The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.			
		None				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?	As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.			
		The affect of getting rid of a green park area, limited scope for extending in future, increase in traffic on already busy local roads.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			
		Respondent skipped this question				
63	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	No		
		Yes good idea				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?	The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.			
		Keeps it central				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?	Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.			
		No problem as long as the site of existing school is turned into public playing grounds				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Councillors for the local area should engage with all the different communities not only the ones who shout the loudest				
64	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.			
		It's the best place for it.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?	The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.			
		It's central for everyone, not having to dish out millions to a money hungry farmer for land				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?	Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.			
		None				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Just get it built				
65	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	Yes	email	yes email
		This is the wrong decision by Moray Council regarding the location of the future Forres Academy. Previous consultation with the people of Forres voted in favour of the Lochyhill site. Agree that in the ideal world, a central location for the new school would be the preferred option however this will result in the lose of the common good land and cause a lot of concerns from the residents living in close proximity to the new school due to drainage, sewage, noise levels, volume of traffic, etc, etc.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?	The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.			
		Agree that a central location for the school is the better option however the Roysvale Park has too many issues that will result in a lot of concern and additional cost for the Council compared to building the school at Lochyhill site.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?	As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.			
		1. Loss of green space for the Forres residents 2. Drainage and flooding of this area 3. Disruptive traffic during the building of the new school. 4. Stress of pupils and teachers having build work sited right next to existing primary school 5. Loss of recreation area for Applegrove Primary School 6. New School building will completely dominate this site and affect all the housing situated around this area.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to			

		Forres is a rapidly expanding town and at some point in the future, the land around Lochyhill will be needed to build more houses. The housing developers and Moray council should discuss the benefits of sharing the cost for the new A96 road access to this area which will be required prior to any building work starting in this location.	relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			
66	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I do not think the new school should be built on the Roysvale, I feel the current roads do not support the already busy school collections the congestion builds up past the go practice, it should be placed futher out of town to slow a better build	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I don't see the any benefits to current or potential students the only benefit is a financial one to the council				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The proposed site Will seriously disrupt the current students of both Forres academy and Applegrove during the build, the noise and traffic will not be conducive to the safe learning environment of current students.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Respondent skipped this question				
67	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? A great central location, easy accessible for both ends of town	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Children will be able to walk/bike to school which will help to limit travel and encourage exercise. Great that it's next to the swimming pool and gym. It will allow the pupils the freedom and responsibility to go up the high-street for lunch and will benefit local businesses. Pupils who prefer to have their own space at lunch will have many options of places to go.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I think it's the only location that will work. When the traffics is bad on days such as a rainy day it can take us 25/30 minutes so get from the Balnageith area to Anderson's primary so I would imagine it would take a lot longer to get to the other side of town and there would be a much higher volume of traffic on the road as it's too far for pupils to walk to the other end of town.				
68	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it's fine as it keeps things central for both ends of the town. Ideally there would be a bigger sight but that's not possible.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I think it will keep everything on one sight. Hopefully football pitches,skate park and obviously the swimming pool and general green space for all				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I think just the disruption during the build and obvious traffic flow.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Just get it started and get the kids into a modern bright, fit for purpose school.				
69	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It's in the wrong place , Roysvale park is prone to flooding, also where are they going to play football and athletics etc ,	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? It's central that's about all , but the way Forres is going size wise , better build it on the outskirts either up at Dallas Dhu or out at Forbes hill				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Parking will be a problem I think Also traffic concerns				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No				
70	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't think it's the best option. It will take away green space used by several sports clubs and from the academy during the building of the new site. It's a much used route for surrounding schools, building here will disrupt the the route for many children and parents. The site is often flooded during periods of rain, so why make it worse by building on there.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Only benefit is that's in the middle of town.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The building time in this site will disrupt the education of the current academy and Applegrove Schools. It will also take a away the green space currently used by the schools. It will congest the small roads even more, with building traffic going up and down, which makes it more dangerous for the younger children to take that route to school.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? A cheap option isn't always the best option in the long run. With all the new houses being build, how long will the current proposal be big enough? There's no room to expand the academy in the future. Same happend with Elgin High, the new build is already to small just couple years after completion.				
71	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't think Roysvale park is the best option as by the time the land is purchased and made suitable for such a big build with water upgrades and flooding issues the money could be spent on building a school in an area suitable and room for expansion.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Wrong location				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Water issues, flooding of the area when heavy rain, close to houses and taking away playing fields for applegrove primary school.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
72	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Overall I don't think it's the right place: it will change the Roysvale area completely, it leaves very little scope for expansion, it removes access to green space for general public and dog walkers, will dominate the small houses in the area, increase road pressure around applegrove, be a considerable pain when being built. On top of this we have no idea what the building will be like in terms of size and design. Forres is a green town and this is one of its major positives, this small but significant green space should be kept for the common good and not used as it's the cheapest option (at the moment)	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Close to pool good but the argument about the businesses on the high street is a nonsense - a school shouldn't be based around how much money the kids might spend plus they will still come up the street and some businesses I.e at the enterprise park would benefit. So few kids walk now I don't see that as a valid argument (the yearly hands up travel survey would have stats). Also the argument that it should be central to town is not reasonable - the enterprise area will be developed eventually and that area is part of the town with excellent road access and cycle routes.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? It concerns me given the financial situation that the council are in that they will Pick area based on cost rather than what's best for now and the future. Once this ground is lost that's it!				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? As a teacher who has worked in 2 schools when they had new buildings planned and built I have a fair bit of experience. Both of the schools (Earlston & Kelso) were built on the edge of the towns and have been very successful builds. Both had the same arguments about being too out of the way etc and yet the community use both very very well. Having a future proof school is also crucial. Elgin schools already at capacity!! Potential at the enterprise site far outweighs Roysvale- outdoor learning, sports facilities, future extension, Green spaces, healthy travel Options etc				
73	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It is barbaric to purposely lose green space and put our primary school children through the disruption of the building work and ultimately, have nowhere for them to play	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	address	letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? It should not be at Roysvale/Applegrove playing fields				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				

		Yes				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?	As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			
74	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think that Roysvale is defiently not the correct place for the proposed new academy, 1. The site is no where big enough & in 5 to 10 years you'll be looking to expand again 2. There a numerous ancient trees around Roysvale that shouldn't be destroyed 3. The park is used my many older folk to walk around & exercise there dogs, their are no other flat areas nearby to do this 4. The disturbance & disruption to residential properties opposite will be astronomical with coaches, cars & youths hanging outside some who are very intimidating!! There is much more scope at the other proposed site to build & extend the site in the future when the need arises, also the outdoor space is more ideal for an all weather football pitch, netball etc & although I understand that it is more difficult to get to I'm sure this can be easily sorted by putting on buses etc as it is for children outwith the area now	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I see no potential benefits at all if the academy is built on Roysvale However I have already listed all the positive benefits for the 2nd proposed site - see above				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I think that Roysvale is defiently not the correct place for the proposed new academy, 1. The site is no where big enough & in 5 to 10 years you'll be looking to expand again 2. There a numerous ancient trees around Roysvale that shouldn't be destroyed 3. The park is used my many older folk to walk around & exercise there dogs, their are no other flat areas nearby to do this 4. The disturbance & disruption to residential properties opposite will be astronomical with coaches, cars & youths hanging outside some who are very intimidating!!				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? You need to forward think with regards to these prosed sites especially with the rate Forres is growing, there is only 1 sensible solution & that isn't Roysvale otherwise in 10 years we will be in exactly the same place again with academy being too small !				
75	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Perfect location, despite general concerns regarding roads etc. Central location for all pupils, existing playing fields etc close by for use by the school. More children should be encouraged to walk to school, instead of every child being driven, that would cut congestion in a heart beat.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Location central for all pupils. Continued use of existing playing fields.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Nothing.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No further comments				
76	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Good location	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
77	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Fantastic - best site for the school	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Wonderful, as close to the existing school you could likely get				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Absolutely none at all				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No - fantastic job by everyone involved.				
78	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Seems fine, it's central to the town. To maintain licals being able to walk to school and not increase buses. As a park in underused, in comparison to Grant Park, it would not be a loss to the town in my opinion.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Just that we need to get on with building it, tok long in consultation.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? We have enough park land with Grant Park and objections from locals are selfish, they do not use that land currently.				
79	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The school should not be built there.The area is cramped prone to flooding and the common good land should be preserved The traffic congestion well not be releived	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I find it hard to see any benefits.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
80	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It feels like a short-sighted quick fix to put this school in Roysvale. There will be no room for further expansion, yet the town continues to grow.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? My only strong view is that a decision is made with some urgency. The school is literally falling down around the hard working school staff and and pupils, and this decision needs to be made with as little delay as possible!				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
81	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The worst choice would nt have any affect on large houses but the small bungalows on same level as park will be overshadowed by size of academy. These houses are mainly for elderly people. Traffic is already a problem for primary schools Anderson's and Applegrove using that road it's ridiculous adding to an existing problem, has anyone ever spent time or surveyed traffic flow at the moment…. I think not. It makes no sense and a complete waste of money to build on ground that is not big enough ludicrous!	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? What benefits!				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Concerns ……definitely but they be been said and been ignored the site has been chosen, this is just another tick the box, we gave people a chance for opinions, shameful on councillors for what they re about to do… not for best place but the cheapest…..				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
82	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Unworkable. Infrastructure inappropriate. Insufficient routes to the school in an already congested area. No future proofing available for expansion.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Little evidence of public views being considered. Space at Roysvale insufficient. Decision made on costs, not practicalities and quality of education feasible in the area.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				

		I'd rather see a delayed decision than going ahead with an ill-conceived plan	capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			
83	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Not in favour. Completely wrong site due to flooding problems, using up limited green space within forres Town which is also common good land well used by the ordinary school and other groups, lack of infrastructure/roads and parking.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Increased traffic, congestion, noise polution while building in a residentusl area, using up green space. Not big enough for long term				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Absolutely NOT in favour of this site				
84	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Best choice of location, not too far a distance for pupils to walk/cycle from all locations in town.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Just what I have said above.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? None				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
85	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It's a terrible decision and quite honestly the whole consultation process smells corrupt. The arguments for the location are weak and the multiple valid arguments against seem to be completely ignored	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. If you have concerns and evidence supporting your comments regarding the use of common good funds these should be submitted to the Council and will be considered through the complaints process.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Can't really see any benefits other than the location is what people are used to.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Loss of green space. Pollution. Years of building works- associated dangers and destruction for schools and community. Traffic. Noise. Flooding.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? This form is far to short to list the reasons and reasoning. Is this another tickbox exercise that will be completely ignored? Curious about legality of using common good ground and also if the common good funds are already being dipped into and misused.				
86	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think the proposal is a great idea, the council already own the land and it is central for everyone.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Central for everyone, will cost the least amount of money and won't ruin the countryside.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I feel that with Moray Councils current financial situation it would be the most beneficial route to take.				
87	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am very sad to loose the park for such a long time, but understand that there is no other sensible option.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. The width of the proposed bus drop off is inclusive of a shared footway/ cycleway and will be reviewed during the design process if the proposal is taken forward. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? If the park could be left with excellent drainage and in better condition than it is now, it would help people accept the changes				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The space taken for the bus pull in area is too big. It would make Sanquhar Road look too wide and encourage cars to go faster. If it were only a drop off point it could be much smaller. Could the children walk to the same car park area as the teachers after school, and the buses wait there?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I have concerns about sewage overspill in Orchard Rd if the drainage to Roysvale is improved.				
88	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? As long as you make sure you learn from the mistakes learned at Lossiemouth there is no problem	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
89	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Town centre essential	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Cater first for walkers, wheelers, bus travel (pupils and staff!); discourage motor traffic bar blue badge				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? None except the baffling out of towners being shouty				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Get on with it asap, seeking to disrupt learning etc as little as possible				
90	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Crazy. Taking away the primary schools green land . It's not fair. Traffic will be mayhem and unsafe	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Safety				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
91	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Think it's an absolute disgrace and very short sighted. Seems the Council is going for the easy option with no regard for the long term	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Can't see any benefit				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Loss of green space which shouldn't be allowed				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
92	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? After completing the last survey I'm concerned that although the majority of local residents prefer the Lochyhills site, the Roysvale option is going ahead. What's the point of consulting people? How can I be assured that the council is actually listening?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? If the proposal took account of future educational needs, the site was big enough and the transport /roads infrastructure could cope with it then there are many benefits. The site is too small. The roads barely cope with existing traffic during peak times. Applegrove Primary is struggling and Andersons Primary is nearly 200 years old. What is going to happen to these schools in the next 5 years?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The small size of the site crammed next to a poorly performing primary school. The new school seems very small - is there enough room for all educational needs? The percentage of learners the school is actually being built for? The capacity of the school to develop within the restraints of a small town centre site. The surrounding road infrastructure. The distance the main car park will be from the school.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? This should be a wonderful opportunity for the future education of our children. Come on Moray Council show some leadership, imagination and foresight. We don't need more of the same mediocre /poor education (see recent HMIe) for our children crammed into a small site next to a failing primary school. Our children deserve better than this.				
93	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? i don't think it a good thing as it not a large area as the area getting bigger we going to be needing a bigger school	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal	Yes	both	yes email

	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? no it only going to disrupt the young children at applgrove and the house around it	The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? the district for the children trying to learn in the school were are they meant to run around and play sports				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? the children should be the most important part of this and not money like it being kids need space to run				
94	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Great site and glad it will be restored after use	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
95	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Not a suitable place	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Loss of green space				
96	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It is 100% the wrong place for the new Forres Academy	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are no benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? 1. Removing green space for children 2. Heightened anxiety for ASN children due to noise if building work 3. Parking issues 4. Impact on residents 5. Drainage				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Are councillors really listening to opinions? Have they ALL been out to visit proposed area.				
97	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't agree that this is the best site. The removal of common good land, the plan to site the staff carpark far away from the building, the disruption to local houses before and after the building work and the lack of ability to extend the site.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Fairly central location.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? See question 1. Issues around common good land, siting of staff carpark, problems with congestion, disruption to locals, lack of ability to extend site if needed (as per Elgin High) etc.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? None.				
98	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I feel that the proposal to use Roysvale Park is short sighted and does not take into account the ever expanding size of Forres. Nor does it consider the traffic congestion which is already dangerous not only at the proposed sight but all routes leading into the area. Finally the green areas in Forres should be respected and protected for future generations to enjoy.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I see no benefits to the using Roysvale for this proposal.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? My concerns are that the views of the local people will not be heard and the decision has already been made.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Listen to the locals and show some forward thinking for the generations to come.				
99	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Best site available why purchase and develop unspoilt land	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Cost effective and central for pupils				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? None				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? None				
100	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it's the correct decision to build.it there	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Traffic could be an issue during school run times				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No				
101	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Support its use	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Central to town and will allow continued strong links between academy and sports centre, tennis courts, working with local primaries				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Revenue for local shops would be negatively impacted by lochyhill site				
102	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? All good.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? All seems fine.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Anything that is part of the Academy new build should proceed asap.				
103	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? That it would be a short term sticking plaster solution.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? It would be less upheaval short term.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Flooding Disruptions to Applegrove. Space issues.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Please spend the money and do it properly.				
104	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Loss of field for Applegrove Noise and disruption during works Increased traffic Flooding There's already toilet paper and other unsanitary items floating in the field after heavy rain	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The site is not suitable				

	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? All above	transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Why is there a second consultation when no one wanted it on Roysvale				
105	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Think it is a great central location	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Easily accessible for all				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No				
106	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? This open space in the centre of Forres should be retained and not built on.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The new Academy, if built there, will be cramped and insular. Find open space with room for future expansion.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, it will ruin a beautiful open space in the town. We should not be building on these open spaces.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The views of locals must be taken into account. Moray Councilkors, few of whom know Forres, do not know what is best for the town. They are too Elgin-centric.				
107	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think the proposed site at Roysvale is the wrong site . It is very short sighted to the needs of a town which is growing . Taking away green areas from within a town is detrimental to health and wellbeing of the younger and older members of our community who use this area.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None .				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The proposed site is going to impact on the primary school children as you are taking away there safe play area. There are plans to remove some the common land on Roysvale for bus stops . Where are the teachers and visitors going to park their cars? Orchard rd is already a hazard for pedestrians due to parked cars and the amount of traffic . Parents who drop pupils at school will not use the proposed bus drop off but will use Orchard Road as it is a shorter distance for walking . Again making orchard Road busy and unsafe .How many stories is the proposed building - will this impact on the light quality for the primary school and the nearby bungalows . When building what will be the impact on the local Victorian buildings. Will vibrations cause damage to buildings and their foundations. What about the very high water level in this area of town . Roysvale already has a large puddle about 80% of the year. Will the extra building and concrete have an adverse affect on the water level or increasing it and increasing the area of flooding which already happens in this area. Will the old water and sewage pipes be able to cope with this . I understand that Alexandra terrace has had sewage bubbling through drains due piping systems breaking down and needing repair.What is being done to ensure that local residents are not adversely affected by this ! Surely the new site on the Elgin side of town would cause less problems in the long run! . And probably less money in the future.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The consultation with local residents is very poor . Have letters been put through doors! Lots of the residents are elderly and will not necessarily have access to Facebook or be able to walk to get a newspaper. You are more than happy to spend money on putting flyers through doors but not for this . I watched the council discussion when this was initially proposed and I feel that local residents of Forres views were not considered . It looked like it was bulldozed through the chairperson . Local Forres councillors did not represent their community . The voting by residents was against Roysvale being used but this was ignored .				
108	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It should be kept as it is just now	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are zero benefits of building forres academy at roysvale				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, lots. There is not enough room at roysvale to extend an academy in the future; losing green space / playing field; the area floods; the area / roads can't cope with the current amount of traffic - we should be trying to reduce traffic, not increase traffic; too near to primary school;				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Forres academy should be built up beyond forbeshill where there is plenty of space				
109	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think that the site chosen is not the right one. It provides no room for expansion and covers a beautiful green area in the centre of town.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I cannot see any benefits to the Roysvale site.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, loss of green site, lack of foresight to need for future expansion.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Please listen to the local citizens and their thoughts, local knowledge and wishes.				
110	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't believe the council have made the right decision on where the new Forres academy is to be sited. I believe there will be too much desruption and already parents aren't wanting to put their children to Applegrove over building work.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Royalsvale is a natural soak away so building on it will be disastrous. The chaos the building work will cause on orchard road by Applegrove will be mammoth. It bad enough at the moment let alone building another school. The cost and time lost over building working having to stop at every funeral is ludicrous.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I think they need to reconsider their sitting of Forres Academy.				
111	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Loss of green space for Primary a step back. Drainage. Loss of green space for community. Building dwarfing surrounding property.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Cannot see any benefits to proposal other than a new school building - much over due.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Loss of green space for Primary a step back. Car park too far away from new academy site. Congestion on Orchard road. Poor access for buses.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No				
112	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I object to the sale of the CGL for the purposes outlined. Mainly because I object to this site for the location of the new school.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I guess if the new school has to go next to Applegrove it will mean that pupils won't need to walk so far between the car park (where the existing school is) and the new building.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I don't understand how two schools can share Roysvale park at breaks, lunch and for PE lessons? Currently the secondary pupils go out to play football and the primary children run all over their playing field. If the new school is built next to Applegrove the secondary pupils will need to walk all the way up to the other playing fields (beyond the existing school). Given that a lesson is only 50 minutes long and they need to use that time to get changed (start and end of lesson) and walk to the PE site, this would leave such a short amount of time for PE that it would hardly be worth going out for. Imagine the traffic jams which will occur at Burdsyard road - buses taking up the whole road in order to squeeze into the drop off lane.....The buses trying to pull out from the other end of the lane whilst other people drive along Sanquhar road... Where will the FA school garden go? The current garden is in the quadrangle in the centre of the school but despite many attempts to 'tame' it , the garden is unusable because when pupils are in there they disturb the classrooms around the outside. And seagulls and oyster catchers nest there. FA needs a school garden.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? If it is possible to sort out the drainage issues at Roysvale and Applegrove, why isn't it possible to sort them out at the current site and simply re-build there?				
113	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Rosyvale Park isn't big enough for the proposal. It will exacerbate congestion in the centre of town as well as causing massive disruption to local residents, Applegrove primary pupils & negatively effect property values.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				

		Not really other than i guess it's a central location & I suppose Applegrove & Andersons kids could benefit from shared resources. I hope the site of the old Academy could be redeveloped into a new community centre & library linked to the existing swimming pool.	Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. If you have concerns and evidence supporting your comments regarding the consultation process these should be submitted to the Council and will be considered through the complaints process.			
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As per question 1. Rosyvale Park isn't big enough for the proposal. It will exacerbate congestion in the centre of town as well as causing massive disruption to local residents, Applegrove primary pupils & negatively effect property values.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? To my mind the council missed a huge opportunity to get a new school build on land beside Springfields recent Knockomie development. It was central with good access. Instead it was sold for housing with no long term thought given to the infrastructure of the town. As a result they're now scrambling to build a new secondary. The site at Lochyhills is on "greenfield" with plenty of room for expansion & facilities but unfortunately futher away than the council are prepared to look. It never has a real prospect of being picked, the council having already made up its mind . As a resident the whole consultation process stinks of stich up & huge waste of taxpayers money.				
114	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Temporary disruption for future benefit	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Improved football park				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? You need a representative opinion not just the neighbours				
115	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I feel it would be a huge mistake to build the new school at Roysvale park. The site isn't big enough - the potential for future extension extremely limited and a 3 storey building in that area is hugely inappropriate. The site is currently used by Applegrove pupils in a much less invasive way. The disruption during construction will have a hugely negative impact on the lives of residents and also the pupils at Applegrove.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I see very little in the way of benefits other than a central location however that will come at a high cost with regard to access, space and the local environment.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The site at lochyhills is surely the best option with space for extension, access and to create a less condensed environment for future pupils.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I feel strongly that a decision had been made despite the consultation process and that the concerns and feelings of local residents are being ignored.				
116	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it's short sighted and a ridiculous idea to build the academy on Roysvale.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	address	letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Roysvale is common good lad that should NEVER be built on for a start, the fact that it only has to rain for a few hours and the majority of the green is flooded is another reason, the fact that you will be causing absolute mayhem with the traffic (which is already horrendous), with the construction vehicles is reason number three and reason number four, Roysvale is surrounded on three sides by older people and MILITARY VETERANS some, if not all have mental health issues including PTSD and people banging and digging and dropping things (as in construction) will no doubt cause suffering to those veterans. And lastly but by no means least with the finding of RAC in the already existing academy, there is potential that any, ANY major construction will cause the unstable concrete to collapse due to the vibrations. The Forbes Hill site is already bare, there is no ripping up of green space or destroying of perfectly fine trees, there is plenty of access from the bypass so no problems with construction vehicles, and the site is big enough to add to it in the future. Also it is a straight walk to it for the students, and please don't try using the argument it further for some to walk when they are quiet happy to walk from the existing academy down to Tesco and back EVERY lunchtime, the council could always open a concession stand up near the new academy and make even more money from the people who rent it.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes my husband is one of the military veterans with PTSD and I also have mental health problems if this goes ahead outside my back gate I will be seeking legal assistance to sue for damages. Plus IT IS NOT SAFE have you even bothered to come and look at the traffic at school drop off or pick up especially along orchard road?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The SAFEST and logical place to build is the Forbes Hill site, take the blinkers off and listen to the majority of people especially those of us who will be stepping out of our back gates onto a carpark and think about it, yes it may cost more initially however in the long run it will save money, because you can expand if needed, there is no need to replace ALL the outdated sewer lines AND then lay new when you can just go in with new, there would be no need to have the students at the academy bused to another school because the vibrations from the building of the new academy is causing the RAC in the old one to crumble, the people of Forres can keep the COMMON GOOD green space and trees. And you may not get sued. It makes sense to build on the field at Forbes Hill, I know it's difficult as members of the council and government to actually listen to the people and to actually see the bigger picture, but please try.				
117	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? As I have said in the previous consultation, I do not think Roysvale Park is an appropriate site for the new school in Forres. Making the park a building site for however long is needed, will create huge disruption & congestion very near the centre of town & Grant Park. The small round nearby & roads around already get very congested especially at school drop off & pick up times. Many frail & elderly people live nearby & I think a building site could bring considerable safety risks for all the children who would be constantly needing to use adjacent pathways while heavy lorries & workers vans constantly go back & forth. The noise will also cause huge disruption. Forres is a thriving small town with a many community activities taking place all around the High Street, Grant Park, the swimming pool & Sanquhar Loch. Currently it offers an attractive town centre that draws many people from near & far. All of this will be undermined & put at risk by the ridiculous suggestion of building a new school at the picturesque & tranquil Roysvale Park site.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Please refer to previous summary of my views in my response to the initial question in this survey. I ses absolutely no benefits in building the new Forres Academy building at Roysvale Park.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I have many issues & concerns - all expressed in the first section of this questionnaire.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Ideally I would recommend that you build the new school on the Grantown Road, near to the huge Knockhomie Housing development & Pilmuir, where many of the school children will be living. Alternatively - as was previously suggested - it could be near the Horizon Busines Park. A school shuttle bus service along the bypass could easily be provided to transport children who need to get from one side of town to the other at the beginning & end of the day. If necessary, Tesco could set up a Tesco Metro or equivalent near the business park site to help children with their lunch time needs. If the new school was on the Grantown Road, children could access the new Co-op or walk back to the town &/or Tesco at lunchtime. I very strongly suggest that you don't ignore all the Forres residents, including myself, who object strongly to the Roysvale Park school build proposal.				
118	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am worried about the disruption to my children attending Applegrove Primary. Traffic is already extremely high before the proposal of the new Academy being built. We walk to and from school every day and notice the sheer volume of traffic.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? It is central in town.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No room for expansion on the Roysvale site. I know there are proposals for drainage which is very much needed as in bad weather, the area tends to flood and take ages to dry out after. All the disruption of construction vehicles. I hate the thought of Applegrove losing its large green space which is used daily.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
119	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Will busses enter the drop off lane at the Burdsyard road end and exit at the Applegrove primary end? Is there enough width in the road to do that u turn? Will there be a staff and visitor car park entrance/exit from Orchard road and can this be used for Applegrove primary as well. Vehicle parking on both sides of Orchard road between Applegrove primary and the Sanquhar road junction causes a bottleneck. This needs restrictions on one side.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Will construction traffic arrive from the Grantown road end of Orchard road and enter the site off Orchard road when possible.				
120	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am appalled nonethat Moray Council are making the same mistake which has led to many pupils down the years being taught in sub standard conditions	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	email address not valid letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None				

	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Many Common Good ground was given for the benefit of all Forresians and is used by many organisations, encouraging participants to exercise and enjoy the fresh air as is even more essential in today's use of phones by young people The site is I suspect the minimum space required and compared to other schools eg in Elgin, somewhat small Already the roads in that area cannot cope with the heavy weight of traffic It is too near the present Applegrove Primary and to confiscate their present green area goes against all that we are told is required for children's proper development	As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Just to say how disappointed I am that once more the young people of Forres and District lose out				
121	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Several issues need to be addressed.The most important being Safety of the children.The impact of increased traffic on the older homes which align the route. There is very infrequent clearing of the drains along Orchard Road,will the erection of a large building cause extra pressure on an already struggling drainage system	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Is this site large enough to allow extending the building to accommodate an increase in pupil numbers?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
122	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I strongly disagree and object to Moray Councils proposal to develop this land, especially the installation of a bus parking lane which will include the cutting down of several Holly Trees and not to mention the extra water run off it will create. The common good land in question (Roysvale Park) has been enjoyed by many generations of Forres Folk, including footballers, runners, people walking their pets, even children flying their kites, this is a green space and should not be developed. Once it is built upon that's it gone forever	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. If the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? As far as I can see there is no potential benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, the extra flooding it will cause				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Yes, leave this site alone and build the Academy at Lochyhill				
123	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am against the use of roysvale park ad it is a public amenity used by the townsfolk. The land is also surrounded by oaps and disabled veterans, some with ptsd.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	address	letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I see no benefits in the use of the common good land				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? My issues are that the victoriana drainage system is already unable to cope with even a minor rain storm. The land is constantly in use by football teams, runners and children and dog walkers. The surrounding houses are predominantly oaps or disabled veterans with ptsd.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The surrounding roads will not be able to handle an influx of industrial vehicles, there is barely enough room at the moment. Once building starts the already inadequate drainage system will fail causing flooding to surrounding areas.				
124	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Awful idea	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Potential benefits being what?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No room for expansion + high water table will increase construction time and cost				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
125	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am not happy about it	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I think it would be fat better being built out of town				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I think it is a terrible idea				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I don't think the council will listen, they have already decided sadly				
126	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It seems to be a good central location.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Travel arrangements won't need to change as the proposed site is so close to current location. High st businesses won't lose lunchtime trade from pupils.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I think proximity to the bungalows by the field needs to be considered, to allow them continued privacy and easy access to their properties. I also think they need to be compensated for the noise of having a building site close by. Careful consideration for where building equipment, materials and vehicles will be parked needs to be made to avoid traffic congestion and problems for ambulances coming from st Leonard's road.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I would like to think that the design of the new school will be in keeping with the town and allow space for more pupils as the numbers grow - the new builds in town and extra families guarantees this will happen. ie build the school to allow for more pupils than it currently has.				
127	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I believe it would be a good use of the area. There will still be some green space along with the Academy & Applegrove Primary in close proximity to town and fitness establishments. And Grant Park is a great open area which is very close too.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? As above. A great benefit to everyone, in a central location.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As I live nearby I will need to pass the area to reach/leave my home. I forsee some disruption to traffic, etc over the build period, but I believe this will be worth it for a central location fit for all in the future.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I believe the most important factor is for Forres to get a new secondary school, which fits the needs of students and staff, as quickly as possible.				
128	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Moray councillors have failed to resist the pressure from council staff, who had made up their minds years ago that the new school would be built on Roysvale. A lack of blue sky thinking and a failure to support public opinion has resulted in the aims of the Community Empowerment Act being tossed aside. The results of the community wide survey on which site to choose, Roysvale or Lochyhill, have simply been ignored or manipulated to suit the predetermined view of council officers.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. If you have concerns and evidence supporting your comments regarding the consultation process these should be submitted to the Council and will be considered through the complaints process.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? If you are referring to the siting of the new school on Roysvale then there are clearly only two advantages, the fact that this site is central and of course, from the council's financial point of view, it is also cheaper so there lie the only two advantages. These are greatly outweighed by the disadvantages of the Roysvale siting and the advantages of the Lochyhill site. Even the council itself has the Lochyhill site earmarked for a Primary School in the future, how ironic that it is seen fit to put primary school pupils to an edge of town site but not secondary school pupils.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? One massive concern is the complete arrogance of councillors and officers that they can ignore the results of the earlier survey then assume that they can annex a slice of common good land in order to fulfil their aims.				

	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I wish to make it quite clear that I am opposed to any loss of common good land to the proposed site of the new Forres Academy. I also hope that Moray Council will yet realise the folly of their choice of Roysvale as the preferred site and look closely at the lands they could sell to cover the extra cost of the Lochyhill site.				
129	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? As a resident of Forres and an educator of children with additional needs I strongly oppose the use of common good land and loss of Primary School green space.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The benefits are far outweighed by the losses to the community and extreme disruption to the education of children at Applegrove.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? My concerns are that the site is not sufficient in size to meet the future needs of Forres Academy. As a local resident I am totally aware of the severe drainage problems of the site. I am also very concerned about the disruption to the primary school and loss of green spaces. Andersons has immediate access to Grant Park. Applegrove will have insufficient green space to meet the needs of its children, many of whom have additional needs.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I am very concerned that local residents and members of the community have not been listened to in the consultation process.				
130	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it shows a lack of forethought and screams of penny pinching. This decision will affect not only my children but maybe even my great grandchildren. Forres ward is an expanding community and will only get bigger. Putting it in a location with a geographical restriction is a terrible idea. Both of my children attend Applegrove primary and the prospect of them being disrupted by construction noise, dust and traffic is very concerning.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No, I think it is a decision borne out of penny pinching and looking for a quick fix. It's a terrible choice.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I am very concerned that if this plan goes ahead, we will look back in 10-20 years and be full of regret for the way we have put our children's welfare and education second to the council's bank balance. Our children are worth investigating in.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Lochyhill is the best choice. It allows for expansion and for the creation of an all weather sports pitch. It leaves our beautiful green space in Forres and allows room for applegrove to grow when that inevitably happens in the future. The right choice isn't always the cheapest. Please invest in our children, they are worth it.				
131	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The new academy should not be built at Roysvale Park. It is too small, is a flood risk, no room for growth, takes away grass from applegrove school. Will be major disruption while being built to the current academy, applegrove primary school and local residents.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As above				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No said it all in first paragraph				
132	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Too close to apple grove. Will the existing site of the academy been returned to common good land if the academy is built in roysvale? Will there be accommodation regarding increased infrastructure? Not happy it's being built in an already built up area.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Lack of infrastructure. Greater congestion in residential area. Other non residential, non greenfield site. Loss of public playing fields/important green site				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
133	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Respondent skipped this question		No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Respondent skipped this question				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Respondent skipped this question				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Respondent skipped this question				
134	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Good to be central but need to ensure that drainage and traffic management accross the whole town is fit for purpose which it currently isn't.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Central location is great, ideal being beside the swimming pool and gym facility.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The time that this is taking, the kids are in a school which is in a terrible state and the new school needs to be completed asap				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
135	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The destruction of the grass area at Roysvale must be avoided. The site is a beacon of green and the council's proposal to cover it with a school is preposterous.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The alleged benefits are far outweighed by the loss of the Applegrove playing fields and the visual damage the new school building would cause to the small old homes surrounding the field.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? It is an error to remove access to grass playing ares for young children. The council have failed to properly asses the long term damage to future Applegrove school's pupil's happiness and thereby negatively affecting their primary scroll experiences. The visual impact of a large school building will, similarly, negatively affect the old traditional homes currently surrounding Roysvale.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The additional costs in locating the new school on the site to the eastern side of Forres would be money well spent in not destroying the beauty of the current site and its surroundings.				
136	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I would hate to see Roysvale park lose any of the grass or trees. The park is great place for any sporting activity or place to relax. In a time where we are always losing green open space, it would be a massive loss and would have a negative mental health impact on myself.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. If the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I don't see any real benefits as we are losing the green space and the traffic/ pollution and noise will still be there even if the bus drop off is built.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I have many. Losing green space that is free to use or any activity from sporting to just enjoying the space. The pollution of contructing the bus stop to its use. Traffic, litter and pollution. Also my mental health that will take a dive with the loss of public land stress.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The people who live and work here don't want the academy to be here yet you going against there will.				
137	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Respondent skipped this question	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	Yes	both	No, no responses provided other than address and email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Respondent skipped this question				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Respondent skipped this question				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				

		Respondent skipped this question				
138	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Excellent choice	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Town centre location, no requirement for pupils to travel excessive distances to alternative location.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Give over existing land occupied by current academy to sports use				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
139	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Don't think this is the right site. The removal of playing field from Applegrove is a disaster. Reducing accesable green spaces is a disaster.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The only benefit is the central location.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Extra traffic in a congested area. Loss of outside green spaces for primary children and wider public. Short sited and not future proof.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
140	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Council have chosen this site purely on basis that it is cheaper not better for the community	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Too small to really see any benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Car congestion in populated area, poor drainage, too close to the primary school.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Please listen to the public feeling and resite the secondary to Lochyhill. Further expansion of Forres will mean this school will be not fit for purpose very quickly and further investment to expand will end up costing more than initial outlay.				
141	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? OK. Can see that there are compromises on each site.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? We need to get on with building this school ASAP. Central, so hopefully more kids can walk or cycle to school. Least expensive option. Fastest route to a new secondary, which is already desperately needed. The other two sites would result in more traffic in Forres, and cost more. There will be opposition to those sites as well and this is the most sensible outcome.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Safety of road crossings for walkers and cyclists for the site. Flooding. Expansion needs. Hopefully a well designed and run school will bring families to Forres so planning for that growth is important and would demonstrate ambition.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Please use likert scales more for your surveys. https://www.surveymonkey.com/mp/likert-scale/ With free text responses like this survey, you can't measure and report public sentiment.				
142	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I find it astonishing that the original consultation was ignored. Roysvale is a bad move for the future of the school, losing the green space, more congestion, drainage and sewage problems have been an issue for years. Using Apple Grove for extra space and then a new primary school will go Lochyhill I was told.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As above.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
143	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am against it for many reasons. It is Common Good Land and belongs to the people of Forres. Moray Council have no right to take it over. It is a loss of a green space, at a time when rising levels of obesity mean we should all, particularly children, be outside more. Green spaces have a beneficial effect on mental health, in an age of rising anxiety levels. The site is not suitable for a school. It floods regularly after heavy rain (and climate change means more rainfall). It is too small. Elgin High are already having to expand their car park.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, flooding, drainage, loss of green space, site too small, loss of Commin Good Land.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Do not site the new Academy there. Moray Council are trying to avoid paying £4m for the Lochyhill site. I am angry that once more Forres is short changed by the Council, whilst Elgin has two new and newish Academies. Moray Council should hang their heads in shame at the neglect of the young people of Forres. The Academy should have been replaced 20 years ago.				
144	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I dont feel Roysvale would be appropriate for the the new school. It wouldn't allow for further extension. Traffic flow around there us highly unsafe already adding more would be ridiculous. Applegrove isnt the greatest of schools to add too they have alot of issues. I certainly wouldn't want my child anywhere to do with it.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any	Yes	address	letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? LOCHYHILL WOULD BE BEST SOMETHING COMPLETELY NEW FRESH NOT JUST A MAKE FO SQUEEZE IN.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? LOCHYHILL A BETTER AREA. TRAFFIC FLOW SAFER.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? councillor should not be aloud to purchase common land so easily. It's a disgrace.				
145	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The site is not accessible enough for all the traffic. The town is already congested enough so building on the outskirts makes sense and there's opportunity for expansion if needed in years to come.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? It's not a big enough site.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Traffic, housing nearby will be affected, businesses will be affected. Do our children not deserve the best. Busier roads and therefore more dangerous for locals coming and going in the town.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? It would devalue the price of housing nearby. Noise for households, mess from children, access to housing as roads are busier. Not the correct site.				
146	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? My main view is Forres Common Good land is not there to bail out Moray Council. The cost of building the school at Roysvale is only lower because you don't have to buy the land.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Common Good land is owned and administered by the Moray Council but administered separately from other local authority property. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The benefits are minimal. People visiting Roysvale can already park along Sanquar Road and I'd suggest putting the ground back to it's original use after 4 years isn't a benefit.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? You're using land that doesn't belong to you. Forres is growing exponentially. This plan has virtually no room for expansion. Where is the all weather pitch we were promised when the new academy was built? As this is CGL, this propsal should not be passed without a local plebiscite similar to when Redco Milne wished to purchase land at Bogton.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Public opinion since this proposal was mooted has been overwhelmingly for the Lochyhill option. The council needs to start listening to the voters and the people who live in the area.				
147	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale is an unsuitable location for the new secondary school. Loss of green space, surrounding roads unsuitable for construction/site traffic and then increased school traffic. No room for future expansion	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As mentioned above.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Lochyhill site far better for secondary school expansion, better to invest in larger site with better access and room for future expansion. With new housing developments in Forres the Roysvale will surely be outgrown in the near future.				
148	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect	Yes	both	yes

		I do not think common good land should be used for the building of the new academy.	of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? If common good land is allowed to be used what is there to stop other common good land being used in any future projects.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? It is my belief that we have allowed the town to expand way beyond the capabilities of its current infrastructure. Surely building such a large project in roysvale will have a detrimental effect on the current services (sewage etc).				
149	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think the site isn't big enough, it should be left as a green space/park for all schools/children nearby.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
150	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The surrounding roads are chock a block at school going in and out times. The space seems small for a town like Forres that is expanding year on year. Roysvale is a well used , well loved space. Sanquhar Road, Burdsyard road and Orchard Road are chaos on school days.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Only proximity to shops on High Street for lunchtime				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Roysvale is too small a space. The school needs to go either out Knockomie direction or Lochyhill. Leave the playing fields for the kids				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Time to consider the long suffering residents of neighbouring streets which my parents were for over 40 years. Speeding mums in a hurry, congestion, driveways blocked, chaotic at 9 and 340. Just crazy. I grew up in Roysvale, went to Applegrove and Academy. Once the green fields are gone they are gone. Out of town is the place for the Academy				
151	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It should not be happening. We seem to be making decisions based purely on short term cost.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? We are not taking the long term view on school sizes. The amount of new builds in Forres must be increasing catchment sizes and a bigger school should be being considered. Common good land should not be being used for any purposes. The fields should remain as a benefit for the entire property of Forres.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I sincerely hope this consultation is not just paying lip service and is a tick box exercise.				
152	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it is the total wrong decision to build the new school on roysvale these is not enough space and it is being rushed through as the cheaper option.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	no email address did not work letter, however no stree number provided?
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are no benefits to build the school on the land proposed as it is not fit for purpose for the plans that have been put forward				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The site is not fit for the proposed school that is currently being consider.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The school should be moved to the other option as there is more space to accommodate the school and better chance to future proof if it needs extended.				
153	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am devastated that Moray council are going to destroy Roysvale park purely to save money. This idea lacks in so many areas. It's going to make that area of Forres look disgusting. And destroying our historical nature is so unbelievably outrageous. Just ruin our beautiful town! After a few years the new school will eventually demand for an extension, and at roysvale, there will be nowhere to put it. It is sheer stupidity to think this is a good idea, especially when there is a perfectly good space at lochyhill to put the school AWAY FROM THE TOWN and with loads of SPACE to EXPAND in the future.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Absolutely none whatsoever Making Forres look disgusting Taking away treasured historical green spaces Making that area a complete nightmare to move through due to congestion from expecting hundreds of people to travel and move through a super tiny small space. Sheer IDIOCY!				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Having a school in such a tiny built up area is going to make living in that area a complete and utter nightmare. Not only from the building of the school but once it's completed and dealing with school runs on such TINY ROADs. It's insanity to think this is a good idea. Money may be saved but the quality of life for the people of Forres will be greatly diminished. The quality of Forres as whole will be greatly diminished by this proposal. It's actually horrible, horrific, nightmare of a plan that shouldn't even be on the drawing board. Do the people of Forres a tremendous favour and PUT THIS PROPOSAL TO DESTROY ROYSVALE IN THE BIN! PROTECT FORRES/ ITS HISTORY/ ITS LUSH TREASURED GREEN SPACES YOU MAY SAVE MONEY BUT YOU WILL DESTROY FORRES AND MAKE THIS TOWN HORRIBLE				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? If this goes ahead please know that you will be single handedly destroying our beautiful sleepy town. Trying to make it like an industrial built up city and IGNORING the FACT that forres is a SMALL TOWN. Our roads are not big enough, we do NOT NEED ANY EXTRA BUILDINGS over green spaces!				
154	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Wrong site. Nowhere to expand the school in the future. All these new houses being built will certainly increase the number of children in Forres. Shouldn't be using common ground to build on.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No long term benefits of building on roysvale park.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Council haven't listened to the villagers. Didn't they vote in favour of the out of town site ??				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? School should be built on the edge of town site, one that can be extended in the future & doesn't use the village common ground.				
155	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The new school would be much better at Lochyhill rather than on this restricted site. It will swallow up a lovely green space in Forres, whilst constricting unnecessarily the design and build of the new school. There is far more space at Lochyhill for the new building, plus any future expansion that might be needed. Traffic management would be far easier there too.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There aren't any benefits of having the new secondary squeezed into this site.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? It will disrupt that area of Forres intolerably for the whole build time, which will take years. It will deprive residents of this lovely green space plus the roads around are already crowded at peak times and totally inadequate for the construction traffic. Even once the construction is over this quiet residential area would be much better off without all the secondary school traffic.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				

		This is short termism at its best. It will apparently 'save' £3million vs the Lochyhill proposal, but the Lochyhill site is apparently earmarked for the new primary which will be needed as the Academy expands and takes over the Applegrove site. This makes no sense. Much better to have a primary in the middle of Forres so that the wee ones can easily walk to it. Conversely far better to have the secondary, with its far larger catchment area, on the outskirts - with plenty space for all the bus and car drop offs that are needed.	transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			
156	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I believe that the proposal to build the new academy at Roysvale is wrong. The land is common good land and therefore may set a precedence in the future. The park is used for sports by many clubs and residents nearby. Having a green space in the centre of the town is such abenefit to us all, especially for our young people. Encouraging our younger generations to spend time outdoors as opposed to indoors on online gaming. The land is also prone to flooding which could causeproblems with a building in the future, and that could be costly. As our climate is changing so rapidly this is an issue that should be considered.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I dont see any benefits for the proposed site at Roysvale park.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Forres is growing and as there are several feeder schools attending the existing academy, it may be that the propsed building may not be big enough in the future, with no scope for extension at Roysvale. There are also concerns about traffic congestion and parking for school transport and school staff.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
157	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Wrong space, too small Takes away important green space in centre of town and reduces primary school space	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Concerns on how construction will add pressure to the current surrounding situation Concern over loss of common green space Concern over changing landscape to multistory building on what is currently a lovely park Concern over proximity to primary school				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The people of Forres seem to be in the majority not in favour of Roysvale being the site. Unsure why the voice of the people being ignored. Schools in town already under pressure in size. Doesn't seem to make sense to add another large building to an already busy traffic area with narrow streets. They can't make this option fit for purpose				
158	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I do not support this at all. Roysvale park is common good land and should be used as such not as a building site for the years it will take to build a school.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No there is no benefit to using this land to build a school in a location that a large property of people in the Forres community are against.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes not only are you taking away Applegrove's only green space to put a school on it. You'll be taking away the green space behind the school to use as a building site. Disrupting learning and my child's access to green space for the majority of the time she is at school				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? DONT DO IT! Build the high school somewhere else!!!				
159	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Really saddened to see this central and historic common good open green field area built on. The local amenity of this area could well be significantly degraded with this development. Why do we not have a building design to comment on at this stage. The height and visual 'presence' of the new building are factors which will very much inform how well it could fit in. Or not.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Not sure If I can think of any.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Would like to be assured that the as yet undesigned rainwater run off and flood mitigation measures that will be required in this high water table location have been sufficiently accounted for and budgeted for on this proposal.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
160	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? 1. Area renowned for flooding. 2. Well used area by multiple sports organisations. 3. Proposed school position leaves Applegrove without suitable grasses area. 4. Elderly housing population in every direction of building. 5. Lack of ability to expand if the need arises	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Central location for most of the housing developments				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? People's view and opinions definitely not taken into consideration. Cost cutting in the short term will not be beneficial long term				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Listen to the people of Forres				
161	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The decision has been rushed and the roysvale site was heavily favoured by moray council staff during their presentations. I do not believe they were giving an objective view.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The sole benefit would be for easy access to facilities for the community.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes too many to detail here. Millions has been spent on expanding and making the academy safe in recent years. I believe the added the added expense of building on Lochyhill will save the council money in the long term. We need to ensure we give future generations the best possible facilities to raise the standards of secondary education in Forres. In the future they will not thank us for building the cheapest option they will thank us for building the best. Building a three storey building on the roysvale site will be an eyesore that will stick out like a sore thumb. The disruption caused to the present Forres academy and applegrove pupils will have a negative impact as it will on the surrounding residents. Let's do the right thing not the easiest thing.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Build a school that our children will be proud of, where they feel safe and comfortable. A school that our children will want to attend. A school that shows how much we value them and their education. Let's build a school where staff are willing and able to go above and beyond in order to help our children succeed. Build a school that our children know was the best possible option and not one where once again their education will be compromised once the building becomes too small. Prove to them how valued they are and how important to the future of Forres they are.				
162	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I feel that it is taking away a playfield that is used daily by the local community and should not even be used. It is Forres common ground for the people of Forres for everyday life.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There is no benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The site will not be fit for purpose in a few year and the common good ground will have be wasted. All to save a bit of money when we know that the secondary school will need expanded in future to accommodate all the new houses. It will be cheaper and more beneficial in future to have the academy at the other site.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Applegrove (the biggest school in Forres area) has to loose its playing field and potential its school should the academy need to expand. Traffic will be horrendous as all going to same area. The public voted and you are not listening to them!!!!!!!!				
163	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It should not be going here, keep Roysvale as it is. There's not many green spaces left. Why make a busy area already busier. Build Academy at Lochyhill, where the building of it will not affected everyone daily, day in day out and it will have space to grow at Lochyhill. The thought of primary 1s hearing the language the older children use is not acceptable and what they do, let's let the young children enjoy their childhood.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and	Yes	address	letter, but no street number provided
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Do not build on Roysvale.				

	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes build elsewhere. Let your children enjoy childhood not seeing and hearing who the young adults do. Do not bring congestion to an already busy part of town. Traffic lights are already a nightmare at orchard road without bringing in the large industrial vehicles needed to build this. Stop the nonsense, save the park and build at lochill	transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Build elsewhere not on roysavle.noise pollution while building is not acceptable and it needs built on land that there's room to grow, build at lochill				
164	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale park is not the best place for the Academy to go. It needs to be a bigger site so the School can be expanded in future years if it needs to be. Applegrove primary school should definitely not lose any of its playing field.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I definitely think there needs to be a new Academy built but it needs to be in the right place.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? My concerns would be the people of Forres don't get a say or listened to. This should not just be decided and go ahead without everyone getting a chance to actually have their opinions taken seriously.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Roysvale is not suitable for the new Academy. If it goes ahead there will be many problems with it. Listen to local people and don't just walk all over them.				
165	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it is apalling that Moray Council are ignoring the previously shown overwhelming will of the people that are against this short-sighted cost-cutting plan. Roysvale Park is valuable green space within the community and should not be considered for any development of a new secondary school, when there is a perfectly viable and much more suitable site to the East of the town that has plenty of scope not only to meet the current needs but for future growth and expansion to meet the ever-increasing needs of the area as well.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I see no benefit, other than an incompetent council possibly saving some money short-term (and no doubt having to spend more in future as a direct consequence!).				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? 1. The site does not have sufficient scope for future development and expansion, given the rate at which the council appears to be approving housing developments in the area and the predicted trends. This has already been proven to be the case with other new schools within the county, schools that are already overcrowded and undersized, despite the council claiming this would not be the case when they were built... For once, learn from your mistakes! 2. The site is already in an area of extremely high traffic congestion at school start & finish times, this can only get worse and will not be alleviated by the provision of a few bus parking spaces! Take all the traffic currently moving around Forres Academy at those peak times and add it to the existing traffic in the Roysvale / Applegrove area and it's plainly obvious to anyone (except those within Moray Council, it would seem) that you have a recipe for disaster, gridlock and chaos. Do we need to have children injured before this council will accept this as an issue? 3. Loss of a green space enjoyed by the public.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? 1. The alternative site to the East of Forres has a clear, wide, straight access route via the old A96 along the front of Forbeshill, it is a "blank canvas" site with plenty of scope for future expansion, scope to design-in dedicated drop-off and pick-up zones for both buses and cars (which can be separated from the A96 itself for safety). All that is required is a little bit of rational thought and the acceptance that - for once - tightening your belts and spending a bit more today would save potentially massive amounts of public money in the future - but that entails councillors actually thinking what is right for the community, not adopting the usual blinkered view of the limit of their own term in office! 2. There is a potential additional benefit to those living in the East end of the town, that demand may lead to the building or creation of some form of retail outlet (newspaper shop / small Spar type shop) at that end of the town, providing a much-needed service in an area with no facilities at this time.				
166	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? There is just not enough room at the Roysvale site. Where will the car park go? or the all weather sports facilities?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Central location.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Extra pressure on an already overstretched infrastructure Close proximity to Primary school raises safety/bullying concerns for primary aged children				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? There is obviously a huge saving to be made by taking the Roysvale option, however, I think this calls into question the objectivity of Moray Council. Perhaps the Scottish Government need to have the final say.				
167	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I do not think it is a suitable site. It is a beautiful space in the heart of the town, with no space around for a new school to grow and adapt. Also, this is a flood plain. Not suitable for building.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I think it is a rushed ill advised decision made purely as a cost saving				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
168	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think Roysvale Park has been chosen because it's the cheapest option.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The only good reason for building at Roysvale is that it's central.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? By building at Roysvale, it's going to cause major disruption to pupils at Applegrove Primary. Noise, dust, construction traffic and it'll take away green space. Access to the park for use of the general public will be limited. I saw that if the building needs to be expanded then they would need to take down Applegrove and relocate it, the relocation site being the earmarked site at Lochyhill. Lochyhill is a much better location for the new Academy. It has plenty room to expand in the future. I'm sure pupils could be bussed out to Lochyhill fairly easily. I think the council need to listen to the public and consider everything not just the price.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Green Space and Common Good Land are very valuable in the centre of town and cities. More needs to be done to protect these public outdoor spaces.				
169	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The school should not be built here, this needs to be kept as green space for community use	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I do not see any benefits for the school to be built here it should be at Lochyhill				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes it encroaches on the primary school at Applegrove. Also a flood risk				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
170	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Should be kept as common good land	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No non at all				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes the land is always flooding any building work could cause more damage. The infrastructure needs seriously updating. Increased traffic.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No				
171	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Go full ahead with it, central location, take over the Applegrove site and build a new primary on the old site of the Academy.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Fully central to town, ideal for the only high school serving Forres and the surrounding areas.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? None, take over the green field of Applegrove, once the new high school is built, build a new primary on the old Forres Academy site, forget the lochyhill site for a new primary.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? It's the future of Forres youth, plenty has been spent on the local primary schools. Most of the NIMBYs haven't used the park and green space in all the time they have lived there. They don't see the rural side that feeds the Academy, they only see the town side of pupils. What's in the MOD plans for the future of Kinloss? RAF Kinloss used to put in hundreds of kids, this may increase.				
172	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect	Yes	both	yes

		This is the wrong decision by Moray Council. Applegrove primary school children use and need the playing field all the time and to take this away from them is the wrong decision. Children need open and safe areas to play and intergrate with each other during games and sports. The site is too small for the new Forres Academy with no room for expansion in the future apart from taking over the primary school. Disruption during the building phase with construction traffic and school traffic causing concern for the safety of pedestrians and school children. Forres need to keep its green spaces in the town and not just give it up to development.	of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Agree that a central location for the new Academy would be ideal however this decision should have been made before building all the houses at Knockomie where a new site for the school should have been allocated and the house builder to contribute to the cost.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Traffic congestion during construction phase. Loss of green space for town residents Loss of natural drainage and associated flooding. Safety of children during construction having a building site located between the primary school and Academy. New Academy will not blend in with existing buildings in this area. Proposed site is too small with no space for future extension.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Consideration should be given now by the council regarding the future of Anderson Primary school. This is a very old building with associated high maintenance and utilities cost. Anderson's should be sold to a private property developer for conversion into flats. Money from this sale would be used to build an extension to Applegrove primary school. This extension would be a lot smaller then the proposed Academy and will allow the primary school children to continue have safe access to the playing field.				
173	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Utter Nonsense! Such a short sighted choice….very disappointing and unbelievably naive..?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No, absolutely none! How can this water logged piece of land that is locked in with existing properties and small road systems actually be considered!,??				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes!….loss of green space and expansion area for Applegrove primary when required. The surrounding road layouts are completely unsuitable for such heavy traffic that will only increase with time.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Why on earth would you pay for holding land at Lochyhill for future primary school when surely makes sense to utilise it now with the ability to expand!?				
174	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Pp…		No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Respondent skipped this question				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Respondent skipped this question				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Respondent skipped this question				
175	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The school should not be built there	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes traffic problems children at Applegrove school not having their greenspace. Roysvale park taken away from local residents when the majority are elderly.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
176	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I cannot agree with the proposal for several reasons. The proposals are more of a sales brochure than a balanced argument for general consideration. They only mention the positives and lack obligation and transparency. They noticeably avoid mentioning potential conflicts, identifiable disadvantages and issues still in need of serious consideration by the people of Forres. We are told that the "majority" of the Roysvale CGL will be returned to public use, however, there is no guaranteed undertaking to do this and the "majority" is undefined. Therefore, the lack of clarity and commitment creates a serious doubt on what the final size, condition and status of the park will be. Traffic flow may well be alleviated by taking a slice of Roysvale CGL. However, in the bigger picture of a new academy, this single location will only alleviate a very minor part of the overall traffic problem created by any new building. Therefore, this in no way offsets the loss of green space and recreational facilities. Instead, we will have a polluted public park which at peak times could well have a serious child safety consideration. The area of the construction site is estimated to be out of use for 42 months, this is likely a very conservative estimate and it will indeed take somewhat longer. There is no consideration of the structural effects both on the surface and the subsurface. There is a convincing argument, based on historical models, that the land used for the construction site will not be recoverable to the same state. The potential for flooding is unquestionable, the suggestion of laying of new drainage within the park is a very localised view and goes nowhere near mitigating the potential for flooding to the wider Forres area, especially downstream. There is a very good reason why parks and greens are considered an "Inalienable Property". The beneficial effect they have on mental wellbeing, physical health and general life pressures is unquestionable. To reduce or repurpose them is to essentially go against everything they were originally set aside to do and their rewards will be irreplaceable.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. The proposed bus drop off adjacent to Sanquhar Road could be utilised outside school hours as parking for access to Roysvale Park and surrounding area. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. If you have concerns and evidence supporting your comments regarding the consultation process these should be submitted to the Council and will be considered through the complaints process.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are very few benefits that I can see				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The use of Common Good Land may be seen as the cheapest solution and is offset by the promise that the remaining CGL will be returned, along with new facilities, in a condition suitable for public and pupil wellbeing. I question if there will be the incentive, financial resources and motivation at the end of the project to fully comply with this statement. Fundamentally, reading this proposal and researching other pertinent material, has cast serious doubt on the openness and credibility of the process and gives the impression that this may well be nothing other than a smoke screen. Trust. At the beginning of this public engagement process I maintained an open mind, willing to accept any well-reasoned and practical solution that was to the overall benefit of the population of Forres. Sadly, this would appear to have been one sided and decisions have already been made regardless of the views of the majority and the facts placed in front of the Council officers. Moreover, whatever the outcome of this apparent box-ticking exercise, it will likely be ignored in similar fashion to previous surveys. How can the population of Forres have confidence that a credible and democratic decision on the use and future of Common Good Land will be made.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I would like to know who will be held accountable when the costs overrun (inevitable), when traffic congestion slows the local roads to an almost standstill (inevitable), when flooding causes the closure of the school and disrupts the local area (probable), when surrounding buildings including schools, businesses and homes are damaged by the construction process (probable) and the mental wellbeing of everyone, including the pupils, caused by the loss of green space is seriously demeaned (certain).				
177	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale park is obviously only being chosen as the council is plundering common good land, rather than procuring more suitable land (Lochyhill) thereby making it the cheapest option. There are no genuinly valid reasons for using Roysvale park rather than Lochyhill and many, many supporting Lochyhill. I completely oppose the decision to destroy Roysvale park. The consultaion has been no more that a 'tick-box exercise' for show! The result (Lochyhill) has been ignored. To my mind this is a criminal conspiracy.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. If you have concerns and evidence supporting your comments regarding the consultation process these should be submitted to the Council and will be considered through the complaints process.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No benefits.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Traffic chaos for year to come and mis-appropriation (theft) of common good land.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The reputation of Moray Council is well desrved.				
178	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Strongly against the repurposing of Roysvale	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				

		None of the benefits listed can be addressed without there being a better alternative.	and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.			
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I have concerns that the proposals are short sighted and don't holistically address the needs of pupils or the locality. The loss of green space, inadequate capacity for future growth and future costs are all negatives.	As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. The consultation is seeking the views of the community in respect of the proposals in order to inform the decision making process. A report will be submitted to committee on the outcome of the consultation at which time a decision will be sought on the proposals.			
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? This consultation has been poorly considered and ignores local voices. The site designs have not been completed under guidance from trusted parties that currently utilise the space. Local infrastructure projects driven from the outside rarely meet public acceptance				
179	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Poor choice of site, no room for expansion, loss of green space in town and bringing more traffic into an already congested area. A very short sighted choice by Moray council and I hope this site isn't chosen.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. If you have concerns and evidence supporting your comments regarding the mismanagement of funds these should be submitted to the Council and will be considered through the complaints process.	Yes	address	letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The only benefit I can see is the short term cost saving of land purchase by TMC, this will be far outweighed by the long term cost implications when the school is shown to be overcrowded, therefore not fit for purpose. The new port at Ardersier has a projected employment capacity of 3000 personnel, they have to live somewhere and Forres is an easily commutable distance. The increase in families coming into the area will boost the school pupil numbers considerably.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Drainage issues already prevail in the area surrounding Roysvale and applegrove, the cost to upgrade this and the surrounding infrastructure is in the millions of £, I have looked at this in depth with a local civil engineer with substantial knowledge of the area. TMC state that this would be worked out during the build process, absolutely laughable and more short sightedness from them. No proper plans as to the size of the school either?! Two storey? Three storey building? The chaos arising from a major construction programme in the centre of Forres with already congested roads is flabbergasting to say the least, one day of works near the new lights at grantown road/orchard road intersection has that part of town in almost gridlock, and this is just an inkling of what could be ahead for years of construction.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The public vote that favoured the Lochyhill site was just a paper exercise to show the council is following process, they have made their mind up due to financial restraints that are of their own making, the mismanagement of funds in the previous years of Moray council is reprehensible and they should be held to account for this. Our children and the future pupils at Forres academy shouldn't be given a 'just make do' school for the short term but should be given a state of the art school with room for expansion, this is unattainable at the Roysvale/Applegrove proposal				
180	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't think it's right to build at Roysvale. It would ruin the green space assuming they would fell trees in the area as well.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The location being central is the only reason. I believe there are better locations though. Putting it at Roysvale may be easier/cheaper but long term there would be issues.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As above. I think there are better locations available. The cost may be higher but long term another site would suit better. Keep Roysvale and once the new school is built replace the old one with Astro turf pitch, skatepark, basketball courts etc.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Don't rush this through.				
181	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Not enough space for new academy . Will change and ruin the green space .	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Only benefit is close to existing playing field & swimming pool .				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Parking, traffic congestion , taking away a green space				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
182	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Prefer the site at Lochyhill. Traffic already congested in this area. Field at Roysvale very poorly drained. Also use of green space in the town. Will become too small in time	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Saving a bit of money will probably end up costing the town a lot more in time!!				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The town will be even more congested with traffic - already a nightmare Nr Applegrove. Taking away valuable green space in the town not a good idea.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Thought the vote was in preference of Lochyhill the 1st time? Why ask for people's opinions if not prepared to listen.				
183	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It should stay as common use land. As it is.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are no benefits to building on this land at all. The surrounding structure of roads does not support a large building or the expected traffic congestion that would obviously become a danger to the high volume of pedestrian school children.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No room for future expansion of a secondary school.. Danger to life due to increased traffic & pedestrian numbers.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? It makes sense for secondary pupils to attend a school just outwith our town. So build our new secondary school at Lochyhill & allow room for the future needs of our growing community. It's ridiculous to suggest otherwise. Especially when the suggestion is, should the primary schools need extension in the future then the New Primary would go out at Lochyhill. That's absurd. Under 12 yr olds making their way out there, as opposed to our 12-18 yr old who are much more capable. Never mind safer.				
184	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It should be built at Lochyhill.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I don't see any benefits except it's in walking distance . However this wouldn't matter at lochyhill any as most areas would be outwith 2 miles so buses would be provided.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? SEVERE Congestion for traffic. Already bad enough, from Knockomie to Fire station along Grantown road is complete grid lock all school mornings. Grid lock is because of turn off to orchard road. This would be avoided by spliting the Academy traffic to the Lochyhill direction. Flooding. Removal of applegrove playground. Kids in general, day to day. Removal of public service . No alternative for Applegrove playing field.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Should be built at Lochyhill. All reasoning in previous responses and fact that previous public survey was ignored is not good.				
185	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I find it disappointing that the Roysvale site has been chosen despite a large proportion of the community expressing a preference for Lochyhill. There will be no room for future expansion, and it would take green space from Applegove Primary, as well as affecting the land and surrounding area at Roysvale. Having driven my daughter to school at Applegrove every day for 7 years, the traffic and congestion was already far from ideal. The flooding of the playground and Roysvale park in bad weather is an exisiting issue. I do not live in the vicinity but can see why residents are opposed to the disruption and future complications that would arise from using this site.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				

		I can see why people would be keen to retain a centralised school, but whichever option is chosen, children will have to travel. There is no need to create a "hub" with Applegrove, - this has never been a consideration until now and has not had any negative effect to date. I feel that in outlining the "benefits" it's a case of clutching at straws to create a seemingly positive argument.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I am concerned that this is a decision made in a hurry due to the recent issues with Forres Academy. The truth is that the Academy should never have been allowed to reach this state of disrepair, and now trying to paper over the cracks won't fix the problem. The children of Forres deserve a long term solution that will actually work and allow them proper facilities for years to come. There is also the impact on Applegrove to consider. This school is rare in that it has green space that others don't, and it shouldn't be lost when there are other options available. The roads infrastructure in the town is simply not able to cope with the current volume of traffic. Measures that have been made to improve things e.g. traffic lights at Orchard Road junction, simply haven't done that and have actually made congestion worse. It's also worth noting that with the amount of houses built in recent years and the lack of infrastructure to support them, the back road from Balnageith to the A96 via Mundole has become an arterial route (and damgerous due to the fact it's a single track road) and it simply isn't fit for this. People use this road as an alternative to fighting their way through Forres at busy times of the day. Add to this the logistics of construction for a number of years. There is no upgrade that can be done to current routes within forres that would support the current situation. Adding to this is simply ludicrous.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Siting the new Academy on the main arterial route would make travel by bus/car/taxi much easier. Many children already walk a distance to school, it just might be that some children will have a bit further to go, or will have to change their route. Others will have less distance to travel than they do now. It's swings and roundabouts. This would be worth it for a building fit for purpose. I have also seen comments regarding a detrimental effect to the High Street - personally I fail to see how, given that there are few shops on the High Street the children would actually use at lunch time, and those that really wanted to could still make their way there. I don't think it would be a bad thing for the children to be on the outskirts of town - maybe more could be done to encourage them to use school catering facilities. This would keep them safer during school hours as well. What I find most concerning, however, is that this has never really been open to consultation, as decisions seem to be based on cost rather than long term benefit to the local children and their families, and these decisions were already made prior to the public being "consulted". Please listen to the people of Forres with a view to doing what is best for the town as a whole.				
186	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Moray Council's decision to prefer the Roysvale/Applegrove site to Lochyhill is foolish, reckless and unjustifiable. Lochyhill site would provide an opportunity to build (and in future expand) a new Forres Academy without causing so many Forres residents to suffer years of construction noise and traffic gridlock, or indeed stealing a very large part of Roysvale Park, which is an invaluable Common Good community resource for so many people.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None, compared to the Lochyhill option, which, for example, has ground water level of six feet down, compared to Roysvale's two feet, which makes frequent flooding almost inevitable				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? See my answers to 1 and 2 above.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The result of the previous survey was undemocratically ignored by Moray Council, who seem apparently obsessed with choosing Roysvale. The previous survey made clear that there was a small but significant majority in favour of Lochyhill. Will Moray Council ignore the result, when it is revealed in November, of this survey too? If so, when Roysvale construction problems multiply and worsen, Moray Council will be to blame.				
187	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I personally think Roysvale Park was the wrong choice. The majority of votes in the initial consultation were for Lochyhill. All the language in any documentation seemed to always lean towards Roysvale as the choice from the start but what faith should we have in consultations if the majority of the people's choice is ignored in favour of going for the cheaper and easier option?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The only two benefits I can see are that it is the 'cheaper' option and it keeps the Academy in the town. I'm not convinced in the long run it would work out cheaper given the cost it would take to fix some of the issues of the current site.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, I still haven't seen any satisfactory detail to suggest the flooding will be successfully mitigated. I have major concerns about the impact with an already high water table of increasing more storm water flow. This could have potentially significant impacts on other nearby drainage which is also at capacity. I have seen on many local streets that the drains have not be cleared successfully and with climate change this could have consequences elsewhere. I also have concerns about the impact to pupils and residents during the construction phase. Although its stated the disruption will be at a minimum there will still be a significant impact in terms of noise, air pollution and visibility. I worry about the environmental impact too of the loss of green space. Even though you say it will be restored or new trees planted there will still be a huge loss of greenspace and I haven't seen much to suggest anything will happen with the site of the current Academy either. There is also a danger that the school becomes too small very quickly. If for example there is an unexpected increase in population due to new business in the area - what would happen then? There's nowhere to go. Will Applegrove be taken over and a new primary school at Lochyhill gets built anyway. What's stopping the Council then expanding into the rest of the park at a later date? Why not just go with a secondary at Lochyhill now and it gives more options for future rather than the short sightedness of the current suggestion. Lochyhill would have been ideal for an out of town campus that could encapsulate sports etc and still be accessible by public transport, have room for expansion. I think some people were worried about lack of footfall in town but the school children mostly go to the large supermarkets. I don't see how this would really impact local businesses and it might actually create opportunity for sites out that side of town. Siting at Lochyhill also proves less of an issue for traffic build up and parking problems which arise around the current Academy. Despite the large car park behind the school people will inevitably go for the easiest option and quite often will park along the nearby narrow streets, this can cause issues for emergency services vehicles. Starting from scratch on a new site means you've got more scope to make it better.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I emplore the Council to strongly reconsider siting the new school at Roysvale. The majority public vote from the initial consultation was largely ignored. You still have time to do the right thing. Neil MacLennan thankfully saw some sense but too many councillors have just ignored the wishes of the majority. I'm not convinced personally that many of the issues raised by the Forres New Academy Forum have been answered satisfactorily either.				
188	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale Park is a green space enjoyed by a wide selection of Forres community including Forres Academy pupils. In times such as these, we are all aware of a changing climate with flood risk an ever present threat with the nearby Mossett already responsible in the past for serious flood damage.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? A cheaper proposal may well become a more expensive one.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? We owe it to our young to give Forres something on which we place a futuristic building well within the town's reach.				
189	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Rosvale Park should be left as a green space for the town It is used regularly for sports, recreation and leisure It is totally unsuitable for a school or to be built on 1. Low lying and risk of flooding 2. Traffic congestion is already an issue at junctions to orchard rd and along orchard rd 3. This part of town is the historic residential heart of the town - it's stunning architecture and green space and quite simply there build in the park would destroy it's character and charm of what makes the town beautiful and of interest for families DONT build here!!!!	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? It is a terrible idea to build the new school here!				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Risk of flooding Traffic congestion Acccess				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Please think again!				
190	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Not happy, as a 63 year old I have walked,ran played summer league football at Roysvale, it's one of the few green spaces left in the town.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Disruption for the mostly elderly neighbours, too close to Applegrove primary				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No.				
191	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I want to see the common ground as is remain. The expansion of the Academy in the future is best in a bigger area. The congestion when building in the Roysvale Pk would be very disruptive.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views	Yes	both	yes email

	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Children nearer town centre. If enough resources ie, choices of food, where made available at the site which is further away, this would be good.	and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development			
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As above, disruptive, busy, too many buildings.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I want the green beauty of the Park and trees to be maintained, a quiet peaceful area of Forres for visitors and residents.				
192	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Leave it as a green space as it has been for many years. The obvious facts that it floods due to being such a low lying area should immediately prevent the foolish building of a school. Green spaces in our town should continue as they area, mental health reasons being fire most of importance.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Why not have temporary school use of buildings at Forres enterprise park whilst the old academy is removed and a new one built in it's place?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Common good land should be left alone , we need our town green spaces as they are				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Re Building on the existing site is a much better idea than removing our vitalgreen space				
193	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it is a disgraceful decision. That park was for the benefit of the local community. More and more green spaces are being built on. Thing Moray Council have a lot to answer for.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, there will be more traffic on Sanquhar Rd, Orchard Rd with parents dropping their kids off. These streets are not wide enough or quiet enough for such traffic. Loss of green space, used for sports activities.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? It's a 'fait accompli'- regardless of what people really want Moray Council will press on regardless.				
194	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Against.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Short sighted. Forres is an expanding town. On the outskirts there is scope to expand. In the centre it would eat up valuable green space.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Would the common good land remain identifiable even with a school there or would it simple merge into council resources (as happened in the central belt after 1970s reform)?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
195	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? This area has very water table it is also a play area for Applegrove pupils	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	both	email address not valid , letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are no potential potential benefits in taking away a play area for Applegrove pupils				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, the area is designated as common good land but Moray Council in its infinite wisdom is hell bent riding roughshod over everybody's wishes				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Moray council going for the worst option possible but what's new				
196	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am no nimby but have been personally been affected by flooding within bank lane. For fairly obvious reasons it is almost a certainty that any development will add to this issue given that the sewers are already too small to accommodate existing heavy rainfall. Every flood event also discharges foul drainage material everywhere - maybe not ideal for a school area... The road at the existing primary school entrance is already extremely busy at school drop off periods so it goes without saying that this will make that worse. I'm not particularly bothered about that but any new accesses or gradient changes again would impact where the flood water end up and potentially the access road itself may be impassable during a school day. To me it makes no sense whatsoever to build something new on a low lying area already prone to flooding.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Only benefit would be the possibility that the existing drainage issues might be resolved as a result of the proposal, either by having to replace the constrained pipes beforehand or shortly after the new school floods and the Council is forced to do something about it to save future repair costs.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Bank lane is a private road but it's a well used through route to the high street. It's road surface is potholed and a real mess so adding any additional pedestrian (or vehicle) use may potentially increase the risk of a trip or fall which presumably may be considered the liability of the residents of bank lane.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? If you are going to do it please spend the money with scottish water to upgrade the constrained sewers first otherwise this would be likely to increase the chances of my property flooding (adding to an already constant high level of stress) but that aside will only cost the council much more in the long run if the new infrastructure is also damaged. To me it just seems inconceivable that an otherwise risk adverse and cash strapped council would even develop this land.				
197	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Not happy to take the land .	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Can't see any except convenience for locals who will use the school				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? More traffic along Orchard Road and other local roads .				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
198	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't think it is the right place for a school of this size. There will be no room for expansion if the population of Forres continues to rise. It will remove a fantastic green space used for recreation of all sorts. There has always been a flooding issue with this field, surely this will become a problem.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Flooding has always been a problem on this field. A large building will exacerbate this. Access from Orchard Road at the side of a Primary School is surely unsafe, Applegrove School parking in the morning and afternoon is already a problem. I'm in Taking away a green space that is used by the whole community. The height and size of the building is not appropriate on this site.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Lochy Hill or the empty spaces at the Enterprise Park would be better. Much more room for outdoor spaces. More room for parking/buses. Easy to make a safe cycle path to the site. Room for expansion if required as the population of Forres continues to grow.				
199	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't think the common land should be used for the school. A school means that most of that land is lost to common usage. Access to facilities on school grounds is not common usage for me as there inevitably and rightly would need to be restrictions on top of loss of access to land under buildings etc.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? A school needs to be built somewhere and close to the existing site may benefit in terms of the school moving resources to a new site.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Mainly the principal of loss of common land as mentioned in (1). The site is known to suffer from water pooling after heavy rain.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				

			use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			
200	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think this is the wrong place for the new Academy. The site is too small and would not allow future expansion of the school. The loss of this area to the town would be disappointing to the groups who use this area for recreation. All the new houses with young people are elsewhere in the town so not in the right place. I think it should be in the Grantown Road area. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Draining of the area could be very expensive. Loss of common good land would be disappointing. Q4 Do you have any additional comments? If the reason for choosing Roysvale is because it being cheaper I think the common good fund should be compensated with the amount of the cost of an alternative site e.g. £4 million.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	both	yes email
201	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Disgraceful Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? None Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Q4 Do you have any additional comments?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	No		
202	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Leave as it is. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No benefits Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Construction traffic Q4 Do you have any additional comments?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	address	letter, no street name provied
203	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? We lived in Nelson Road adjacent to Applegrove Primary School where our 3 now adult children were educated. They then attended Forres Academy. As Primary school pupils they played regularly on the grounds proposed for the rebuild. With the loss of this amenity there will be a loss forever of a healthy space to encourage young minds to enjoy and use the invaluable space at Roysvale Park. We strongly reject the proposal to build the replacement Forres Academy Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? This is not the best place to build a replacement for Forres Academy . A much better site would surely be the land at Sanquhar currently used as playing fields for Forres Acsdemy . This is my positive suggestion for an alternative position for the new build Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Loss of amenity by building on Roysvale Park . Compromise to the view and green field resource currently enjoyed by all adjacent properties on Sanquhar Road. These properties were built long before the present Forres Academy. Q4 Do you have any additional comments? Please return to consider the Present Academy Playing Field site and retain the Roysvale Park as an amateur football park which can easily be used as an athletic park	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	both	yes email
204	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? To effectively remove green space from the usage of children in the Forres area is exceptionally short sighted where the town should be looking to expand and plan for the future and retain its green space areas of which there are now very few. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I appreciate the proposal being in the town centre is helpful for many re travel but the loss of green space is not a positive move forward for the town of Forres. Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Being a resident of Forres it is well known to all that drainage re Roysvale Park is a significant issue and is the introduction to significantly more traffic at a proximity to an existing primary school. The loss of green space is also very short sighted where there is an alternative with much more room to build and expand. Q4 Do you have any additional comments? None noted	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
205	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Keep the green space before we have none left Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No benefits build out of town Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Poor drainage , heavy traffic in area , effect on funeral directors and residents , ruin the area, loss of Applegrove play area Q4 Do you have any additional comments? Look to the future build out of town and make it big enough for our children	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
206	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? My greatest objection is to the idea of selling off anything that is deemed to be part of the “common good “ property of a community. My second objection is to the plan to use the land, once sold, for building. If this were to happen the community would be deprived of the freedom to access the land as a green space. Such spaces are becoming increasingly important in modern urban areas. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The potential benefits of the plan are not any greater than if the land was not removed from the Common Good and if the planned building development was to take place elsewhere. Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The impact on the primary school and on the local area are too great to continue with the development in this location. The alternative locations are better suited to the future of education in the town. The only downside is one of cost - and that extra expense is not insurmountable. Q4 Do you have any additional comments?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	email	yes email
207	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? 1. A green area in the town will be lost forever. This is a lung which cannot be replaced. 2. Forres is growing and in a short time this site will be too small. There is little space playing fields. 3. The roads around are not adequate for the increase in bus and car traffic. 4. This a short term solution and in a few years father cost of buying land for a green field site will have increased considerably. Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? In the short term it will cost less than a green field site. Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Q4 Do you have any additional comments? It is morally wrong to take land given as parkland for this use	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
208	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect	No		

		I saddens me that you are considering turning a green space within the town into concrete. Forres is a town within a wonderful and wide-reaching natural area, where plenty of space and options away from the central town area exists. Please don't ruin one of the remaining green areas - they are important to preserve. The plans you have are irreversible, once you've concreted over the green space, its gone forever. Once its gone forever, no-one will be able to benefit from it. None of those who live around the park will have the facility any longer, to walk in, to run in, to sit and relax in, to unwind in, to be calm in, to help their wellbeing in, to enjoy, to just 'be' in, to think in or to socialise in. What will our town become when it has no more green spaces? When will this stop? What will we say to our young people about our decisions to provide them with a school in the future but eradicating a green space in the town in the process. One that they will never be able to enjoy. It would be an ill-judged, short-sighted decision and one that we would likely feel shame about. Utilising green space out of town is still using green space, but a different type of green space. A type that will likely impact far less people directly	of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.			
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		Yes - there are greater benefits by targeting an out of town site				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Yes - documented in section 1. This is a poor and irreversible decision and one that will do the town harm going forward, both during construction and after. Green spaces in towns are a key part of making a town a wonderful place. Removing those opportunities to be wonderful leaves us with a different town and an altogether worse one				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Please don't ruin Forres by building on a park				
209	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	both	yes email
		Common good land should stay with the people of Forres and council should not take any of it				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		My family uses this CGL Park for playing with kids, dogs and playing football socially on Sundays. We love the tree line in front of it and we don't want to lose it.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Council is taking away the playground from our kids and on top of that part of their park. It's disgusting to propose taking all that green space from our kids.				
210	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	No		
		Save the park.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		Can't see any benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		No				
211	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	No		
		I think that this is the wrong place for such a development.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Forres Common Good funds should be used for the benefit of Forres townsfolk, after consultation.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
212	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition there will be ground improvement works to improve the drainage and condition of Roysvale Park. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
		Common Good Land should not be used for the purpose of building a school. A bus drop off point will be constructed on the park when there is a perfectly good tarred hard standing a to the rear of the existing school, all the students are required to do is walk. I strongly disagree with any felling of trees either hard wood or soft. Trees in and around the park a greenspace for the town have been there for many years. The park should remain untouched and kept for the community that the council are determined to ignore.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		There will be very few if any benefits if the school were built at Applegrove/Roysvale. Ultimately the school I suspect will not be fit for purpose in a very short time. The surrounding infrastructure will not cope with the school being sited where planned and will be plagued with problems, despite what any potential contractor states.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Where will school staff park their cars. Currently there are around 80 cars parked at the rear of the current academy. I certainly hope that the car parks adjacent and along Orchard will not be used by staff as this will only deny shoppers of parking areas, something the town shops do not need. Many attempts have been made to overcome flooding in the park which have all failed. I doubt very much it will be overcome properly this time. Any contractor will tell you that developing new systems (drainage on new sites) is always preferred to the option of trying to integrate new with old and guessing how they will make it work. What impact is the school and all that it attracts going to have on surrounding residents and their properties, traffic movement along Orchard Road will most certainly be an issue.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Build the school at Lochyhill where a building fit for purpose, along with its sports areas and the correct level of infrastructure can be built. Along with the added acreage to develop further when needed.				
213	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	No		
		It's a ridiculous ideal. It's too small. There's much better places further out that won't take away the small amount of green land we still have in forres and taking away the grass for applegrove school that my kids love playing on!				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		None. It is a terrible idea 100%				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Everything. It's too small, too close to houses, taking away the grass that is used almost every single day for sport by kids and sport groups.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Use an area further away from the centre of town. There's not enough space for a decent sized school plus grass/gardens/sports pitches. There's plenty of better ideas than the ridiculous idea of placing it on roysvale.				
214	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
		Terrible. Would ruin the surrounding area.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Would ruin the surrounding area. Would lead to more traffic.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
215	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	No		
		Very much against				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		No benefits				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Loss of amenity				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
216	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
		I totally disagree with any works taking place at roysvale park whether temporary or permanent. Unless it's too improve the ancient, poor quality drainage nearby then I cannot see any reason why a council would wish to alter and perhaps destroy this lovely strip of green space And this is just a small part of the bigger picture as a school is planned to be built here if the council gets their way.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		I don't think there are any benefits just unnecessary noise disprution, traffic issues and ultimately a giant school blotting the landscape of a beautiful part of the town				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Traffic issues, noise disruption, the loss of green space which is meant to a positive for peoples health, lack of transparency from the council. No concern for residents who live near the site and ones who have paid a premium to move and reside in a beautiful part of moray.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		This whole plan is to save money when an alternative site was preferred by the majority of the public. It's very poor on the councils behalf and not exactly acting in faith with democracy				
217	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
		Roy'svale Park is currently and has been for a very long time, a well used amenity for recreation and a green space breaking up a dense area of housing.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		I see no actual benefits of the proposals.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				

		Green spaces are a required part of town planning. Removing a pre-existing and well used amenity seems counter productive and to the disadvantage of pre-existing adjacent population. Traffic congestion could be an issue.	As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.			
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? A school built in Inspiring, uncluttered, countryside is likely to be inspirational and uplifting for young people and their teachers. The pupils will be able to remain on the premises and its grounds, throughout the school day, giving more opportunity for extra social activities, school clubs and societies, sports, healthy food at lunch time for all and potential for gently supervised socialisation. The school could be the center for the town's youngsters rather than making it easy for disassociating themselves from their school surroundings during the lunch breaks. A provision based on pride. A cohesive, healthy and inspirational place for quality education applying equally to the teaching staff.				
218	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I'm against this , I see this area being used for exercise for the children, running , football etc	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I don't see any benefit of the proposals				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The Scottish government has already given the the school children "free" bus passes , you're now taking their sports facilities				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? We are now offering overweight people injections to reduce obesity, at the same time reducing their access to sports				
219	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I believe that the loss of any common green area, in this case Roysvale Park, without the creation of an equal or better proposal to benefit the community is short-sighted and will negatively impact the phusical and mental health of Forres community and surrounding areas.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? At this point in time I am unaware of any potential benefits of the proposals				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The loss of free green space in a community.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No				
220	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I strongly object to the proposed development at the playing fields at Roysvale park, especially the destruction of trees so that a bus drop off park can be constructed. This park has been used and enjoyed by countless generations of Forres folk, not only footballers but people walking their dogs, children playing games etc, etc. this land is common good and should not be developed.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition there will be ground improvement works to improve the drainage and condition of Roysvale Park.	Yes	both	yes - invalid emal address, letter
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? In my view there is no benefits to the Forres folk.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes, there is a current issue of flooding in this area which any developement would exacerbate.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Yes build the new academy at Lochyhill.				
221	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Please see below what I see as the pro's and con's of the Roysvale/ Applegrove site. On weighing up these I do not believe the Roysvale site should be used for the development of the new school. Downside of Applegrove Site · Prone to flooding, development won't provide increased drainage capacity but the water that normally gathers there will be pushed elsewhere, potentially causing new flooding to residents or the remaining Roysvale Park. · Potentially the school will be too small very soon, that has been the case at the new Elgin Academy and Elgin High School. Developments such as Ardersier Port, part of the Green Free Port, will bring greater employment and an even greater demand for housing around Forres. The proposed Applegrove site has no space for further expansion other than into Applegrove. · Loss of green space for Applegrove pupils to learn and play in. The following link is one of many on the benefits of green spaces in primary schools. Thinking Green: Why Schools Should Have Natural Spaces – Ledger (yale.edu) · Loss of town centre green space. The following link is one of many on the benefits of green spaces in towns. More green space for our towns and cities - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) · School design, shape, size all determined by the size and shape of the site meaning these constraints determine what the school layout would be like, not what best suits the needs of the students. · Disruption, nuisance and risk posed by construction traffic to Applegrove pupils during construction works. · Disruption and nuisance to residents during construction works. · Loss of a portion of Common Good land to the development and the precedent set with Moray Council that they can use Forres Common Good land to solve issues if it makes for a simpler solution for them. Recently Moray Council have used Common Good funds to pay for services such as grass cutting. This is a first, historically it has been allocated to things such as Forres Bonfire, Forres Christmas Lights etc. If the council can again use Forres Common Good assets to provide them with easier solutions they may continue to erode this asset when it is to their benefit, and not necessarily the benefit of Forres.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Creates a 'hub' with Applegrove Primary School. - The council however have said that, should the academy need to expand in the future then the academy would take over the primary school site and the primary school would move to Lochyhill. This would remove any kind of 'hub' so why is it such an important reason when deciding on where to site the new academy if it can so easily be dropped in the future? Considering that Applegrove has been 5 minutes' walk from Forres Academy for the past 50 years, if a 'hub' approach is so vital to education it could easily have been implemented previously. Why do the primary and secondary buildings need to be within the same fence to gain the benefits a 'hub' apparently brings? · Central location makes it simpler to reach for greater proportion of all pupils. – My wife's family live in Ellon, Aberdeenshire so I have watched with some interest as their new school was developed. The new academy in Ellon was built in 2015, a 1.2 mile walk from the town centre. It is on the south side of the town centre, across the river Ythan, and most houses in Ellon are north of the town centre so in reality the distance from home to academy for most pupils is more than 1.2 miles. The Ellon school role is currently 1072 pupils, Forres sits at 830 pupils so slightly smaller. The new school has been a real success and looks and feels like it fosters learning. Set in open space it is more like a modern university campus than a secondary school. · Central location makes building usable for other groups – Using Ellon Academy as an example, it is a 'community campus'. For the £36M it cost to build the Ellon school they were able to get a swimming pool, games halls, activity rooms and outdoor courts which the community can book and use. At the moment the Forres school is expected to cost £80M without a swimming pool, things must have a got a lot more expensive in ten years I suppose. The Lochyhill site is on the route of the Forres to Elgin and Forres to Kinloss bus routes so would be easily accessible via public transport as well as walking and cycling.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? · Prone to flooding, development won't provide increased drainage capacity but the water that normally gathers there will be pushed elsewhere, potentially causing new flooding to residents or the remaining Roysvale Park. · Potentially the school will be too small very soon, that has been the case at the new Elgin Academy and Elgin High School. Developments such as Ardersier Port, part of the Green Free Port, will bring greater employment and an even greater demand for housing around Forres. The proposed Applegrove site has no space for further expansion other than into Applegrove. · Loss of green space for Applegrove pupils to learn and play in. The following link is one of many on the benefits of green spaces in primary schools. Thinking Green: Why Schools Should Have Natural Spaces – Ledger (yale.edu) · Loss of town centre green space. The following link is one of many on the benefits of green spaces in towns. More green space for our towns and cities - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) · School design, shape, size all determined by the size and shape of the site meaning these constraints determine what the school layout would be like, not what best suits the needs of the students. · Disruption, nuisance and risk posed by construction traffic to Applegrove pupils during construction works. · Disruption and nuisance to residents during construction works. · Loss of a portion of Common Good land to the development and the precedent set with Moray Council that they can use Forres Common Good land to solve issues if it makes for a simpler solution for them. Recently Moray Council have used Common Good funds to pay for services such as grass cutting. This is a first, historically it has been allocated to things such as Forres Bonfire, Forres Christmas Lights etc. If the council can again use Forres Common Good assets to provide them with easier solutions they may continue to erode this asset when it is to their benefit, and not necessarily the benefit of Forres.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I do not believe the council has given sufficient consideration, or investigation, into the flood risk that will be increased by additional flows entering the existign combined sewer system. I do not believe a proposed soultion involving below ground attenuation tanks, when the ground water is already as high as it is, has been properly investigated. I do not believe the council have given sufficient consideration to using the existing Academy car park and Plasmon fields as an option. The Mosset Burn could be moved across to the bottom of the existing slope and all the space where it currently runs freed up for development. The flood risk on that site is far less following the flood aleviation works on the Mosset Burn. I do not believe sufficient consideration has been given to the visual impact of the propsoed building at the Applegrove site, it will tower over it's neighbours.				
222	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The High School and Academy in Elgin are both regarded as too small, even though they were only recently constructed with little space available for expansion. This was never a good idea. The proposed construction of the new Forres Academy on the Roysvale Park just reinforces the same argument. Where as there is more than sufficient space available at Lochyhill. Why build ourselves our children's and the towns future into corner when the answer is at Lochyhill.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The proposed saving by building at Roysvale will be quickly consumed and more, by the future need to replace Applegrove Primary.	As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing			

	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Building on a town centre residential site will always prove more difficult and more costly than originally budgeted for.	fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.			
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Roysvale has been a green play area for the town's residents and school children since at least the turn of the last century. Construction of such a large project within a busy residential area is neither safe nor wise. I believe the expected construction time is over 2 years. That's 2 years of heavy construction traffic mixed with very young children and their families. If even one child is injured who on the Council is going to stand up and say it was with it to save money. Money that will have to be spent a short time later replacing Applegrove Primary because the the new Academy isn't big enough. Lochyhill is still the answer to the proposed site for the new Academy. Plus siting the School close to the Enterprise Park could spark an interest and connection between both of them. Do we not want to encourage our students to take an interest in Maths, Science and Technology. Don't you think siting your new learning centre next door to that very centre of Technology and Science might be a great incentive.				
223	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I do not want to see the erosion of common good land to provide a bus lane /parking spaces when this can be made available on council owned land left over from the demolishing of the old Forres Academy. Removing trees and green space which are a part of the heritage of Forres is not something I support.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. If the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Negative impact on the wellbeing of the surrounding community (veterans, assisting living, etc) who will live very close to a building site maybe for the rest of their live. The timelines for temporary use are unrealistic. The space needed for building equipment looks to small for scale of the build. Road safety and added congestion. Lack of factual evidence to back up proposals like a breakdown of costs.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I am concerned that temporary encroachment on Roysvale will lead to permanent encroachment as I have not seen anything relating to what the new Forres Academy will look like or what needs to happen in terms of flood alievation/drainage, survey information etc.				
224	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I completely disagree with the Moray Councils proposal to appropriate the Common Good Land that is Roysvale park when there is another suitable site for their needs. Roysvale Park has been a nexus of community interaction for nearly 150 years. It is situated in the middle of a densely populated area of the Royal Medieval Burgh of Forres and is used daily by local residents many of whom are elderly, and the wider community for activities such as walking, cycling, track sports and football. It provides a meeting place to gather and this was highlighted as of considerable importance during the pandemic. It is at the lowest point of the town with a high-water table at 2 feet down. It is a flood plain and the surrounding streets have a combined Victorian drainage system which frequently overflows during periods of heavy rainfall. Homes and businesses flood in the surrounding location with some homes having to continually pump out water from under their homes. The CGL green space that is Roysvale Park is therefore an essential soak away green space in addition to being crucial to community cohesion.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I see no benefits whatsoever for the appropriation of CGL resulting in the removal of green space from a community for a number of years which will undoubtedly alter the community spirit which exists around Roysvale Park. I do not believe that the Moray Councils suggested mitigation measures will work. There is a long well documented history of flooding in this area and drains are constantly overwhelmed.The hard surface for construction materials will create surface water run off and the creation of a bus lane will cause further issues. Damage to the complex root system of the mature trees in the Roysvale Park will further compound this problem and homes will flood which have never flooded before.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I have several issues and concerns arising from the proposals 1 Disruption to the activities of daily living to the densely populated area around the Roysvale Park. Elderly who could manage a daily walk around the park to meet people will no longer be able to do so and may not be able to go further afield. Moray Council's suggestion that the park will still be available is unrealistic and poses many hazards. 2. Safety of young and old around the hard surface set down area. 3. Impact on physical and mental health as a result of the removal of the green space area for a number of years. 4. Congestion around the construction hard surface area as 2 schools pupils try to continue their daily activities as construction vehicles manouvre. 5.The permanent alteration and disfigurement of the historic Roysvale Park following such major disruption. 6. The surrender of the historic Roysvale Park status to the of being merely a thoroughfare for school related traffic of buses, cars and pupils between the car park and the new academy. 7.Damage to mature trees root systems.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The diagrams at the Public Meeting on CGL at the Forres Academy on Monday 21st October 2024 did not have any dimensions. It is impossible to imagine that the proposed set down space for construction will be remotely adequate for that purpose. The answers to queries regarding the proposal were inconsistent. It is impossible for the public to have confidence in these proposals when the Moray Council do not know what the outcomes are to be themselves. It is foolhardy in the extreme to suggest that the park will remain open for community use and can be used for school activities for the academy and Applegrove Primary. Moray Council are dangerously misleading the public.				
225	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I do not support any of the proposed actions of Moray Council with respect to the disposal of the inalienable Common Good Land of the Roysvale Park. My view is that if even a small portion of the Common Good Land is surrendered then this would be the first step in a chain reaction that would ultimately result in the wholesale destruction and ruination of an established residential area in the centre of a beautiful town that is a medieval burgh. Argument For nearly 150 years, the Roysvale Park has been a centre for Forres recreation and sporting events. It is the oldest established green space in Forres and continues to be enjoyed on a daily basis by a whole cross section of the community. It is the locus for a diverse range of activities including track and field sports, football, cycling, jogging and dog walking. For local residents it offers a meeting place and opportunities for social cohesion and is in effect a community hub. It is a valued green space in an urban environment and the importance of green space is widely recognized. This was highlighted during the pandemic that proved the worth of green spaces for mental and physical well-being. Any attempt to alter the nature or character of the Roysvale Park will alter the dynamic irreversibly and result in a conspicuous change in this facility. I am not at all persuaded that locating a bus drop off lane along one side of the park will enhance its well-defined present function. This action would represent a permanent change and the loss of a substantial section of the Roysvale Park. The construction process itself will result in the immediate loss of the function of the Roysvale Park. Furthermore, the construction site, outlined on the map provided by the Moray Council, for construction vehicles and equipment is likely to be an underestimate of the area required. This will result in a greater loss of this green space and further compromise the utility of the Roysvale Park for the community. This area will be out of commission for a minimum period of 32 months and will thereafter require fencing off for a further 12 months to ensure re-establishment of grass. I understand that new below-ground attenuation tanks are scheduled to be placed in the Roysvale Park as a mitigation strategy to help manage stormwater discharges from the site but Moray Council have made no mention of this with respect to the proposal. I am left wondering where these tanks will be situated or indeed if this idea has been jettisoned. It should be noted that the below-ground attenuation tanks placed previously on the Applegrove site have already been proven to be a dismal failure. The Common Good Land of the Roysvale Park represents a vital component in the mitigation of flooding. It is clear that this beneficial effect is only partial as flooding occurs in the area on a regular basis at times of high rainfall. The loss of the Common Good Land of the Roysvale Park due to hard surfacing of the grass to enable the deposition and storage of construction material and vehicles will result in an increase in surface water as the soak away function will be compromised. This will be compounded by building the new academy on the adjacent Applegrove Primary School playing field as this will result in a permanent loss of soak away for rainwater. Surrounding properties and the road infrastructure will be affected by flooding and it should be noted that this already occurs at the present time. The construction of a new academy will as a direct consequence exacerbate flooding. By acquiescing to the surrender of the Common Good Land of Roysvale Park I firmly believe that further changes will take place over time that will result in further desecration of the valued green space. I also believe that there will be a shift in public perception such that the Roysvale Park would no longer be a space for the whole community but rather the sole preserve of the pupils and staff of the proposed academy. I think it an artificial exercise to debate the disposal of Common Good Land in isolation of the undoubted consequences that will arise if Moray Council succeed in their bid to obtain the use of this valued green space that serves the whole community. The disposal of the Common Good Land and the consequences are intimately linked and must therefore be considered as a whole.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I can see no potential benefits whatsoever.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				

		Many and they are legion. I will outline the issues and concerns below: 1.Flooding 2.Traffic flow and congestion 3.Environmental pollution 4.Noise pollution 5.Impact on children with reference to their educational journey and quality of life 6.Public Health issues 7.Loss of a valued community asset with loss of green space 8.Loss of a Primary School playing field 9.Damage to local properties due to the construction process 10.The quality of life of residents in the area – many who are elderly with physical and mental health issues I am almost embarrassed on behalf of Moray Council to provide further details relating to the above as any number of the concerns would in any normal context be red flags that would halt the proposal. These points have already been made to Moray Council and the responsible officers extensively. I was heartened, however, that at the recent Common Good Land Consultation meeting that three of the elected Forres Councillors who were present confirmed to the community that they were all individually responsible for their decisions made in the chamber and are accountable for their actions. It is only right and proper for this to be the case and I am sure that all elected Councillors will be of the same opinion. With great power comes great responsibility and of course, accountability, particularly when adverse events occur. As a former Consultant Physician I was only too well aware of issues of responsibility and accountability with reference to my professional conduct and I am reassured that the elected Councillors were able to confirm to the community when asked directly that they too are responsible for their decisions.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The provision of a new secondary school for this area is an exciting prospect and represents a golden opportunity to provide stellar educational opportunities to the young people of Forres. I am convinced, however, that an undercurrent of compromise is at play and this will undermine these opportunities. For the record I speak as a former Consultant Physician who was an Honorary Senior Lecturer at Aberdeen University with extensive teaching experience of medical students and junior doctors. I was also an examiner for The Royal College of Physicians. The available space on the Applegrove playing field site will by necessity require the construction of a three-storey structure. It is more usual however for modern schools to be single or at most two storeys high. The control, supervision and routing of children changing classrooms between learning periods over three levels would be a major undertaking. The noise, movement and churn could be very disruptive to the calm of the school environment. I am surprised and dismayed that a new swimming pool is not part of the design of the New Forres Academy. I do not think that the present swimming pool which is over fifty years old is fit for purpose and I am aware that Lossiemouth High School had this new facility as an integral part of the design. I am deeply concerned that the pupils of Forres Academy are already subject to compromise. For the record, I am not against the construction of a New Academy with the provision of outstanding educational facilities. How could it be otherwise as I have an Honours degree in Biology, a degree in Medicine and am a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians. I say this to quell any argument that I am a nimby naysayer as I am opposed to the proposed location of the New Academy. I am, however, against constructing a new academy in the wrong site with attendant problems that will compromise the education of our children and be an unmitigated disaster for the whole community. It would seem that Moray Council are content to drive forward the wholesale destruction of an established residential area in order to shoehorn into a constrained space a three storey structure that is at odds with usual school designs in other parts of the country and compromise the educational opportunities of our children for many years to come. In this race to the bottom Moray Council are at risk of completely wasting a golden opportunity. This is what I object to.				
226	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I object. Further shrinkage of green areas in an already busy area is short sighted and unhealthy for society.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes. Destruction of more green space and beautiful mature trees.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
227	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? It is common good land, You must be joking if it still is an option Please read what common good land means , you are out of order. I strongly object to the school being built here. The Enterprise Park,is the place for it.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? As above				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Flooding Parking A builders site for years to come.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The Enterprise Park is the only sensible for the new school				
228	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale Park is totally unsuitable. There is no room for expansion, area is subject to flooding, loss of amenities for local residents.,loss of privacy and light for War Veterans cottages and Roysvale Place houses. Narrow streets surround the area and many local residents would have no privacy or access to their homes for 4 years whilst building is ongoing	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are no benefits to the proposals and the town needs greespaces				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? If this proposal goes ahead Applegrove pupils will loose their sports area, it will be extremelydangerous for the young pupils to access the school for several years and the noise will be a constant problem				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Employ professional people to look for suitable site which will accommodate all the facilities expected of a modern academy with room for expansion and with dedicated sports areas.				
229	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am objecting to any temporary or permanent use of this common good land as this is land which is for the use of the people of Forres. This would prevent it from being used by the people of Forres for whom it was intended. The people of Forres will be unable to use the land while the school is being built. Roysvale Park is common good land given more than 100 years ago to the people of Forres and I do not support the proposals in any way.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are none.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
230	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I do not agree to the temporary change of use and subsequent loss of common good land at roysvale park.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I see no benefit to the community on the loss of this land to become a bus drop off zone.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				

		In conjunction with the loss of green space on Applegrove playing field for the potential new site of Forres Academy this constitutes a very significant loss of green space for public amenity. In addition this green space is important to soak away excess rain water which will be exacerbated once the land has been developed for the school. Roysvale has had drainage works carried out before but it still becomes waterlogged in certain areas. It is the lowest lying land in this area of town and the water table is very close to the surface. In the meantime when construction is taking place there will be an increase in drainage issue increasing the likelihood of flooding to surrounding properties. During the building of a bus drop off point in an already congested zone will limit parking for residents and parents who are picking up their children. Creating more congestion and increasing the risks for the children coming to school and going home. Sanquhar road is already heavily congested at drop off and pick up and additional construction traffic will increase the risk of an accident. What consideration has been given to supporting parents dropping and pick up their children. Loss of amenity playground land for Applegrove Primary is detrimental to the development of the children who will be affected. Although access to the play area is preserved it is via a narrow path and is surrounded by construction areas which will be noisy and not conducive to children's play. It does not seem a very safe option for young children and families to access. 32 months at least of construction on the playing fields will have detrimental effects on children's education and wellbeing as well as negatively affecting the residents of the area. Concreting over large areas of green space for construction vehicles will add to the flooding issues that roysvale already suffer meaning pupils cannot use the green space in times when the ground is waterlogged. Limiting the access for a further year after construction is finished for reseeding raises its inaccessibility from 32 months to 44 months. There appears from the plans that the west side of the construction area will have limited access. This will negatively impact the residents as well as bus drop offs for Forres Academy. As applegrove would lose its playing field it will need to use a much smaller roysvale park for PE activities. Access to this will be somewhat obstructed by construction traffic and works. They will have to compete with the academy lessons for access during and post construction limiting possible activities for both schools. As the schools will in the future be using the land more frequently this will limit public access to use the land for their own activities during the daytime when school would need to use it. Access to the site is unclear from the plans and potentially increases risk in terms of traffic management and congestion.	As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Common good land is land gifted to the people of Forres for the benefit of the people of Forres. I do not see this use as benefiting the community but will have a detrimental impact to the health, well-being and education of the young people of Forres for a significant 4-5 years of construction phase and which will impact them for many years beyond their schooling.				
231	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I object strongly to any loss of land of the Roysvale park for any purpose whatsoever. All of this land belongs to the people and town of Forres and should remain so.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are no benefits in losing the use of the land that has been given to the town,whether it be as an area for turning buses or as a building yard while constructing a school.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Concerned that the land is being appropriated,in stages..firstly for a bus turning area which may or not be big enough, secondly a using a large part of it for 2 years as a building site ,which will mean that local people,walkers,dogs ,summer football leagues,lads having a kick around with a ball,kids throwing frisbees etc will be deprived of an area that has been left to the people of Forres. Concerned that ,as a town,Forres could be losing permanently a valuable town centre green space .Concerned that this development will encourage more vehicular traffic round the green space,concerned that there will eventually be "mission creep "… we just need a couple of metres here ,and a couple there and so on.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The Roysvale park is a green area that any town would be proud to have in its centre. It should be kept intact in its entirety both for the use and enjoyment of the present and future population of Forres.				
232	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? There should be no change to the state of the park which is an asset for the whole community. Leave it alone This was given for the town to enjoy. Open spaces are at a premium. Health needs it.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I can't see how these proposals are giving any benefits just losing something we've enjoyed . You can't create space just take it away. It would be adding to the crowding of the area				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I certainly do. This is taking away bit by bit a lovely green space and encouraging more and more traffic into the town instead of taking a long term view and leaving a recreational space in our middle Where will parking be. This has totally not been thought through and is just an easy out. This land belongs to the town.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? This disruption is so bad for everyone I'm sure there will be unexpected consequences and there's no going back once it's gone				
233	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I consider the site to be totally unsuitable. Roysvale Park is a great asset to Forres and its loss to the town and its residents would be very sad. Green spaces in every village,town and city are to be valued ,and , where they exist ,e.g. Roysvale, they should be protected.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I can see no benefits to the proposals whatsoever.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Apart from the loss of Common Good land,I have two more concerns . The first of those is the drainage problem .Various attempts have been made to rectify this with limited success . I am also extremely concerned about the traffic implications .I drove along Orchard Road at the end of the school day yesterday and to say it was chaotic is putting it mildly . If it is like that with two schools in the vicinity I shudder to think how much worse it would be with three . Have any of our local councillors driven along that road at that time?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I have always believed that we live in a democracy . The fact that our councillors chose to ignore the result of a recent survey makes me wonder if this is still the case .				
234	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale Park is an important part of the community, and taking away part of it (even temporarily), will set a bad precedent. The park is used for a lot of local activities, and losing that space for over 3 years will have a big impact. Even after the construction is done, it will take another 12 months for the grass to fully grow back, which is a huge chunk of time. The plan says the land will return to its original state, but construction work could permanently affect the park. The land might not be the same after being used as a construction site, and it might never fully return to how it was before.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The plans say there will be benefits like a bus drop-off area for the new school , but these seem small compared to the disruption caused. The park is a key part of the community. The benefits don't justify taking away valuable public space. Trees might also have to be removed or replaced, which would harm the park's environment.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The plans talk about taking out or replacing some of the park's mature trees. This could hurt local wildlife and take away from the natural beauty of the park. It's also not clear how the construction will affect the park's overall environment, so there's a real risk of long-lasting damage. For the 3 years (plus an extra 12 months for grass regrowth), the park will be partly closed off for construction. That means people will lose access to parts of the park they normally use for walking, playing, or relaxing. With the compound area and the fencing, it could end up feeling like a construction site for way too long. This is a huge loss for the community. It doesn't feel like there's been enough discussion with local people about these changes. If the council wants to take land from the common good, they should listen to local concerns more carefully and make sure the community's voice is heard in the decision-making.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Removing the few green spaces within the Forres residential area gradually (and arguably irreversibly) reduces the standard of living for residents. Even though the proposal is "temporary," we're talking about a disruption lasting over 4 years. Some references: "Why we need Green Spaces" - Natural History Museum: https://www.nhm.ac.uk/discover/why-we-need-green-spaces-in-cities.html "A Brief Guide to the Benefits of Urban Green Spaces" - University of Leeds: https://leaf.leeds.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/86/2015/10/LEAF_benefits_of_urban_green_space_2015_upd.pdf "The Importance of Green Spaces in an Increasingly Gray World" - Sustainable Earth: https://sustainable-earth.org/green-spaces/				
235	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect	Yes	address	letter

		Building a new school on this site is totally inappropriate. It ignores the wishes of the vast majority of locals, particularly the residents of the houses nearest to the area. It denudes the town centre of a green space, Community space, which is used by Applegrove Primary and residents of Forres. The site is far too small for the needs of a Secondary School in the 21st Century. Forres Academy has enough to deal with in order to once again be a school with a fine reputation, (as an ex FA teacher, I am acutely aware of the needs of the youngsters and staff) without continuing its work in a place that is inappropriate and lacking the landscaped surroundings for rest, recreation and sport, which would enhance the pupils' learning experience.	of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. If you have concerns and evidence supporting your comments regarding the consultation process these should be submitted to the Council and will be considered through the complaints process.			
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		There are absolutely no potential benefits of the proposal. The decision to build here is a lazy solution with cost cutting in mind - no surprises there! Senior students may look favourably on the proposal, since it keeps their lunchtime trip to the shops viable.....junk food within easy reach.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		My main concern is that The Council appears to have already decided to ignore the opinions and wishes of the local community and the needs of its youngsters.....particularly "The Forres Four" on the Council!! Not known for honest and transparent government, the Council's reputation is now at rock bottom. Would that there were at least a few honourable members to shame the rest of these "representatives".				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Ha! Why? So that the Council can state that"there were a number of consultations". No doubt a generic, anodyne, response, will be sent to all.."After lengthy discussions and consultations....."" Your views are important..." ...Aye.				
236	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
		The proposal to build a new school in Roysvale Park is totally shortsighted and wrong. Sacrificing the common good land is also not acceptable even if it is "alienable" asset!				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		Apart from it being a much-needed new school - there are no potential benefits to the proposal.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		With the population of the school catchment are only going to increase and there is no scope for expansion of the school in the future. The increased traffic in and around the school which will also include Applegrove Primary School traffic will cause a danger and unacceptable congestion in the centre of town. Depriving the centre of town of a valuable and rare green, community space is unacceptable.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Listen to the community and respect the survey results.				
237	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes - email address did not work , letter
		I think the whole scheme is ill judged. The new school should be on a new site. There are serious drainage issues, strong concerns about mixing younger and older children and this bus stop uses common good land which moray council have no right to commandeer.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		There are none. Clearly the new academy proposal did not factor in sufficient transport considerations as this afterthought reveals. On a new site, proper planning and future proofing could take place.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Yes There would be too much congestion of traffic in an already crowded area of the town where flash flooding has caused additional serious issues in recent years. This is fundamentally unsafe for young children and/or teenagers. Not to mention residents some of whom nearby are elderly.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		The council should rethink the proposal in its entirety. This is the wrong solution - it is short sighted and penny pinching especially this late attempted grab of common good land.				
238	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
		Shrinking common good land, physically and financially.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		Can't see any.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Proposed use of common good land is in order to facilitate the building of a new academy. The new Academy is in the wrong place - loss of common good land and Applegrove playing field. Are Applegrove and Academy children to share the same football pitch size piece of grass that will be left?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Please reconsider the location of the new Academy, be bold and progressive, build a new 3-17 yrs. campus out of town on a spacious site just as has happened, successfully, in Aberdeenshire. Are teachers and staff really going to park cars off site and walk to the new site - more likely the streets closest to the North of the site will be used, human nature!				
239	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
		I would rather it is not happening near to me; but on the other hand it will make Burdshaugh where I live a much quieter road, which is a good thing.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		I don't believe it will save the Council money in the long run. Trying to resolve flooding problems is okay, but water will have it's way no matter what is done to try to prevent it. So if it was a financial reason that you have decided it should be on Roysvale Park, then in years to come I think that will be shown to be a foolish reason.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
240	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
		Roysvale Park is a public park used for football, runners, dog walkers and the general public. A considerable amount of money has already been spent in an effort to tackle the poor drainage in the area with I must say with little success and future development would not be advisable.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		The roads around the area are not suitable for the increase in traffic and convenient parking in the area would pose a considerable issue with congestion in Sanquhar Road, Orchard Road and adjacent streets.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
241	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	address	letter
		Roysvale Park should not be used and kept for it current use. The alternative site should be used due to long standing issue with the ground and may lead to more expense to make the site suitable for a new build in addition to the disruption it will cause to local residents and pupils.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		No potential benefits can be gained using the proposed site.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		As discussed in item 1 the disruption to local residents and pupils.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Greater consideration and consultation should have been made along with the total disregard of a majority of residents voted against using this site.				
242	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	both	yes email
		I do not want Roysvale park to be used in any way in relation to a new school				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		I see only negatives				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Part of Roysvale Park will be lost forever and much more ruined during the proposed building phase.Surely this cannot be allowed as the Park is common good land. There will be years of noise and congestion during the build The site will not allow for expansion for a growing population (there may be many more families following the Ardeseir port project). The Park floods so is a poor choice and there are netter locations without these issues eg Locyhill				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		No				
243	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect	Yes	both	yes

		It is almost impossible to isolate the Common Good Land from the bigger picture of the new academy site. I realise that Roysvale/Applegrove is the 'preferred' site and there is still a final decision to be made and the subject of the survey is the CGL only. The public are being asked for their opinions with still so many unanswered questions. They are being advised that the park including the swing park will be available for public use during the construction works apart from a 12m strip being allocated for the proposed bus lane and an area for contractors compound, site establishment and construction parking adjacent to the swing park. The area for the compound and parking seems small in area and to create the 12m bus lane a further strip into the park would be required for construction. Along with the path that is to run in front of the existing pavilion. To construct these safely further areas would need to be sectioned off so the available ground for public use will be further limited and bit continually open for public use. There is no information of how the schools both Academy and Applegrove pupils would use the remaining park area during construction, will these still be available for public use or will areas be cordoned off for primary school pupils only?	of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.			email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? To improve the existing drainage of the park would certainly be beneficial. However not if this causes problems elsewhere and removes the natural flood plain properties				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The layout of the proposed bus lane and its location next to the swing park and with a drop in the levels from the road to the park are concerning. It seems to be shown as a one way system with buses entering at swimming pool end and exiting at the swing park. I understand that a tree survey will be undertaken which will assist in establishing the position of existing trees and confirming if there will be losses or replacements required. Certainly would like to retain as much green space and existing natural features and habitat as possible and with the loss of Applegrove playing fields this has to be one of the priorities.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The public feel a lack of confidence that after the last consultation which the majority preferred the other site, we are now being asked specifically for the views on CGL only this time and fear that their opinions will not be fully listened to. The drop in session illustrated plans but they didn't give specific details or sizes on the permanent and temporary uses. Also the reinstatement of the park post construction and what it will look like and how it will be managed and be able to be used by public.				
244	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The area floods easily and it will cost a lot for drainage. If Forres keeps growing at the current rate will the new building cope with the increased pupil numbers?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I cannot see any benefits to this area especially as the majority of pupils seem to be from the new houses up the Grantown road and if they keep spreading there will be plenty land on which t0 build a new school. That would also ease the traffic flow through the town which at the moment is awful at school times. The new traffic lights on St Catheine's road do not help.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
245	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? In relation to Roysvale Park being used as a bus stop I think it is very wrong. Roysvale Park is a fantastic green space of common good land which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations. It is special because it's centrally located within an urban town. Once built on then it's gone! Common good land like this should not be utilised by Moray Council in this way. Please respect the general wishes of the good people of Forres. As I understand the outcome of the last public survey was that the proposed new Academy should not be built at Roysvale/Applegrove. It was suggested by so many that it was far better and of common sense to have the academy built at Lochyhill. But as usual with surveys they are totally ignored as others have their own agenda and don't see the bigger picture. The survey appeared to be a complete waste of money and just appeared to be a tick box exercise by the council.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. The consultation was advertised through the councils social media, adverts were placed in the Forres Gazette, Northern Scot and Press and Journal newspapers. In addition, posters advertising the consultation were displayed in Forres Library and Forres Community Centre and local community council contacted. If you have concerns and evidence supporting your comments regarding the consultation these should be submitted to the Council and will be considered through the complaints process.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? In my opinion there are no potential benefits of the proposal of using Roysvale park as a bus stop and siting the new academy within the Applegrove and Roysvale area.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? My main issues/concerns are: There will be a huge disruption during the building phase with increased noise, air pollution, restricted movements and more vehicle congestion especially to the local residents. The building phase will be very messy and like most public projects will probably take longer to complete. There will also be rubbish from the building site as we regularly see on Mannachie Road and the surrounding areas from Springfield's house building site. Sanquhar Road is also the main access route to the Sanquhar estate which includes Woodside Drive and Loch View, which is currently fairly restrictive in its present state especially during the school run periods. Roysvale, Applegrove and Orchard Road are constantly flooded when we have prolonged and heavy downpours. Applegrove has had work done to prevent flooding - this seems a waste of money as the field stills floods.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The area is already cluttered, too confined and will only get worse with your plans and the increase in future of car ownership. Cars are constantly parked at Roysvale from 8.40am and then again from 3pm, there is never any space on Orchard Road either, if there is a funeral at Tom Ross's funeral home then it is absolute chaos on Orchard Road. If the building phase at Roysvale does commence then how will this impact emergency services through the area or any possible High Street road closure should it occur? The council completely chose to ignore the last public survey in which the public wanted the new academy to be located on the edge of town at Lochyhill. No matter where the academy is sited parents will still drive their children to school as they regularly do now and over very short walkable distances! I have seen many new schools throughout UK now located on the edge of town. It is workable and affords plenty of space to properly plan the infra structure with limited constraints which you'd have at Roysvale. I recognise building at Lochyhill would regrettably be on green space however it has never stopped Moray Council from approving the major housing schemes, business parks etc on the edges of Forres and Elgin. So that argument does not stand! Putting the new school on the edge of town will be a much better use of space rather than cramming everything into Applegrove and Roysvale. Even the area between the academy and the Legion will be tidier with less rubbish around! It would seem that this survey is required by law as the council want to use common good land, but this survey has not been widely advertised. It has taken some time to actually find the "hidden" survey. This survey should have a direct link from the home page of the website or be a lot more visible. Maybe the council did not want the folk of Forres to find it and their reply would be that the residents of Forres were not even bothered to take part? It's bad enough that Moray Council has appeared to have raided the common good fund behind our back, they now want to give land away - albeit to themselves! Please for once listen and properly engage with the sensible and clever people of Forres. Don't treat them as just some insignificant council tax payer who doesn't care or can't think for them self.				
246	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I don't think Roysvale is a suitable location for a new school. it would cause a loss of too much green space. At the present time, with one school, the traffic on Orchard road and Sanquhar Road is VERY HEAVY. There needs to be much more parking space which would result in a loss of even more green space.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I can't see any benefits.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
247	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Under no circumstances should the common good land at Roysvale park be used for a construction yard temporary or not. A permanent 12 meter wide bus lane / car park the full length of Roysvale Park, should not be constructed on this historic green space in the heart of Forres. To even consider this incredibly shortsighted proposal not to mention the laziest possible course of action and furthermore that lay people elected to serve the local community think this is a good idea leaves me despairing for the future of Forres.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are none. Removing green space, decimating mature trees, increasing the likelihood of more flooding and increasing traffic pollution in this already congested area I do not consider as beneficial.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				

		Please read my previous answers: no one with an ounce of common sense would think that decreasing green space and replacing it with concrete is a good idea.	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		As a fully paid up council tax payer I and the rest of the local community have been treated with contempt by Moray council. Any plans that have been shared are lacking any detail or accurate dimensions, no design details have been forthcoming. The presentation and drawing provided for the community consultation in Forres Academy was frankly pathetic and appeared to have be prepared by primary school children.				
248	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	Yes	both	yes email
		Disagree very strongly with the loss of Common Good ground at Roysvale				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		This is the wrong place to site the Academy. Any potential benefits of siting the Academy in & around Roysvale are out-weighed by the adverse effects.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Yes				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		The potential for creating an exciting school on the East side of the town is huge & far outweigh the alleged benefits of having the primary & secondary schools on the same campus.				
249	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	both	yes email
		It is hard to avoid concluding that the proposal to use part of Roysvale Park for a bus drop-off zone shows that the site for the new school selected by the Council is too small. If there is insufficient room for the bus drop-off zone on the Applegrove site, could it be located elsewhere on the dispersed campus, such as on the site currently occupied by Forres Academy ? In our view, the loss of common good land at Roysvale to tarmac and vehicular traffic need not and should not be contemplated unless there really is no alternative.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		Any perceived benefit in terms of convenience is, in our opinion, outweighed by the detrimental loss of green parkland. We wonder why there is a need to sacrifice common good land for a bus drop-off zone when an adjacent brown field site already exists.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		The proposal to create a bus drop-off zone on common good land at Roysvale provides more evidence that the site selected by the Council for the new school is far from ideal. We feel that the Lochyhills option - which was the preferred choice of the majority of those who responded to the last consultation - would offer solutions to some of the significant challenges posed at Applegrove / Roysvale, such as flooding, traffic congestion, site size and future-proofing – and it would not involve the use of common good land.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		We urge the Council not to repeat the outcome of the previous consultation process, whereby the majority of responders in favour of Lochyhills were ignored.This had already eroded confidence in the process and there seems little point in participating in future if the views expressed by a majority of responders continue to be dismissed. We wish to stress that our comments are not simply a question of NIBYism. We both attended Forres Academy - as did our children - and we enjoy living close to both the Academy and Primary School. In fact we remain of the view that the new school ought to be located on the existing site where, given some leeway in terms of the brief, options could include a major refurb, a phased new school or a new school on the Manachie playing fields site.				
250	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
		I think it is madness. This is a much used , valued green space in the centre of Forres. The area proposed for the new Forres Academy is far too small and there will be no room for future expansion without losing CG land . Sanquhar Road is already congested at the start and end of each school day. The addition of construction traffic will make it worse. The idea of CG land being used for a bus lane is ridiculous.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		The benefits of the new school being in a central location are limited. It seems more sensible to use a brand new site with better access and room for expansion .				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		I did wonder why the site of the playing field out the Grantown road opposite Thornhill had not been considered.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Applegrove pupils should expect better working conditions over the next 3years of potential construction. It is a real shame that they will lose their playing field too which has been enjoyed by many generations of pupils.				
251	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	No		
		Thought the park was common good land and to use it as a building site even temporary wouldn't have thought legal.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
252	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
		Roysvale park should not be used to accommodate an unnecessary bus layby. This will result in a loss of valuable green space and encourage more traffic to the area. All of which can be easily avoided.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		There are no benefits of turning valuable green space into a coach park.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		yes, the loss of green space and encouraging even more traffic to the area along streets that already cannot cope is a major concern particularly when other more considered, sympathetic and longer term options are available. This proposal is most certainly not in the interests of the common good.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		The proposals are unbelievably short sighted and most definitely not in the common good.				
253	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
		Common Good land should be used for the benefit of the people of Forres. Roysvale Park is a well used open green space that has recently benefitted from enhanced paths that support active travel around it. Aside from the Grant Park there are limited areas of green open space in Forres and my view is this should be protected for the people of Forres to enjoy and being used as a temporary construction site and then losing a portion of this to a bus /drop off lane is not in the interests of the common good.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		Improved drainage to the park would be of benefit to the Common Good				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Overall concerns from the proposal regarding the change of use, however specific concerns relating to each area of proposal as follows: 1. Temporary Construction site / contractors compound - limited access to this green space for local residents and sports clubs to this CGL for just under 3 years, e.g. Forres Harriers, Forres Mechanics, local dog walkers - During the construction period this would be an unwelcome space for users due to building works/ noise - potential long term damage to the common good land 2. Bus/ Drop Off Area - Permanent loss of green space of common good land - This turns an area of CGL, in close proximity to a primary school into an uneccessary hazardous area with increased traffic - Loss of well established trees although these may be replaced 3. Footpath and Drainage (management proposals) There is currently no need for additional paths on the Common Good land as existing paths are sufficent and well used				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
254	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect	Yes	both	yes

		In addition to my earlier comments I would like to state the following: During the public drop in session Mr Hall stated that -part of the building will have 3 storeys. This is extremely invasive of the private houses in the vicinity, especially the houses at Roysvale. -there will be traffic calming measures put in place on access roads to the school to reduce risks of accidents. This traffic is already far in excess to what a residential area should have to suffer. There are long queues already in the approach areas, now even more so since the trafficl lights were installed at the St Catherine Road's junction. Residents will suffer more from pollution from exhaust pipes from stationary vehicles. -the flooding risk will be dealt with, possibly by pumping water into the Mosset. This would simply move flooding risks further down the river. Also it would not address the blockage of drains in the area and the accompanying stink the residents already suffer. Has this measure been costed? -outside areas for pupils during break time could be provided by making the remaining Roysvale Park accessible for this purpose. This would deny local residents the use of Roysvale Park totally, in addition to the area reseved for bus drop-off etc. -successful school campuses have been built in a number of towns in Schotland. I have personal experiences of two such campuses, Thurso and Dalkeith. Both are located a the outskirts of the towns, in open areas, nowhere near to private housing as the Forres Academy campus would be located. Lossiemouth Academy, too is located at the outskirts of the town. On the whole, the large residential area where the school is to be built would suffer detrimentally. The open, green area with trees and the residential character would disappear. How does that match up with environmentally friendly town planning?	of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
255	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I strongly object to the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park. I live directly in the vicinity of the build which will affect me greatly. I fully understand and appreciate that a new school is required, however I do not feel that this is an appropriate area for development. Local Authorities have a duty to take into account the interests of all the residents in this area. The people of Forres were asked for their opinion on the 2 options for this school build. Lochyhills was chosen NOT Roysvale, this being the case, and councillors deciding to opt for the site anyway. How are all of people's interests being taken into account? How can the people of Forres be asked to consult on the change of use on an area that was already rejected?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? School would be more central, closer to swimming pool.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? My issues and concerns are: You have already sought opinion from people of Forres as to which site they preferred, Lochyhills was chosen, not Roysvale. You now wish to consult with them around the common good land on that site, which would allow this build to go ahead, they already gave an opinion and rejected this site. So why is this happening? You are increasing pressure in an already flood risk area, I know you say that the drainage system will be supported, however SEPA advise that flood risk areas should not be built upon if it can be helped, so how is this happening when there is / was another area available for build? You are increasing traffic and congestion in the area. Parking is already limited in this area. this will also increase the level of noise during and after the build. This build has the potential to require expansion very quickly which may result in building of another school at Lochyhills in the future. This is going to cost more money, so why not build on other site that encompasses all of this in an area that will probably be developed anyway? I am concerned that this proposed development will cause - Lose view from my home - Loss of more privacy - Building out of character with area - Loss of an area that is used daily by my family, a place where we can meet others and chat, walk dogs and children can play safely. - Potentially increase antisocial behaviour - Loss of area that is used frequently and regularly by community groups. - Loss of more green spaces that support mental health and well being. Forres already is a winner of Britain in Bloom because of its beautiful parks and gardens, which attract people locally and out with to them which also supports trade / tourism. - Loss in promotion of natural wildlife - Increase in carbon foot print and overdeveloped area - Potential damage to where I live / property during construction stage				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Yes, I have two questions 1- Why, having lived in this area for 25 years, have I been subjected to flooding? Helping my neighbours who's homes have been flooded. Always having to move our vehicles when there is heavy rainfall. Why would you put more pressure on an area identified already as at risk, when SEPA suggest areas of flooding should not be built on? Also if it is so easy to sort out and support the drainage to allow for this build, then why have I and others been suffering all this time, and the drainage issues not addressed before, what is the justification for this? 2- You plan to build directly behind War Veteran Housing, what support or risk assessments have you carried out for these people who have PTSD, or any other Mental Health or disability issues? I have not seen or heard any correspondence from you on this? You do not know what triggers these people have, nor how it impacts on their daily abilities. You are proposing putting these individuals under increased stress and anxiety for up to 36 months, how would noise for example affect them? Were these homes built because of where they were at the time, peaceful, quiet area? These proposals are already causing anxiety for this group of people who in all fairness are people we should be supporting, and allowing to be at peace. Again I ask the question, how is this build and change of common good land beneficial to all?				
256	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I am not in favour of the proposal. Roysvale was gifted to the people of Forres and is a well used green space. Our green spaces should be preserved , their importance is vital to our health - both physical and mental. Every day the space is used by members of the public walking, on their own or with dogs. Various teams play sport there. There are wide safe paths which are good for buggies, prams, cycles and mobility scooters. Indeed there has been a public right of way across the park since at least 1868.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I can see no benefits and the information presented on what use the council aim to make of the park is vague - no clarity on the proposed bus drop off zone. Entry and exit points seem unsafe . No measurements indicating exactly what the area will be to facilitate building works . How will lorries etc access the area? Too many questions with vague or no answers. Post building the park will have to be used as a playing field for both schools and I cannot see how that could possibly work with continued public access- for safety the area will require to be fenced. I am not confident that the use of Roysvale post building will be as the council describe . The park will inevitably be lost to the public.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Common good land should not be appropriated for Council use. The whole scheme is very wrong and most certainly not in the spirit of the gift of the land to Forres people. See above for concerns. It is also concerning that these forms are going to Learning Estates. Can we be assured that we will be listened to ?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
257	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? The use of Roysvale Park seems a choice of bureaucratic and political tick boxing as opposed to a logical understanding of the local populace, and indeed of large scale construction projects themselves. I have no doubt the theory of building on Roysvale may make sense, but the realities of utilising the designated space for construction and logistics runs a very real danger of having such significant scope creep and impracticalities that a larger percentage of the wider Forresian population will be affected, to a much greater extent, and for a lot longer time that the proposal schematics. Having worked on similar projects, it is not feasible that the development of Roysvale will have anything other than a huge impact on the local area, and unfortunately the biggest impact will be on the Primary schoolchildren themselves. Given the high percentage chance of scope creep and budget issues within Moray/Highland council, the worst case scenario is an entire Primary school generation being denied access to vital common good land.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Having a new High School will be of great benefit in itself. But not on Common Good land				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I have a significant issue that a large enough percentage of the elected council have enough experience in planning, construction,infrastructure and logistics to make such a significant decision as has been made regarding Common Good land. I wholeheartedly believe the traffic and construction footfall will have a long lasting detrimental effect to personnel, property and reputation within Roysvale. i believe it will result in an excise of pupils from Applegrove as well as increased departure of local homeowners from Roysvale, dropping house prices, frustrating those who use the wider area and generally being seen a hugely negative investment for the local area.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I suspect the next phase of any sign off to Roysvale will be an appeal, and the net result of the decision to build on Roysvale will be delayed implementation of a much needed High School. I think the reputation the elected Council is held has taken a significant blow and in particular the manner in which some of the public representatives have behaved themselves at meetings has only exacerbated this perception.				

258	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I wholeheartedly OBJECT to the use of the Roysvale common good land for the proposals put forward by TMC. I object to both the short term construction compound and the longer term fixed removal of part of Roysvales green space for road/bus/car drop off point etc As it stands there are alternative options which do not require taking away this precious and much valued common good green space. There is absolutely no requirement to take part of it to create a bus/road/drop off/carpark. There are plans for a car park at current Academy site and I understand teachers/pupils will walk from this across roysvale to the applegrove site. There is no reason why the buses can't also continue to park in the current drop off zone. I am against the use of our common good land which is a beautiful green space with mature trees. It sits in the centre of a town in a populated area and many enjoy using this space for walking, sports, play and community connection. We are now well aware of the links between green space and mental and physical health and well being and to even consider taking part of this space and cutting down trees is unbelievable. The area left will be hugely reduced in size (in adddition to the applegrove playing fieldd being taken away) and with how many less mature trees? From a community health and wellbeing andd green perspective I object. I understand this smaller green space, will then be common good land used by both an academy full of pupils and an entire primary school as the only green space for sports/PE etc? how can this be justified? It sits right next to a primary school and its completely inappropppriate to suggest current plans given the already precarious road crossing on the sanquhar road side of the school and the blind corner of nelson road. Adding pulling out buses is a risky idea. Why does the TMC think it is appropppriate to put a construction compound for 3-4 years on common good land right next to a primary school? whilst at the same time removing their green playing field space? this is not in the interest or for the common good of the community. There is No benefit.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development. The consultation document also details that once the consultation closes all representations received will be considered and a report provided to committee on the outcome of the consultation at which time a decision will be sought on the proposals.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? There are no benefits to removing green space and changing use of common good land into an unnecessary bus drop off area / car park space for a poorly placed high school. There is no benefit to the community to use this valuedd green space for a construction compound (just because the space for the high school is too small to have its own compound on its land) there is no benefit to cutting ddown mature trees. There is no benefit of increasing traffic flow to a common good land park right next to a very busy road/primary school.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Concerns about how will my objection be taken forward? Will it be listened to? I understand there will be a report created based on these responses? hopefully this report will NOT be completed by someone who is trying to push through the use of common goodland for TMC Applegrove/Academy site (the site which the majority of the Forres community did NOT vote for) ?				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
259	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I strongly disagree with these proposals to build a bus/car park on Roysvale common good land. I am also totally against putting a construction compound on the park for three plus years. Construction traffic will be dangerous in a residential area with two schools being accessed already. We need to keep out heritage and green spaces in Forres, particularly in an area of dense housing. I have children and grandchildren who have, and are enjoying the facilities provided naturally by Roysvale Park. These parks are precious spaces and should be retained for future generations. The reason for destroying Roysvale is to make the new academy site On Applegrove playing field viable. There is no need to do any of this, Ywhen you have a better site at Lochyhill.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I see no potential benefits arising from these proposals.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes. the promises to return part of the Park for common good will not be honoured as the park will be the only green space for the new academy to use, so will be unusable by the public during school hours.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? The site is too small to accommodate a a school of this size, let alone share it with a large primary and the community. give the Forres academy kids the school they deserve on the edge of town like other towns in Moray. Moray council have failed them for too long.				
260	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think it's the best solution for the town.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Being in the town centre will be of benefit to local businesses, leisure facilities and primary schools. It will be commutable to more learners than the other option.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? No				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No				
261	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? That it should not be developed	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Benefits are outweighed by the risks and issues				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Traffic, noise, loss of amenity and public open space, impact on drainage, loss of view and outlook in established residential area, over development				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Will they even listen?				
262	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I do not think that any part of the common good land should be used for a bus lane. It is a valuable green space which must be kept for the people of Forres. (We are already possibly losing a further large green space if the proposed site for the new Forres Academy goes ahead) Why does the bus lane have to be built on this land? There is a huge car park and bus parking area already in place behind the current Forres Academy.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document the proposed bus drop off area also incorporates a footpath and cycleway.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I do not see any benefit from stealing part of the Common Good Land which was gifted to the people of Forres. It is such a well used space all year round with lovely mature trees surrounding it.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I completely disagree with using any part of the Common Good Land. This green space is for the people of Forres to enjoy and there is no need for a bus lane to be situated on it. Why does it need to be built here? Presumably staff members and parents dropping children for school will still use the current car park, so why not keep the bus drop off there as well. This would also mean it was a safe distance away from the primary school. A huge number of primary pupils walk and cycle across Roysvale on their way to school - building a bus lane would have a huge impact on the safety of these children, not just while in construction but also while the bus lane were is use.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
263	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Completely agree with the proposals - the only thing that doenst work is the parking for the teachers being on the old site of the academy - a lot of teachers will not go into school empty handed and it's quite a walk having to carry a lot of things especially in horrid weather.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. Positive response to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land has been noted and will be included in the report to committee.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Keeping the academy central for the town is the best option, upgrading roysvale would be if it the town - it isn't fit for purpose at the moment so any improvement is an improvement and the area could be utelised a lot better.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As above - just the proposed parking for staff of the school, it isn't very convienet.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
264	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I'm not sure that Roysvale Park is the right place to site a new school because there is no capacity to enlarge the school or its estate at a later date if so required. Having a 12m drop-off zone (including the cycle lane etc) means that the football pitch and running lanes are immediately adjacent to the drop off zone - this clearly reflects the limited outdoor space that will be created by the encroachment of the parking area. If this alienable land is to be taken from the Forres Common Good Fund, how will the fund be compensated for the loss of land and for the loss of amenity? Is the Council proposing to reimburse the fund the full commercial rate for the land lost?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. If there are any payments received in relation to the use of the common good land this would be paid into the common good fund for Forres ASG A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I'm struggling to see the benefits of the proposal given the constraints of the site and the traffic that will continue to back up on St Catherine's Road, Grantown Road, Mannachie Road, and adjacent streets by siting the new academy at Roysvale.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Yes - the impact of the construction of the school and its subsequent operation will have a negative impact on the sheltered housing complex immediately adjacent to the site. The rubbish generated by pupils at lunch time is likely to continue to get worse, attracting seagulls and other vermin to the site and into the centre of Forres.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				

		Forres Academy clearly needs to be rebuilt as it is no longer fit for purpose and our young people deserve better. Unfortunately, I do not think that the site at Roysvale will allow the academy to develop and thrive in the way that staff and pupils would want. I am also concerned about the drainage of this low-lying area and am yet to be convinced that the proposals will solve this fundamental problem.				
265	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Allowing even temporary use of Common Good land,Roysvale park,really sets a very dangerous precedent..not just for Roysvale ,but for any other Common good land in Forres,for a gradual salami slicing ….a little bit more needed for this worthy idea, and a little bit more needed for the buses than was thought necessary at the outset…and so on. The use of part of the park use would be to further an idea that was rejected by the majority of people who took part in the previous (position of school survey).	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? The only benefits may be to the Council who seem unable to accept the previous outcome of the survey re.the site of the new school and will probably not accept the outcome of this survey should it show that the majority of respondents are not if favour of using the Roysvale park as a building site. Benefits to the many users of the park ? In having a large part of the park out of action for 2/3 years,in all the subsequent upheaval,noise, traffic etc.. the hope that all will be well afterwards? There is no benefit in denying public access to an area that is so greatly used by so many of the Forresians for whose enjoyment and use it was expressly left in trust.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Roysvale Park ,in its entirety,is a fantastic green area,one of Forres's lungs in the centre of town as in the centre of the body.Removing even part of it temporarily would have the same effect as on the body…it would impact very severely the mental health and well-being of the countless people of Forres who make use of it daily…from footballers to dog walkers,families playing with children,joggers,children throwing frisbees.etc. ..the list is endless..And all of it is being used constantly for the very reason that it was given to the people of Forres. Towns need and are constantly encouraged to develop their central green areas for the mental health of their citizens…this is a backward step as far as that is concerned.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? Part of the Park to be used as a building site…who knows what environmental harm ,and harm to wildlife might proceed from this. There will be ongoing pollutions. ..of noise, of smell,a visually unpleasing sight for 2/3 years..And although promises will be be given that all will be well afterwards ,in fact better it is claimed,these promises cannot foresee the ecological damage that may occur and may take years to mitigate.Even a 2/3 year use of the Roysvale park for building site uses could well not only alter the land but change its value historically. It does seem odd that the findings of this survey are not being gathered by a third party who have no interest in the outcome. This will be queried in the future.				
266	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? This would be extremely damaging to the green space location on Roysvale which we should be protecting at all costs.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No, I can't see any benefits to this proposal. It's very short sighted of Moray Council!				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? .Loss of green space .Noise & disruption during the build .Negative impact on local housing Please listen to the local people of Forres. Roysvale is NOT the preferred option.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? No.				
267	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Please do not build on this land. As Forres grows larger with mundane estates where houses are crammed together our green spaces in town should be protected at ALL costs. Also, any newhousig will be built on the Elgin side of Forres between the business park and the town. This location would make more sense AND allow for better premises to be built without the constraints of the Roysvale site.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy.	No		
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No benefits other than a short term view on potential savings.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? Please do not build on this land. As Forres grows larger with mundane estates where houses are crammed together our green spaces in town should be protected at ALL costs. Also, any newhousig will be built on the Elgin side of Forres between the business park and the town. This location would make more sense AND allow for better premises to be built without the constraints of the Roysvale site. Also, the site out of town would aid transportation and reduce speeding coaches and parents through that part of town.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? It would be nice if Moray Council actually listened to AND actioned the views of the Forres community.				
268	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think that it will help with traffic and parking in the area.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? Having the new Academy in the centre of town will help pupils who live in poorer households that do not have a car. They will have the opportunity to attend after school clubs and get home without being reliant on a bus. It will also support active travel more.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? I am concerned about drainage and surface water flooding on that area of town. The current sewage system is not coping with the number of buildings feeding in to it and often overflows. This needs addressing with the council or the government ensuring the Scottish water improve the infrastructure even if the Academy is not built here.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? What will happen to the swings on Roysvale Park during the building phase? Info about that is conflicting as the area appears to be covered by a space for a construction compound.				
269	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I think the current proposal is a financially driven one rather than what is best for the local community and the long term requirements for the new school. Roysvale area will not allow for future expansion, is likely to cause a lot of disruption to the immediate locality, we lose green space in the town centre and longer term I believe there may be issues with flooding. I see this development over spending and not providing adequately for the needs of our children.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? No				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As above				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
270	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale Park is owned by the people of Forres and not by Moray Council. We value our green spaces and wish to keep them as they are, available for use by the populace.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation the common good is a fund of money and assets, formerly owned by a burgh and now owned and administered by the Moray Council.	Yes	both	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I can see no advantage on using this site for a new build school. The fact that the Lochyhill site is on the outskirts of the town is hardly a new concept and sets no precedent. There are in fact advantages to siting the new build in this location.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? It is our land and was always intended to give us a green space for public use and recreation. Moray Council has no right to steamroller over the democratic process and arbitrarily assume ownership of the land for their own purposes.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? I think the benefits of locating the new build on this area are far outweighed by the disadvantages of losing such a prime, common good fund owned, property. We love and appreciate our green areas and consider we, and not Moray Council, own them. LEAVE THEM ALONE PLEASE.				
271	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? I do not view the proposals as a positive change for the area. Loss of any green space is a serious concern.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? I see no benefits to the proposals. The area of Roysvale will be out of use to the community for a number of years. And then there will be terrible traffic issues by bringing buses into the mix.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? As above. A generation will miss out on using Roysvale for community football. If a bus lane is added and common good land taken away, will that just be the tip of the ice burg? It's a very dangerous precedent to set. Common good land isn't there to assist with the cost of building a new school, that's for the council to manage. Common good land is for the good of the people of the town, forever.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments? As above				
272	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect	Yes	email	yes

		I strongly oppose proposals to the change of Common Good assets of Roysvale Park. I contend that benefits stated by TMC are disputable and not in the interests of the local community. There is no guarantee that improved drainage will be enhanced. SEPA and Scottish Water reports are not yet known. Traffic flow will not be improved on an already gridlocked road infrastructure. There is no room to enlarge and improve the surrounding roads to deal with increased traffic flows. A dedicated bus drop off will only increase the traffic congestion Sanquhar Road and Orchard Road. TMC has offered conflicting information as to how the public schools can use the Roysvale Park with contradictory views as to whether the Roysvale Park grass area will need to be fenced off for Applegrove pupils to safely use the area.	of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.			email
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		Those supporting the Roysvale/ Applegrove site focus on the centrality benefit but this is no longer relevant as Mr Hall stated on the 14 May 2024 that if the new Forres Academy requires to be expanded in the future at the Roysvale site, the academy could extend into the current Applegrove Primary School site and a primary school would need to be built at Lochyhill. This was in response to Graham Leadbitter, the current MP, highlighting that the investment at Ardersier with potential of 3000 jobs would see a migration of young families to the Moray Firth area which would require the new academy to expand in response.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		The process to change the use of CGL will delay the commencement of building construction and could be a lengthy and costly process. TMC appears to be going down a route that is inefficient, resource- intensive and will result in unwelcome delays. The reduction of green space negatively impacts all. Councillor van der Horn recently reported in The Forres Gazette that "Access to green spaces and clean air alleviates stress and encourages physical activity while environmental degradation leads to health issues and higher health costs." This is ironical as Councillor van der Horn is supporting the building on Roysvale/Applegrove green spaces. (The two are interlinked as without change of use of CGL there can be no building of a new school.) Nor does he express any concerns about the potential loss of mature trees on both sites which as a green councillor one would expect. Two public consultations have raised more questions than answers and the replies that concerns will "be mitigated" does not reassure the public who already do not feel that their views have been listened to since the outcome of the May survey favoured Lochyhill as the preferred site. Information to the public continues to be sketchy and inconsistent. SEPA recommends avoiding building up ground levels on or near a flood plain. TMC is proposing not only building on an are which is prone to flooding but they are also proposing elevating the new school building which will increase the risk of flooding to surrounding properties.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		It is an obligation that change of CGL is for the benefit of the citizens of the burgh. This cannot be achieved by the change of use of Roysvale Park. Dog walkers will lose the much used green space, the joggers lose their running track, the public lose their space to walk and chat with residents nearby, the many football teams who play regularly lose their venue , the veterans in the cottages behind the park lose their view and access to the park. The park is a meeting place for multiple groups within our community and protecting and preserving this precious green space is what we owe to future generations. Losing precious green space to accomodate a bus drop off lane seems to me to be a huge price to pay and is disrespecting the history and heritage of the burgh. After all the walk from the existing bus and car car park at the Forres Academy to the Applegrove site is merely 200 metres.				
273	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	email	yes email
		Taking away any green space / common good land in the centre of a town is an utterly nonsensical idea. There is an obesity crisis in Scotland and the rest of the Uk. Mental illness cases are increasing monthly. Green open spaces in towns are proven to be beneficial to the physical and well being of children and adults. So why propose to permanently take some of that space away when there an alternative available.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		I don't see any benefits in using common good land in order to facilitate the building of a new school that would be hemmed in on all four sides by roads, a primary school, and common good land that is used by all ages for recreation and sport. The proposed footprint for the new school building is right up to the boundary on three sides leaving no room for expansion in the future. Why build a new state of the art school in a place that allows no room for expansion and no areas for outdoor sports activities.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Yes. There would be an unacceptable loss of community green space to build a drop-off bus zone on Sanquhar Road. This green space would be lost forever if a bus lane were to be constructed. Sanquhar Road is currently heavily congested in the morning and afternoons with parents taking primary school children to and from Applegrove School by car and the buses travelling to and from Forres Academy. Surely the logical thing would be for buses to continue to use the car park behind the current Academy building or to select another site for the new school and take the high school traffic away from the centre of town.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Stopping access to the public to any common good land that is used all year round , or permanently removing some of that common good land for a bus lane benefits no one in the long run. Roysvale Park, which is situated in the central area of tow is not a big area and the permanent loss of any of it is a poor decision, especially in view of the alternative large open site for a new school that is available a short distance away.				
274	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	Yes	both	yes email
		I have major concerns about the proposals related to: Taking land that is common good when other suitable land is available (e.g. the car park of the existing Academy is underused - and parking could be elsewhere) The timescale which is far too long - almost 4 years - for the scale and size of project and too long to be denied access to that part of the park The level of disturbance on a relatively quiet road (Sanquhar Road) which is also in a quiet area. Sanquhar Road is currently only busy during drop and pick up times for the school				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		As no alternative is offered there are no benefits to be considered against such an alternative.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		See response to question 1.				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		The proposals are not in keeping with the intent of land for common good and, therefore, the proposal should be reconsidered.				
275	Q1	What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Yes	email	yes email
		Major construction such as this should not be carried out in a residential area. Roysvale Park is for public use & should not be allowed to be swallowed up by moray council for their own means. Residents will have to live with years of noise polution, facility disruption to water, power possibly, possible Internet disruption in a society where many people work now from home. Disturbing ground works could increase risk of vermin & will have pose a severe risk of flooding local homes by taking away the grassy natural drainage. It's a disgrace that any school complex is being squashed into a green space that provides vital outdoor escapism from bricks & stone multi story buildings. The school will divert all sunshine away from the local residents surrounding it, creating a blot on the current pleasant landscape.				
	Q2	Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals?				
		No benefits. School children in Forres deserve a modern school in a large open plan area, with plenty of land to develop outdoor & indoor sports facilities & activity areas. Moray Council lacks forward thinking & is not honest with the public because it cannot see past it's own motives & agendas it lacks vision & will be money driven rather than putting people first. Plus any man-made drainage in the area that they may offer as a carrot will not suffice, it will simply push the water somewhere else.				
	Q3	Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals?				
		Yes, the park is next door to houses, as soon as they start digging into it they will create underground vibrations that will disturb an already waterlogged bed in a boggy area which may start the underground surface to fall apart which has potential to create subsidence causing residents homes to crack or sink, causing serious structural damage which has a knock on effect for house insurance cost to escalate especially if flooding also becomes an issue, as a home owner I can barely afford the yearly insurance as it is now & that's without having claimed on it. I also worry about older people having to face the past few years of their lives listening & being disturbed by construction works. My thoughts also go to pets, many of whom will lose their park to run in, and will also face noise disturbance. A field would be a better site away from the town altogether for room to expand the school & have other facilities join it in future				
	Q4	Do you have any additional comments?				
		Moray Council should not be allowed to take over common good land that they say they will reinstate afterwords. It will run into problems & they will end up finding solutions that will mean the park having to be used as increased space for the new school & it will never get reinstated. Once the work starts they won't turn back and it will just be another disaster in the making & it will be the children & the local residents that will suffer the most.				

date and time of email	Representative Comments	Response	Response sent
Wed 25/09/2024 13:03	Dear Sir/Madam, I wish to express my concerns about the Moray Council's decision to choose Orchard Road/Roysvale Park as the site for the new Forres Academy for the following reasons: 1. Roysvale Park is part of he Forres Common Good estate which will be lost if the school is built on the land; 2. This park is a natural soakaway for an area which is prone to flooding and, once built, on will increase the risk of flooding. 3. There is already traffic congestion on Orchard Road particularly around Applegrove Primary School and also at the junction of Orchard Road and St Catherine's Road, and this will be greatly increased if the secondary school is located nearby; 4. There will be considerable disruption around Roysvale and Orchard Road during the construction period and this may well impact on Applegrove Primary and the current Forres Academy. Although the Lochyhill site is on the outskirts of Forres and may result in increased construction costs, it doesn't have any of the problems which I have listed above. Any increased costs will pale into insignificance over a potential lifespan of 50 years.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	yes email
Fri 27/09/2024 17:26	I would like to attend the meeting but can't so I need to write instead. I live close to the proposed site for a new academy and I am firmly against it being built there. This area is a great asset to locals who use it and it's a lovely open green space which sometimes turns into a small lake when flooded as it does every year. It's shortsighted to build a large school in a tiny space. Where I belong, Earlston in the borders they had the same decision and the new school on the outskirts is brilliant. Great design and pupils are bused to school. There is no room to expand at Roysvale. A wee bit planning on a good cycle path to lochyhill would be quite easy to achieve. Apart from all this is the traffic. It's hell on Orchard road as it is now and I'm surprised no one has been injured or worse. I've seen a few near misses, especially when the academy kids go home. Some have zero respect for others on the roads and some on their bikes have a death wish. I've almost been hit by a bike, on a pavement, not a cycle path. This could be a great opportunity for Forres as it's growing fast. Lochyhill is a far better choice than Roysvale to go forward into the future.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	yes email
Mon 30/09/2024 19:22	I am sorry I am unable to attend the drop in session at the Forres Academy 21 October but would like to leave my comments here about the new site. The Lochyhill site seems the ideal place to build a new school. Pupils from the surrounding villages get there easier by bus, and parents would have no need to ferry children in individual cars. Pooled bus services are lowering the emissions, and the town would no longer be in gridlock between 8 and 9 am and in the afternoon. Forres has expanded considerably in the past few years. The impact on the infrastructure and natural environment is still to be evaluated. We need our common land green spaces more than ever. Elgin Academy seems perfectly well situated at the edge of town. I live very close to the present Academy and the stores nearby and I can observe daily the comings and goings. When I was still physically able to get down the banks of the Mosset Burn I was part of the litter picking group. This has all ceased to exist. The whole area around the banks are a tip. Plastic litter has been blown about, accumulating; it slowly gets covered up somehow by green summer growth and looks horrendous in winter. I wonder how many wildlife choke on the debris. The footpath between the two shops does not ever get cleared of litter and weeds. Accidents happen on the footbridge with cyclists, dogs, prams, mobility scooters and foot passengers all meeting at the narrow bridge edges, but worst when dozens of pupils try to get over the bridge 4 times a day. They are released to do their shopping for mid morning and lunch breaks. Nobody teaches them to take their litter with them. The bins are overflowing or get overturned. Old folks cannot do their shopping at school times because of the long queues of hungry kids. That is also true for other shops and supermarkets in town at lunch time. But what do pupils get to eat? A bag of crisps, a sweet bar and maybe a sugary drink. The more affluent ones can buy chips or burgers. If the school stays at Roysvale in Forres the temptation to live on junk food stays with them. At Lochyhill at least there could be a new opportunity to cater for all pupils with nourishing meals and also create a shop ethics with healthy growing and learning in mind. Please reconsider the planning process.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	yes email
Mon 21/10/2024 16:39	I am sharing my views of the new school proposals in advance of the public consultation events. I live in Nelson Road quite close to Applegrove Primary School and Forres Academy. I have lived in Forres since 1988. I strongly believe that the best option for the new school is at Lochyhill and I am against the proposed building next to Applegrove. I do understand there are pros and cons of each site but in my view the advantages of Lochyhill far outweigh the disadvantages whereas the disadvantages of Applegrove far outweigh the advantages. Here is a list of point which I think point strongly to Lochyhill. 1. The Applegrove option will remove or significantly reduce the green space (in time I believe any green space left will be encroached on as expansion of the school will inevitably occur) and in addition it will remove the green playing field from Applegrove school. 2. The Applegrove option will significantly increase congestion in and around the area. There is already congestion around Applegrove at school pick up times. 3. The council arguments are flawed in my opinion - a) Forres is a small town and the location at Lochyhill is easily reached on foot, bicycle or bus so there really is no need to shoehorn the school into a central site - perhaps it is good to encourage cycling/walking to school from a health perspective b) I am not sure what is meant by 'accessibility' but I would have thought the Lochyhill site would be more accessible due to a larger surrounding space and less nearby congestion c) I really do not think that the potential to be used by other members of the community its will be affected one way or another - I think this will be more likely affected by the willingness to allow the facilities to be shared and the standard of the facilities. I would like to see the evidence on which the council bases its assertions. 4. The Forres Enterprise park is already situated farther to the east than Lochyhill and functions well in terms of accessibility. 5. Similar schools in cities and towns in Scotland involve more travel than would be required at Lochyhill without problem. 6. What is the point of public consultation if Moray council ignore it - I would like to know if this is a tick box exercise or if Moray council are required to follow the wishes of the public majority (cf the results of the online and mail consultations in May - overall strongly in favour of Lochyhill). 7. I understand there is a financial drive to build at Applegrove but this is appearing to suppress any other consideration. 8. Presumably the new school at Applegrove will have several storeys thus dominating the area which currently is green, open and with low residential buildings surrounding. 9. The Lochyhill site allows for much greater forward planning and allows for adjacent sports facilities of a kind that Applegrove cannot (cf the new school in Lerwick). 10. Car parking and expansion prospects at Lochyhill certainly seem to be better. 11. It would seem to me that the site at Lochyhill will provide a much better canvas on which to design a modern school for the future without the restriction of space that exists at Applegrove. I hope that the council listens to the residents of Forres and does not push through a plan against the wishes of the majority at consultation. I am optimistic that this will be so however the poor standing of politicians both local and national in the eyes of the public lead me to think the new school will be built where the council choose regardless of the residents wishes.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development. As detailed in the consultation document, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets.	yes email
Mon 21/10/2024 20:02	It seems clear from the original public response percentages, and the comments at today's consultation in the academy, that the majority of the residents who have shown an interest are not in favour of siting the new school at Roysvale Park. As a compromise I suggest that the parking for school buses be sited where the existing academy stands on Burdsyard Road instead of the permanent loss of a 12m strip of common good land at Roysvale Park. There's already a yellow painted bus drop off area there and once the buildings are demolished a suitably sized area could be allocated with the buses exiting on to Sanquhar Road as they do currently. This would go some way to soothing the residents who use Roysvale Park and don't want to see it being reduced in size. The bus pupils wouldn't have to walk any further than those who live in the town, and a pelican crossing could be installed where they have to cross the road, with a pavement railing to guide them to it. Your website already states that new footpaths will made in the Park so one lined up with a pelican crossing and going down in front of the changing rooms would reduce the number of pupils using Roysvale Place. I think the old academy area had been shown as a proposed staff car park but staff who are driving to work will want to park closer to the school, which looks like it's going to be a problem anyway regardless of where the buses are. Double yellows on one side of Sanquhar Road? Please give this suggestion some consideration.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. Your suggestions will be considered.	yes email
Wed 23/10/2024 14:54	I filled in an online consultation a week or so ago. Presumably Survey Monkey has my response. However, having attended a meeting on this topic at Forres Academy two days ago, when it was made clear that ONLY comments to do with Common Good Land loss will be considered relevant, I wish to do the survey again. What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? • •Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? In my opinion, the so-called potential benefits are very unlikely to prove genuine. During three or more years of the proposed New Academy construction, half of Roysvale Park Common Good Land will be lost. After construction, a third of the park will be lost permanently. A small football pitch will be left but there will be no room for a grass athletics track, which is currently used by Academy pupils and Forres Harriers. A tiny pavilion will be of little use to anyone apart from footballers. With advancing Climate Change, the proposed 'improved drainage' will prove to be impossible to achieve. As for 'improving the traffic flow' this will prove to be impossible. At present, on roads near Applegrove Primary and the present Forres Academy, especially when pupils arrive or leave, there is considerable traffic congestion. The partially blind roundabout near the British Legion is particularly dangerous. During the three or more years construction period, utter gridlock is bound to ensue and accidents will be likely. How on earth is this meant to be for the Common Good of Forres inhabitants? •Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? My main concern is the short-sighted, foolish, undemocratic decision by Moray Council to build the New Forres Academy on Roysvale Park. A majority of people who completed the previous survey was against this site and in favour of Lochyhills (WHERE ABSOLUTELY NO COMMON GOOD LAND WOULD BE LOST, AND WHERE THERE WOULD BE ROOM FOR FUTURE EXPANSION if, as is likely, the population of Forres expands in the near future, and the New Academy needs to expand as well.) Is the future intention to annex/steal all of Roysvale Park if the new academy needs to expand in future? Such a result would be seen by many as utterly unacceptable - and Moray Council would be completely to blame for this permanent loss of important Common Good Land. •Do you have any additional comments? I feel that, in my two replies to this survey, I have said more than enough to make my disgust and opposition clear.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.	yes email
Sat 26/10/2024 19:06	Please let me make it clear. I do not want the common good land of Forres to be eroded. There is no need to use the common good land when there is an alternative. I hope the council listen to the people of Forres and don't disregard valid comments because someone has mentioned the academy. What was the reason for your reply to me?	Good Morning Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the Council to consult local communities prior to taking a decision on the disposal or change of use of Common Good assets. This is a statutory consultation and all representations are required to be responded to.	yes email
Mon 28/10/2024 18:34	i do not agree with any change of use from common good land to not common good land; i believe this is very important. Thank you.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset.	yes email
Thu 31/10/2024 15:09	Thank you for your reply. I think this is a standardised response and I am not sure whether my response and the concerns I have raised regarding the use of CGL will be noted, or whether I need to resubmit my concerns concentrating only on the CGL issues. Although I think it is difficult to separate the use of CGL from the plans for the new high school - and also do not think the documentation regarding the CLG consultation was entirely clear - I understand now that this is the way this part of the consultation has been set out. I do however want my response to be counted, and would be grateful if you could confirm this is the case.	As stated the consultation is in relation to Roysvale Park Common Good and therefore it will be the elements of your response that relate to this that will be noted.	yes email
Fri 01/11/2024 14:48	I attended the public drop in regards using Roysvale for a new Forres Academy and was told that it only concerned using Common Good land. Anything I brought up was dismissed as not relevant to the discussion. I enquired about official traffic surveys, flooding considerations and close proximity to Applegrove and its impact on the people in the area that are close to Roysvale when the majority are elderly. It appears this is all for other departments to deal with. I wonder if they know the buck is being passed on down the line? All I can say is let the Common Good remain as a historic and well used part of Forres now and in the future. Apologies as you've drawn the short straw in trawling through these emails, can't even think of a funny joke to end with apart from it's Friday afternoon. Unless it's Monday when you open this. Even I'm gloom filled now.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	yes email

Wed 06/11/2024 11:47	I am writing to express my extreme disappointment at this latest proposal to use common good land at Roysvale Park for the new build Academy. I object strongly. Not only have you disregarded the wishes of the community as expressed in your consultation on choosing the best site for the new school, you are now suggesting that the community should allow you to destroy a much valued amenity in the centre of Forres in order to create room for buses to park, create a car park and allow the storage of building materials etc. Although you reassure us that most of this land will be restored, a large strip of common good land will be lost along with valuable trees, and an improved footpath which took years to complete. The evening at the school to allow the opportunity for questions failed to provide answers I'm afraid so was really a waste of time. Please log my objection to use if common good land at Roysvale.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document and discussed at the drop in session, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.	yes email
Fri 08/11/2024 10:03	Good Morning, The first question you ask is 'What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park?'. The 'proposal' is that a part of Roysvale is being changed from green space to part of the new academy development. The 'change of use' is from green space to part of academy development. It is very difficult to provide my views on the 'change of use' if I don't make reference to what the 'change of use' truly is. Could you confirm that my comments will be included with all others or, as I think your response is suggesting, you intend to discard them because I mention what the 'proposal' actually is?	As stated the consultation is in relation to Roysvale Park Common Good and therefore it will be the elements of your response that relate to this that will be noted.	yes email
Sat 09/11/2024 16:19	Dear Sir/ Madam. We would like to comment on the proposed use of Roysvale Park as follows - 1. During the construction phase mobility scooter access to the town centre via the path next to Sanquhar Road will be fenced off. There does not appear to be a replacement route that offers the same benefits as the current one. This situation will be for at least 32 months. 2. Construction traffic will pose an increased hazard for pedestrian use, particularly in the area near the roundabout which is already a problem for pedestrians and for motorists coming out of Sanquhar Road. There is already a hazardous junction where Nelson Road meets Sanquhar Road due to poor visibility. How will students get to town safely? 3.. We are concerned about root damage to established trees by heavy construction traffic and excavations. Saplings are not adequate replacements for mature trees. 4. There will be a serious loss of recreational space for the general public and the schools. The pupils at Applegrove and football teams currently use the land that will be covered by the new building. 5. A building of 2 to 3 storeys will cut out sun to the pensioners' bungalows to the north of the site. 6. The construction site is known to have a high water table but the area does currently act as a soak away. New buildings and hard surfaces will greatly add to the run-off and could make drainage issues worse. 7.There is no indication regarding where staff and visitors will park cars on completion. Parking facilities on the current site will be too far away and we are concerned that streets adjacent to the new school will become parking sites. There are already parking issues on Sanquhar Road at some times of the day with people parking on both sides. 8. The site feels too small for a building of 2-3 storeys. If expansion is required where will this be?	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	yes email
Sun 10/11/2024 09:43	Dear Sir/Madam, Please find enclosed my response to Roysvale Common Good land for potential school development	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. I am aware of your previous correspondence with Aileen Scott (Legal Services Manager), which will be included as representations to the consultation, to which two separate emails were provided to you on 25 October and 1 November 2024, and which I believe cover some of the points in your letter, therefore I will not repeat the information already provided. With regards the other points in your letter I have provided responses below. Drainage - flood maps are currently being remodelled taking into account climate change and will be taken into account within the design. Roads – these points will be considered as part of planning application of which transportation is a statutory consultee, which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any area where intervention/mitigation is necessary. Construction Phase Plan (CPP) – the response provided during the two events quoted was in relation to specific questions being raise regarding potential noise, dust, traffic in relation to the construction period of the proposed development. The CPP was mentioned as one of the items required during a planning application, which would contain the majority of mitigations that would be implemented to prevent any issues being caused to the surrounding community. It was not intended to confuse the public only to identify the process that requires to be undertaken and how these areas of concern would be addressed. Legal and use of differing Acts – Health & Safety Act and CDM regulations were mentioned during community events to address a number of queries on construction site health and safety to confirm that robust health and safety was a key element of the construction phase and would be applied in accordance with relevant legislation.	attached letter to email not included in spreadsheet email sent
Sun 10/11/2024 12:49		Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. With regards the proposed footpath adjacent to the pavilion, the proposal notes that this requirement is subject to detail design, however, was included in the consultation for information. A planning application will need to be separately submitted which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. Some of the specific points you have asked cannot be answered at this early stage but will become clearer as design of the project develops however the duty to consult at this stage is to seek community views on any proposal prior to any decision being taken that could result in disposal or change of use of a common good asset. The public drop in session held on Monday 21 October was a small part of the wider consultation process and was specifically to enable the community to attend and ask any questions they may have in relation to the consultation on the common good issues arising from the replacement Forres Academy project. The	yes email
Sun 10/11/2024 23:34	Dear Sir/Madam, Please see attached a written representation of views on the proposals for the use of Forres Common Good Land known as Roysvale Park under Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015. This representation reflects my views on the proposals, and those of my wife, Fiona Marr.	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use. I would note that the proposal for a bus drop off is inclusive of a shared footway/ cycleway and therefore this amenity would be retained for use by the public. A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development. With regards drainage issues that you raise I can confirm that the flood maps are currently being remodelled taking into account climate change and will be taken into account within the design. It should be noted that the proposed footpath adjacent to the pavilion, the proposal notes that this requirement is subject to detail design, however, was included in the consultation for information. In relation to your point on the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, the consultation was launched on 18 September 2024, open till 12 November 2024, with the full consultation document available on the Council website. The consultation was advertised in the Forres Gazette, Press and Journal and Northern Scot with posters displayed at Forres Library and Forres Community Centre. It was also advertised through Moray Council social media channels with local community groups also contacted to advise of the consultation. Once the consultation closes the council will take all representations into account in reaching a decision.	attached letter to email not included in spreadsheet, email sent
Tue 12/11/2024 21:41 additional representation following response to original representation	Thank you very much for your email and for confirming that the concerns I raised previously will be noted. As this consultation only relates to the common good land, I would like to restate that I do not agree or approve of the use of the common good land on either a temporary or permanent basis. As I submitted my original concerns before the public meeting at the school, I would also like to add the following concerns: At the school meeting, Mr Andy Hall said that the distance between the Applegrove playground and the proposed car park at the old school was not significant. He did not feel it was far to walk for those having to do this. I can see no reason therefore to permanently reduce the size of the common good land by building a bus lane, which will mean there is less space available for the public to use for sports or other activities. If it is not a significant distance to walk (for others), why can the buses not use a bus lane located near the old school or the old school car park? Please preserve as much of our park as possible. I also do not agree that a second path is needed. There is already a path running around 3 sides of Roysvale - this is adequate. A further path will add more cost and will also reduce the size of the park. I am concerned that siting building works on the common damage will cause irreversible damage. The path that was previously constructed used a corner of Roysvale adjacent to Applegrove and Sanquhar Road and has never been returned to its former state. I worry that construction use will cause permanent damage to the park. I do not think the planned bus lane will be safe. An entrance / exit close to the Nelson Road junction will be located on a blind corner and will also be right next to the existing road crossing and also the entrance gate to Applegrove Primary. This is already a dangerous crossing and cars often come around the bend too fast and in the middle of the road. I am concerned a serious accident will occur and a bus lane in this area will increase the risk. There is also insufficient space at the swimming pool end of Sanquhar Road and I cannot see how this will allow buses to turn safely. The roads in this area are already very congested in the mornings and as stated above, it would be better for the buses to come off the road and continue to use the old school ca park or an alternative bus lane area. I am also concerned that the plans shown at the public meeting were not to scale - this gives a misleading impression to the public if this is the case - can you confirm whether this was the case or not please? If the path and bus lane do go ahead this would surely reduce the area of space available such that the existing running track and football pitch would no longer fit - this is a very well used public area: kids and adults use the football pitch regularly and the running track is also well used by the public and the school. Roysvale is also the main green space area for the Sanquhar area - all other areas of Forres have an area of green space to use - please preserve this area for all of the people who use it. Finally, I am concerned about damage to the trees that adjoin the Applegrove playground and also bordering Sanquhar Road. These trees add to the natural beauty of the park and make this an attractive green space for everyone to use.	Thank you for your further representation to the statutory consultation on Roysvale Common Good I can confirm your concerns have been noted and will be considered along with all other representations It should be noted that the proposed footpath adjacent to the pavilion, the proposal notes that this requirement is subject to detail design, however, was included in the consultation for information. Your points regarding the reinstatement of common good land and the safety of the bus lane would be considered as part of both the detail design and planning process. I can confirm that the drawings displayed at the drop in event and available online as art of the full consultation document are to scale. I would also note that the drawings detail that the football pitch would be retained with a 200m running track available during construction and a 300m running track available after construction. Lastly, the proposal detailed that it would look to retain (or replace as required) all of the well established trees. A tree survey has been undertaken and the outcome will be used to inform the detailed design process.	yes email

Respondent No	Representative Comments	Response	Contact Details	Response sent
1	Q1 What are your views on the proposals in relation to Roysvale Park? Roysvale Park should be left as it is for football for old and young for after school and weekends Q2 Do you have any views on the potential benefits of the proposals? It is too waterlogged for any Buildings. Why should Applegrove children be done out of their play parks Q3 Do you have any issues or concerns arising from the proposals? The roads ar not suitable for such heavy traffic. You waste money putting pavements in then ripping them up. No wonder you have no money Q4 Do you have any additional comments? the young children shouldn't have to go out to Lochyhill not everyone has cars to take them there. Not suitable on such a busy road	Thank you for your representation to the Statutory Consultation in respect of the proposed change of use of the common good asset. The consultation relates specifically to the proposed short term disposal and change of use of Common Good Land and is not seeking views regarding the preferred site for the new Forres Academy. As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment.Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.	Kirsty Love 43 Roysvale Place	letter
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Executive Summary

This document has been prepared by jmarchitects in conjunction with Hub North Scotland Ltd., Currie and Brown, Goodson Associates, Rybka, Ryder Architecture and The Learning Crowd on behalf of Moray Council to summarise the Strategic Support Partnering Service (SSPS) Phase A and B work undertaken to date on the development of the vision for a new Forres Academy.

Over the course of the last four months the project team have worked closely with Moray Council, Forres Academy and the wider community to develop this vision which has built upon initial work undertaken as part of the pitch book authoring for the Scottish Future's Trust LEIP Phase 3 funding bid.

This document seeks to outline the SSPS Phase A and B work; visioning and strategy definition, existing information analysis, development of education briefing, lessons learnt analysis, desktop appraisal of site options, site option appraisals and recommendations as well as proposed development programme and cost plan.



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1.0 INTRODUCTION



1.1 The Need

The Strategic Fit

There is evidence that attainment and post-school destinations vary across Moray communities and in some areas are below average. Investment in the learning estate will respond to these issues and support the aspirations of the wider community. The Moray Council Learning Estate Strategy 2022-2032 aligns with the local priorities set out within the Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP) and the Moray Council Corporate Plan. A future school will align with what is expected of infrastructure for the future and offer sustainability for both the asset and communities they serve; enabling multi-organisational working to ensure that public services are joined up and resources are used most effectively.

Existing Condition and Suitability

Following the criteria outlined by the Scottish Government's Condition Core Facts Survey, Forres Academy was assessed as overall Condition D – life-expired and/or at serious risk of imminent failure. There is a trend of increasing reactive maintenance spend on the existing asset and a rising sum of investment required to make much needed fabric improvement. Considerable sums have already been spent over the last few years and these have only maintained the low condition ratings and indeed not prevented further deterioration in condition.

The current Forres Academy, which originally opened in 1969, was designed for an earlier approach to educational provision and no longer reflects the needs of the community for the integration of education, skills and jobs that will support long-term resilience and sustainability.

The continued drain on resource to simply maintain the current Forres Academy at low condition and suitability standards in unsustainable.

RAAC

Following updated guidance regarding reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) from the UK Government in late 2022 Moray Council conducted desktop reviews of their whole building estate, including 54 schools. This progressed to a physical investigation in a number of buildings over the summer of 2023, which confirmed that there was RAAC present in the flat roof structure of Forres Academy.



1.2 The Response

In November 2022 Moray Council announced that Forres Academy was listed as its priority school to receive the Scottish Government Learning Estate Improvement Programme (LEIP) 3 funding. Consultation and engagement work was undertaken to prepare a ‘pitch book’ outlining the strategic case for funding for a new Forres Academy and the Scottish Government indicated that they would consider LEIP 3 funding bids with RAAC in mind.

Moray Council’s Education, Children’s and Leisure Services Committee decided on Tuesday 19th September 2023 to progress Forres Academy quicker by accelerating the Outline Business Case approval and to bring in external consultants (‘the project team’) to move the initial stages on to be as ready as possible when any funding announcement is made.

On 30th October 2023 the Scottish Government confirmed that the funding bid for a replacement Forres Academy had been successful.

Over the course of the last four months the project team have worked closely with Moray Council, Forres Academy and the wider community to develop a vision which has built upon the initial work undertaken as part of the pitch book authoring.











1.3 The Conversation

Design Charrettes

As part of the engagement programme for Forres Academy, two sets of design charrettes were held on 4th and 14th December 2023. Charrettes are a collaborative and hands-on way to engage with stakeholders who may not have decision-making influence over a project, but often have a wealth of knowledge, interest and enthusiasm as they represent the end users of the building and/or the wider community in which it is set.

Our charrettes were attended by three groups: staff from the existing school; pupils from the existing school; and community / elected members including parents and carers of current pupils. On the first day, each group was given an overview of the project context before completing exercises focusing on shared and large spaces, such as the grounds and approach to the school, sports facilities, dining, assembly and drama. Each group lasted approximately one hour.

The second charrette was attended by staff and pupils only, as it focused on core spaces such as classrooms, breakout space, circulation and flexible working spaces, which are not typically accessed by members of the public.

The methodology was consistent across each charrette. Attendees were split into small groups of around five to eight people, and a member of the client or design team sat with each group to facilitate discussion and take notes. The groups were presented with precedent images from existing schools, each page addressing a different type of space, and were invited to put coloured dots on the images to indicate their likes and dislikes. This was used as a prompt for further discussion to capture qualitative feedback on what could work in the new school, and what may not work so well.

It also gave the team an opportunity to ask why people held certain preferences – for example: personal preference / taste; concerns about safety, capacity, functionality, etc; or simply being presented with something new or different that may take time to get used to. This helps to assess the feedback in more depth and understand more about the aspirations and culture of the school.

Key themes included:

- Safe access routes to the school for pedestrians, reduced congestion from cars and buses, and supporting active travel where possible
- A well-defined entrance which clearly displays the name of the school, and has sufficient width to avoid bottlenecks at the start and end of the day
- Shelter, seating and activity space to make the most of the outdoors
- Larger spaces such as assembly, performance and dining should work hard and be multi purpose / flexible where possible. However, the design should ensure that flexibility, noise and adjacent circulation spaces do not distract from their function
- The school should be welcoming, light and bright, accessible and inclusive
- Sports provision should be a community asset, offering a range of sports and the ability to use facilities out of school hours
- Whilst pupils are not encouraged to loiter in the school during lunch and breaks, there is a desire for more social spaces and areas where both staff and pupils can relax or work in comfort
- Classrooms and breakout spaces should be as bright and spacious as possible, with good storage. There is a desire for robust furniture that will not easily break
- In spaces used for flexible working, breakout and socialising, attendees strongly favoured images showing different types of furniture which could support a variety of learning styles and types of work. This includes quiet / individual spaces or small booths through to larger spaces for collaborative work in bigger groups

A full report of the charrette findings, including key themes and feedback from each group on each space type, is included in Appendix A.

Partner Survey

In December 2023/ January 2024, a short online survey was sent to potential partners who may wish to use working space or community facilities in the school, to begin dialogue about what their requirements may be. To date, four responses have been received from Scottish Ambulance Service, NHS Grampian (x2) and Police Scotland. There has been a request for space from the latter two services, including dedicated space, drop-in desks, collaboration space, meeting rooms and a treatment room for the nurse when visiting. Other considerations include the ability to have confidential meetings / calls, secure storage and parking for operational vehicles. For partners, the benefits of shared facilities include being more visible and available to pupils and the community, and more joint working opportunities with other partners to improve service delivery overall.







1.4 The Brief

The Education Design Brief sets out the proposal for a new building for Forres Academy. The 'Learning Village' will provide high quality, flexible and future-proofed spaces for 1200 pupils and 40 ASN pupils in a non-denominational six year secondary school. The total proposed GIFA for the project is 14,520m2.

The term 'Learning Village' is used here to show that this is a new type of campus that is designed specifically to a set of agreed Moray Council principles that will maximise the use of the learning estate now and in the future.

The brief demonstrates how the project will deliver national and local priorities, in particular :

- National Policy including the Learning Estates Strategy and National Improvement Framework;
- Moray Council Learning Estate Strategy 2022-2032; and
- The Forres Academy Vision, Values and Aims.

The Education Design Brief has been developed closely with Moray Council and Forres Academy Senior Leaders and involved engagement with school stakeholders including staff, pupils, parents and community representatives. It takes account of their aspirations but is grounded in ensuring the project :

- Delivers the Scottish Futures Trust Space Standards and is within cost metrics for a project of this size;
- Sets clear Strategic Objectives and success measures that provide a framework for delivery and for monitoring impact;
- Takes account of the school context in terms of curriculum, ways of working, pastoral care and additional needs, partner services and community use. At the same time, it ensures flexibility and future-proofing to meet long term needs; and
- Has a set of overarching education design objectives that will translate into agreed adjacencies and an accommodation schedule that ensure clarity about the purpose and requirements of the spaces.

It also draws on Post Occupancy Evaluations of recent Moray Council education projects at Lossiemouth High School and Elgin High School and from visits to other new community schools.

The Education Design Brief and proposed Schedule of Accommodation can be found in Appendix B.



1.5 Lessons Learned

A “Lessons Learned” workshop was held on 25 October 2023 (Lossiemouth, Elgin High School + Linkwood Lessons Learned Summary Paper was referenced), and those attending the workshop talked about experiences learned from construction projects in general, and not just specific schools. From the workshop, a number of key points were raised and discussed which are summarised below:

- The requirement to do Site Investigation works at the earliest opportunity was discussed.
- It is important to get early FM involvement – the internal team from MC needs to be signed up to the project early on, in design stages as well as in construction.
- Pitched roofs would be preferable to flat roofs where possible/applicable albeit it is understood that it is not always the more cost-effective solution.
- Design to minimise damage caused by seagulls on flat roofs and in particular protecting exposed insulation on pipework or similar.
- Careful design is required whereby access to ceiling voids is required to make sure a robust solution is put in place, especially where regular maintenance inspections required, in corridors for instance.
- There is a preference not to have ceiling tiles in classrooms.
- Exposed trunking is probably the best solution for IT/electrical outlets within classrooms however vertical drops should be kept to a minimum.
- When designing lamps/lighting in atrium’s, consideration should be given as to how maintenance is to be carried out and where possible avoiding the use of scissor lifts.
- An important appointment pre contract is the Tier 1 Design Manager, and preferably someone with experienced in education projects should be appointed where possible.
- Any Value Engineering changes required should be fully broken down to allow evaluation/ scrutiny by the Cost Manager
- Any VE changes that are proposed should consider all long-term considerations for the participant particularly in terms of ongoing maintenance requirements.
- There is continued debate whether MVHR units in classrooms is a preferable solution opposed to centralised plant. Careful consideration is required as to the long-term maintenance requirements and not just initial capital costs, and full consideration of associated costs needs to be scrutinised including increasing building heights, increased GIFA for service risers etc. Participant/FM team need to be consulted also.
- FF&E coordination required to ensure account taken of items such as surface mounted pipe drops or surface mounted conduit etc. Consider use of independent FF&E consultant as part of design team.
- Window opening systems need to be carefully designed and also take account of potential furniture layouts that might affect access.
- Care is needed with RDD reviews as this needs to occur before Financial Close where possible.
- Clarity is required as to what elements of M&E are CDP and what is M&E consultant designed.
- A careful review of the benefits versus costs of “fibre to the room” is recommended.
- Early engagement with insurers “Zurich” is recommended to obtain clarity on the final specification of sprinkler heads within classrooms and what protection is required.
- Careful programming is needed at tender package reviews stage to ensure adequate time is allocated for fully assessing tender returns and reviewing alternative solutions.
- Market testing period in programme needs to be sufficient to allow Tier 1 risk allocation to be reduced if appropriate.
- Tier 1 supply chain needs to be thoroughly tested at Tier 1interview stage.
- ACR’s require thorough review including aspects including adjacencies for instance.
- Consideration should be given early on in the design process as to what public (community use) access required, and to which parts of the building to assist in design of access control, security strategy, lockdown strategy and CCTV monitoring.
- There does not seem to be a standard approach within Scottish schools as to the design/layout of WC’s; consideration should therefore be given to reviewing new schools that are constructed and in operation to see which layouts function best.
- Head Teacher involvement in school design is welcome and necessary however consideration should also be given to layouts generally on newly built schools to see what functions and layouts work well.
- Design and specification to mitigate wall scuffs (shoes/heels as well as bags), corner protection to be carried out pre contract, including anti-graffiti material specification.
- Colours for interior design is subjective, however participant should review other newly built schools for inspiration.
- Flexibility for future changes in partitions should be considered at design stage including potential for including mullions at strategic points within the frame.
- Car parking needs to take account of potential community use as well as day to day school use.

A number of the above points raised suggested that much could be learned from visiting newly built school projects. To this extent, jmarchitects were able to assist representatives from Moray Council on a number of site visits to new schools in the Central Belt giving the participant the opportunities to consider alternative design solutions to some of the points raised in the above. The following schools were visited on 20th and 21st November 2023:

- Jedburgh Intergenerational Campus
- Castlebrae Community Campus
- Wallyford Learning Campus



Elgin High School



Lossiemouth High School

1.6 Strategic Options

In additional to the new build design proposals contained within this SSPS Report, Moray Council also explored the following two options in relation to the existing Forres Academy building: 'do nothing' and 'refurbish and extend'.

'Do Nothing'

The Forres Academy building is assessed as overall Condition D – life-expired and/or serious risk of imminent failure. The current school was designed for an earlier approach to educational provision and no longer reflects the needs of the community for the integration of education, skills and jobs that will support long-term resilience and sustainability. There is a trend of increasing reactive maintenance spend on the existing building and a rising sum of investment required to make much needed fabric improvements.

Considerable sums have already been spent over the last few years and these have only maintained the low condition ratings and indeed not prevented further deterioration in condition. The continued drain on resources to simply maintain the current Forres Academy at low condition and suitability standards is unsustainable.

Refurbish and Extend

Moray Council commissioned a high-level appraisal of Forres Academy in 2023 to ascertain whether it would be practicable and cost effective to refurbish and extend the existing school building. As part of this exercise several key criteria were considered including: the existing condition of the school premises; LEIP 3 compliance; any challenges that a refurbishment scenario may present including functionality and quality issues; whole life carbon; and cost implications. Whilst a refurbishment scenario can meet a number of the LEIP 3 requirements, two issues present significant if not insurmountable challenges; the existing span between the structural floor slabs (which is significantly less than in modern education facilities) would pose a challenge with the mechanical ventilation required to meet LEIP 3 as well as the probable requirements to insulate under the existing ground floor slab.

Based on benchmark data the construction cost to refurbish a school is generally around 90% of the cost of a new build however the additional costs pertaining to the Forres Academy project, such as temporary accommodation for decant, the extent of RAAC and concerns over fire engineering would mean that the cost for delivering a refurbished Forres Academy would be likely to exceed the cost for delivering a new build Forres Academy with the risk that the final building could be compromised in some aspects.

Conclusion

One of Moray Council's learning estate strategy aspiration and key drivers is that "All learners to be educated in high quality buildings (minimum level B for condition and suitability)" given the financial challenge of simply maintaining the existing building without ever being able to improve its condition it would not be acceptable to 'do nothing' at Forres Academy. When consideration is taken of a compromised design solution that may have to be accepted for a refurbished school in comparison to a new build without any cost benefit, it was concluded that a refurbishment solution would not offer good value for money to Moray Council and the end product would unlikely meet the aspirations of the local community. It was therefore decided that Moray Council would proceed with a new build solution for the replacement Forres Academy.



Existing Forres Academy

2.0 PLACE



2.1 Forres

The town of Forres is located within the council of Moray, approximately 26 miles east of the city Inverness.

The town is also geographically close to the towns Elgin, Nairn, and Burghead as well as Findhorn, Auldearn and Kinloss.

The first historical indication of the existence of the town may be that shown as Varis on a map. It is suspected that “Forres” may be derived from this or a combination from the Gaelic words “fo” (below) or “far” (where) and “ras” (underwood).





The town of Forres in its wider context with the surrounding towns and cities

2.1 Forres

Forres has a deep-rooted history dating back centuries, with its burgh charter granted in 1153. This historical backdrop is reflected in heritage assets like Sueno's Stone, an ancient Pictish monument.

While the town has historical ties to trade and industry, notably in textiles and brewing, its contemporary identity is shaped by the acclaimed whisky production.

The bustling High Street, with various elements of history and portrayed throughout, stands as the heart of the area and define Forres' connectivity and community.

In addition to its architectural and historical significance, Forres prioritises community and recreational facilities. The town hosts various sports amenities, with golf courses at its periphery, and community centres that foster social engagement.

Forres demonstrates a commitment to preserving its heritage, fostering community bonds, and offering recreational spaces that enhance the quality of life for its residents.



Overview of the town of Forres

2.2 A Place Specific Vision

It is important to provide a school which is both physically stitched into the fabric of Forres and reflects what is important to the town; a true community hub which is developed for, used by and owned by the people of Forres.

The school should allow young learners to become better learners, grow values, develop skills and enhance the community whilst also reinforcing the values of effort, respect and ambition. The school will facilitate high quality learning and teaching that leads to improved levels of attainment and achievement and creates an environment which enables the development of leadership skills at all levels.

The building should form a strong connection to its immediate external environment and that beyond its site boundaries to encourage community engagement, develop and enhance inclusive practice and improve partnerships and family learning.



2.3 Local Development Plan

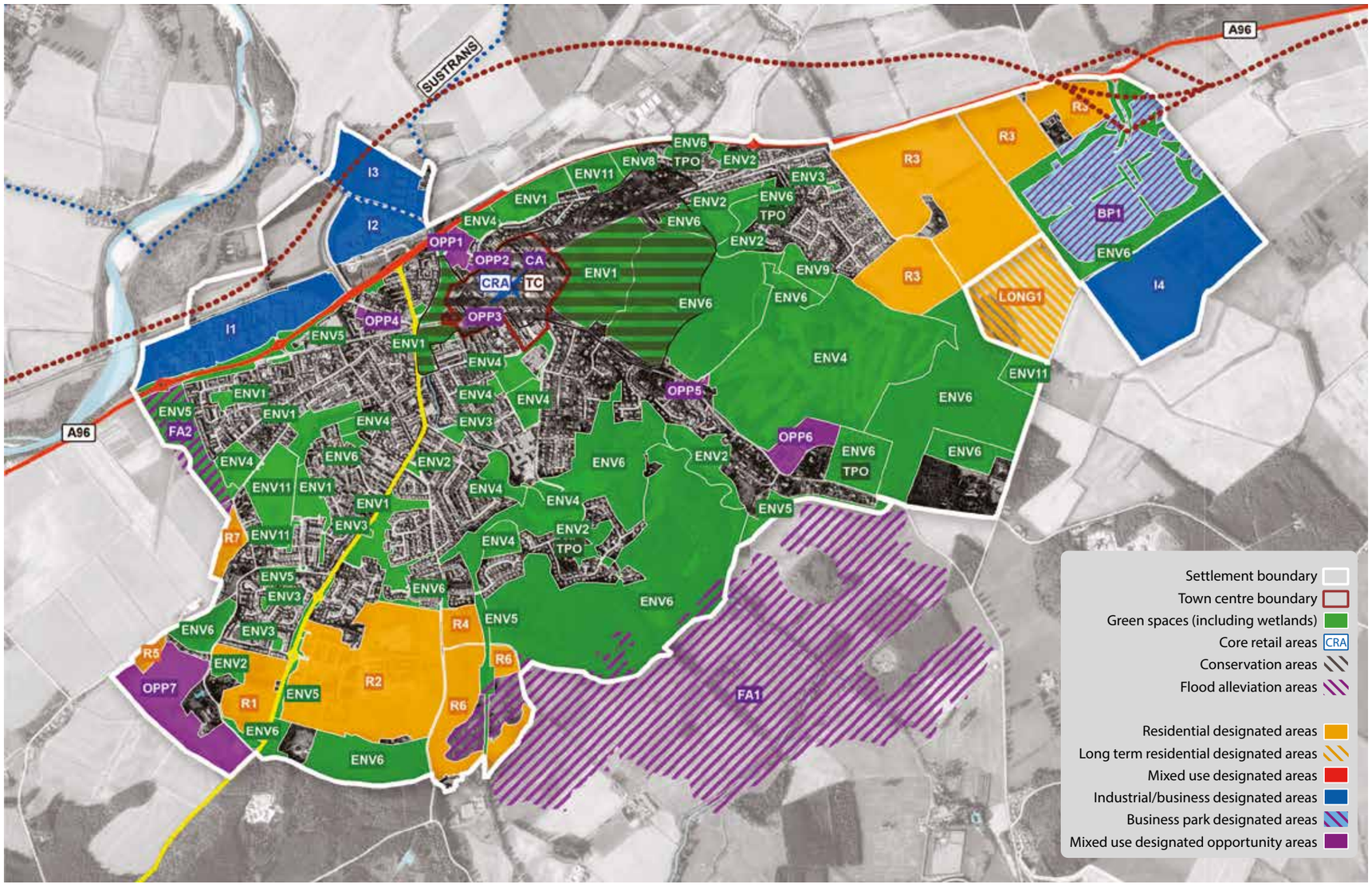
The policies for development of the area in and around Forres are covered by the Moray Local Development Plan 2020 and provides guidance on how the Council sees the area developing over the next 10 years.

The Local Development Plan (LDP) identifies that development proposals must reflect the traditional settlement character in terms of siting and design. It also states that design should enhance Forres' distinctive built heritage and the integrity of the Conservation Area.

The LDP notes the requirement of long term growth areas, including new neighbourhoods at Ferrylea, Lochyhill and Dallas Dhu which would aid in supporting and enhancing the vitality and viability of the town centre.

The LDP states the necessity for an additional 12ha of land for employment and support proposals for business development, which in turn would supplement the proposed new neighbourhoods.

The LDP also recognises the importance of protecting and enhancing the existing network of open and green spaces and to identify a network of new park and play areas within the development boundary of Forres.



Forres Local Development Plan Map, courtesy of Moray Council

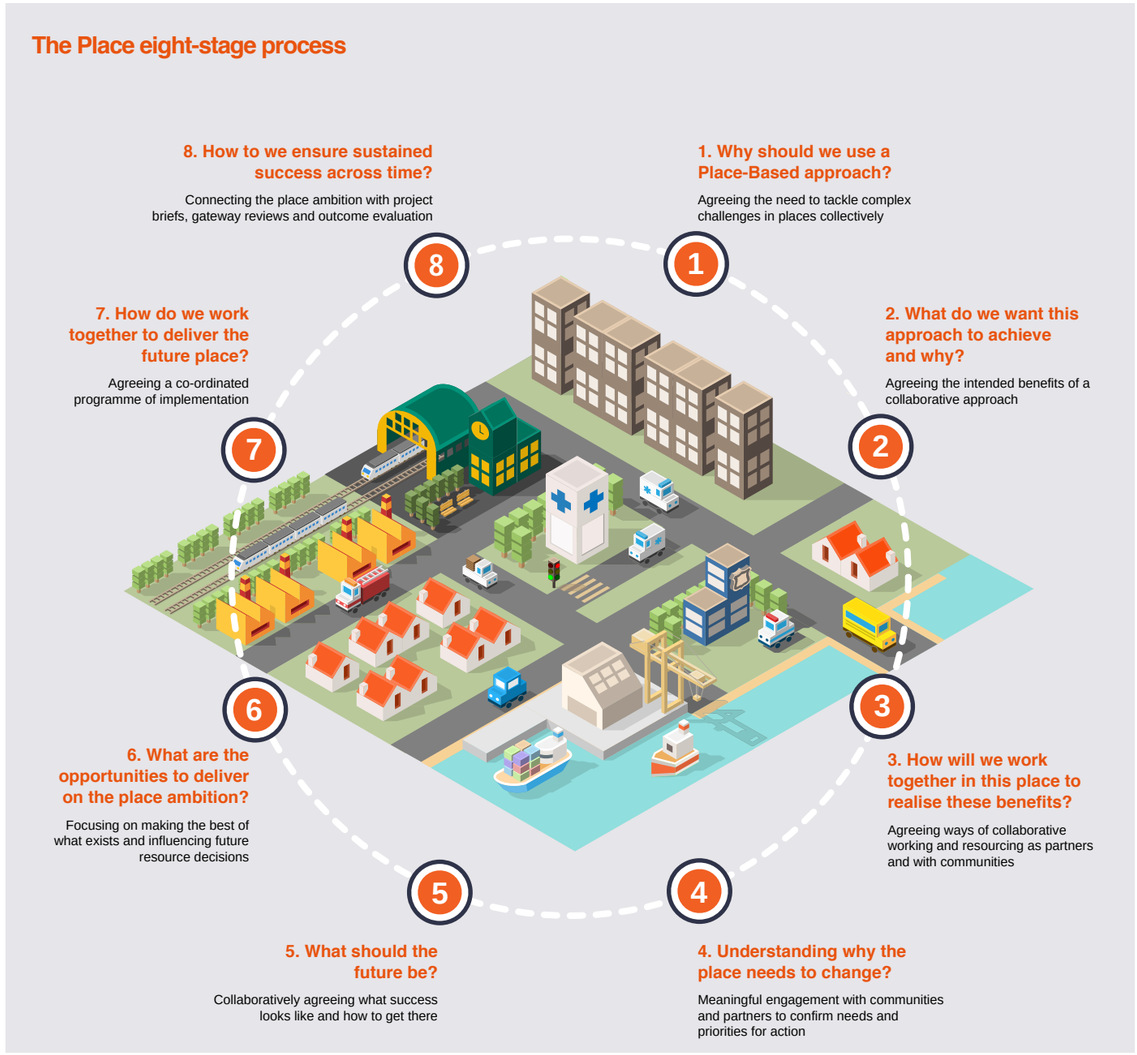
2.4 Place Based Review

Place is a key pillar of public policy and investment in Scotland. A place-based approach is about joining up infrastructure, services and partnerships to better meet the needs of local communities; providing better opportunities and improving the impact of combined energy, resources and investment.

During SSPS Phases A and B, Moray Council and the Design Team commenced engagement with the existing school, stakeholders and the local community and partners in Forres. A 20 minute neighbourhood study was undertaken on the three site options; looking at both Council and partner assets.

The three sites have also been assessed against Moray Council's Strategic and SMART Objectives. A community event was held at the end of October to present and discuss the 20 minute neighbourhood analysis and strategic assessment outcomes. A survey has been issued to blue light services with responses received from Police Scotland, Scottish Ambulance Service and NHS; it is also proposed to re-issue the survey to a wider pool of partners.

As part of the wider North Schools Programme, Moray Council propose to work alongside Hub North Scotland and the other participants to further develop the Place Based Review.



2.5 The Existing Site

The existing Forres Academy site is split into two areas. The main site lies adjacent to Roysvale Park, is bisected by the Mosset Burn and occupied by the school buildings, Forres Swimming and Hydrotherapy Pool, car parks and other external hard and soft sports pitches. There is also a satellite site to the south, accessible by footpaths from the main site which contains additional grass playing fields.

School - Guidance

The School Premises (General Requirements and Standards) (Scotland) 1967 states:

The area of site for a 1121 pupil secondary school (current pupil capacity) shall not be less than 6.5 acres (2.63 hectares), excluding sports pitches, roads, pathways and areas not generally suitable for use as school grounds.

The area of pitches for a 1121 pupil secondary shall not be less than 9 acres (3.64 hectares).

Total required site area, according to The School Premises (General Requirements and Standards) (Scotland) 1967 is 15.5 acres (6.27 hectares).

School – Site

The existing Forres Academy site is approximately 7.96 hectares.

School - Footprint

The existing Forres Academy footprint is approximate 10,100sqm/ 1.01 hectares (not including the swimming or hydrotherapy pools).



Existing school site boundary and the wider settlement boundary

2.6 Potential Locations for a New Community Hub

Moray Council has engaged with Hub North Scotland and a Design Team to begin work on designs for a new Forres Academy.

One of the first steps was to decide where the new school should go. From a list of five possible sites, three have been short-listed as suitable locations for the new Forres Academy (Roysvale Park, Lochyhill and Grantown Road).

Following the creation of this short-list, a more detailed site analysis and appraisal has been carried out for the three potential locations. The design team has also been able to assess the various sites against the project's strategic objectives.

Potential locations to accommodate school

1	Roysvale Park & Existing Site	6.1 Ha
2	Lochyhill / Enterprise park	5.8 Ha
3	Grantown Road	5.9 Ha
	Forres Settlement Boundary	



Potential locations for new Academy

3.0 ROYSVALE PARK



3.1 Location Overview



Roysvale Park site within the context of Forres

3.2 Historical Analysis

Forres is one of the oldest of Scotland's royal burghs with the charter granted in 1153. In the 12th century, Forres, along with Inverness, Auldearn, Nairn and Elgin formed part of a defensive chain along the south coast of the Moray Firth.

Throughout the 15th and 16th centuries, Forres thrived as a market town, capitalizing on its strategic location and burgeoning trade networks.

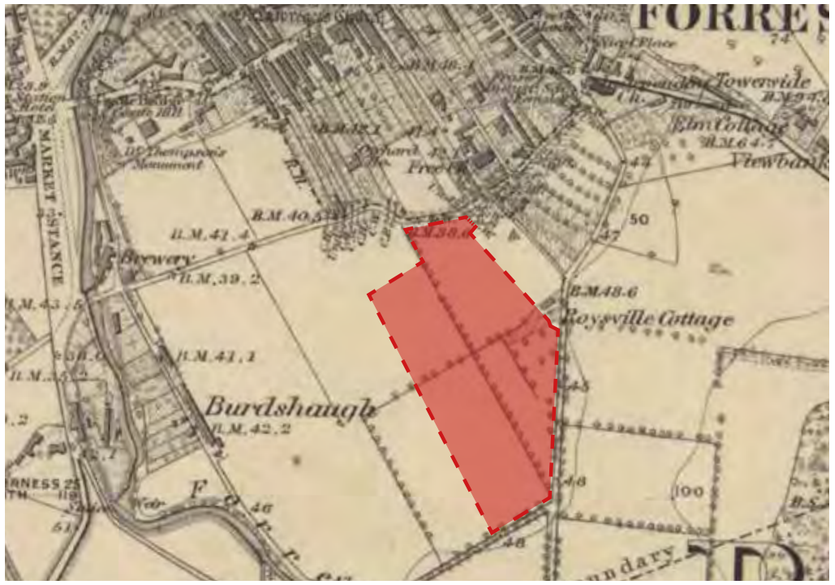
By the 18th and 19th century, the site still remained largely untouched. However the main town, particularly along the High Street, began to rapidly develop and became commercially and socially significant for the area.

During the late 19th century and mid-20th century, the towns growth continued, expanding away from the High Street and particularly along Burn of Mosset, with new roads and public footpaths appearing, allowing new housing and amenities to emerge.

Roysvale Park

There has been a primary school on the ground adjacent to the park since the mid 20th century and has been expanded several times to accommodate the requirements of modern education.

The park has remained largely untouched since transitioning into a public space in the 19th century.



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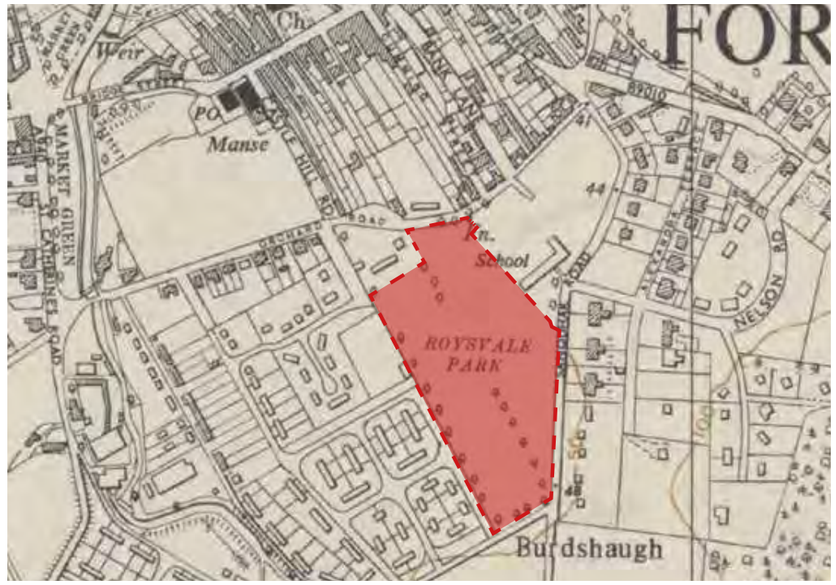

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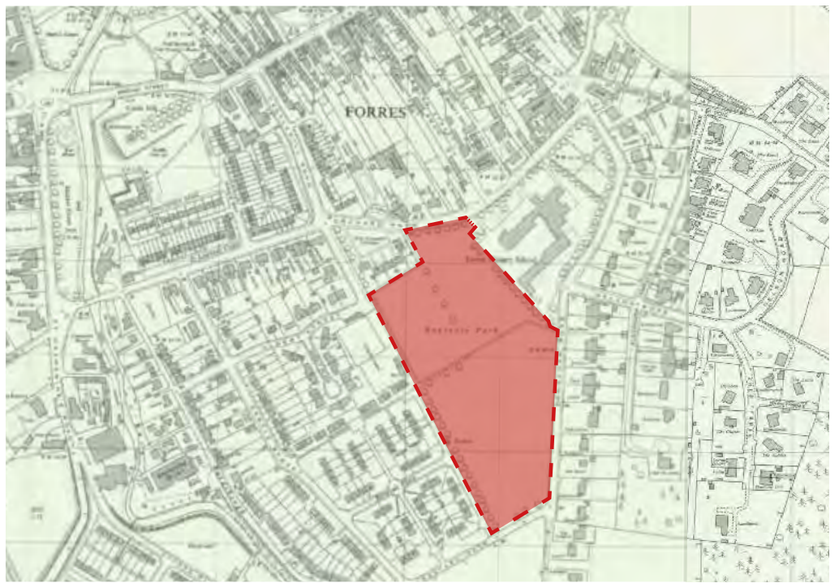

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3.3 Photographic Survey



View of the Roysvale Park site looking north

3.3 Photographic Survey



Aerial view of the Roysvale Park site

3.4 20 Minute Neighbourhood

Roysvale Park is located slightly to the south, whilst still remaining quite central, to the majority of the towns facilities.

Several community and amenity facilities are in close proximity to the site, such as the Forres Swimming Pool and Fitness Centre which adjoins to the existing school building. There are also several green spaces and public parks which are a 10-20 minute walk from the site.

Various food retailers are located along the town's High Street, as well as two supermarkets, Spar and Co-op, which are both, approximately 10 minute walks from Roysvale Park. A larger supermarket - Tesco - is along Nairn Road, which adjoins the High Street and is approximately a 16 minute walk.

The main public transport network for the town, the bus service, has several services and routes which are nearby to the site. The train station is to the north of the site and is a 17 minute walk.

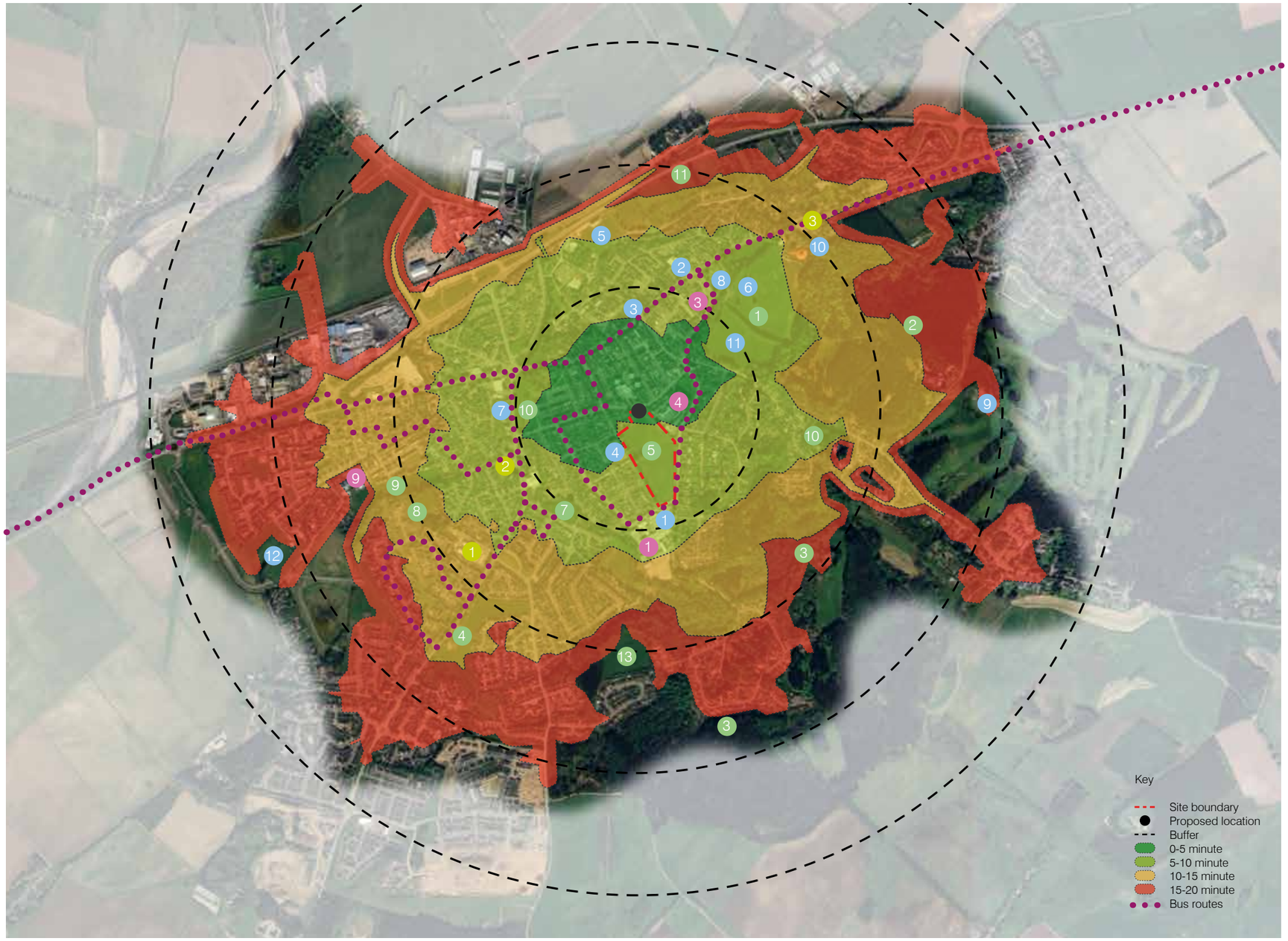
KEY

Parks & Green Spaces
1. Grant Park
2. Cluny Hill
3. Sanquhar Loch & Woodlands
4. Mannachie Park
5. Roysvale Park
7. Fleurs Park
8. Thornhill Playing Field
9. Pilmuir Playing Field
10. Mosset Burn Park
11. Bogton Road Park
13. Academy Playing Field

Community & Sports Facilities
1. Swimming Pool & Leisure Centre
2. Forres House Community Centre
3. Forres Town Hall
4. Forres Tennis Club
5. Forres Mechanics Football Club
6. Forres St. Lawrence Cricket Club
7. Forres Bowling Club
8. Grant Park Bowling Club
9. Forres Golf Club
10. Forres Squash & Fitness Club
11. Forres Area Soccer 7s
12. Forres Thistle Football Club

Schools
1. Forres Academy
3. Anderson's Primary School
4. Applegrove Primary School
9. Pilmuir Primary School

Healthcare & Emergency Services
1. Forres Health & Care Centre
2. Forres Community Fire Station
3. Forres Police Station



Map showing the public amenities in relation to Roysvale Park

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3.5 Existing Utilities

Record drawings indicate that the proposed Roysvale Park site is clear of Electrical, Gas, Mains Water and Communications utilities infrastructure.

The utilities for the proposed new development would comprise of Electric, Mains Water and Communications Infrastructure. Records show that existing infrastructure for each of these services are located in close proximity to the site.

Utility capacities and the ability for local infrastructure to serve the site without significant network reinforcement will be confirmed as the design develops and applications are made. Notwithstanding that we believe the Roysvale Park site presents the option with least risk on the basis that the capacities associated with the existing school will be removed from the infrastructure locally and can be assigned to the proposed new school development.

The record drawings received will be verified through a Ground Penetrating Radar Survey (GPRS) during the next stage of the project should the site be selected as the preferred option.

With regard to drainage, the surrounding network is a fully combined system. A Pre Development Enquiry has been submitted to Scottish Water to establish if sufficient capacity exists to allow for both surface and foul water to be discharged to this network. In the event that there is insufficient capacity for the surface water, it should be noted that an offsite connection to the Burn of Mosset may be required.

Within the site boundary a 225mm drainage tail exists running north/south. It is understood that this redundant, however CCTV works will be required to confirm. Additionally, a below ground surface water storage trench exists to the boundary with Applegrove Primary School. This is identified on the constraints plans provided.

For further details and utility record drawings please refer to Appendix C.

3.6 Engineering Review

Earthworks and Site Levels

Existing Site Topography

The topographical survey was undertaken by Douglas Land Surveys Ltd in November 2023.

The data shows minimal level change throughout the site, there is a 3m level change from south to north, undulating between 14mAOD and 12mAOD.

Proposed Levels and Cut / Fill Strategy

In general, the existing topography is relatively flat, the site falls gently to the north, however, there is a slight valley in the levels through the centre of the field.

The FFL of the proposed school will require to be 600mm above the 1:1000 year flood level, which will need to be demonstrated through a detailed flood risk assessment. However, based on an initial assessment the building footprint and surrounding areas will need to increase in level by approximately between 400mm and 1.6m above existing topographical levels. At this stage it should be assumed that this will require to be built up with imported engineered fill.

Any water which is displaced by proposed development, up to the 1 in 200 year event, will need to be stored within the site boundary through a compensatory flood scheme. An area has been identified within Roysvale park, where levels will be shaped to ensure that flooding is controlled and no additional flooding outwith the site boundary occurs due to the development.

The current earthworks strategy allows for an approximate compensatory flood water volume of 5000 - 7000m^3. The area identified to act as compensatory storage is displayed by the blue hatch in Figure 1, however this will be further developed though detailed flood modelling.
It should be noted that this flooding will be a rare event, and will not prevent the day to day use of this space outwith these extreme weather events.

Furthermore, the current earthworks model highlights that 8000m3 engineering fill is required under the building footprint. However, there is a cut fill balance within the remainder of the site.

Retention and Levels

Due to the requirements for compensatory storage and raising the finished floor level of the school, areas for low level retention and banking will be required in the design.

Resolving this level difference can be accommodated in a number of ways, and through careful consideration of the layout and landscape design this can be included in such a way as to not act as a constraint.

Transportation/ Parking

Subject to agreement with the roads department, the proposed main entrance location is proposed to be located along Orchard Road.

Locating accessible parking at the front entrance makes sense from user access requirements, it does present difficulties in terms of managing the parking to prevent misuse of the spaces and will need to be considered carefully in the next stage of design.

To further understand the traffic and parking patterns in the local area, parking surveys will be required to inform any future planning application. Initial discussions regarding the scope of these have been undertaken with Moray Council.

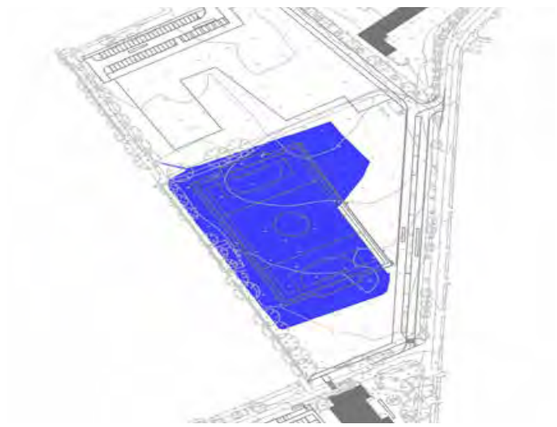

Figure 1. Proposed Area of Controlled Flooding During 1 in 200 year event



Figure 3. Moray Council Adoption Plan



Figure 2. Image from site walkover

3.6 Engineering Review

Geotechnical Review ans Site Investigation

During the feasibility stage we have carried out an initial desktop review of the prevailing ground conditions on the site, taking cognisance of both BGS records and historic site investigation information from the surrounding area. This was followed up by a detailed site investigation the site works for which were completed in November 2023.

Previous land use

A review of the 1830-1880 historic map shows that the site was previously used for agricultural purposes. No major structures were recorded within the site boundary prior to the construction of the school. See Figure 4.

The primary school – Applegrove Primary - within the site boundary was officially opened in the 1950s.

From previous land use, the assumption is that overall risk of contaminants is low, however, results from the SI report will clarify the presence of contaminants.

It is assumed the current primary school building envelope will contain asbestos contaminants. An asbestos register will be required to address this fully.

Geology

From the recent site investigation works, borehole information generally shows a sand and gravel strata below a layer of topsoil. See Figure 8.

The lithological description from the British Geological Survey is gravel, sand and silt which further corroborates the borehole information.

The Coal Authority GIS database identified that the site is not within an area coal mining reporting or where coal outcrops are present. Based upon this information, it is concluded that coal mining will not affect the proposed development.

Foundations

The ground conditions on-site should, mostly, allow for conventional solution using an allowable bearing pressure of 150kPa. Further confirmation of this value will be received within the full SI report.

However, the foundation solution will have to be investigated further to the north east of the site, within the pink hatch in Figure 9. The ground conditions between WS01 and CP01 will not support a shallow foundation solution and localised ground improvement may be required in this area.

Based on 2000kN maximum column load the allowable bearing pressure of 150kPa would lead to relatively large pads, furthermore, there is a looser stratum of silty sand (WS02-05) around 2.3-3.1mbgl which will need to be considered in the settlement calculations once the location and levels of the proposed foundation and loads are understood.

An additional point of note is the presence of a very localised poorer deposit at 2mbgl at WS12, see Figure 9. However, as this is out with the area of the current development proposals, this is not considered to be a constraint.



Figure 4. Extract from 1830-1880s historical map



Figure 5. Extract from 1900s historical map



Figure 6. 2004 Aerial view



Figure 7. 2023 Aerial view

3.6 Engineering Review

Groundwater

The preliminary boreholes show that the water table varies from 0.69-1.96mbgl. Instantaneous recharge is noted which indicates that standing water table is present. Further examinations are ongoing to log these levels.

Based on this, it is likely that the contractor will encounter ground water during foundation and drainage excavations, and an allowance for dewatering should be considered as part of any cost appraisal.

Radon

A review of UK Radon mapping has indicated that the site is within an area of 1% of homes are affected by Radon. Therefore, based upon this dataset and in accordance with BRE 211(2015), the minimum level of Radon Protection is required for any future development at the site.

Ground gas risk

A full ground gas risk assessment is being prepared as part of the detailed site investigation. For this site, the primary potential sources of ground gas is considered to be:

- Potential generation and migration of ground gas (primarily carbon dioxide (CO2) and methane (CH4) attributable to microbiological decomposition associated within organic rich soils and strata.

Further considerations to these potential sources also depend on the potential for significant volumes of ground gas to be generated in addition to the concentration of ground gases and the capacity for organic material degradation.

All natural soils contain a proportion of organic material and have a biome of micro organisms that will degrade and cycle organic material as part of the natural soil cycle, with CO2 and CH4 respired as by-products depending on the prevailing ground conditions.

However, based on the results received to date, limited ground gas has been encountered and the site is considered to be low risk (CS1).

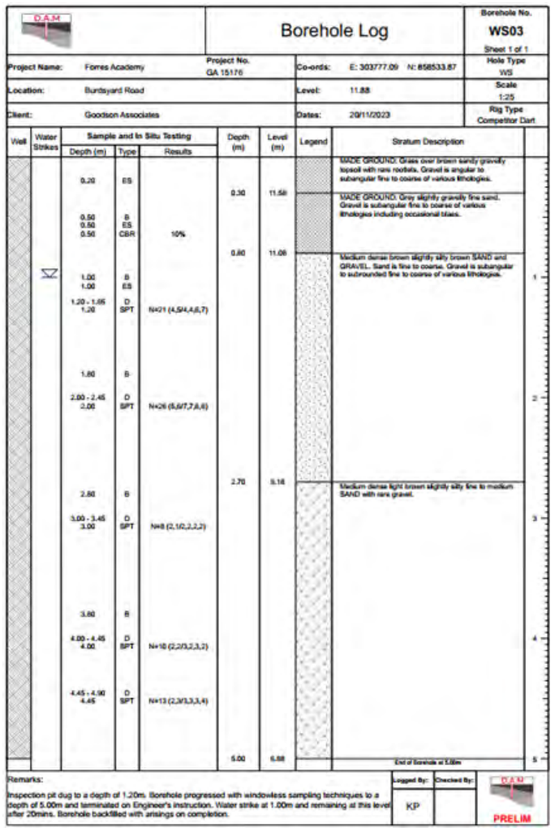

Figure 8. Example Borehole log



Figure 9.Exploratory plan with area of loose ground highlighted in a pink hatch

3.6 Engineering Review

SUDS Strategy

Surface Water Discharge

The existing surface water run-off is 17l/s, this was concluded using a 4.9ha area of greenfield.

The main impact of a development is to increase the proportion of impermeable surfaces (e.g., roofs and paved areas) within the site and without careful planning this can increase peak rate runoff. Sustainable Drainage Systems (SUDS) aim to mitigate this effect by emulating natural drainage systems and the provision of storage.

Treatment must be provided in accordance with the recommendations of The SUDS Manual (CIRIA Document C753), SEPA and other relevant guidance. To determine surface water treatment requirements, The SUDS Manual (CIRIA Document C753) initially requires identification of the various land use classifications involved in the development. Using Table 4.3 (Page63), the following classifications are considered relevant:

- Non-residential parking with infrequent change (e.g. schools, offices, < 300 traffic movements a day)
- Commercial/Industrial roofing: Inert materials

The guidance confirms that the various land use classifications identified require use of the Simple Index Approach. This involves a comparison between indices of likely pollution levels against SUDS performance capacities. To deliver adequate treatment, the selected SUDS components should have a total pollution mitigation that equals or exceeds the pollution hazard index. There are several options for treatment, however, the best choice will need to consider the site constraints and space available.

For this reason, it is anticipated that options such as SUDS basins and ponds will not be viable for this site due to their large land take.

As such, options such as porous paving, filter strips and linear swales which can be accommodated within the landscaping will be preferred. It is also assumed that to attenuate the additional storm water runoff from the development, a below ground storage tank will also be required.

The connection for the surface water is yet to be approved by Scottish Water. However, the preferred option is to connect to the combined sewer to the north of the site, although, combined sewer connections are not favoured by Scottish Water. In the instance that a combined connection is rejected, a surface water sewer will have to be installed along Orchard Road with an outfall into the Burn of Mosset, this option would involve installing an offsite sewer approximately 350m long in adopted land. See Figure 11.

Based on a 5l/s run off rate for the site, which is yet to be approved by Scottish Water, it is estimated approximately 1600m3 of storage will be required to store the 1:200 year storm with 37% climate change. This may vary depending on area of proposed hard standing and potentials for capturing the 1:200 year storm on site.

The primary method of attenuation will be provided by below ground attenuation tanks as it is anticipated that options such as SUDS basins and ponds will not be viable for this site due to their large land take. Depending on the final location and depth of the tanks, due to the high ground water further measures to reduce the buoyancy of these tanks may need to be considered in the detailed design.



Figure 10.Existing surface water and foul water (combined) system as displayed on Scottish Water maps.

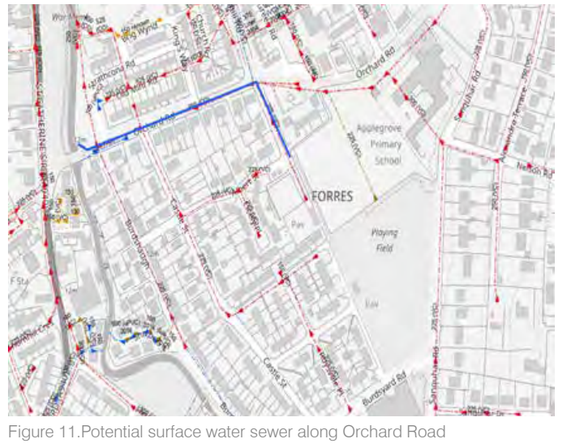

Figure 11.Potential surface water sewer along Orchard Road

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Foul Water

A Pre-Development Enquiry has been submitted to Scottish Water to determine the effect of the proposed development on the local sewer network.

Flooding

Existing flooding occurs within the site boundary with both the 1 in 200 and 1 in 1000 year storm. A flood risk assessment completed by Moray Council in 2021 depicts the flood extents of both the Burn of Mosset and River Findhorn considering their flood prevention schemes. The flood extent from the 2021 flood risk assessment is corroborated by the SEPA flood maps. See Figures 12&13.

The 1 in 200 year storm flood risk assessment carried out during the works for the Findhorn flood prevention scheme display no flooding within the site. Therefore, the 1 in 200 year fluvial flooding occurs on the site due to flooding of the Burn of Mosset. See figure 14.

Further Flood risk assessments required in order to understand the flood risk within the site, however as noted in the previous sections, it is proposed that any flood water displaced by the development will be offset through an on site flood compensation scheme, subject to detailed design and approval by Moray Council Flood Team and SEPA.

Full reports can be found in Appendix D.

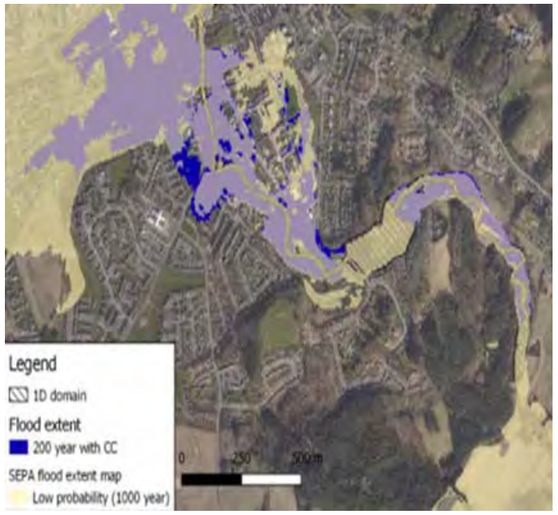


Figure 12. Flood risk Assessment showing both a 1 in 200+CC year flood and 1 in 1000 year flood map undertaken by Moray Council in 2021

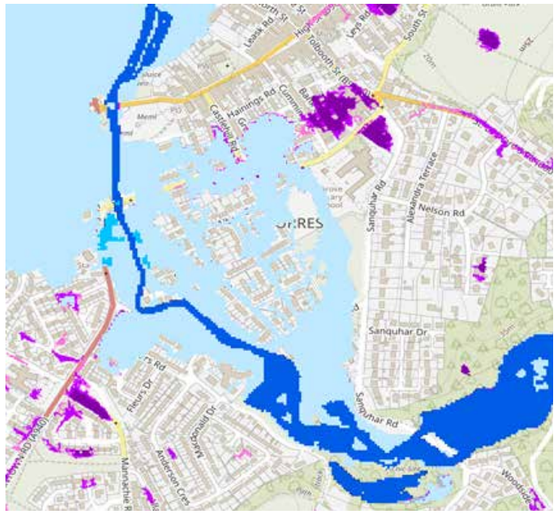


Figure 13. SEPA flood map

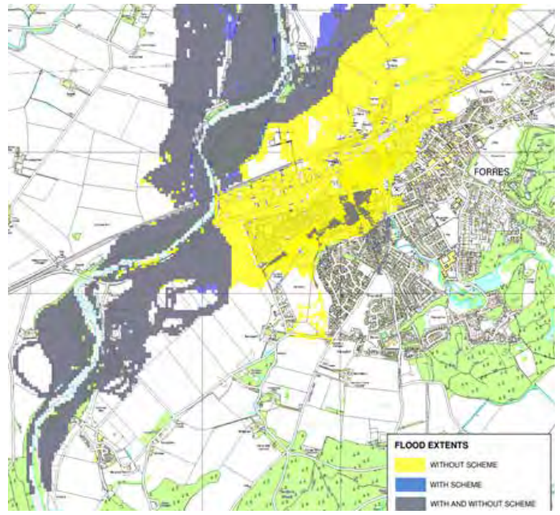


Figure 14. Flood risk Assessment 1 in 200 year flood map undertaken in 2008

3.7 Existing Land Use

Existing Site and Land Use

The site is currently formal parkland. To the northern boundary is the existing Applegrove Primary School. The playing fields associated with the school form part of the site and are currently unfenced and accessible by the public. Orchard Road runs east west to the north of the site and is currently used to access the existing Primary School and several public car parks. There is an area to the north of the primary school which currently public open space.

To the western boundary of the site there is an avenue of mature trees which run along Roysvale Place and in front of the Forres Tennis Club. There are a number of residential properties which overlook the site and screening is provided by the mature avenue of trees.

The southern part of the site which is existing park land know as Roysvale Park is bounded to the east by residential properties and Sanquhar Road. The existing Forres Academy lies to the south of Roysvale Park. The site consist of single storey buildings and parking areas as well as mature trees and vegetation.



View looking at the Roysvale Park site

3.8 Opportunities

Community Facility

The building shall be a facility for the whole community. Located to be as accessible and welcoming as possible. It shall also look to create links with existing community facilities within the area. As well as creating new links, there is also a potential to utilise and retain facilities from the existing school such as the swimming pool, parking areas and playing fields.

Intergeneration Learning

Opportunity for the building to link with the existing primary school (Applegrove Primary) and develop intergenerational learning opportunities. Furthermore, there is an additional opportunity create and develop and educational programme linked to the construction process.

Access

The approach and routes which pupils and other pedestrians shall take will be considered. There is an opportunity to give the approach and access at various positions, either on Orchard Road, Sanquhar Road or Roysvale Place.

Environment / Biodiversity

Opportunities to position the new building within a central position on the site to maximise the amount of sun it will get throughout the year. The existing mature trees provide a mature landscape setting and there is an opportunity to further enhance the biodiversity by introducing new native planting.

Public Transport Links

The new building should link with existing public transport and road infrastructure and minimise pedestrian travel distance, and time, from the existing town. This will promote active and sustainable travel as well as developing 'safer routes' to school initiative.



Site Opportunities

3.9 Constraints

Proposed Access

On the east edge of the site, there is an existing junction along Sanquhar Road which serves the houses behind. Any vehicular access/ egress points for the proposed school are to be a minimum of 25m from the existing junction opposite.

Existing Services

There are several existing services within the site boundary as well as existing attenuation tanks. The proposed building needs to consider the location of these services.

Privacy

The design and construction of the new school building must prioritise privacy considerations for neighbouring houses, especially given the dense urban setting. Strategic placement of windows, landscaping, and architectural features should be implemented to minimize visual intrusion.

Trees

The site features multiple areas of mature trees, necessitating careful consideration during the design and construction of the new school building. Ensuring the preservation of these trees is crucial, with attention given to factors such as visibility and proximity to existing junctions as well as the potential for bat roosts and other protected species.

Right of Way

There are two 'rights of way' within the site boundary, one which bisects the site and one which sweeps around the boundary, both of which must be taken into account in the design of the new school. Communication with the council is imperative to ensure the proper integration of these easements into the proposed school layout.



Site Constraints

4.0 LOCHYHILL



4.1 Location Overview



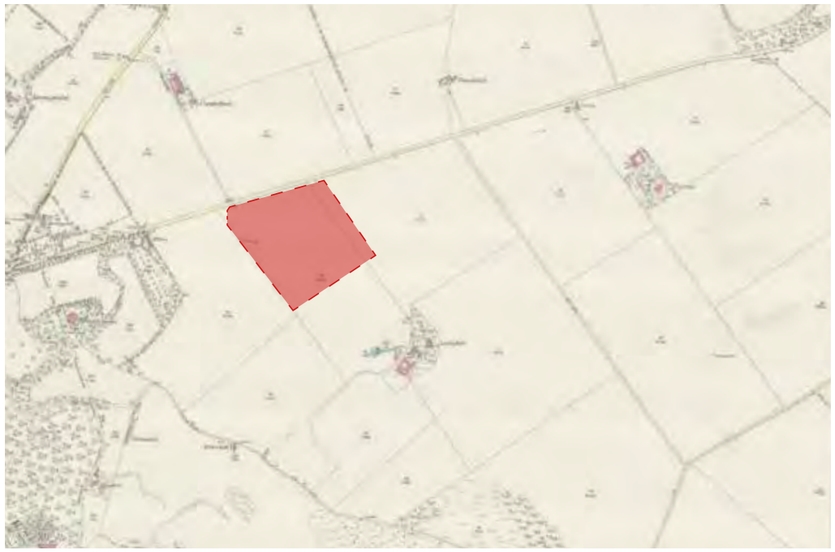
Lochyhill site within the context of Forres

4.2 Historical Analysis

The site at Lochyhill has been characterised by a rural setting with an agricultural farm on the adjacent land for the majority of its existence. The land to the west of Lochyhill underwent a gradual transformation into a residential community in the late 20th and early 21st centuries.

Emerging in the late 20th century to the east of the site, the Enterprise Park highlights Forres' dedication for economic growth and innovation. Crafted in response to the needs of contemporary industry, the park has a strategy to draw in businesses and develop employment opportunities within the town. Its architectural layout integrates contemporary industrial structures and facilities.

During this period, despite recent residential and enterprise park developments around the periphery of the site, the site itself has remained mostly untouched.



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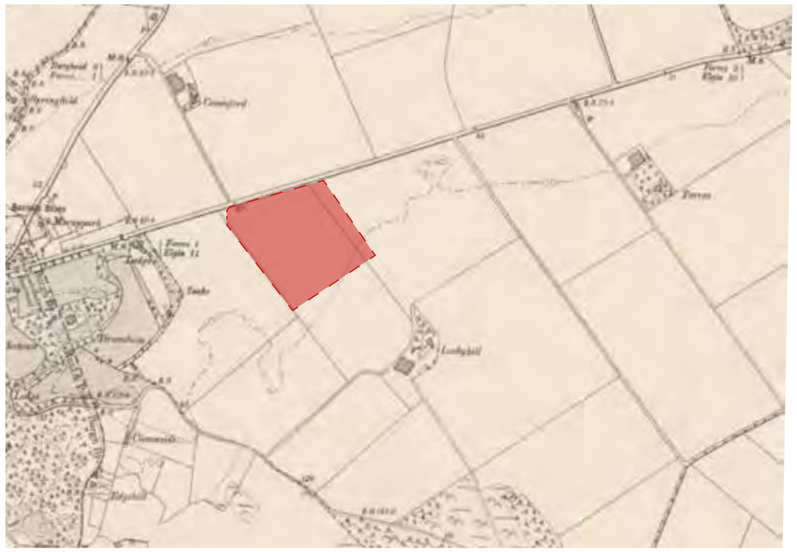

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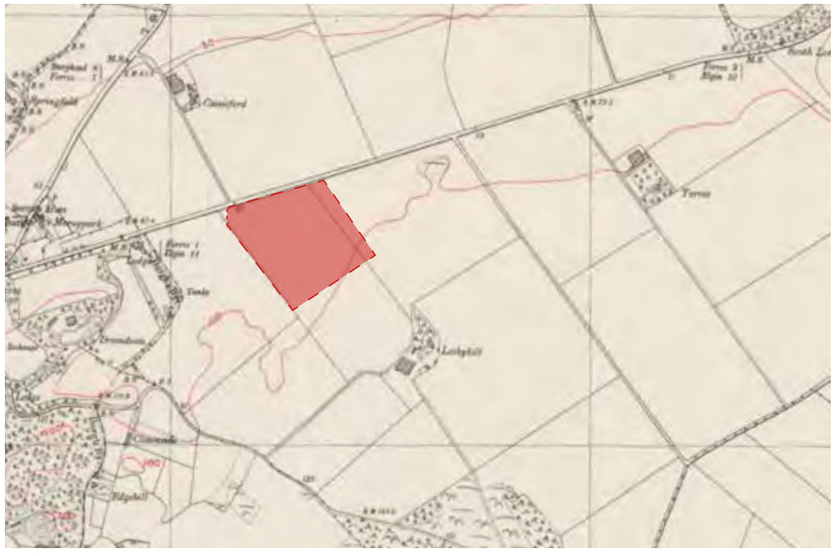

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4.3 Photographic Survey



View of the Lochyhill site looking south

4.3 Photographic Survey



Aerial view of the Lochyhill site

4.4 20 Minute Neighbourhood

The Lochyhill site is on the outskirts of the town and is located east to the majority of Forres' facilities.

The Forres Enterprise Park, which is located east of the site, is a 15 minute walk and accommodates several small and medium sized businesses.

Several community and amenity facilities are located around the site, such as the Forres Golf Club and the Forres Squash and Fitness Club. There are also a couple of public green spaces and woodlands which are in excess of a 20 minute walk from the site.

The majority of the food retailers are located along the town's High Street and the closest supermarket, which is the Co-op, is approximately a 20 minute walk to the west of the site.

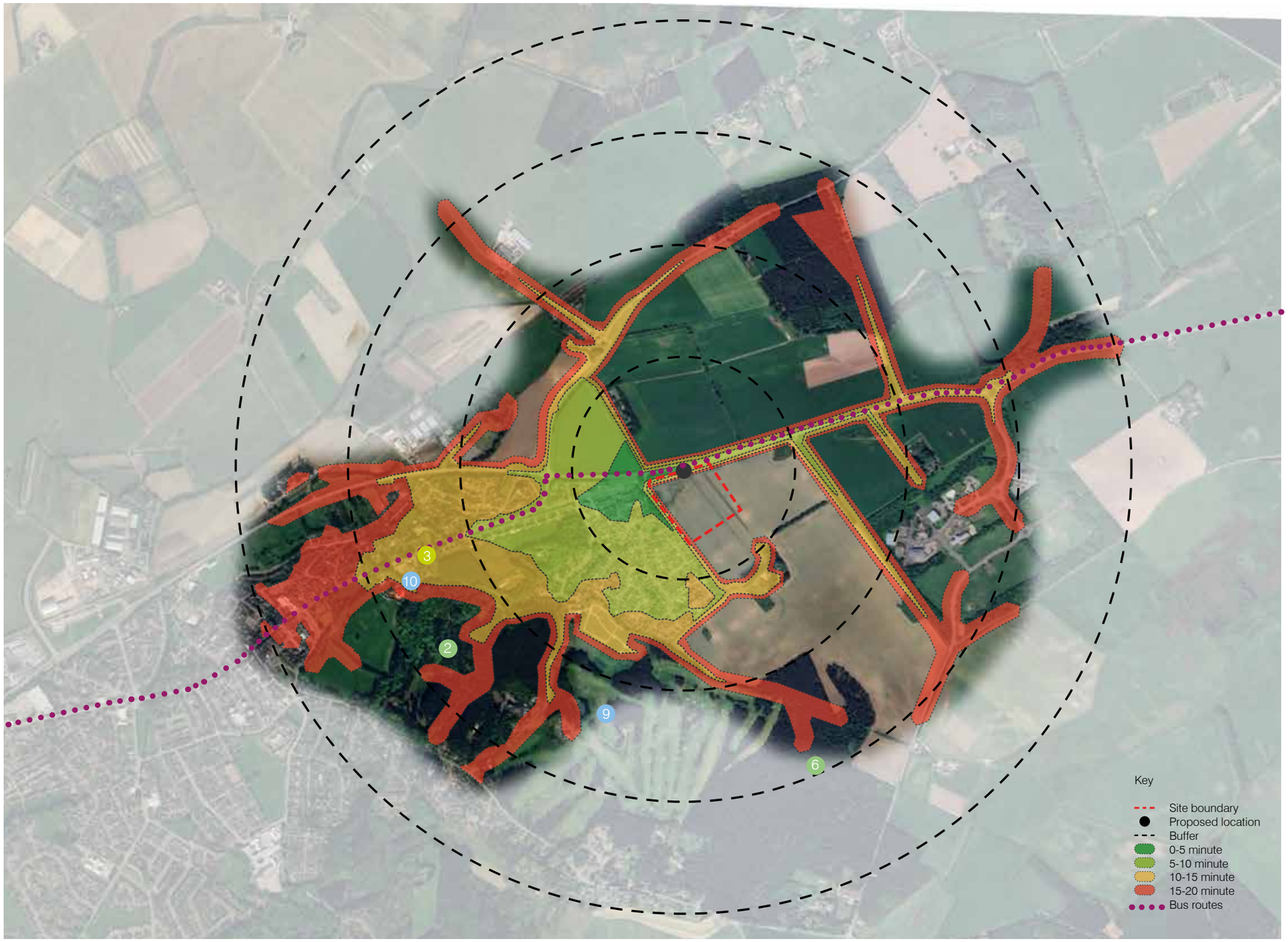
The main public transport network for the town, the bus service, has a service which runs along the A96, directly north of the site. The train station is to the west of the site and is a 30 minute walk.

KEY

Parks & Green Spaces
2 Cluny Hill
6 Muir, Newforres & Council Woods

Community & Sports Facilities
9 Forres Golf Club
10 Forres Squash & Fitness Club

Healthcare & Emergency Services
3 Forres Police Station



Map showing the public amenities in relation to Lochyhill.

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4.5 Existing Utilities

Record drawings indicate the existence of Utility Infrastructure running across the wider development site in which the proposed school site sits. This comprises of Scottish Water Mains Water and overhead BT Lines that serve Lochyhill Cottages to the south of the development site. Initial proposals for siting the school site would result in the existing BT Infrastructure having to be diverted. The proposed school site is not affected by the existing Scottish Water infrastructure.

The utilities for the proposed new development would comprise of Electric, Mains Water and Communications Infrastructure. Records show that existing infrastructure for each of these services are located in close proximity to the site.

Utility capacities and the ability for local infrastructure to serve the site without significant network reinforcement will be confirmed as the design develops and applications are made. It should noted that the wider development plans will introduce further infrastructure capacity requirement and may impact on the network capacity review at the time of application for the school. Should Lochyhill's be identified as the preferred site we would encourage early engagement and co-ordination with the developer of the wider site and its infrastructure.

The record drawings received will be verified through a Ground Penetrating Radar Survey (GPRS) during the next stage of the project should the site be selected as the preferred option.

With regard to drainage, a public 225mm diameter vitrified clay foul water sewer runs through the site parallel with the A96. This sewer will require a 3m stand off to any proposed new buildings, unless otherwise agreed with Scottish Water. The closest surface Water Sewers are located within Drumduan Road to the west.

The capacity of the surrounding Scottish Water network will be confirmed through a Pre Development, however for surface water it is assumed that a connection would be made to the existing network at an Greenfield Equivalent rate. This will require a new adopted sewer to be constructed down Drumduan Road, approximately 200m long which would require a connection to an existing 600mm diameter concrete pipe.
For foul water it is assumed that any new connection will be formed to the existing sewer which passes through the site.

For further details and Utility record drawings please refer to Appendix C.

4.6 Engineering Review

Earthworks and Site Levels

Existing Site Topography

No topographical survey has been completed for the site.

The OS maps, seen in Figure 1, shows the south of the site sits at approximately 40mAOD at Lochyhill Farmhouse and falls north towards the A96 to approximately 25mAOD.

Proposed Levels and Cut / Fill Strategy

Earthworks will be required to form the new access road, parking and rear play areas.

At the appropriate time a high-level cut & fill exercise would be carried out using 3D Civils to minimise off-site disposal. However, as it is understood that any development is to be located adjacent to the A96, the overall level change in this area is unlikely to result in a significant cut/fill exercise to provide a development platform.

Ground Conditions - Previous Land Use

A review of the 1830-1880 historic map shows that the site was previously used for agricultural purposes. No major structures were recorded within the site boundary prior to the construction of the proposed school. See Figure 3.

From previous land use, the assumption is that overall risk of contaminants is low, however, results from the SI report will clarify the presence of contaminants.

Geology

An SI report was conducted for the site in 2008, 49no.trial pits and 4no.boreholes were carried out. These confirmed the following general strata:

- Dark brown sandy TOPSOIL (0.25-0.8m thick, average 0.4m)
- Loose to medium dense and dense fine to medium SAND with varying proportions of sub rounded to well-rounded gravel and cobbles, occasionally described as SAND & GRAVEL (proved to 7.0mbgl)

The distribution between loose and medium dense sand is highlighted in Figure 4. The light blue hatch displays trial holes with loose sand present to approximately 1.2-2mbgl, the green hatch highlights holes with loose sand present from approximately 0-1.2mbgl.



Figure 1. OS - Map Extract


Figure 2. Extract from 1830 - 1880s historical map


Figure 3. Aerial view 2022



Figure 4. The distribution between loose and medium dense sand. Blue hatch displays trial holes with loose sand present to approximately 1.2-2mbgl. Green hatch highlights holes with loose sand present from approximately 0-1.2mbgl.

4.6 Engineering Review

Earthworks and Site Levels

Nearby borehole information from the British Geological Survey archives shows sand and gravel layers above a sandstone bedrock throughout ground strata. The lithological description from the British Geological Survey details sand and gravel as superficial deposits and sandstone as the bedrock geology.

Further SI investigations will be required to supplement this information based on the detailed development proposals. Further testing will also be required to confirm there has been no change to any contamination levels on the site.

The Coal Authority GIS database identified that the site is not within an area coal mining reporting or where coal outcrops are present.

The site is within an area of 3-5% Radon potential. Therefore, Radon Protection is required.

Groundwater

Groundwater was recorded during the ground investigation in BH1 at 4.6mbgl and at 3.32mbgl and 3.26mbgl during subsequent monitoring visits on 08/04/2007 and 14/05/2007 respectively. Water strikes were recorded during excavation of trial pits 1 to 6 at the lowest point (NW corner) of the site at levels of 1.9 to 2.8mbgl. Based on this ground water may be encountered in deeper excavations.

Foundations

The interpretive report provided confirms that the medium dense granular soils will provide a suitable bearing stratum, with allowable bearing capacities of 100kN/m2, for standard strip foundations. In areas of loose sand, highlighted in blue in Figure 5, an allowance for additional trench fill should be allowed for so that adequate bearing strata can be reached. Further detailed SI investigations required in order to confirm this assessment.

SUDS Strategy

Surface Water Discharge

The connection for the surface water is yet to be approved by Scottish Water, and the area of hard standing is yet to be set, therefore, the outfall rate cannot determined. However, based on the assumption the school will have a similar layout to the proposals at Roysvale Park it is estimated approximately 1400m3 of storage will be required to store the 1:200 year storm with 37% climate change.

The primary method of attenuation will be provided by below ground attenuation tanks as it is anticipated that options such as SUDS basins and ponds will not be viable for this site due to their large land take.

Treatment will be provided by options such as porous paving, filter strips and linear swales which can be accommodated within the landscaping.

Foul Water

The capacity of the Scottish Water Network and treatment plant will need to be confirmed by Scottish Water through a Pre-Development Enquiry.

Flooding

Pluvial flooding observed on SEPA flood maps, however, this is not of concern as drainage design will take this into consideration.

No flood protection nearby, however, no risk of fluvial flooding from either Burn of Mosset or river Findhorn in accordance with the SEPA flood maps and the river Findhorn.

Full reports can be found in Appendix D.

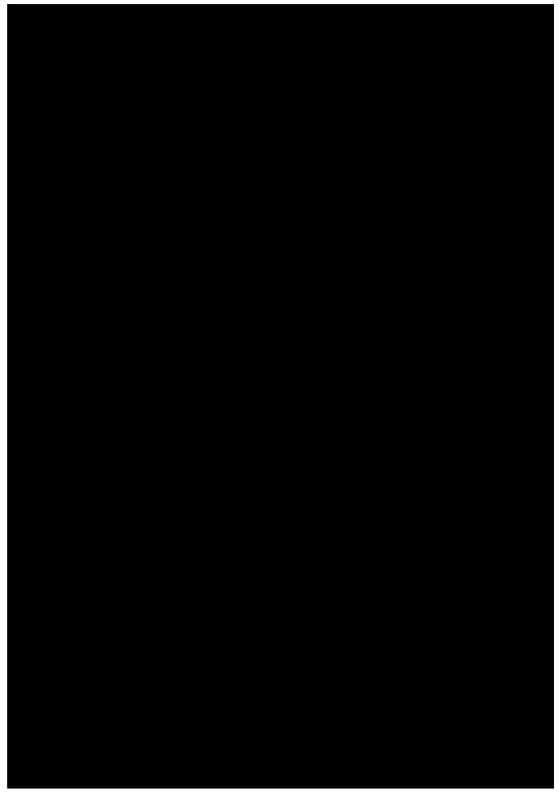


Figure 5. Borehole data from 2008 SI



Figure 6. SEPA flood maps showing pluvial flooding

4.7 Existing Land Use

Existing Site and Land Use

The site is located to the north east of Forres on the edge of the town It is best described as urban fringe. To the north of the site the A96 runs east to west. The site is currently a greenfield site - farmland and has a number of small farm buildings on the southern boundary. It is also allocated as R3 – Residential in the LDP.

To the east is the Forres Enterprise Park and a number of detached residential properties. The site boundary has a mature hedgerow and woodland planting.

To the west of the site is residential estate and Forres Golf Club. Drumduan Road could provide the main vehicular route into the school as it runs along the western boundary of the site.

The site rises up from the A96 and has a gently sloping profile. There several areas of mature planting within the site and views are dominated by a tree lined ridge. Views looking from the ridge to the north are of farmland and the A96 dominates the view.



View looking at the Lochyhill site

4.8 Opportunities

Daylight / Environment

Opportunities to position new building on the site to maximise the amount of sun it will get during the year. Due to the site being clear of existing buildings and trees, the new school can be orientated in optimal position to deliver a sustainable building in terms of energy consumption and environmental conditions

Public Transport Links

The new building should link with existing public transport infrastructure and minimise pedestrian travel distance, and time, from the existing town to promote active and sustainable travel. The location of this site as well as the close proximity of public transport links means there is opportunity for other services to move there in the future, additionally benefiting from the neighbouring Enterprise Park

Existing Buildings

As there is no existing school currently on this site, there is no requirement to decant pupils to another location whilst the construction work is ongoing thus meaning their education is not disturbed. Furthermore, as this site is clear and outside of a conservation area, the construction process will be relatively smooth and the contractors compound can placed at the site boundary with minimal impact on existing residential areas.

Green Space

As there is no existing trees and minimal ecological value, biodiversity enhancements will be easy to achieve. Additionally, there is an opportunity to develop a natural surface water management system using SuDs.



Site Opportunities

4.9 Constraints

Services

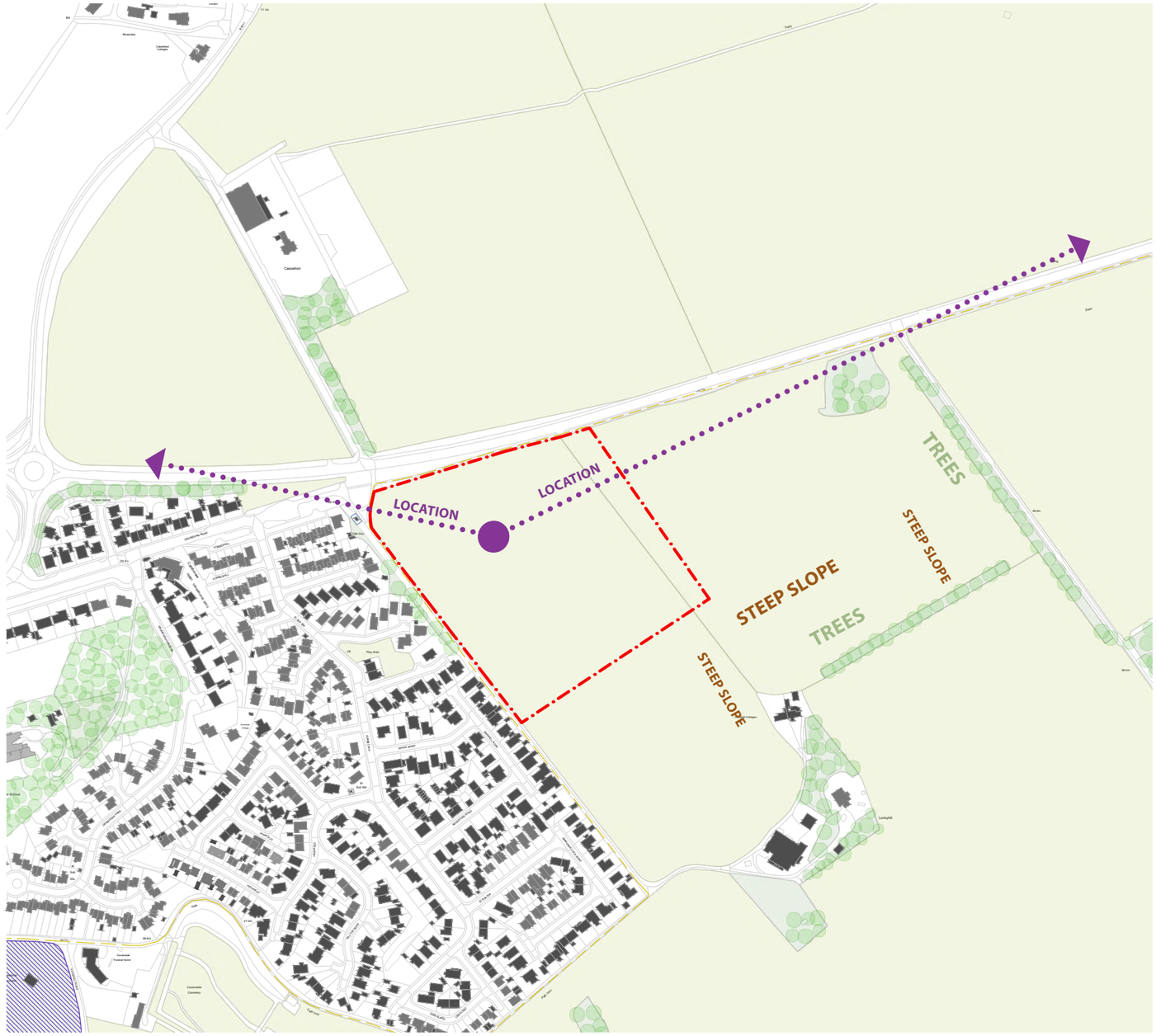
The existing mains water and BT Infrastructure run through the site. The existing water main cannot provide the preferred 125mm connection for the fire main. This means that a cost of provided upgraded infrastructure could be expensive. Furthermore, drainage runs east west through site easements which could impact on building location.

Location

As this location is on the edges of the town, a proposed school with amenities located a significant distance away poses challenges for accessibility and convenience. This situation can lead to increased transportation costs, longer commute times, and hinder the establishment of a cohesive school-community connection. Additionally, there is no existing primary school which hinders the possibility to develop 5-18 campus

Archaeological Interest

There is evidence of archaeological interest within the site so further survey work will be required.



Site Constraints

5.0 GRANTOWN ROAD



5.1 Location Overview



Grantown Road site within the context of Forres

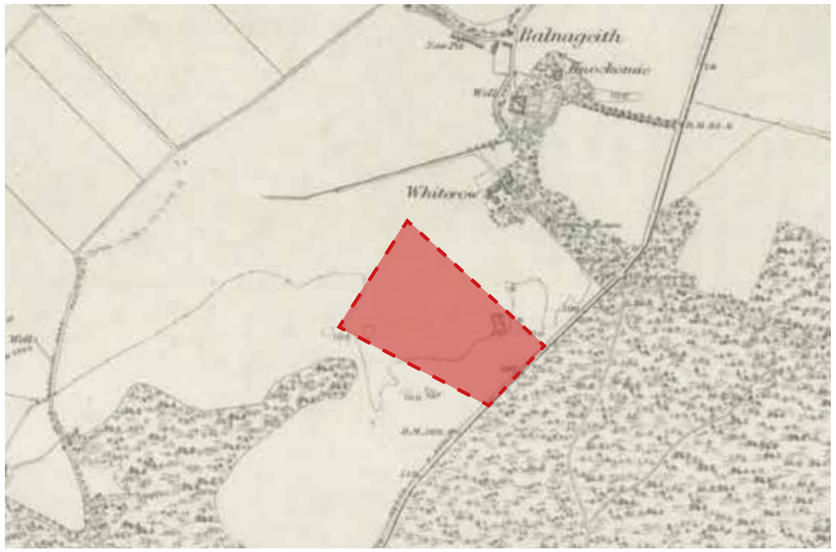
5.2 Historical Analysis

Located on the western edge of Forres, the Grantown Road site has long showcased a natural landscape featuring expansive green areas, farmlands with associated structures, and dense woodlands.

While much of the woodlands and green spaces endure, the area to the east of the Grantown Road site has recently undergone substantial residential development. This shift can be attributed, in part, to Forres' expansion and the heightened demand for housing in the 20th and 21st centuries.

Located just northeast of the site boundary, additional residential development is underway within the new Woodroffe Grange development, contributing to the town's evolving urban landscape.

Similar to the Lochyhill site, despite ongoing development surrounding its periphery, the site itself has largely remained untouched for a significant period.



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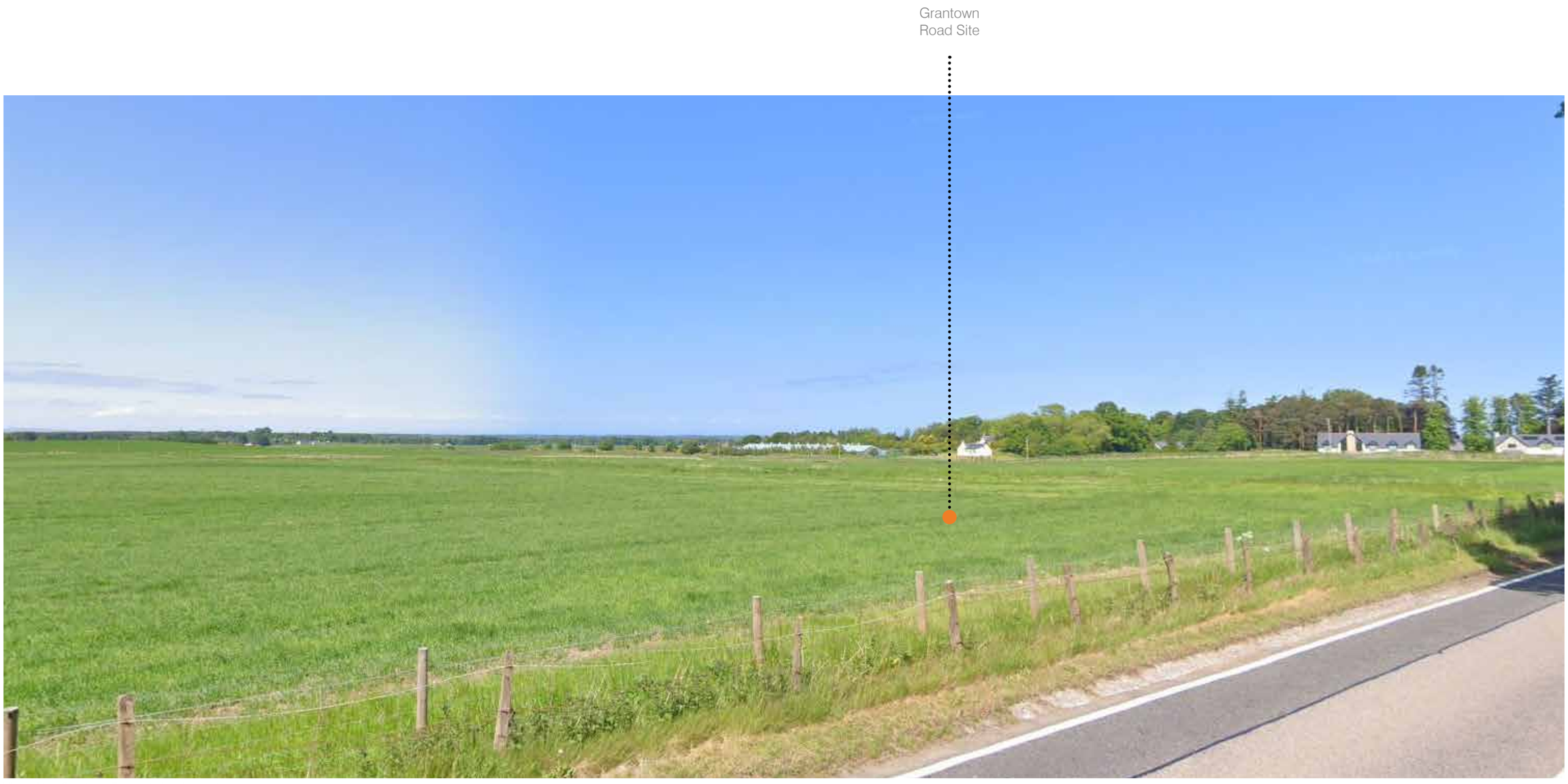
5.3 Photographic Survey



View of the Grantown Road site looking north

5.3 Photographic Survey



Aerial view of the Grantown Road site

5.4 20 Minute Neighbourhood

The Grantown Road site is on the outskirts of the town and is located south-west to the majority of Forres' facilities.

A large number of the food retailers are located along the town's High Street and the closest supermarket, which is the Co-op, is a 15 minute walk, on Grantown Road, to the north east of the site.

There are several public green spaces in the southwest of Forres but these are all located in excess of a 20 minute walk from the site. The Dava Way (a 23 mile trail across the ancient Celtic province of Morayshire) can be linked into via a 25 minute walk from the site.

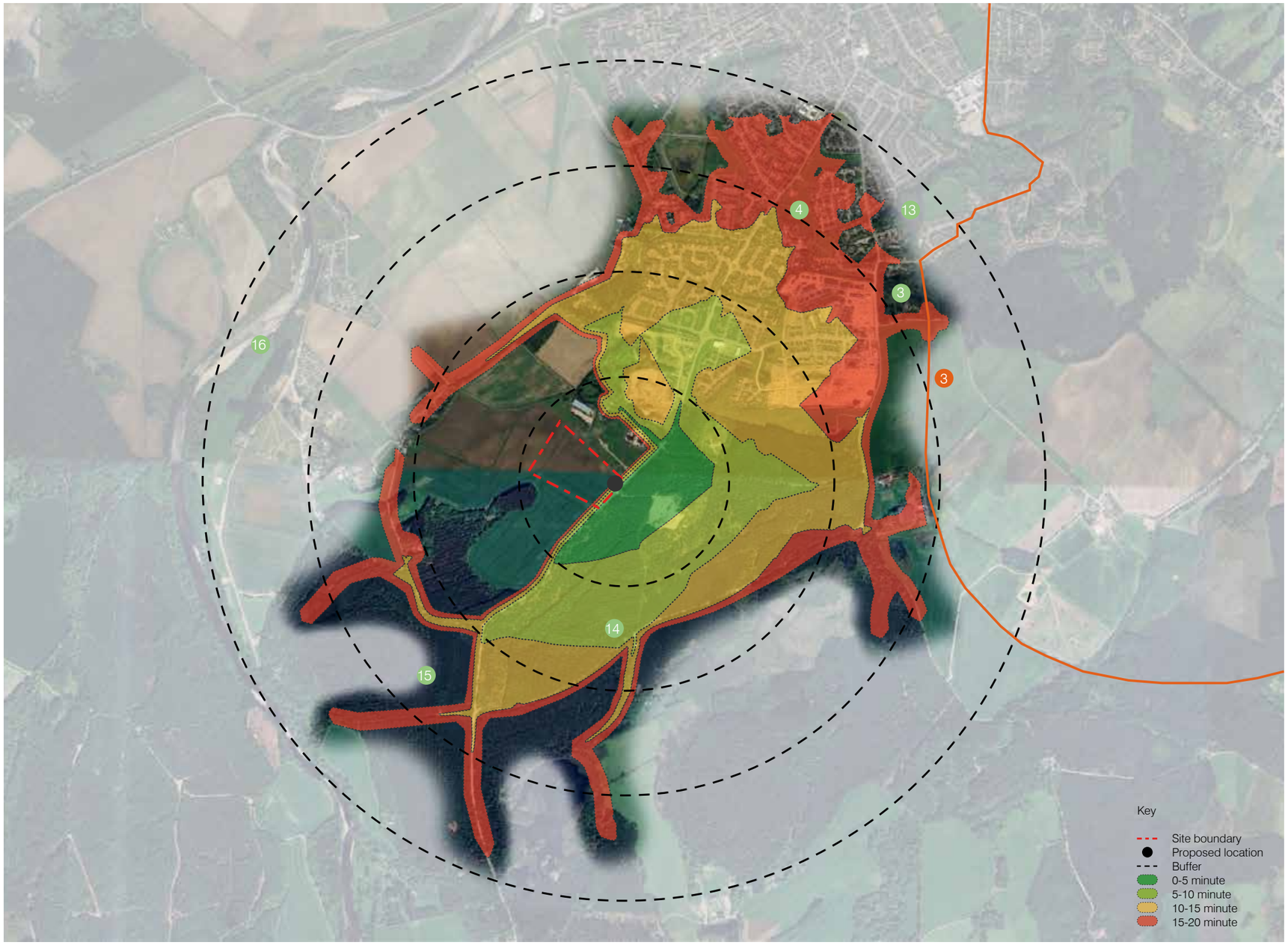
There is a new residential development which is currently under construction - Woodroffe Grange - which is a 5 minute walk from the site.

The train station is to the north east of the site and is approximately 40 minute walk.

KEY

Parks & Green Spaces
- 3 Sanquhar Loch & Woodlands
- 4 Mannachie Park
- 13 Academy Playing Field
- 14 Loch of Blairs & Woodland
- 15 Limekilns Wood
- 16 River Findhorn

Travel Routes
- 3 The Dava Way



Map showing the public amenities in relation to Grantown Road.

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5.5 Existing Utilities

Record drawings indicate the existence of major Utility Infrastructure in close proximity of the site. There is a high-pressure gas main and overhead 11kV SSE Infrastructure near the eastern boundary.

The high-pressure gas main has been identified as a critical part of the national infrastructure. Diversion or alteration of this pipeline is not recommended and should the site be identified as the preferred option then working within the SGN constraints will be necessary. For this pipeline the construction of any buildings will not be permitted within 32 mtrs, other groundwork's could be undertaken up to 6mtrs either side of the pipeline. Initial indications are that these constraints will not have a significant effect on the proposed school development.

A risk assessment would be conducted against the overhead HV lines that sit on the eastern boundary and would be developed and assessed against the proposed setting-out arrangement within the site. Should an unacceptable risk be identified then an application will be made to re-route the HV Infrastructure underground.

The utilities for the proposed new development would comprise of Electric, Mains Water and Communications Infrastructure. Records show that existing infrastructure for each of these services are located in close proximity to the site.

Utility capacities and the ability for local infrastructure to serve the site without significant network reinforcement will be confirmed as the design develops and applications are made. With the site being located on the southern outskirts of Forres and from information contained within the record drawings there is a higher level of risk that utilities capacities will be available without further reinforcement.

The record drawings received will be verified through a Ground Penetrating Radar Survey (GPRS) during the next stage of the project should the site be selected as the preferred option.

With regard to drainage, there are no existing adopted sewers within the site boundary, and an Pre Development Enquiry will be required to confirm the location and capacity for any connection to the wider Scottish Water network. The closest foul sewer is located within the development north of the site at Woodroffe Grange. To form a foul connection to this network, a new adopted sewer approximately 500m long would be required to be constructed along Grantown Road.

No Surface water sewers are located in the vicinity, therefore it is assumed that any surface water will be discharged to the watercourse to the south of the site at an equivalent greenfield rate and subject to any required SEPA and 3rd party land consents.

For further details and Utility record drawings please refer to Appendix C.

5.6 Engineering Review

Earthworks and Site Levels

Existing Site Topography

No topographical survey has been completed for the site.

The OS maps, seen in Figure 1, shows the south of the site sits at approximately 35mAOD and falls north towards the river Findhorn to approximately 20mAOD.

Proposed Levels and Cut / Fill Strategy

As the development area is relatively flat, limited earthworks will be required to form the new access road, parking and rear play areas.

At the appropriate time a high-level cut & fill exercise would be carried out using 3D Civils to minimise off-site disposal.

Ground Conditions - Previous Land Use

A review of the 1830-1880 historic map shows that the site was previously used for agricultural purposes. No major structures were recorded within the site boundary prior to the construction of the proposed school. See Figure 2.

The development to the south of the site started construction in 2022, as can be seen in Figure 4.

From previous land use, the assumption is that overall risk of contaminants is low, however, results from the SI report will clarify the presence of contaminants.

Geology

There is no nearby borehole information from the British Geological Survey archives, however, the lithological description from the British Geological Survey depicts sandstone bedrock with gravel and sand superficial deposits. Finalised SI information will be required to determine site specific ground conditions.

The Coal Authority GIS database identified that the site is not within an area coal mining reporting or where coal outcrops are present.

The site is within an area of 1% Radon potential. Therefore, the minimum level of Radon Protection is required.

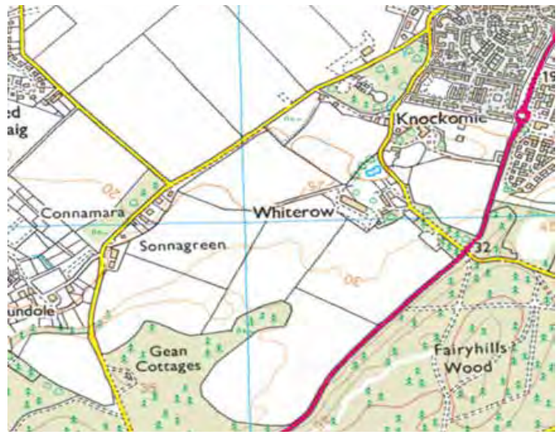


Figure 1. OS - Map Extract


Figure 2. Extract from 1830 - 1880s historical map


Figure 3. Aerial view 2003


Figure 4. Aerial view 2022

5.6 Engineering Review

SUDS Strategy

Surface Water Discharge

The connection for the surface water is yet to be approved by Scottish Water, it is assumed the outfall will be to the watercourse south of the site subjected to 3rd party land consent.

The area of hard standing is yet to be set, therefore, the outfall rate cannot be determined. However, based on the assumption the school will have a similar layout to the proposals at Roysvale Park it is estimated approximately 1400m3 of storage will be required to store the 1:200 year storm with 37% climate change, this is based on greenfield runoff rate being approved by Scottish Water.

The primary method of attenuation will be provided by below ground attenuation tanks as it is anticipated that options such as SUDS basins and ponds will not be viable for this site due to their large land take.

Treatment will be provided by options such as porous paving, filter strips and linear swales which can be accommodated within the landscaping.

Foul Water

The capacity of the Scottish Water Network and treatment plant will need to be confirmed by Scottish Water through a Pre-Development Enquiry.

A new development south of the site has the potential to provide a foul water connection, to be approved by Scottish Water. This will require a new adopted sewer to be constructed down Grantown Road, approximately 500m long.

Flooding

Pluvial flooding observed on SEPA flood maps, however, this is not of concern as drainage design will take this into consideration.

No flood protection nearby, however, no risk of fluvial flooding from either Burn of Mosset or river Findhorn in accordance with the SEPA flood maps and the Moray Council Flood Risk Assessment.

Full reports can be found in Appendix D.



Figure 4. SEPA flood maps showing pluvial flooding

5.7 Existing Land Use

Existing Site and Land Use

Greenfield located to the south of Forres town centre. The A940 runs along the south eastern boundary of the site and the site can be accessed from this road. To the east of the site there is a large belt of mature woodland. Housing is located to the north of the site and accessed from Ferry Road. There is also a belt of woodland planting which will provide screening to the properties locating along this side of the site. The site is relatively flat and feels open with long open views to the north west and views of mature woodland to the south.



View looking at the Grantown Road site

5.8 Opportunities

Daylight / Environment

Opportunities to position new building on the site to maximise the amount of sun it will get during the year. Due to the site being clear of existing buildings and trees, the new school can be orientated in optimal position to deliver a sustainable building in terms of energy consumption and environmental conditions

New Neighbourhood

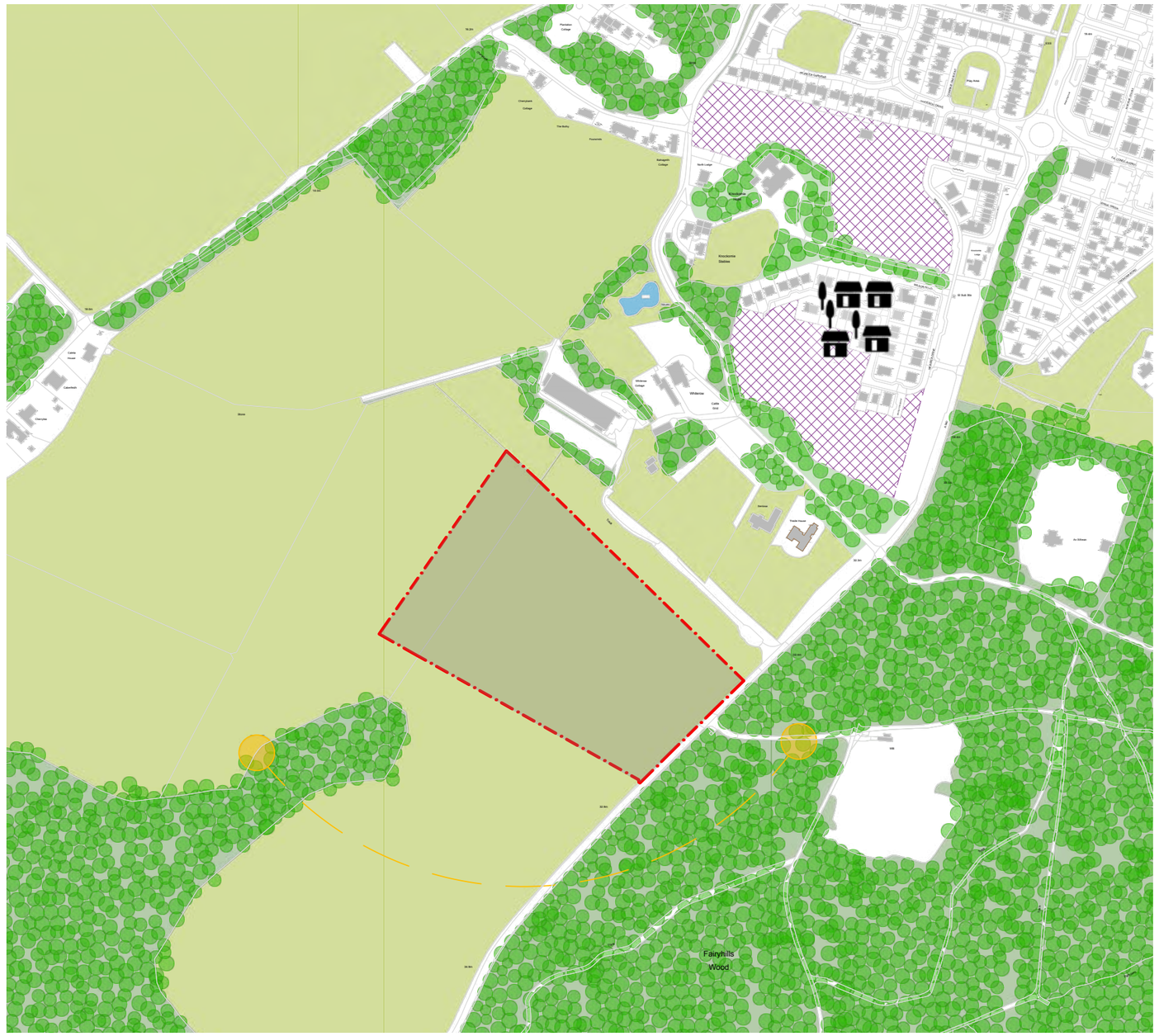
The new housing development in the vicinity is advantageous for the location of a potential new school, as it not only addresses the growing residential needs but also creates a vibrant community hub that promotes accessibility and engagement with educational resources.

Existing Buildings

As there is no existing school currently on this site, there is no requirement to decant pupils to another location whilst the construction work is ongoing thus meaning their education is not disturbed.
Furthermore, as this site is clear and outside of a conservation area, the construction process will be relatively smooth and the contractors compound can placed at the site boundary with minimal impact on existing residential areas.

Green Space

As there are no existing trees and minimal ecological value, biodiversity enhancements will be easy to achieve - aiding in creating plenty of outdoor spaces for education promoting a ‘nature based campus’.



Site Opportunities

5.9 Constraints

Public Transport

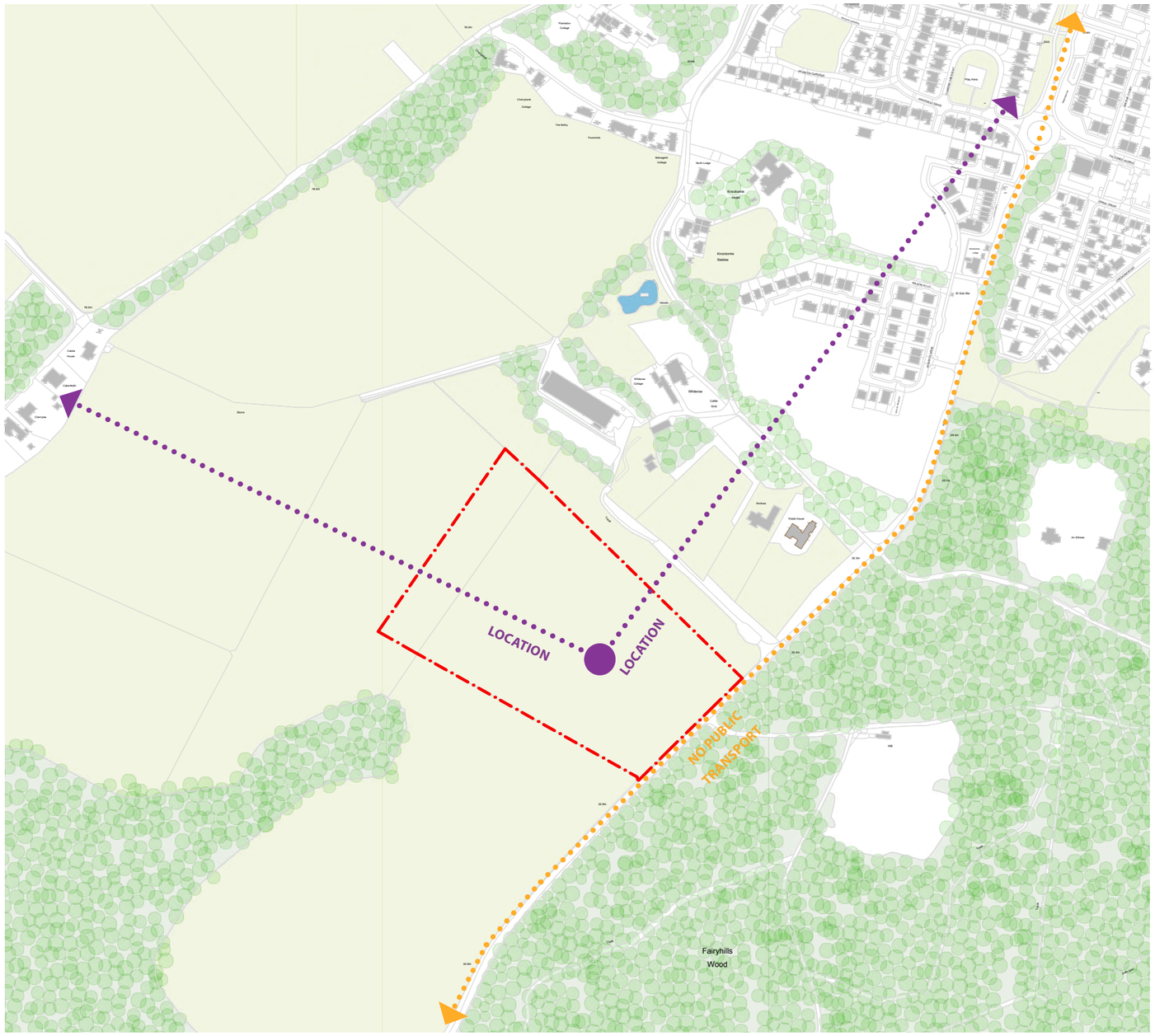
The absence of an existing public network route near this site for a possible school is disadvantageous, potentially hindering accessibility for students and limiting community engagement with the educational institution.

Unknown Services

There is no foul water connections on or within site boundary. A new offsite connection would be required along the A940 to the existing network on Webster Drive. Additionally, as there is no surface water sewers on site or in vicinity, surface water will need to be taken to ground or to existing drainage channels adjacent to Ferry Road.

Location

As this location is on the edges of the town, a proposed school with amenities located a significant distance away poses challenges for accessibility and convenience. This situation can lead to increased transportation costs, longer commute times, and hinder the establishment of a cohesive school-community connection. Additionally, there is no existing primary school which hinders the possibility to develop 5-18 campus.



Site Constraints

6.0 Site Location Appraisal



6.1 Site Appraisal

At the end of October 2023, Moray Council held an engagement session at Forres Library to present and discuss site selection for a new Forres Academy. The consultation boards were also made available online and remained in the library for public viewing until the end of November, comments were welcomed from the community in person and via email. These boards assessed each site option against the project's Strategic and SMART objectives; a series of issues, goals and criteria that were developed by Moray Council as part of their strategic planning around future schools in Moray.

In December 2023, the Design Team and Moray Council undertook a wider technical appraisal of the three sites: scoring each of the sites against criteria such as planning considerations, flood risk and existing utilities as well as the previous 'place' based assessment.

The scoring matrix and outcomes can be found in Appendix F.



Roysvale site



Lochyhill site

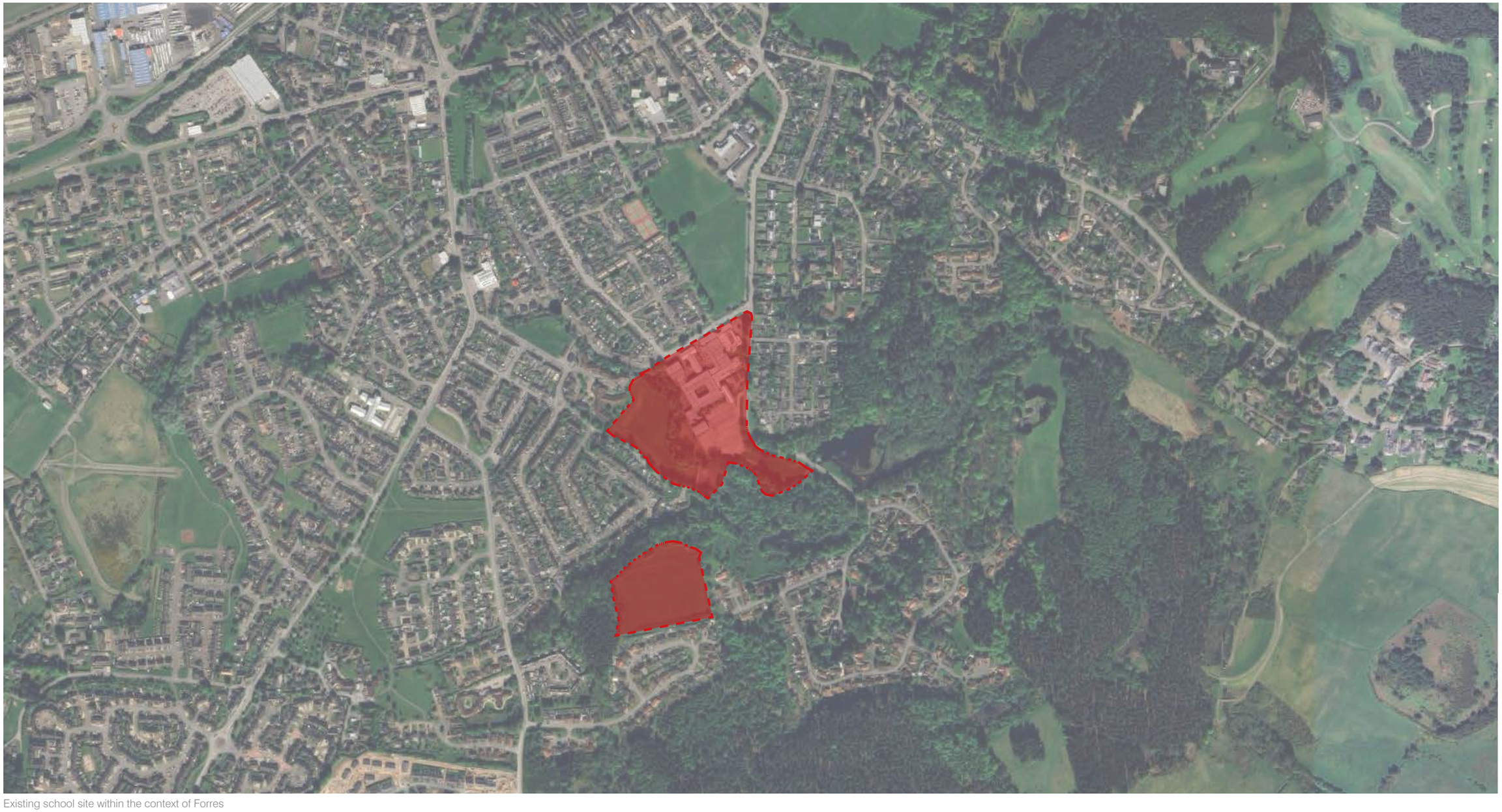


Grantown Road site

7.0 Forres Academy Current Site



7.1 Location Overview



Existing school site within the context of Forres

7.2 Historical Analysis

Forres is one of the oldest of Scotland's royal burghs with the charter granted in 1153. In the 12th century, Forres, along with Inverness, Auldearn, Nairn and Elgin formed part of a defensive chain along the south coast of the Moray Firth.

Throughout the 15th and 16th centuries, Forres thrived as a market town, capitalizing on its strategic location and burgeoning trade networks.

By the 18th and 19th century, the site still remained largely untouched. However the main town, particularly along the High Street, began to rapidly develop and became commercially and socially significant for the area.

During the late 19th century and mid-20th century, the towns growth continued, expanding away from the High Street and particularly along Burn of Mosset, with new roads and public footpaths appearing, allowing new housing and amenities to emerge.

Forres Academy - Existing School

The existing school was built in 1969 and has been expanded and updated several times to accommodate the requirements of modern education.



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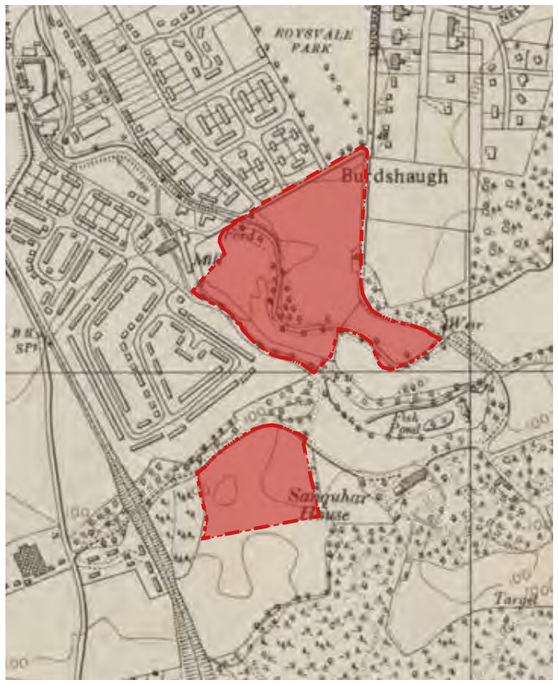

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7.3 Site Analysis

Existing Buildings

Within the site and adjoining the existing school is a community swimming pool building. This will stay open and functioning during the demolition of the existing school. Any future development will have to consider its relationship with the existing swimming pool building.

Multiple sites

The existing school is spread over 2 sites with 1 of the sites used as a playing field for sports activities. Additionally, the main site, which inhabits the school building, is split in half by the Burn of Mosset. The new school, on any of the potential sites, will be within a single boundary.

Restricted Development

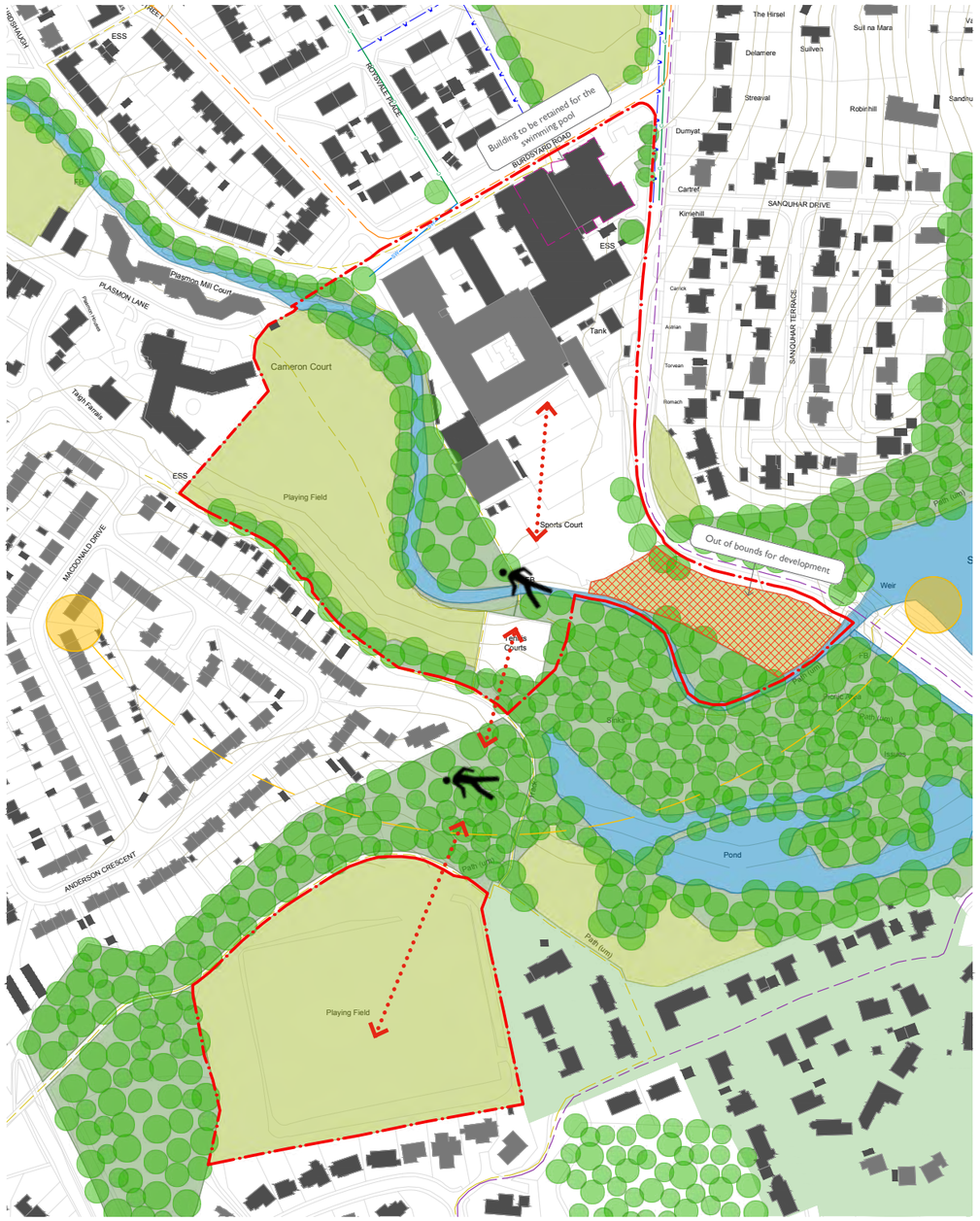
There is an area within the eastern wing of the site which is out of bounds for future development as it has recently had an outdoor gym installed on it. Any future development will have to consider its relationship with the new gym.

Flooding

As per SEPA flood information, there are a several areas within the site and existing building which have a flood risk due to the location of the school in relation to the burn. See the Appendix for further detailed information.

RAAC

There are several areas within the school which have RAAC present and these areas are not accessible or usable by the staff or pupils. This has caused disruptive learning for the pupils and thus a new school is urgently required.

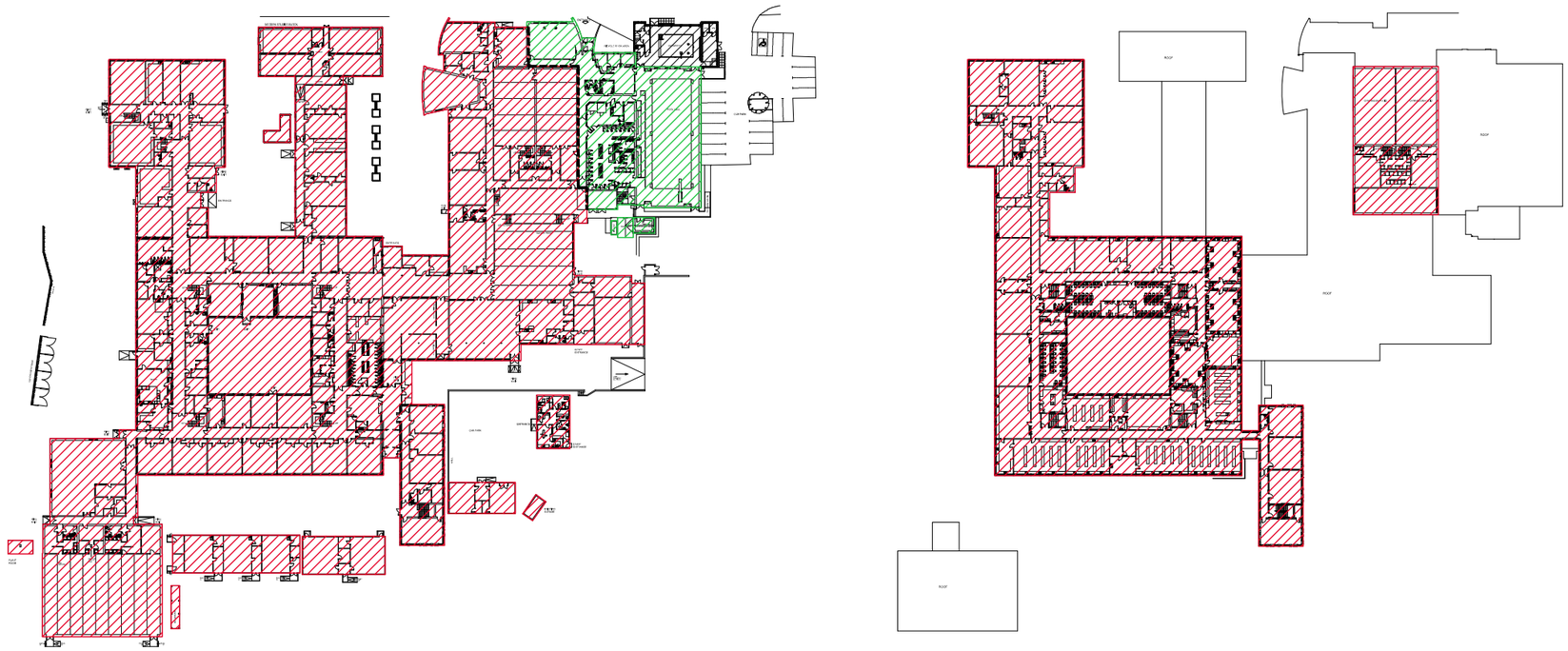


Existing site analysis

7.4 Existing Building

Given the aforementioned challenges with refurbishment and reuse referenced in Section 1.6, the recommendation has been made by Moray Council to demolish the majority of the existing Forres Academy. Demolition will be undertaken following the completion of the new school building to ensure continuity of education for the young learners.

The areas of the building which are an exception to this are the swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and associated ancillary spaces. Following significant investment and refurbishment, completed in 2016, it is proposed that these buildings are retained and a new external wall constructed along the line of demolition. The swimming pool is currently rated as 'B' for Condition and therefore it is anticipated that there will be minimal refurbishment works required to these spaces.



Demolition plan of existing building

Key

- Complete Demolition
- Retain with Minimal Refurbishment
- Retain with No Works
- New External Wall

7.5 Existing Utilities

Utility Records received identify existing utilities infrastructure serving the school. In general, this information informs the ongoing development of isolations and disconnections during the demolition phase. In addition, it will aid the assessment of the scope of works associated with the option of retaining the swimming pool/ hydrotherapy pool.

SGN

Two incoming natural gas supplies have been identified. One to the west of the school that appears to be dedicated to equipment within the teaching block (i.e. science/ home economics/ art). The other supply enters at the east elevation and serves the schools main heating and hot water plant. At the time of the construction of the swimming pool it appears that a branch of this gas supply has been extended to the swimming pool to serve the heating and hot water plant (including pool heating).

SSE

Record information show a high voltage ring entering the site from Sanquhar Road to the east and terminating in a SSE substation within the school. Although not identified on the record drawings a further substation exists to the rear of the swimming pool and assumed as installed at the time the swimming pool was constructed.

BT

The BT service enters the site off Sanquhar Road to the east. A separate branch connection has been installed directly to the swimming pool building from an external joint box.

Scottish Water-Mains Water

It is not entirely clear from record drawings where the mains water supply enters the school. Anticipated as being from the north side of the site but will need tested through future surveys. The mains water supply for the swimming pool extends from the main school connection and appears to be run through the existing school to the Pool block.

Drainage

It is assumed that the existing foul and surface water drains from the existing building are assumed to connect directly to the combined sewers on w and Sanquhar Roads, (subject to CCTV survey). It is assumed that any connections for the existing pool building will be retained as part of the development.

8.0 New Proposal Site Layout Options



8.1 Roysvale Park - Long List Site Organisation Options

Option 1a

Pros:

New secondary school location offers opportunity to develop 5-18 community campus.

New secondary school building located away from Common Good Land.

Pedestrian priority campus created by minimising vehicles in close proximity to school building

Dedicated bus/ coach drop off location, avoids road congestion

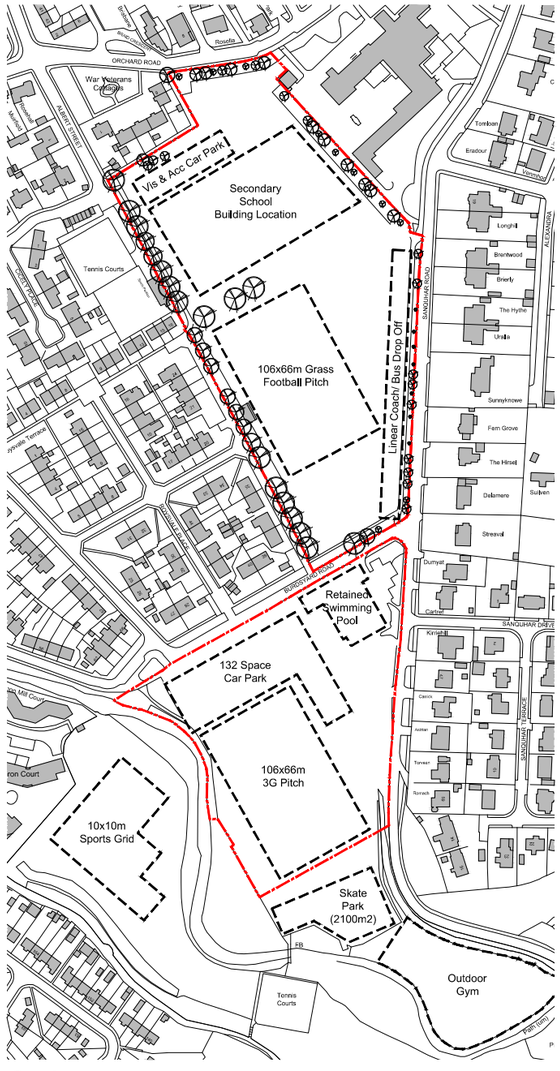
Dual functioning car park - serves both staff at school and swimming pool/ 3G pitch for community events.

Car park utilises existing access route.

Sports pavilion and grass pitch on Roysvale Park retained

Cons:

Car park and 3G pitch located on split site.



Option 1a

Option 1b

Pros:

New secondary school location offers opportunity to develop 5-18 community campus.

New secondary school building located away from Common Good Land.

Pedestrian priority campus created by minimising vehicles in close proximity to school building

Dedicated bus/ coach drop off location, avoids road congestion

Dual functioning car park - serves both staff at school and swimming pool/ 3G pitch for community events.

Car park utilises existing access route.

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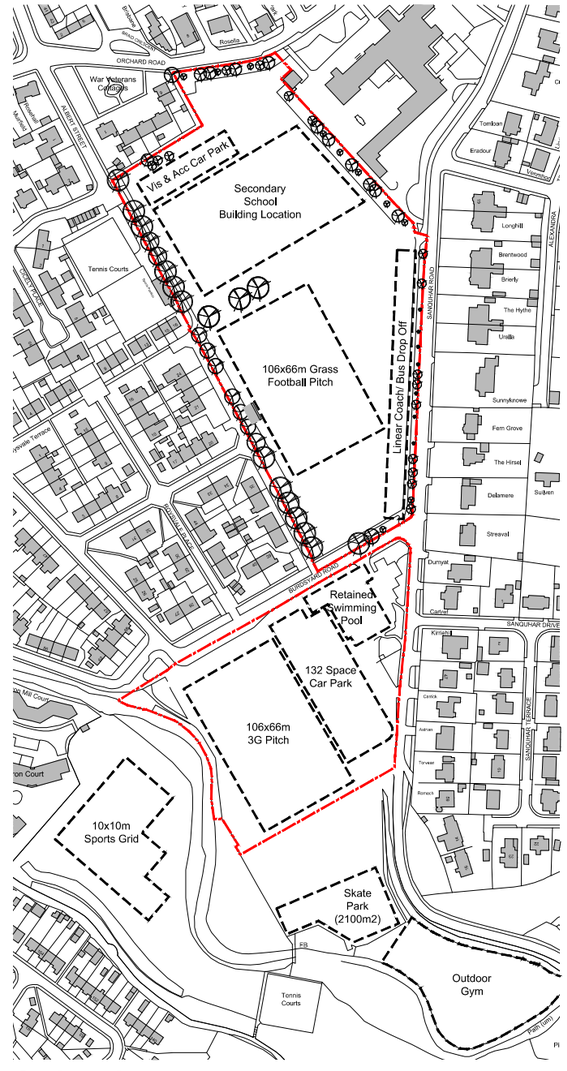


Option 1b

8.1 Roysvale Park - Long List Site Organisation Options

Option 1c

Pros:

New secondary school location offers opportunity to develop 5-18 community campus.

New secondary school building located away from Common Good Land.

Pedestrian priority campus created by minimising vehicles in close proximity to school building

Dedicated bus/ coach drop off location, avoids road congestion

Dual functioning car park - serves both staff at school and swimming pool/ 3G pitch for community events.

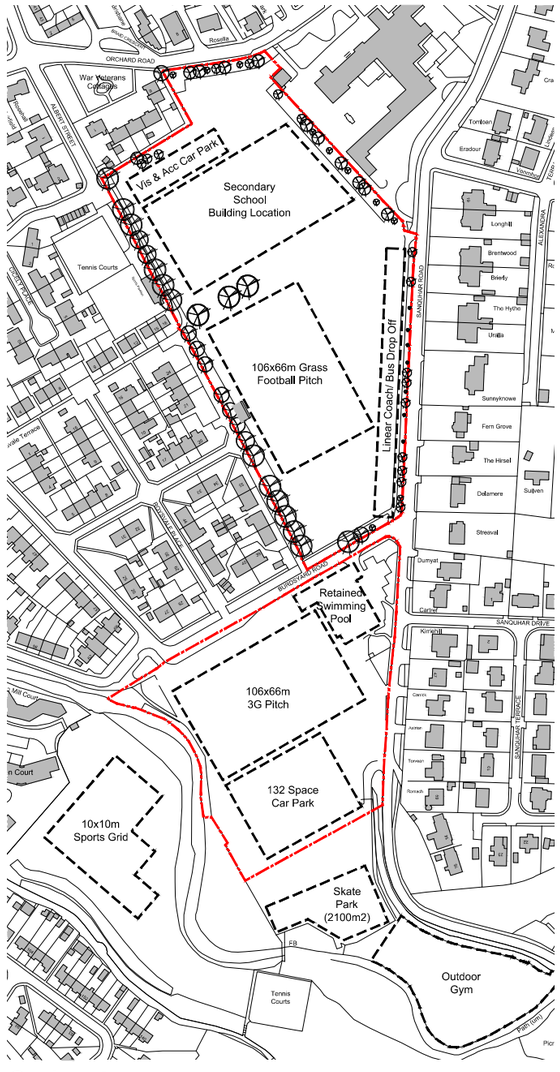
Car park utilises existing access route.

Sports pavilion and grass pitch on Roysvale Park retained

Cons:

Car park and 3G pitch located on split site.

3G pitch isolates car park from wider campus.



Option 1c

Option 2

Pros:

New secondary school location offers opportunity to develop 5-18 community campus.

New secondary school building located away from Common Good Land.

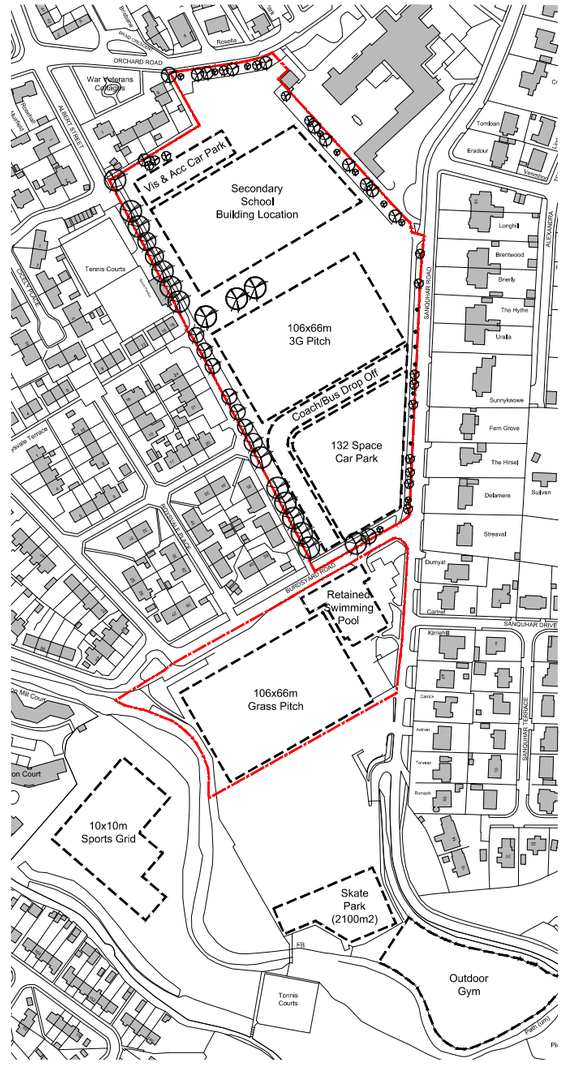
Dedicated bus/ coach drop off location, avoids road congestion

Car park in close proximity to school building.

Cons:

Car park and 3G pitch located on Common Good Land.

Loss of existing sports pavilion on Roysvale Park.



Option 2

8.1 Roysvale Park - Long List Site Organisation Options

Option 3

Pros:

New secondary school location (core teaching) offers opportunity to develop 5-18 community campus.

Co-location of sports facilities for education and community use.

Removing ‘larger volume spaces’ from core teaching allow the mass of the building to be reduced.

New secondary school building located away from Common Good Land.

Dedicated bus/ coach drop off location, avoids road congestion

Sports pavilion and grass pitch on Roysvale Park retained

Pedestrian priority campus created by minimising vehicles in close proximity to school building

Dual functioning car park - serves both staff at school and swimming pool/ 3G pitch for community events.

Car park utilises existing access route.

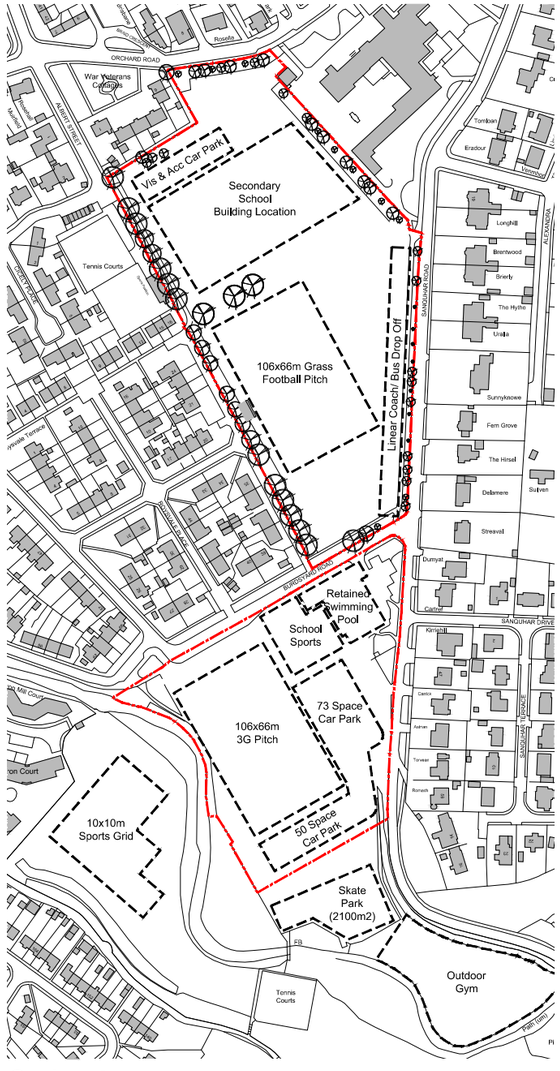
Cons:

Car park, 3G pitch and school indoor sports located on split site.

PE staff may feel isolated from wider school community.

Pupils required to walk to access to sports facilities, potentially impacting on amount of teaching time due to distance from main school building.

3G pitch and building isolates car park from wider campus.



Option 3

Option 4

Pros:

Proposed building location delivers good adjacencies to existing swimming pool and primary school.

Minimal disruption to Applegrove Primary School.

Dedicated bus/ coach drop off location, avoids road congestion

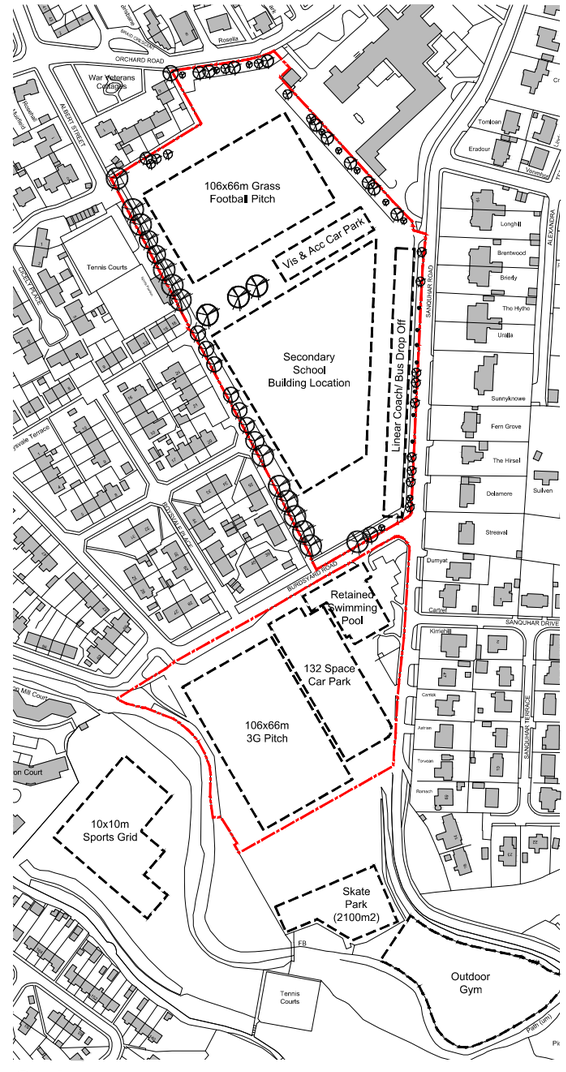
Car park in close proximity to school building.

Cons:

New secondary school located on Common Good Land.

Proposed building will be located further within the flood plain which may represent a challenge with respect to obtaining planning approval.

Loss of existing sports pavilion and grass pitch on Roysvale Park.



Option 4

8.2 Roysvale Park - Developed Site Organisation Option 1a

Development location for new secondary building (core teaching and sport facilities) with civic frontage onto Orchard Road.

Opportunity for 5-18 community and education campus to be developed with Applegrove Primary School.

Existing swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and ancillary spaces (changing etc) retained.

Existing sports pavilion on Roysvale Park retained.

Proposed visitors and accessible car parking accessed from Orchard Road.

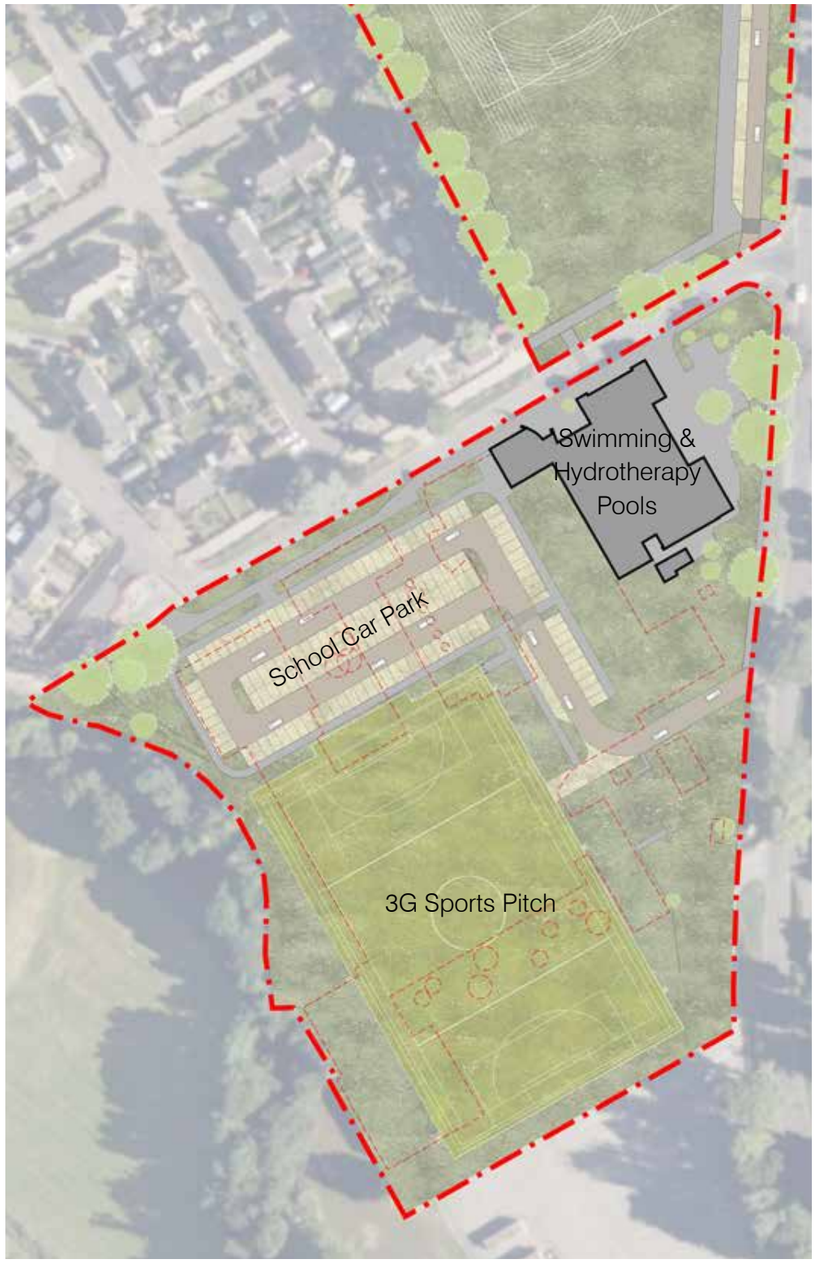
Proposed linear bus/ coach drop off layby running parallel to Sanquhar Road (access from Burdsyard Road, egress onto Sanquhar Rad).

Proposed school car park access and egress from existing opening on Sanquhar Road.

Existing grass football pitch and running track retained on Roysvale Park.

Proposed 3G 106x66m pitch located with close proximity to Forres Swimming Pool and proposed school car park.





8.3 Roysvale Park - Developed Site Organisation Option 1b

Development location for new secondary building (core teaching and sport facilities) with civic frontage onto Orchard Road.

Opportunity for 5-18 community and education campus to be developed with Applegrove Primary School.

Existing swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and ancillary spaces (changing etc) retained.

Existing sports pavilion on Roysvale Park retained.

Proposed visitors and accessible car parking accessed from Orchard Road.

Proposed linear bus/ coach drop off layby running parallel to Sanquhar Road (access from Burdsyard Road, egress onto Sanquhar Rad).

Proposed school car park access and egress from existing opening on Sanquhar Road.

Existing grass football pitch and running track retained on Roysvale Park.

Proposed 3G 106x66m pitch located with close proximity to Forres Swimming Pool and proposed school car park.





8.4 Roysvale Park - Developed Site Organisation Option 3

Development location for new secondary building (core teaching) with civic frontage onto Orchard Road.

Opportunity for 5-18 community and education campus to be developed with Applegrove Primary School.

Existing swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and ancillary spaces (changing etc) retained and enhanced with new indoor school sports accommodation construction on the existing school site, creating a education and community sports hub.

Existing sports pavilion on Roysvale Park retained.

Proposed visitors and accessible car parking accessed from Orchard Road.

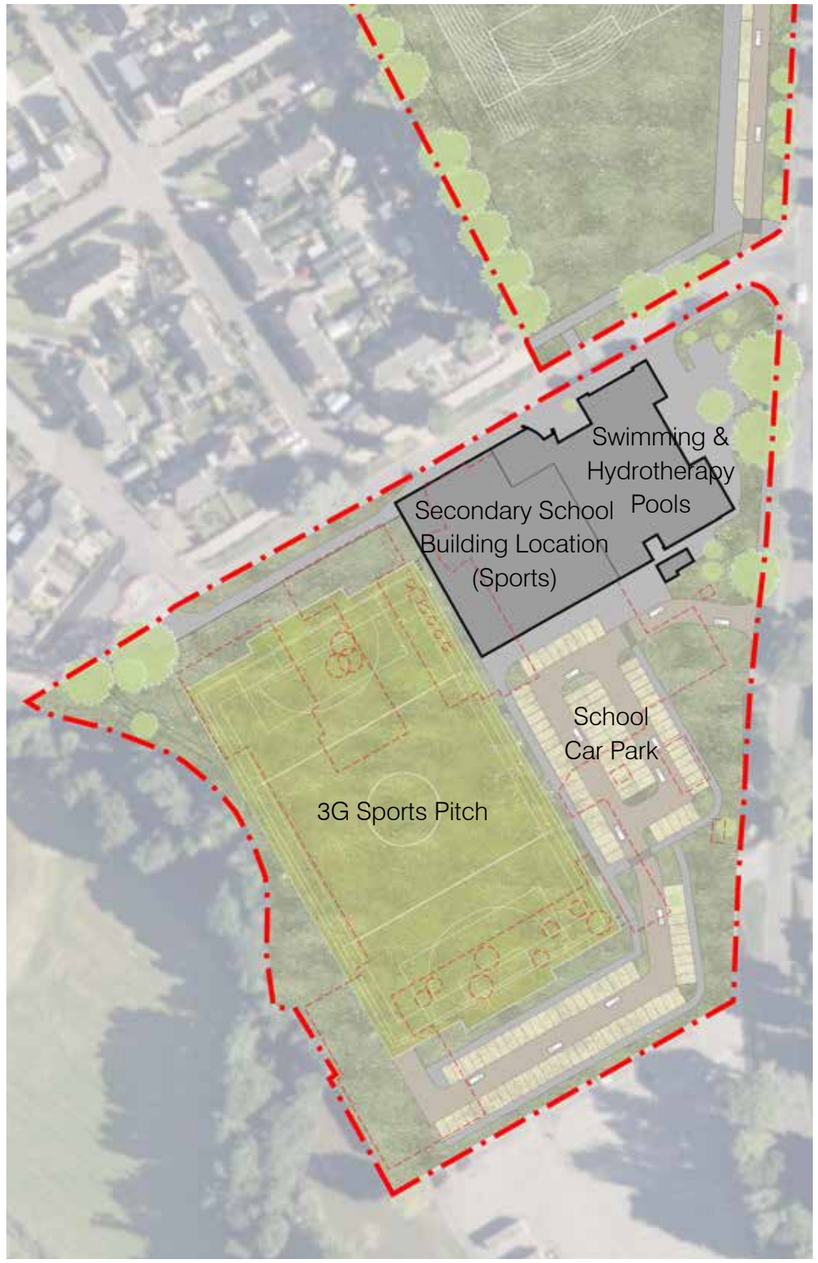
Proposed linear bus/ coach drop off layby running parallel to Sanquhar Road (access from Burdsyard Road, egress onto Sanquhar Rad).

Proposed school car park access and egress from existing opening on Sanquhar Road.

Existing grass football pitch and running track retained on Roysvale Park.

Proposed 3G 106x66m pitch located with close proximity to Forres Swimming Pool, indoor sports facilities and proposed school car park.





8.5 Lochyhill / Enterprise Park - Developed Site Organisation Option

Development location for new secondary building (core teaching and sports facilities) with civic presence onto A96.

Existing swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and ancillary spaces (changing etc) retained on Burdsyard Road.

Proposed vehicular access from Drumduan Road, including staff, visitor and accessible parking, bus/ coach drop off and service access.

New grass football pitch and running track and 3G pitch.



8.6 Grantown Road - Developed Site Organisation Option

Development location for new secondary building (core teaching and sports facilities) with civic presence onto Grantown Road (A940).

Existing swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and ancillary spaces (changing etc) retained on Burdsyard Road.

Proposed vehicular access from Grantown Road, including staff, visitor and accessible parking, bus/ coach drop off and service access.

New grass football pitch and running track and 3G pitch.



9.0 Mechanical and Electrical



9.1 Energy and Carbon Strategy

The LEIP programme performance energy and carbon criteria, we believe sets the benchmark for all new schools irrespective of whether they are funded through the LEIP programme or through other funding routes.

The energy consumption target for Forres Academy is recommended to meet the LEIP Band A consumption target of 67 to 83 kWh/sqm/p.a when assessed under the LEIP calculation methodology. It should be noted that the LEIP energy consumption targets will not correlate directly with the total in-use energy consumption. We would propose a supplementary target of no more than 100 kWh /sqm/p.a “at the meter” making a reasonable allowance for community use of the facility.

Arguably the most significant energy consumption reductions can be realised by reducing heating demand. Passive design solutions that involve careful consideration of orientation, massing, thermal bridging, air infiltration rates and building envelope thermal performance will play a major role in the ability to meet energy performance targets and will form the initial focus in developing design proposals to deliver against the energy targets.

A recent addition in the LEIP Phase 3 metric is the introduction of embodied carbon targets that did not exist in the prior two phases.

The targets promote a collaborative approach by Designers and Contractors to address key topics such as:

- Local Sourcing
- Minimising Waste
- Efficient fabrication
- Use of Recycled material
- Material Selection
- Design and construction for future ease of dismantling and disposal/ re-use.

For further details in the approach to energy and carbon reduction please refer to Appendix G.

9.2 Mechanical and Electrical Design Strategy

The design of MEP systems will focus on efficiency, maintainability and simplicity of user controls.

The MEP services design will, at every stage, focus on minimising system losses through efficient placement of plant and equipment and understanding the opportunities to limit energy consumption and carbon emissions for example, minimising hot water storage and ductwork/ pipework/ cable lengths to minimise system energy losses.

The strategic approach to the engineering services for the new facility shall be founded on the following principals:

- Carbon efficient primary energy sources and desire to reduce/ remove reliance on fossil fuels.
- Recognise potential users of the facility (Education & Community Use) and the inter-relationship, operability & systems efficiency for varying operational and occupancy profiles.
- Provide an internal environment which is comfortable, safe, healthy and compatible with the operations associated with the facility.
- Develop solutions that are compatible with the Clients Brief for the project, taking cognisance of any budgetary constraints.
- Develop engineering services solutions that are simple in concept and in-use, reliable and robust in operation.
- Design engineering services plant, plant rooms and distribution systems with a focus on system efficiencies and minimising distribution losses.
- Develop environmental control strategy for summer and winter with the aim of simplistic implementation and low reliance on technology.
- Design engineering services plant, plant rooms and distribution systems taking account of the requirement to provide safe access/provision for maintenance, repair and replacement.
- Develop energy consumption monitoring strategy for each of the uses and major loads associated with the facility.

Please refer to Appendix G for further detail and initial outline elemental specification of MEP Systems in response to the strategic approach outlined above.

10.0 Structural And Civil



10.1 Structural Strategy

Structural Loading

Vertical loads on structures are dictated by the relevant design codes and standards in accordance with building use and occupancy classes. Environmental loads acting on the structures, both vertically and laterally will be assessed using a site-specific methodology. Typical imposed load values are shown in Table 1.

	UDL (kN/m2)	Point Load (kN)
Roof (Maintenance access only/Snow)	0.6	0.6
Classrooms	3.0	3.0
Typical Floor	2.0	3.0
Corridor/ Stairs	3.0	4.5
Plant Rooms	7.5	4.5

Table 1

Material selection

Due to the varying types and sizes of structures, a suitability exercise should be carried out at an appropriate time to determine the best option for the development.

The below matrix gives a traffic light indication of the benefits of the main forms of construction to a project.

	Flexibility in Design	Future Flexibility	Services Optimisation	M&E Fit	Construction Programme
Steel Frame					
In-Situ Concrete					
PT Concrete					
Tradicional Masonry					
CLT/Timber					

Table 2

Of course, individual building layout plays a huge factor in this exercise as certain typical structural elements lend themselves well to specific situations, e.g. steel is well suited for large span openings typically found in education projects such as games halls and central atrium's.

Architectural features will also play a role in the material selection so early engagement between design team members is beneficial for agreeing the aspirations for the project.

Foundation Design

Through Site Investigation works geotechnical ground conditions will be established to allow a suitable foundation type to be determined – see the below matrix indicating the suitability for foundations when proposed with respective superstructure materials

Geo-environmental testing is carried out as part of the on-site suite of ground investigations and will inform the design relating to gas membranes, water supply pipe specification and determination of and contamination sources within the ground.

	Piled	Shallow (Pad/Strip)	Raft
Steel Frame			
Concrete Frame			
Masonry			
CLT/Timber			

Table 3

MMC (Modern methods of construction)

While off-site manufacturing (OSM) of structural elements has been a part of modern construction for a long time, there are now opportunities to expand on these elements for the benefit of the entirety of the project.

Typical OSM elements include pre-cast concrete or roof trusses which historically provide a higher quality product, constructed to tighter tolerances than on-site manufacturing.

With appropriate lead-times accounted for in the programme, delivery of fully or partially erected structural elements can also present an on-site time saving.

Sustainability

Modern construction methods must also consider the environment, via both carbon offsetting and carbon footprint reduction. Reductions in footprint are the preferred method of minimising emissions and are achieved through consideration in terms of both embodied carbon as a result of manufacturing and also as a result of transport to site. Carbon offsetting is seen as the less preferred option and only used once all other practical measures are taken. The aspirational hierarchy for net zero structural design is shown in Figure 1.

Stability

Whether utilising a framed or a shear wall structural solution, a regular and vertically repetitive layout with allows for an efficient design of stability members.

Where stability members can positively transfer the horizontal loads from the floor and roof diaphragms into the foundations in a single vertical line, the need for transfer members can be avoided.

Repetitive structure also encourages development of details which can be specified across multiple areas, simplifying manufacturing/ construction and building confidence through usage.

Further site investigation information can be found under Appendix E.

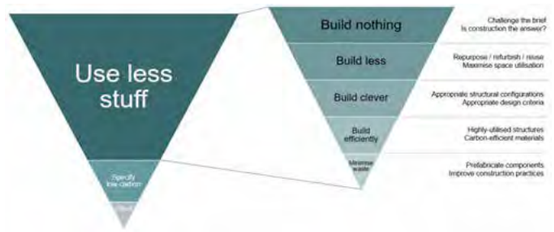


Figure 1. Aspirational hierarchy for net zero structural design

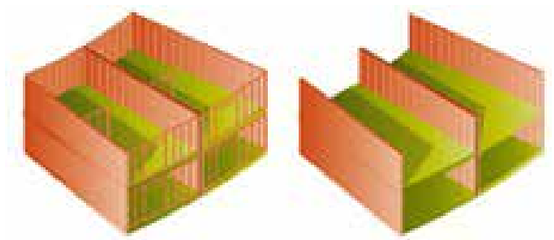


Figure 2. Shear wall structural solution

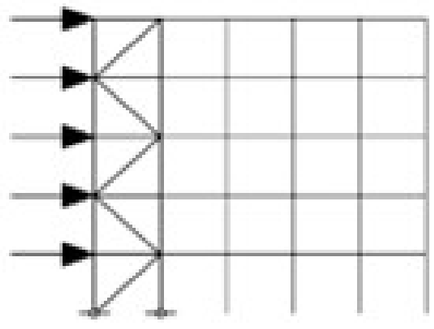


Figure 3. Shear wall structural solution

10.2 Civil Strategy

SUDS

The main impact of a development is increasing the proportion of impermeable surfaces (e.g., roofs and paved areas) within the site, without careful planning this can increase peak rate runoff. Sustainable Drainage Systems (SUDS) aim to mitigate this effect by emulating natural drainage systems and the provision of storage.

The greenfield runoff rate for Roysvale Park has been used to estimate the attenuation volume required for all three sites. Based on this greenfield run off rate, it is estimated approximately 1250m3 of storage will be required to store the 1:200 year storm with 37% climate change. However, this volume is correlated to total area of proposed hard standing, therefore, it is subject to change based on the architects layout. Furthermore, depending on the layout, there is a possibility of capturing the 1:200 year +37% C/C rainfall event on site which would reduce the total attenuation volume.

The primary method of attenuation will be provided by below ground attenuation tanks as it is anticipated that options such as SUDS basins and ponds will not be viable for this site due to their large land take.

Treatment

Treatment must be provided in accordance with the recommendations of The SUDS Manual (CIRIA Document C753), SEPA and other relevant guidance. To determine surface water treatment requirements, The SUDS Manual (CIRIA Document C753) initially requires identification of the various land use classifications involved in the development. Using Table 4.3 (Page 63), the following classifications are considered relevant for all three sites:

- Non-residential parking with infrequent change (e.g. schools, offices, < 300 traffic movements a day)
- Commercial/Industrial roofing: Inert materials

The guidance confirms that the various land use classifications identified require use of the Simple Index Approach. This involves a comparison between indices of likely pollution levels against SUDS performance capacities. To deliver adequate treatment, the selected SUDS components should have a total pollution mitigation that equals or exceeds the pollution hazard index. There are several options for treatment, however, the best choice will need to consider the site constraints and space available. For this reason, it is anticipated that options such as SUDS basins and ponds will not be viable for this site due to their large land take.

As such, options such as porous paving, filter strips and linear swales which can be accommodated within the landscaping will be preferred.

Connections

All surface water and foul connections require approval by Scottish water.
Scottish Water's preference for surface Water are as follows:

1. Re-use
2. Soak-away
3. Watercourse
4. Surface water sewer
5. Combined sewer

The sites in question for Forres use a variance of these options; Roysvale – Combined sewer, Lochyhill/ Enterprise – Surface water sewer and Grantown – watercourse. These connection methods may vary depending on Scottish Water approval.

Foul connections for all sites will be to either nearby combined sewers or foul water sewers. Scottish Water approval required prior to connection.

Further site investigation information can be found under Appendix E.

11.0 Programme



11.1 Programme Commentary

The programmes contained within Appendix H and the commentary below reflect the timescales required based on the Hub procurement model. Should an alternative procurement route to Hub be adopted it should be noted that this will result in a minimum 6 months extension required to procure and engage a new Design Team as well as potential financial impacts.

Should the decision be made to proceed with a Hub procurement model the new school at Forres is to be delivered as part of the LEIP 3 Northern Schools Programme managed by hub North Scotland Limited. This programme looks to provide a collaborative and aligned approach delivering:

- shared knowledge and resources,
- establishing replicable designs with associated cost savings,
- accelerating the understanding and application of the funding conditions,
- maximising economic and social benefits,
- monitoring and implementing lessons learned,
- alignment with the10 guiding principles of the National Learning Strategy, and
- supporting wider collaboration with other services and public partners.

The programme aims to deliver:

- Capital cost benefits, by ensuring a steady and predictable work-stream for the local market, promoting supply chain development and enhance buying gains, delivering projects faster
- Operational cost benefits, by creating opportunities for co-location of facilities, reducing build and running costs leading to lower carbon emissions providing better places for businesses and communities to work and meet.
- Socio-economic benefits, by evidencing a steady pipeline of work in the region which would allow new employment opportunities to be created locally within the supply chain. With more confidence in workload, the supply chain could widen their apprenticeships to the local communities. Sustained employment in the region would result in growth to the local economy. In addition, the sharing and pooling of resources will also cause a ripple effect, allowing different ways of collaborative working to be embraced and benefits to be gained, such as knowledge sharing and upskilling
- Non-financial benefits, by reducing development time across projects with a consistent approach. Suites of standard firm of building contracts, specifications and technical documentation can be developed, reducing the production time-scales for creating bespoke information. The time savings will result in projects being delivered earlier compared to being developed in isolation. The time saving is in addition to the cost saving that would also be realised.

The LEIP 3 North Schools Programme Partners include:

- Aberdeen City Council
- Argyll and Bute Council
- Moray Council
- Orkney Islands Council
- Shetland Islands Council, along with
- Northern Alliance
- Scottish Futures Trust and
- Hub North Scotland Limited

12.0 Cost Appraisal



12.1 Cost Commentary

Currie and Brown have prepared high level Cost Models for the developed site options for Forres Academy. The costs for these options are as per Table 1.

The main differences between the various cost options are as follows, utilising Roysvale Park (Option 1a) as the base line for comparison purposes only:

- Roysvale Park (Option 1b) – smaller development site and reduced extent of access roads
- Roysvale Park (Option 3) – separate sports block from main school building constructed on footprint of existing school and associated extended programme.
- Lochyhill – roundabout on A96, increased allowance for safer routes to schools and land purchase
- Granton Road – trenchfill to foundations, off-site junction works at new school entrance, increased allowance for safer routes to schools and land purchase.

We would also highlight the following which forms the basis of the Cost Models:

- Building costs based on Currie & Brown benchmarking.
- Allowances included for refurbishment works at junction to retained swimming pool following demolition of existing school.
- External works surfacing etc based on approximate quantities based on Architects Landscape Layouts
- Allowances included for ground works ie cut and fill, trenchfill etc with requirement /extent to be confirmed once further Site Investigation undertaken.
- Allowance included for fencing, site furniture, external service connections including electrical sub-stations.
- Preliminaries based on amended hNSL pro-forma percentages to reflect extended programme and current market conditions.
- Contractor's margin, Design Team fees based on hNSL pro-forma percentages.
- Design development risk based on percentages reflective of current Scottish market.
- LEIP 2 and LEIP 3 targets based on SFT percentage uplifts.
- Inflation included to mid-construction based on BCIS indices and Currie & Brown's Construction Activity & Market Outlook. Due to the BCIS's heavy reliance on cost data for the other regions of the UK and also due to the delay / lag in BCIS receiving cost information, in our opinion Currie and Brown's inflation outlook is more reflective of the current Scottish Market.
- Construction duration / programme assumes 183 weeks (209 weeks for Roysvale – Option 3)
- Allowances included for Authority costs ie internal costs, legal costs / fees, IT active equipment, interactive boards / screens etc.
- Authority cost for optimism bias / Client contingency based on percentage.
- Authority costs include high level cost allowances for off-site works ie safer routes to schools, roundabouts, land purchase etc where applicable to each option.

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Table 1 - Cost Models

13.0 Recommendations and Next Steps



13.1 Recommendations

To assist Moray Council in determining the most appropriate site for building the new school, the Design Team members including hub North Scotland Ltd, and a representative from Moray Council all participated in an “options appraisal” exercise looking at varied criteria pertaining to the three sites (Roysvale Park, Lochyhill and Grantown Road), all of which were scored jointly and collectively by the Design Team members; the outcome of the options appraisal was that Roysvale Park received the highest score.

Whilst there are risks associated with developing any of the three sites, it was noted however that only one of the sites (Roysvale Park) is under ownership of Moray Council, whereas both Lochyhill and Grantown Road would require the Council to formally acquire the land in question. The major risk with developing the Roysvale site, however, lies with the fact that a major part of the developable site is classed as “Common Good” and hence Moray Council would need to be confident that they, and their legal advisers, are able to remove said restrictions in a timeous manner during the design development phase of the project in time to allow the main Contractor to commence works on site in accordance with the project programme.

If Moray Council is confident that the Common Good constraint can be removed prior to commencement of construction on site (July 2025), then the recommendation would be that Roysvale Park would offer the best site solution for Moray Council to deliver the new school.



Aerial view of Roysvale Park

13.2 Next Steps

The following 'Next Steps' are based on the assumption that approval to proceed with Roysvale Park as the preferred site, under a Hub procurement route, is received.

Following the submission of this SSPS Report and approval to proceed, the development programme included in Appendix H proposes commencement of Hub Stage 1 (RIBA Stage 2) at the end of March 2024. This stage runs for a seven month period, concluding at the end of October. Hub Stage 2 will follow on sequentially, concluding at the end of July 2025.

Northern Schools Programme Approach

Forres Academy is to be delivered as part of the LEIP 3 Northern Schools Programme managed by hub North Scotland Limited. This programme looks to provide a collaborative and aligned approach and will follow the steps below:

1. Initial Goal Teams to be established with initial workshops to be set up w/c 8th Jan 2024
    1. Place
    2. Net Zero
    3. Inclusive Social Outcomes
    4. Technical Collaboration
    5. Procurement
2. Programme Wide Strategies. Supply Chain Members to confirm contributors
3. Phase 1 strategies and mini-programmes to be established

Common Good Land Review

It has been identified that part of the overall site at Roysvale Park has been designated as Common Good and as such presents additional risk to the project. The proposed location for the new secondary school building is on land to the north of the footpath that dissects the site, and is therefore not directly located on Common Good Land. However it is currently proposed to use the Common Good Land temporarily during construction as site setup and the contractor's compound and permanently as a drop off layby for buses and a grass sports pitch. The land designation may need to be reviewed as part of the project development.

Additional Surveys Required

To help support the Design Team's work and statutory approvals during Hub Stages 1 and 2, the following surveys may be required:

- Ground Penetrating Radar Survey
- CCTV Drainage Survey
- Parking Survey
- Transport Statement
- Tree Survey and Reports
- Ecology and Habitat
- Archaeological Desk Based Assessment
- Flood Risk Assessment
- Asbestos Survey (if not available, for current building)
- Intrusive Testing Tracing Surveys (existing building, by MEP subcontractor)

Stakeholder Engagement

The initial stakeholder engagement which has been undertaken during SSPS Phases A and B will be built upon and developed throughout Hub Stages 1 and 2.

Statutory (and other) Consultations

The Design Team have already engaged in some light touch discussions with the Planning and Roads and Transport departments and would look to further these discussions during Hub Stage 1.

As the Forres Academy project will be classed as a Major Development under The Town and Country Planning (Hierarchy of Developments) (Scotland) Regulations 2009, the formal Planning Application will be subject to a 12 week pre-application process.

Following the submission of the Planning Application information will be prepared to enable an application for Building Warrant however, engagement with the Building Control Team will occur prior to this to introduce the project, team and agree the proposed Building Warrant stages.

The Design Team will also make contact with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to discuss the project with their Fire Safety Enforcement Officer and engage in details discussions which will assist with the Building Warrant process.

Should it be deemed a requirement by Moray Council, the Design Team can also meet with the Architectural Liaison Officer from Police Scotland to discuss Secured by Design.

As all of the proposed options for Roysvale Park in this report would be deemed a 'relevant proposal' (a proposal to relocate a school or part of a school) under the terms of the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010, Moray Council will commence engagement, during the next stage, with His Majesty's Inspectors of Education (HMIE) and prepare an Educational Benefits Statement to support the chosen proposal in line with the requirements set out in the Act.

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REPORT TO: **SPECIAL EDUCATION, CHILDREN'S AND LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON 27 MARCH 2024**

SUBJECT: **LEARNING ESTATE PROGRAMME – FUTURE FORRES ACADEMY PROJECT UPDATE**

BY: **DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES AND ORGANISATIONS DEVELOPMENT)**

1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 To inform the Committee of the current status of the Future Forres Academy project and seek approval to progress to Full Business Case.

1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section III (D) (17) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to the School Estate to consider and make recommendations on capital and minor works programmes within the remit of the Committee.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that Committee:

(i) note the evidence to support a New Build project option (para 3.3);

(ii) agree that public engagement is undertaken regarding the location of a new school (para 4.1);

(iii) agree determination of the preferred site following public engagement will be at the Education, Children's and Leisure Services (ECLS) Committee on 14 May 2024 (para 4.1); and

(iv) approve the procurement strategy and associated costs to take the project to Full Business Case (FBC) (Para 4.7-4.10).

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 In October 2023 the Future Forres Academy project was accepted as part of the Scottish Governments Learning Estate Investment Programme (LEIP) Phase 3 programme. In order to access this funding, the Council will require to meet and maintain specific performance levels for the building over a 25 year period, as documented in the Outcome Based Funding Model attached as **Appendix 1**.

3.2 At the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee (ECLS) on 19 September 2023 (para 16 of minute refers), it was agreed to engage hub North Scotland Limited (HNSL) to undertake a project feasibility/project definition for Future Forres Academy, due to the scale, scope and potential cost risks associated with progressing the design, build and operational assessment of the project.

3.3 The feasibility study reviewed several options of how to improve Forres Academy: Do Nothing, Refurbish, and New Build with these options summarised below.

Do Nothing

3.4 The current building is assessed as overall condition D – that is life expired and/or in serious risk of imminent failure. The current school was designed for an earlier approach to educational provision and no longer reflects the needs of the community for the integration of education, skills and jobs that will support long-term resilience and sustainability. There is a trend of increasing reactive maintenance spend on the existing building and a rising sum of investment required to make much needed fabric improvements. Considerable sums have already been spent over the last few years, despite which there have been intermittent failures in elements such as drainage which have led to disrupted learning and these interventions have only maintained the low condition ratings and indeed not prevented further deterioration in condition. The continued drain on resources to simply maintain the current school at low condition and suitability standards is unsustainable. In addition, the assessment and discovery of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) within the current building has necessitated urgent remediation works and a regular programme of remedial inspections, which have resulted in areas of school no longer being accessible and reduced the overall capacity of the building to meet future needs.

Refurbishment

3.5 Several criteria were considered when reviewing this option including: the existing condition, LEIP 3 compliance, and challenges that a refurbishment scenario may present including: functionality and quality issues; whole life carbon; and cost implications. Whilst a refurbishment can meet a number of the LEIP 3 requirements, two issues present significant if not insurmountable challenges; the existing span between the structural floor slabs (which is significantly less than in modern education facilities) would pose a challenge with the mechanical ventilation required to meet LEIP 3 as well as the probable requirements to insulate under the existing ground floor slab. Based on benchmark data the construction cost to refurbish a school is generally around 90% of the cost of a new build however, the additional costs pertaining to Forres Academy, such as temporary accommodation for decant, RAAC which would require to be replaced and concerns over fire engineering requirements would mean the cost for delivering a refurbished school would be likely to exceed the cost for delivering a new build.

3.6 Given that one of Moray Council's learning estate strategy aspirations and key drivers is that 'All learners be educated in high quality buildings (minimum level B for condition and suitability)' the financial challenge of simply

maintaining the existing building without ever being able to improve its condition it would not be acceptable to 'Do Nothing' at Forres Academy.

3.7 In addition, when consideration is taken of a compromised design solution that may have to be accepted for a refurbished school in comparison to a new build without any cost benefit, it was concluded that a refurbishment solution would not offer good value for money to Moray Council and the end product would unlikely meet the aspirations of the local community. Therefore, the study considered that a New Build is the most prudent and cost effective solution for a Future Forres Academy.

New Build

3.8 The feasibility study initially considered eight sites to support a new school build option. An assessment of the viability of these eight sites identified that only three potential development sites for a new build would meet the project need: Grantown Road, Lochyhills and Applegrove Playing Fields/Roysvale Park. With each of these sites a number of assessments were undertaken which included: visioning and strategic definition, existing information analysis, development of educational briefing, lessons learnt analysis, desktop appraisal of site options.

3.9 To assist in determining the most appropriate site for building the new school, a scored options appraisal exercise was undertaken by the design team which looked at fourteen factors pertaining to the three sites: context, place, sustainability, landscape and ecology, planning considerations, transport, flood risk, utility infrastructure, underground risks, construction, orientation massing and shading, ground conditions, drainage, future expansion. These criteria were weighted with respect to current Council policies and placed the highest weightings on 'context' and 'place'. This was in line with local living and 20 minute neighbourhood intent to encourage, promote and facilitate the application of the place principle (as set out in the National Planning Framework)and create connected and compact neighbourhoods where people can meet the majority of their daily needs within a reasonable distance of their home, preferably by walking, wheeling or cycling or using sustainable transport options.

3.10 A summary of the three site options is provided below with the full scoring matrix detailed in **Appendix 2** and a site map and boundary locations in **Appendix 3**:

A Grantown Road

This site would see only a new build secondary school constructed with associated 3G pitch and car park. The current school would be demolished but the swimming pool and hydrotherapy pool would remain.

This site would provide minimal design constraints and meets most of the education strategic objectives. However, this does not meet with the place principle set out in National Planning Framework (Policy 14), would remove easy access to swimming facilities for educational benefit and most likely would increase traffic to the site. There is no current consideration of safer routes to schools and there would likely be a requirement for road improvements to provide access. The

Council does not own the land and therefore this would require to be purchased from the current landowners. In addition, it is outside the settlement boundary, the land is not currently allocated under the current Local Development Plan and therefore, the site would never be part of the wider context, meaning the school would remain remote from other facilities within the town. The site is also adjacent to a high pressure gas main which may preclude future expansion.

B Lochyhill

This site would see only a new build secondary school constructed with an associated 3G pitch and car park. The current school would be demolished but the swimming pool and hydrotherapy pool would remain.

This site would provide minimal design constraints and meets the majority of the education strategic objectives. However, there is no existing primary school to enable a full 5-18 campus, it does not meet with the place based policy, would remove easy access to swimming facilities for educational benefit and potentially would increase traffic to the site. There is no current consideration of safer routes to schools and there may be the possible requirement for a new roundabout on the A96 to provide access. - Although there is a site safeguarded for a Primary School at Lochyhill in the Local Development Plan it could not be used for the secondary school as this is an existing need and not one arising through any future development at Lochyhill. Therefore the Council does not own the site and therefore this would require to be purchased from the current landowners. If this was the chosen site, there is a risk that the proposed surrounding housing development never materialises and the school would remain remote from the town. The site does allow for future expansion, although further land would need to be purchased to facilitate this.

C Applegrove Playing Fields/Roysvale Park

This site would provide a new build school constructed adjacent to Applegrove Primary School (Council-owned land), retaining the pavilion and grass pitch on Roysvale Park with the addition of a bus drop off on Sanquhar Road. The current swimming pool and hydrotherapy pool would remain, with the rest of the current school being demolished and the site redeveloped with a 3G pitch and car park, which would serve both the school and the wider community sports facilities. The car park would be accessed from the existing opening on Sanquhar Road.

This site offers the opportunity to develop a 5-18 campus, the building is located away from the common good land and provides a pedestrian priority campus with a dedicated bus/coach drop off which would avoid road congestion (edge of Roysvale site). Although the car park and 3G pitch are located on a split site they provide a dual purpose serving both the school, swimming pool and community events. This site provides a central location for the school with a good opportunity for a united civic presence with Applegrove Primary School. It provides links to other existing green/health and wellbeing spaces providing both educational and community benefit. It meets the educational strategic objectives and place-based policy and would be using and improving

on the current safe routes to school. This site would provide good opportunities for educational links during construction and maintain the economic benefits to the surrounding businesses. The overarching issue with this site is that the Roysvale Park element of the site is designated as common good land.

The change in common good land use would be restricted to a bus drop off on Sanquhar Road. The development of the site would maintain the majority of the common good as green space and the development would likely see an improvement to the current surface water drainage issue.

3.11 The outcome of the design team option appraisal was that Grantown Road would be discounted with the Lochyhill scoring slightly lower than Applegrove/Roysvale Park. In addition to the scored option appraisal, high level cost models were developed with the differential in cost between Lochyhill and Roysvale Park being estimated at £3.9M, with Lochyhill the more expensive option due to additional project costs associated with procurement of land, roads, pathways and utility service upgrades.

3.12 Whilst there are risks associated with developing either of these sites, it was noted that only Applegrove/Roysvale Park is under ownership of the Council, whilst Lochyhill would require the Council to formally acquire the land in question. The main risk with developing the Applegrove/Roysvale site lies with the fact that a major part of the developable site is classed as 'Common Good', although the main school building is not planned on this site but rather the Council-owned land adjacent to Applegrove Primary School and currently used as grass playing fields by them

4. NEXT STEPS

4.1 While consultation is not a requirement at this stage, given the extent of local interest, it is proposed that the next step is to engage with the community on the two remaining site options: B - Lochyhill and C – Applegrove/Roysvale Park. To ensure that project delay is minimised the engagement would be This would be undertaken during and after the school Easter holidays over a period of 3 weeks and would take the format of an information sharing on line, online and document survey and a public drop in session during week 3 of the engagement. The feedback would be analysed and presented to this Committee on 14 May 2024 for the preferred development site to be determined. This would allow the project to move to the development of the Full Business Case (FBC) which will provide a detailed design and an option for a fixed price cost for the project to deliver an operational school in 2028.

4.2 The next step following the decision at Committee in May 2024 is dependent on the preferred site selected. It would be to either:

B - Lochyhill: consult regarding the relocation of the school in accordance with the Schools (Consultation)(Scotland) Act 2010 or;

C - Applegrove/Roysvale - consult the public regarding the Common Good use to support school construction for the duration of the project and for permanent development of bus drop off areas.

4.3 With Option C – Applegrove/Roysvale, due to the land being categorised as inalienable Common Good, the Council would require to obtain consent of the Sheriff Court in terms of the Section 75(2) Local Government (Scotland) Act to appropriate the land. Section 222(2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 requires the Council to have regard to the interests of the inhabitants of the former Burgh of Forres when administrating Common Good land.

4.4 In addition, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, which came into force on 27 June 2018, requires that before taking any decision to appropriate a Common Good asset, the Council must publish details about the proposed disposal. In publishing these details, the Council must also:

(i) notify the relevant community council and any community body that is known to have an interest in the property; and

(ii) invite those bodies to make representations in respect of the proposals.

4.5 In deciding whether or not to appropriate the land, the Council must have regard to any representations made, whether by those invited or by some other relevant party. The proposal, along with the summary of any representations received, would then form the basis of a further report to this Committee to allow it to make a decision regarding the appropriation of the site and submission for court approval.

4.6 With Option B – Lochyhill a statutory consultation would be undertaken in accordance with Schools (Consultation)(Scotland) Act 2010, which is triggered by the move to a new location.

4.7 Further to the decision of site selection, given the complexity and potential cost risk associated with progressing design, build and operational asset management of this project, it is proposed to engage HNSL to undertake the detailed design works which will inform the FBC. HNSL have undertaken the feasibility study, were successful in supporting the Moray Council LEIP 3 Scottish Government submissions, are working with other local authorities within the Northern Territory Partnership on similar work and have acted on behalf of Moray Council to deliver recent projects of similar scale, Lossiemouth High School and Elgin High School and are considered the preferred design and build partner to progress the project.

4.8 HNSL is one of the five public-private partnership companies set up across Scotland. Developed as a Scotland-wide initiative, led by Scottish Futures Trust (an executive non-department public body of the Scottish Government), to support new community infrastructure delivery. The establishment of the HNSL Framework was procured in compliance with Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) requirements and establishes the structure and agreements for collaborative working underpinned by our Shareholder Agreement and Territory Partnering Agreement.

4.9 Through a Hub approach, a lengthy World Trade Organisation's Government Procurement Agreement process – utilising the Find a Tender Service - is avoided along with the time consuming and expensive competitive dialogue

that this entails. The advantages of the Council Procurement Strategy for this project adopting the Hub approach include:

- Increase cost and programme certainty
- Early involvement of advisers and contractors
- More assured partnership working and innovation
- More effective risk management
- Transparent procurement
- A minimum of 80% of packages (by value) market tested
- A qualified and experienced supply chain working to capped rates
- Opportunity with economies of scale with HNSL already appointed to support other planned major capital projects (Elgin High School Extension) and potentially others in the future (Buckie High School).

4.10 The benchmarked project fees for taking the project to FBC, with a detailed design and build proposition is £1.569M, with the spend being across financial years 24/25 and 25/26, with the view to start construction in August 2025.

5. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP))

This report supports the LOIP outcomes:

Building a better future for children and young people in Moray:

- Healthier Children: children get the healthiest start in life and are supported to achieve the best possible mental health and wellbeing and there is equity for vulnerable groups.

And the aims of the Corporate Plan to:

- Build thriving, resilient, empowered communities**,** managing the financial and resourcing pressures of our learning estate

As Roysvale Park is a Common Good asset the interests of the inhabitants of former Burgh take precedence over the Councils Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (LOIP).

(b) Policy and Legal

Lochyhill is outside the current school boundary and therefore consultation regarding the relocation of the school in accordance with the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 would require to be undertaken.

Roysvale Park is inalienable Common Good and its appropriation will require Court Consent in terms of Section 75(2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973. Section 222(2) of the 1973 Act requires the Council to have regard to the views of the inhabitants of the former burgh and any appropriation would also require the consent of court.

(c) Financial implications

The Future Forres Academy project is within the agreed 2024-2034 ten year current plan.

The overall project costs are currently as per the LEIP 3 bid and within agreed 10 year capital plan but a review of the costs due to inflation and any other factors will be undertaken and reported in due course.

The LEIP 3 funding model is revenue based, with revenue payments made by the Scottish Government over the 25 year life of the proposed facility. Funding is to be released on a phased basis on achievement of agreed outcomes as documented in **Appendix 1**.

The benchmarked project fees for taking the project to the next stage of a detailed design and build proposition, together with a FBC is £1.569M. This is within the 2024/25 financial year capital plan allowance approved by Council on 28 January 2024.

(d) Risk Implications

The following risks are already identified and should be noted:

i. For any LEIP funded project the Council carry the full risk of capital funding, with revenue budget support only provided once the school is operational and at different stages in the building lifecycle, dependent on the achievement of outcomes set out in the Financial implications above.

ii. There is risk that the area metric proposed by the Scottish Government to value a LEIP 3 project will not correspond to the actual market rate experienced at the time of construction. The consequence is that the maximum 50% of qualifying project value provided by the Scottish Government could be significantly less than that (with the Council therefore bearing a significantly higher proportion of the overall costs of the project).

iii. The Outcome Based Funding Model requires a consistent level of investment through the life of the facility to ensure funding targets can be achieved and maintained over the 25 year period, which impacts on the building whole life costs. As noted above, failure to meet these funding targets throughout the 25 year funding period could put the ongoing Scottish Government contribution to funding at risk.

Indicative costs take account of current market uncertainty and inflationary forecast. There is a risk of continuing market uncertainty through the life of the project, with a consequential impact on costs.

The cost of purchasing land is a high level estimate, may increase and would also require legal negotiations to be undertaken with the current land owner.

The common good land transaction would require the consent of the Sheriff Court following a Public Consultation. Moray Council would require to incur the costs of the Public Consultation, Court Action and Legal Notices etc. which are estimated at between £3-£5K. Any objection may affect the outcome of the application to the Court. If the Court was to reject the application the Council would be unable to recover the expenses incurred and would require to purchase an alternative piece of land, which would increase the project delivery timescales. Currently an allowance of 6 months (January 2025) has been incorporated into the project plan timeline

(e) Staffing Implications
There are no staffing issues arising from this report.

(f) Property
The property implications are set out in the body of the report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact
The quality of the learning environment can impact on learning and attainment by as much as 16%. The condition and suitability of our learning estate, and capacity challenges associated with both growth and population decline in some areas, give rise to unequal opportunity across Moray.

This proposal supports the Learning Estate Strategy requirement that all Learning Estate buildings meet minimum standards and are fit for purpose.

(h) Climate Change and Biodiversity Impacts
The proposal will have a climate change impact with embodied carbon impacts during construction and whole life operational carbon. The scale of this overall impact will be assessed in detail as the project progresses to FBC and this will be balanced against the current operational carbon budgets. The LEIP 3 standards for both operational carbon (energy efficiency) and embodied carbon require the new build design to minimise carbon.

(i) Consultations
Head of Legal and Democratic Services, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Education (Chief Education Officer), Head of Housing and Property, Head of Economic Growth and Development, Legal Services Manager, Assistant Manager Procurement, Equal Opportunities Officer, Caroline O'Connor, Committee Services Officer and members of the Learning Estate Programme Board and Asset Management Working Group have been consulted and the comments received have been incorporated into the report.

6. CONCLUSION

6.1 The Committee is asked to confirm it is in agreement that public engagement is undertaken on the location of the new build, with the final decision on the new build school location being determined at this

Committee on 14 May 2024. Thereafter, the statutory consultation route, associated with each option, will commence.

6.2 It is recommended that Committee approve the procurement of HNSL to progress the FBC, which will look to provide a fixed cost permanent solution to the capacity issues, and the £1.569M cost associated with this.

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Appendix 1

Learning Estate Investment Programme (Phase 3) – Outcome-based Funding Criteria

Scottish Government (SG) funding will be available through the Outcomes Based Funding (OBF) model. SG funding will be released as the achievement of agreed outcomes is evidenced. The details of these outcomes are included in the table below:

Funded Outcome	Outcome to be achieved
1. Condition	Local authorities must provide evidence, through their annual returns that the facility is kept in condition A or B for a period of 25 years. This is intended to be a binary funding condition. In recognition of the potential for survey issues to be identified, removal of funding would be suspended for one year to allow for rectification of any issues leading to a C condition rating. The funding would be reinstated, the next financial year, once it could be demonstrated that the facility was in A/B condition again. If the building drops into condition C more than once during a five-year period, the condition funding element will be suspended without the one-year grace period, until the condition is rectified to A/B. In the event of exceptional circumstances such as fire or flood resulting in the condition of the building being unable to be rectified to an A/B condition within 1 year of becoming a C, or meaning that the facility drops into condition C for a second occasion, this will be reviewed on a case by case basis between the authority and SG.
2. Energy Efficiency	Authorities must provide evidence that the in-use energy target of 67/kWh/sqm/p.a. for core hours of 2,000 p.a. and core facilities is achieved. **Core Facilities** To provide consistency of definition across the variety of projects in the programme, the following facilities are excluded from the total energy consumption target: • Dedicated community/health facilities • Swimming pool/hydrotherapy pool • External sports flood lighting

	• Production kitchens (serving multiple sites) • Data centres (serving multiple sites) • Electric Vehicle Charging Points • Other (e.g. specialist vocational/industrial facilities, councils to propose) Within the remaining core facilities, all energy uses relating to the building and users are included in the energy target. The target includes all consumed energy regardless of source e.g. energy provided from renewable sources is included in the same manner as gas or electricity from the mains or grid. Contribution from heat pumps should be included on the output side rather than input side to support the aim of creating energy efficient buildings using a fabric first approach. **Core Hours** To recognise that councils and individual schools have different operational hours and term dates, the target is anticipated to cover all energy uses during a bank of 2000 operational hours per annum. If the facilities are operational for more or less hours then a pro rata approach should be taken to compare against the target. Building use purely for cleaning, maintenance or security tasks will not be considered as operational hours. **Example** To report on previous year: • total open operational hours of a facility for school and community use (excluding cleaning etc) = 3000 hours • total annual energy consumption from all sources (after exclusions) = 120 kWh/m2/annum • reportable core energy consumption would be (2000/3000) x 120 = 80 kWh/m2/annum **Energy Outcome Funding** This is recognised as being an ambitious target, therefore it is not anticipated that this will be a pass/fail outcome for funding but that a sliding scale will be attached. From feedback and discussion with Directors of Finance, ADES Resources and SHOPs the sliding scale is grouped into ranges with a corresponding alteration to funding depending on which range is demonstrated as being achieved:

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If the facility exceeds 130/ kWh/sqm/p.a for core hour use of energy use – no funding will be available for that outcome. The funding for the energy outcome will commence in year 3 of operations to allow a 2-year period to monitor in use energy consumption and optimise systems and behaviour. At the end of year 2 the in-use energy will be measured, and this will determine the initial funding band.

Following the initial reporting of the energy target at the end of year 2, the energy outcome will be assessed every 5 years in years 7, 12, 17 and 22. The rolling five-year average is what should be reported. In the event of a change of performance from the previous measurement, there will be a 1-year grace period to allow Councils to rectify the change and bring back to the original target of maintain improved energy performance, before any required changes, to funding are implemented.
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<td>3. Digitally Enabled Learning</td>
<td>Digital is an evolving and fast-growing area and one that is becoming more prevalent in every-day learning as digital learning and teaching strategies continue to develop.

To ensure facilities are future proofed and able to continue to support high quality digital learning and teaching, regardless of technology advancement, the local authority must provide evidence that the underlying digital infrastructure of the facility is capable of supporting 11Gbps. This underlying infrastructure should extend to at least one point within every learning and teaching space throughout the facility.</td>
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The authority will require to collate and provide evidence that they have met the target for jobs supported as per the CITB benchmarks published July 2017. The number of jobs to be supported depends on the size of investment (based on construction contract value):

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Funding will be available if the relevant target is achieved. If this is not achieved in full, funding will be adjusted accordingly.
E.g. if 12 jobs is the target but only 11 are evidenced as being achieved then 11/12ths of the funding for that outcome will be available.

This outcome could be multi-faceted and also provide a measure to ensure training places are supported and learner engagement is embedded in the design and construction process through site visits and work experience placements.

It is proposed that because the achievement of this outcome will happen in the design and construction phase of the project that the funding for it, if achieved, is received in the first two years of operations, rather than extend over the 25-year period.</td></tr>
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	Local authorities should evidence that the construction embodied carbon target of **600 kgCO2e/m2** for core facilities is achieved. Local authorities should track and record this throughout the project stages using an assessment tool compliant with BRE IMPACT methodology managed by an assessor with appropriate expertise. Evidence of achieving this target using actual material, product, transport and contractor activity data will be required at project completion. **Methodology** The Construction Embodied Carbon target should be assessed for the building and external plant only, excluding external works and loose FF+E. This should include Stages A1-A5 "from cradle to practical completion" as defined in the RICS Professional Statement of Whole Life Carbon: - A1-A3: Products/Materials (c. 95% of target CO2 emissions) - A4: Transport of materials and products to site - A5: Construction site operations Local Authorities should consider the guidance in the Net Zero Public Sector Building Standard (NZPSBS) Objective 2. **Core Facilities** To provide consistency of definition across the variety of projects in the programme, the Construction Embodied Carbon target should only include the core facilities, as defined in Outcome 2 – Energy Efficiency. **Construction Embodied Carbon Outcome Funding** This is recognised as being an ambitious target, therefore it is not anticipated that this will be a pass/fail outcome for funding but that a sliding scale will be attached. The construction embodied target funding is grouped into bands corresponding alteration to funding depending on which range is demonstrated as being achieved:

Embodied Carbon kgCO2e/m2	Embodied Carbon Funding %
A <600	100%
B 601-666	90%
C 667-733	60%
D 734-800	30%
E 800+	0%

If the facility exceeds 800 kgCO2e/m2 of construction embodied carbon, no funding will be available for that outcome.

Refurbishment

The Construction Embodied Carbon funding targets will apply to all projects in the programme – Newbuilds, Refurbishments and Extensions. Where a proposed project has over 50% GIFA as refurbishment it will automatically be deemed Band A compliant and receive 100% associated Construction Embodied Carbon funding. A Construction Embodied Carbon assessment should be provided for all projects.

Appendix 2 – Forres Academy Site Appraisal

Criteria	Weighting	Option A - Grantown Road		Option B - Lochyhill		Option C - Applegrove/Roysvale	
		Score	Weighted Score	Score	Weighted Score	Score	Weighted Score
Sustainability (reuse of buildings)	5	1	5	1	5	2	10
Landscaping & Ecology (existing topography/ trees)	5	3	15	3	15	3	15
Planning Considerations (LDP, policies, settlement boundary, listed buildings, conservation areas)	5	2	10	3	15	3	15
Transport (existing infrastructure, safer routes to schools, car parking)	10	1	10	1	10	3	30
Flood Risk	10	3	30	3	30	2	20
Utility Infrastructure (drainage separate)	5	1	5	1	5	3	15
Underground Risks (non utility services, archaeology)	5	3	15	2	10	2	10
Construction (access, disruption, decant)	5	3	15	3	15	2	10
Orientation, massing and shading	5	3	15	3	15	2	10
Ground Conditions	5	3	15	3	15	3	15
Drainage	5	2	10	3	15	2	10
Future Expansion	5	4	20	4	20	2	10
Total	100		210		245		275
Ranking			3		2		1

Score	
4	Fully Delivers
3	Mostly Delivers
2	Delivers to a Limited Extent
1	Does not Deliver

Appendix 3 - Future Forres Academy Site Locations



A- Grantown Road



B - Lochyhill


Grass Football Pitch &
Running Track
3G Sports Pitch
Coach Drop Off
School
Car Park
Secondary School
Building Location
Accessible
Car Park
Proposed school
boundary

Applegrove/Roysvale Site



MORAY COUNCIL

Minute of Special Meeting of the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee

Wednesday, 27 March 2024

Council Chambers, Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

PRESENT

Councillor James Allan, Councillor Tracy Colyer, Councillor John Cowe, Mrs Anne Currie, Councillor John Divers, Councillor Juli Harris, Councillor Sandy Keith, Councillor Scott Lawrence, Councillor Graham Leadbitter, Ms Jillian MacKellar, Councillor Marc Macrae, Councillor Paul McBain, Councillor Shona Morrison, Councillor Bridget Mustard, Councillor Kathleen Robertson, Reverend Tembu Rongong, Councillor Derek Ross, Mrs Susan Slater, Councillor Sonya Warren

APOLOGIES

Mrs Sheila Brumby, Mr Alfie Harper, Mrs Emma Tunnard

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Executive; Head of Education; Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance; Programme Manager (Learning Estate); Quality Improvement Officer (ASN) and Caroline O'Connor, Committee Services Officer.

1. Chair

The meeting was chaired by Councillor Kathleen Robertson.

2. Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests *

In terms of Standing Orders 21 and 23 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from Group Leaders or Spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how Members will vote on any item on the agenda or any declarations of Member's interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

3. Resolution

The meeting resolved that in terms of Section 50A (4) and (5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the public and media representatives be excluded from the meeting for Item 7 of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information of the class described in the relevant Paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

Para Number of Minute	Para Number of Schedule 7A
8	Para 1 Information relating to staffing matters

4. Congratulations

The Committee joined the Chair in congratulating the Active Schools Team for organising a successful Moray primary school cross country championship at Gordon Castle on Saturday 23 March along with the schools who supported their pupils to attend.

The Committee further joined the Chair in noting this was Alfie Harper's last meeting having been the pupil representative for the last 2 years and wished him all the best on his journey.

5. Learning Estate Programme - Future Forres Academy Project Update

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the current status of the Future Forres Academy project and seeking approval to progress to Full Business Case.

The Programme Manager (Learning Estate) apologised for late identification of a key error in the report relating to recommendation (iv) and associated paras which had resulted in the late upload of an updated version in the Additional Meeting Documents section of the Committee papers.

In response to a question from Councillor Lawrence relating to whether the financial spend element would require to be a recommendation to Moray Council from this Committee following consideration at the meeting on 14 May 2024, the Programme Manager (Learning Estate) confirmed it would require to be reported to Moray Council in relation to additional capital funds following approval by this Committee.

The Chair moved an amendment to recommendation (iii) to include "and thereafter referred to Moray Council for approval".

Following consideration and there being no one otherwise minded the Committee unanimously agreed:

i) to note the evidence to support a New Build project option (para 3.3);

ii) that public engagement is undertaken regarding the location of a new school (para 4.1);

iii) determination of the preferred site following public engagement will be at the Education, Children's and Leisure Services (ECLS) Committee on 14 May 2024 (para 4.1) and thereafter referred to Moray Council for approval; and

iv) to approve the procurement strategy and associated costs for next stage to progress the project towards Full Business Case (FBC) (para 4.7-4.10).

6. Federation Policy for Schools

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) seeking Committee approval to scrutinise the reviewed policy and adopt this for future vacancies across schools.

In terms of Standing Order 85, the Chair sought agreement from the Committee to suspend Standing Order 77 and continue beyond 12.45pm in order to conclude consideration of this item.

This was unanimously agreed.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to:-

i) acknowledge work to date and agree the reviewed Federation Headteacher Policy to be adopted for schools;

ii) delegate authority to the Chief Education Officer, working with the Business Support Team Manager and the Local Negotiating Committee for Teachers, to create a linear formula for management structure and staffing for any federation models and to review this regularly;

iii) adopt this policy for any future vacancies across schools from 1 April 2024;

iv) adopt option 6 management structure for the new pairing for St Sylvester's and East End;

v) adopt option 2 management structure for the new executive model for Newmill, Botriphnie and Rothiemay; and

vi) instruct officers to review the current pilot across Milne's High School and Milne's Primary to bring back a report by the end of the academic session 2024/25 regarding 5-18 campus model.

7. Briefing Report: Receipt of Petition to request a review of the Policy and Procedures for the allocation of ELC Places in Moray

The meeting had before it a briefing report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) advising the Committee of a petition entitled 'To request a review of the policy and procedures for the allocation Early Learning and Petition Childcare places in Moray' received on 12 January 2024 from Clare Stables, the terms of which stated:-

"We, the undersigned, call on The Moray Council to review the policy and procedures for allocation of Early Learning and Childcare places in Moray to ensure: [a] there is adequate provision within each secondary school area to enable families living in that area to access appropriate ELC within their 20 minute neighbourhood. [b] that, where reasonably practicable, children can receive their funded entitlement at times and locations hat best support their learning and development, and fit with the needs of their parents/carers. [c] that the criteria used to allocate places takes particular account of the needs of vulnerable families and children with additional support needs, including minimizing travel time and cost, enabling siblings to attend he same provision, and ensuring smooth transition to Primary School."

The Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance apologised to the Committee and Petitioners for omission of an important procedural step in the process meaning the Petitioners had not been invited to attend to speak to the petition. He advised it would be prudent to defer consideration of the report until the next Committee meeting to allow the Petitioners to be invited to attend.

There being no one otherwise minded, the Committee unanimously agreed to defer the report until the next Committee meeting to allow the Petitioners to be invited to attend.

8. Additional Support Needs Allocations [Para 1]

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) advising Committee of the proposed allocations based on moderation for Additional Support Needs (ASN) (teachers and support staff) for session 2024/25.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed:-

i) to acknowledge the work to date to bring allocations in line with available budget and ensure demand is contained within budget year on year in future;

ii) the options that have been assessed based on moderation as well as allocations so far;

iii) Option 3 based on proportional allocation of funding available and determined by need through moderation;

iv) to the change management process beginning with immediate effect for Teacher allocations; and

v) to the change management process for support staff allocations as soon as practical based on information from the system.

REPORT TO: **EDUCATION, CHILDREN'S AND LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON 14 MAY 2024**

SUBJECT: **LEARNING ESTATE PROGRAMME UPDATE - FUTURE FORRES ACADEMY SITE SELECTION**

BY: **DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES AND ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT)**

1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 To inform the Committee on the outputs from the recent community engagement on the site selection for the Future Forres Academy new build project and seek agreement on a preferred site that can be recommended to Council for final decision.

1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section III (D) (17) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to the School Estate to consider and make recommendations on capital and minor works programmes within the remit of the Committee.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that Committee:

i) note the outcome of the option appraisal by the design team regarding the location of a new school (Para 3.8-3.10);

ii) note the outcome of the public engagement regarding the location of a new school (Para 4.1- 4.3); and

iii) agree that the Applegrove/Roysvale option is the preferred site for the new school for recommendation to Moray Council on 22 May 2024 for approval (Para 5.1 to 5.5).

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 Following approval at the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee on 19 September 2023 (para 16 of the minute refers), a feasibility study to support Future Forres Academy Project was instructed and undertaken by Hub North Scotland supported by JM Architects, Goodson Associates (Civil and Structural Engineers, Rybka (Mechanical and Electrical

Engineers), Currie and Brown (Quantity Surveyors), The Learning Crowd (Educationalists) and Ryder (Consultation). The final report is at **Appendix 1.**

3.2 In addition to new build proposals, consideration was given to refurbishment of the current building. This would have entailed a significant cost and disruption to the school users over a 3 year period with all or a majority of the users required to be decanted into temporary school accommodation (in either the school car park and/or adjacent Roysvale common good land). The study concluded that a refurbishment option would not offer value for money and be unlikely to meet the aspirations of the local community. It was therefore decided to progress with a new build solution.

3.3 A further objective of the feasibility study was to complete an appraisal of three site options suitable for a new build school - (1) Applegrove/Roysvale (Central), (2) Lochyhill (East) and Grantown Road (South) - against fourteen factors weighted with respect to national policies that Moray Council are aligned with. This includes the National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4), local living and 20 minute neighbourhoods, climate change and reducing carbon emissions policies. Overall project costs were not a factor considered at this stage. These initial 3 sites options are shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1. Potential locations for Future Forres Academy

3.4 This scoring matrix and outcomes from the site appraisal are set out in the table below.

3.5 The outcome of the appraisal supported the decision to discount the Grantown site as a viable option. There were a number of factors contributing to this decision not least its edge of town location (both now and in the future),

the presence of high pressure gas pipes, low voltage mains and services cables within the site boundary and the poor transport infrastructure to and around the site that to improve would incur significant cost.

Criteria	Weighting	Lochyhill		Applegrove/Roysvale		Forres - Grantown Road	
	%	Score	Weighted Score	Score	Weighted Score	Score	Weighted Score
Context (scale, location, civic presence,opportunities for joining up services)	15	2	30	3	45	1	15
Place (SMART Objectives)	15	3	45	4	60	2	30
Transport (existing infrastructure, safer routes to schools, car parking)	10	1	10	3	30	1	10
Flood Risk	10	3	30	2	20	3	30
Sustainability (reuse of buildings)	5	1	5	2	10	1	5
Landscaping & Ecology (existing topography/ trees)	5	3	15	3	15	3	15
Planning Considerations (LDP, policies, settlement boundary, listed buildings, conservation areas)	5	3	15	3	15	2	10
Utility Infrastructure (drainage separate)	5	1	5	3	15	1	5
Underground Risks (non utility services, archaeology)	5	2	10	2	10	3	15
Construction (access, disruption, decant)	5	3	15	2	10	3	15
Orientation, massing and shading	5	3	15	2	10	3	15
Ground Conditions	5	3	15	3	15	3	15
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Future Expansion	5	4	20	2	10	4	20
Total	**100**		**245**		**275**		**210**
Ranking			**2**		**1**		**3**

Score	
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Site Appraisal Scoring Matrix

3.6 It should be noted that for the design team appraisal, 30% of the score was shared between the Context and Place criteria. This took account of the key national and local strategies and policies as defined in National Planning Framework 4 and Moray Local Development Plan 2020 and adopted by Moray to improve people's lives by making sustainable, liveable and productive spaces. These support 20 minute neighbourhoods, reducing car-based and maximising active travel journeys and town centre economic sustainability. It was the two key criteria of Context and Place that favoured the central location of the Applegrove/Roysvale site and scored it higher than the Lochyhill situated on the eastern boundary of the town.

3.7 In terms of the other criteria both sites scored equally overall – with some criteria favouring a Lochyhill site over an Applegrove/Roysvale site. Both sites were considered viable options for a new build development, with the differences between them, considered within the selection criteria, viewed as design challenges and/or project risks and issues and not indicators of non-viability. The following is noted as key supporting information in determining a preferred site for construction:

Lochyhill

- Supports a design solution that would incorporate a new build secondary school constructed with an associated 3G pitch and car park on site;
- Provides minimal design constraints and meets the education strategic objectives;
- Would not meet the Moray place-based policy.
- Would see the current school demolished with the exception of the swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and fitness suite which would remain as a standalone self-sufficient asset;
- Delivers an affordable design within an area of 5.8 hectares (58,000 sqm). This would not support a requirement for future expansion - further land would need to be acquired to facilitate this;
- The site is not Council owned and would need to be purchased from the current landowners – at market rate for development land;
- Limited flooding risk given the lower groundwater table supporting a simpler groundworks design;
- Site drainage not complex on site but would still require works to connect to Forres Waste Water Treatment site to the west;
- Requires the development of new safer routes to school:
- Does not provide an opportunity to develop a 5-18 campus model with existing primary school;
- Requires road improvements including potential requirement for a new roundabout on the A96 to provide overall site access from the school and future residential site;
- Improvement and upgrade to site utility connections to meet increased demand; and
- Could impact local businesses due to edge of town location.

Applegrove/Roysvale Park

- Supports a design solution that would incorporate a new build secondary school and accessible parking constructed on the new site together with the retention and improvement of the majority of current Roysvale Park playfields and repurposing of existing school site to accommodate a 3G pitch, main car park and soft landscaping;
- Meets the educational strategic objectives and place-based policy
- Would see the current school demolished with the exception of the swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and fitness suite which would remain as a standalone self-sufficient asset and the current school site redeveloped with a 3G pitch and car park;
- The Council owns the site for new school building;
- Plans for the bus drop off and playing fields are on inalienable common good land. Its appropriation would require legal consent following a statutory consultation;
- Would maintain the majority of the common good as green space for community use with mitigations planned to improve current surface water drainage issues;
- Options to use or improve existing safe routes to school;
- Opportunity to develop a 5-18 campus with adjacency of existing primary school with benefits of shared management, curriculum and pastoral transition (mainstream and ASN), shared PEF investment and access to extended learning for primary
- Supports a pedestrian priority campus with a dedicated bus/coach drop off which would avoid road congestion;
- Provides a central location for the school with a good opportunity for a united civic presence;
- Provides links to other existing green/health and wellbeing spaces providing both educational and community benefit; and,
- Provides good opportunities for educational links during construction and maintains the economic benefits to the surrounding businesses.

3.8 The options for 'future proofing' have been considered within the options appraisal with Lochyhill scoring higher than the Applegrove/Roysvale site. This accounted for the fact that more land is be currently available on the Lochyhill site as there was no existing residential property constraints. This will change should residential development progress in the future in accordance with the Local Development Plan (LDP). However, there is no allowance for this within the planned site footprint or the associated additional land acquisition costs. School roll forecasts indicate that even with a 100% increase on current maximum forecast housing output rate over the next 15 years (equating to 1600 new houses) the planned school capacity will be more than adequate and no extension is foreseen. Should the situation change there is provision within the current LDP for land to be available for a new primary school on the wider Lochyhill development site which would allow the Applegrove site to be considered for any future expansion of the new Forres Academy.

3.9 The Applegrove/Roysvale site is owned and administered by Moray Council while Lochyhill is privately owned. The Council would need to formally acquire the Lochyhill site land at market value in order to develop on it. However, a major area of the Applegrove/Roysvale site is classed as inalienable Common Good and hence the Council would need to remove the constraints this

imposes to allow a main contractor to commence works on site in accordance with the programme.

3.10 The current intended use of Common Good land is as temporary construction site access, laydown and project 'life support' area for the duration of the construction project (estimated around 32 months). This same area would be improved to support long term use as a green playing field site within the final school design. It is intended that a 12m landstrip adjacent to the Sanquhar Road would be repurposed and developed as a bus drop off lane. There are other site options that could be considered as alternatives to the Common Good (within the proposed new car park or on Burdsyard Road to the south of the site), however these would be further from the new school building. Work is underway to consider this further and an update will be provided at the Committee meeting.

3.11 The feasibility report concludes that if the Council is confident that the Common Good constraint can be removed prior to the planned start of construction on site (programmed for July 2025) then the recommendation, based on all the selection criteria considered, is that the Applegrove/Roysvale site would offer the best option for Moray Council to deliver a new build school.

3.12 Currie and Brown prepared high level cost models for each of the 3 sites as part of the feasibility study. The estimated construction costs for each site option have not been provided within this report due to their commercial sensitivity; however, a comparison of additional authority costs is provided in the table below. The additional cost to develop the Lochyhill site and anticipated off site works is estimated at £3,372,300 above that for the Applegrove/Roysvale site.

Site Option	Authority Costs	Detail
Applegrove/Roysvale	£4,286,500	Design and project risk allowance, legal costs/fees, IT equipment, furniture
Lochyhill	£7,658,800	As above + Off site works: cost of land for development, improvement to access roads (including A96) and pathways, and improvements and upgrades to site utilities (water, drainage, electricity).

3.13 Given the future importance of the site selection to young people, parents/carers and residents of Forres, it was agreed at the Special Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee on 27 March 2024 (para 5 of the minute refers), to undertake a public engagement on the location for the new Forres Academy, with two site options, Lochyhill and Applegrove/Roysvale Park, presented.

3.14 The public engagement was completed between 28 March - 25 April 2024 with the objective to share information available and seek views on the two sites for location of the Forres Academy new build. It consisted of: an online survey and an equivalent paper version (available from the Forres Post Office and Forres Library); an information session for Forres Academy staff and

pupils held on 17 April 2024; and a community drop in session held on 18 April 2024 at Forres Town Hall. A copy of the online/paper survey is at **Appendix 2.**

4. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

4.1 The output from the public engagement online survey is summarised below with more detail analysis provided at **Appendix 3;**

- A total of 1,191 online survey submissions were received;
- The overall breakdown is 54.7% to 45.3% preference for the Lochyhill site;
- 330 respondees identified as a parent/carer of a child attending school – the breakdown within this group was 52.1% to 47.9% in favour of the Applegrove/Roysvale site;
- 518 respondees were from the Applegrove PS catchment where Applegrove/Roysvale site is located – the breakdown within this group was 62% to 38% preference for the Lochyhill site;
- 951 respondees were from within the Forres town boundary (Applegrove, Andersons and Pilmuir Primary School catchments) – the breakdown of these was 53.9% to 46.1% preference for the Lochyhill site; and,
- The total size of the respondee groups encompassing Primary and Secondary school pupils and staff was 131 – only the primary school pupil group (39 respondees) preferred the Applegrove/Roysvale site (59% to 41%). The remaining secondary school pupils (51 respondees) had a preference for the Lochyhill site (57%) over Applegrove/Roysvale (43%) and similarly the staff (41 respondees) were in favour of Lochyhill (63%) over Applegrove (37%)

4.2 The output from the public engagement paper survey is summarised below with more detailed analysis provided at **Appendix 4:**

- A total of 89 paper surveys were received;
- The preference was 85% for the Lochyhill site;

A significant number of paper surveys were completed within the last week of the engagement and there is r evidence of multiple surveys with identical content which could call into the question the validity of the results.

4.3 During the Public Engagement process a number of questions, queries and observations were submitted with respect to both sites. These were received within the survey responses, as direct e-mail correspondence to the Council and during the in person engagements. These were collated into key themes and responses provided in the form of Frequently Asked Questions list. These can be found on the Moray Council website at http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_151261.html

5. PREFERRED SITE SELECTION

5.1 In determination of the preferred site for new build Future Forres Academy a number of factors, and the risk and issues associated with these, were considered.

5.2 The feasibility report acknowledges there are a number of issues and risks associated with developing either of the 2 sites. The technical risks have been identified and the civil and structure engineers appointed to the design team have considered robust mitigation strategies that will be confirmed during the concept design stage. The construction project costs have incorporated a related risk contingency factor for both sites. Therefore the key remaining site differentiators relate to land ownership status.

5.3 The feasibility report conclusion is that if the Council are able to gain consent to use the Common Good then the Applegrove/Roysvale site is the best option for a new build school. The common good land transaction would require the consent of the Sheriff Court following a Public Consultation and due consideration by the Council. The outcome of the public consultation will be an influential consideration but the whole perspective on all of the process followed and issues, including any improvements to the site for the benefit of the community will be considered. If the Court was to reject the application the Council would need to purchase an alternative piece of land, which would increase the project delivery timescales. This is an important consideration in the context of the current condition of the Forres Academy building. Currently an allowance of 6 months has been incorporated into the project plan timeline. If consent is not forthcoming, and the Council need to pursue an alternate site (Lochyhill) then this would incur a 6 month delay to the project (moving the operational date from January 2028 to July 2028).

5.4 With the Lochyhill site the Council would need to acquire the development land at market rate and accept that the project costs would increase to near £4m to cover this acquisition and significant off site development costs and additional construction costs.

5.5 Although there is a risk that the Council will not gain legal consent for any use or development of the Roysvale site and this will result in a minimum 6 month delay while an alternate site is proposed (Lochyhill would be the alternate), There may be other options on the use of the site that would remove or significantly reduce that risk and this is being considered. There are a number of reasons to support the selection of the Applegrove/Roysvale site, summarised as:

- Central location better meets the place-based and strategic context requirements for a new community school, aligning with the NPF4 and Scotland's Learning Estate Strategy – Connecting People, Places and Learning guidance and principles;
- More cost effective option at a time when the current and future challenges on the Council capital budget are significant;
- Retains flexibility to respond to future school roll growth if required as the Lochyhill site is identified for a primary school;
- Offers educational benefits of a 5-18 campus - with adjacency of existing primary school with benefits of shared management, curriculum and pastoral transition (mainstream and ASN), shared PEF investment and access to extended learning for primary; and
- Benefit of the improvement of the Roysvale land and drainage improvement to improve community use of the green space/playing fields for the future.

5.6 The Applegrove/Roysvale site is therefore proposed as the preferred development site for the new Forres Academy and it is recommended that this site option is taken to the meeting of Moray Council on 22 May 2024 for approval.

6. NEXT STEPS

6.1 The proposed next steps are dependent on the Council decision on 22 May 2024. It would be to either:

- **Lochyhill**: Consult regarding the relocation of the school in accordance with the Schools (Consultation)(Scotland) Act 2010 or;

- **Applegrove/Roysvale** - consult the public regarding the Common Good use to support school construction for the duration of the project and for permanent development of bus drop off areas.

7. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP)

This report supports the aims of the Corporate Plan to:

- **Build thriving, resilient, empowered communities:** Learning estate fit for the future and financially sustainable - tackle the affordability and standard of our learning estate to ensure sustainability while meeting climate requirements.

and supports the LOIP outcomes:

- Building a better future for children and young people in Moray; and,
- Empowering and connecting communities.

(b) Policy and Legal

The Lochyhill site is outside the current school boundary and therefore consultation regarding the relocation of the school in accordance with the Schools (Consultation)(Scotland) Act 2010 would require to be undertaken.

Roysvale Park is categorised as inalienable Common Good and if it is not possible to progress an alternative site layout that avoids long term use of the common good land, the Council would require to obtain consent of the Sheriff Court in terms of the Section 75(2) Local Government (Scotland) Act to appropriate the land. Section 222(2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 requires the Council to have regard to the interests of the inhabitants of the former Burgh of Forres when administrating Common Good land.

In addition, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, which came into force on 27 June 2018, requires that before taking any decision to appropriate a Common Good asset, the Council must publish details about the proposed disposal. In publishing these details, the Council must also:

(i) notify the relevant community council and any community body that is known to have an interest in the property; and

(ii) invite those bodies to make representations in respect of the proposals.

In deciding whether or not to appropriate the land, the Council must have regard to any representations made, whether by those invited or by some other relevant party. The proposal, along with the summary of any representations received, would then form the basis of a further report to this Committee to allow it to make a decision regarding the appropriation of the site and submission for court approval.

(c) Financial implications

The short term financial implications of the site selection have been addressed within the report.

Although the project will receive outcome based revenue funding from the Scottish Government through Phase 3 of the Learning Estate Investment Programme (LEIP) this is calculated against the project construction costs and does not take account of any Authority Costs outwith this which would include a site acquisition and off site development costs.

(d) Risk Implications

The majority of risks are already covered within the report. The key risk is related to project timing delay (and associated inflationary pressures) and apply to both site options.

Applegrove/ Roysvale

A currently allowance of 6 months has been incorporated into the project plan timeline for the Applegrove/Roysvale site. If the legal consent to use Common Good land is refused, the Council need to pursue an alternate site (Lochyhill). This would incur a further 6 month delay to the project (moving the operational date from January 2028 to July 2028).

As discussed earlier in the report the risk of non-consent could be reduced if the final design seeks to minimise or remove the requirement to permanently repurpose and develop the land strip adjacent to Sanquhar Road.

Lochyhill

The Council would need to negotiate the acquisition of the site from the current owner. There is a risk that the owner would be unwilling to sell, or that the price sought would not meet affordability criteria. With similar situations in other projects the Council has promoted a compulsory purchase order (CPO) in tandem with landowner negotiations. As part of

the CPO process the Council would need to justify its requirement for that particular site (with reference to alternatives) and 18 months minimum would need to be allowed for this process (moving the operational date from January 2028 - with current 6 month contingency - to January 2029).

Early engagement with the current landowner is required to fully determine the likelihood of this.

(e) Staffing Implications
The requirement to undertake a form of statutory consultation on either site selection option will result in a 3-6 month increase in workload that may require external support to ensure project timescales are met. A legal cost factor has been included in the cost model.

(f) Property
The property implications are set out in the body of the report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact
The quality of the learning environment can impact on learning and attainment by as much as 16%. The condition and suitability of our learning estate, and capacity challenges associated with both growth and population decline in some areas, give rise to unequal opportunity across Moray.

This proposal supports the Learning Estate Strategy requirement that all Learning Estate buildings meet minimum standards and are fit for purpose.

(h) Climate Change and Biodiversity Impacts
Whichever site is chosen there will be a requirement to consider embodied carbon within construction and whole life operational carbon generated. The scale of this overall impact will be assessed in detail as the project progresses to full business case and this will be balanced against the current operational carbon budgets. The LEIP 3 standards for both operational carbon (energy efficiency) and embodied carbon require the new build design to minimise carbon. A whole life carbon assessment and community wealth building statement will be provided during the planning application stage.

(i) Consultations
Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance, Chief Financial Officer, Acting Head of Economic Growth and Development, Equal Opportunities Officer and Caroline O'Connor, Committee Services Officer have been consulted and the comments received have been incorporated into the report.

8. CONCLUSION

8.1 The Committee is asked to consider the Future Forres Academy project feasibility report and the preferred development site identified for a new build Forres Academy. It is also asked to consider the outputs from the

public engagement on the 2 site options – Applegrove/Roysvale and Lochyhill. Finally, it is asked to consider and agree with the recommendation that the Applegrove/Roysvale site be the preferred development site that is recommended to Moray Council on 22 May 2024 for review and final approval. Thereafter, a statutory consultation, dependent on the site selected and any alternative options as set out in the report will commence.

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Appendices:
1. SSPS Project Feasibility Report
2. Public Engagement Survey
3. Online Survey Results
4. Paper Survey Results

Background Papers:
SSPS Report Appendix A - Consultation
SSPS Report Appendix B - Brief
SSPS Report Appendix C - Utilities
SSPS Report Appendix D - Engineering
SSPS Report Appendix E - Site Investigations
SSPS Report Appendix F - Site Appraisal
SSPS Report Appendix G -Energy Carbon
SSPS Report Appendix H – Programme
SSPS Report Appendix J – Cost (Commercially sensitive) – available to Councillors on request

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MORAY COUNCIL

Minute of Meeting of the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee

Tuesday, 14 May 2024

Council Chambers, Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

PRESENT

Councillor James Allan, Councillor Tracy Colyer, Mrs Anne Currie, Councillor John Divers, Councillor Juli Harris, Councillor Sandy Keith, Councillor Scott Lawrence, Councillor Graham Leadbitter, Ms Jillian MacKellar, Councillor Marc Macrae, Councillor Paul McBain, Councillor Shona Morrison, Councillor Bridget Mustard, Councillor Kathleen Robertson, Reverend Tembu Rongong, Councillor Derek Ross, Mrs Susan Slater, Mrs Emma Tunnard, Councillor Sonya Warren

APOLOGIES

Mrs Sheila Brumby, Councillor John Cowe

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Executive; Interim Chief Executive; Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development); Head of Education; Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance; Stewart McLauchlan, Quality Improvement Manager; Programme Manager (Learning Estate); Communities Service Manager and Caroline O'Connor, Committee Services Officer.

Ms Clare Lyon (also known as Stables), Petitioner in respect of Item 6.

Mr Kevin Moir, Goodsons, Civil Engineers and Mrs Claire Davie, JM Architects in respect of Item 10b.

1. Chair

The meeting was chaired by Councillor Bridget Mustard, Depute Chair.

2. Varying Order of Business

In terms of Standing Order 29, the Chair sought agreement from Committee to vary the order of the agenda given there were a number of members of the public online and in the Chambers advising it was proposed Items 10a (Learning Estate Strategy - Programme Delivery Update) and 10b (Learning Estate Programme update - Future Forres Academy Site Selection) would be taken immediately after Item 6 (Petition - Allocation of ELC Places in Moray).

This was unanimously agreed.

3. Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests *

In terms of Standing Orders 21 and 23 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from Group Leaders or Spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how Members will vote on any item on the agenda or any declarations of Member's interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

4. Resolution

The meeting resolved that in terms of Section 50A (4) and (5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the public and media representatives be excluded from the meeting for Item 16 of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information of the class described in the relevant Paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

Para Number of Minute	Para Number of Schedule 7A
23	Paras 8 and 9 Information on proposed terms and/or expenditure to be incurred by the Authority.

5. Minute of meeting of 20 February 2024

In response to a question from Councillor Ross regarding whether lay members were permitted to ask questions on the minute given that they had not been advised of the recently approved changes to Standing Orders, the Head of Strategy, Governance and Performance apologised to the lay members for the omission however advised questions would not be permitted as the rules had now changed.

In relation to Item 11 on the Minute, Councillor Divers queried why it was noted that he had left the meeting as he was unable to hear given the technical issues, however on the vote for that item he was showing as having abstained. In response the Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance agreed the minute be amended to show Councillor Divers as not present and therefore did not participate in the vote.

Subject to the amendment above, the Committee agreed the minute of the meeting.

6. Minute of Special Meeting of 27 March 2024

The minute of the Special Meeting of the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee dated 27 March 2024 was submitted and approved.

7. Written Questions **

The Committee noted the following written question submitted by Councillor Fernandes and the Council's response thereto:-

Elgin High School Library

Elgin High School library is currently closed and its stock has been boxed up.

Considering the impact on children's literacy, education and well being, can officers assess the current state of recruiting qualified librarians in Moray,

especially after the 2018 decision to reduce school librarians by half, and explain how Moray schools prioritise their libraries?

RESPONSE

Elgin High School library is currently closed (since January 2024) due to several reasons:

- Inability to recruit a librarian and not the desire of the school to be without this invaluable resource
- The increased roll at the school pending the extension build means that the area is required as a communal space for students as well as a study space for S6 students
- Students are being supported with their literacy skills within the English department and other subject areas across the school as well as additional support being offered where required

This is the only secondary which does not have a librarian at this time however all schools have in place support mechanisms for literacy, education and wellbeing which include inclusion staff, guidance and pastoral support staff etc. Budget decisions have not impacted on recruitment, this is due to not being able to fill the post. Some librarians in Moray work over 2 schools which makes up a full-time post. 0.5 Full time equivalent is the allocation through DSM and each HT has flexibility within Devolved School Management to increase this if they wish which one school has. This is a decision devolved to Head Teachers.

8. Briefing Report Receipt of Petition to Request a Review of the Policy and Procedures for the Allocation of ELC Places in Moray

The meeting had before it a briefing report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) advising the Committee of a petition entitled 'To request a review of the policy and procedures for the allocation of Early Learning and Childcare places in Moray' received on 16 January 2024 from Ms Clare Stables, on behalf of the Buckie Community, the terms of which stated:-

"We, the undersigned, call on The Moray Council to review the policy and procedures for allocation of Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) places in Moray to ensure:

a) there is adequate provision within each secondary school area to enable families living in that area to access appropriate ELC within their 20 minute neighbourhood.
b) that, where reasonably practicable, children can receive their funded entitlement at times and locations that best support their learning and development, and fit with the needs of their parents/carers.
c) that the criteria used to allocate places takes particular account of the needs of vulnerable families and children with additional support needs, including minimising travel time and cost, enable siblings to attend the same provision, and ensuring smooth transition to Primary School."

Prior to discussion, the Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance outlined to the Committee the procedure to be followed in respect of considering the petition, which at this stage was regarded as a preliminary hearing, along with the options open to the Committee on how the petition be handled.

The Chair welcomed Ms Stables who outlined the terms of her petition.

The Head of Education outlined the response to the petition as detailed in the briefing report.

In response to a request from the Chair seeking clarity on the process, the Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance confirmed the options open to the Committee were:-

1. Direct that the petition (in whole or part) proceed to a full hearing, at the next available date of this Committee, another appropriate service committee or at a full meeting of The Moray Council; OR
2. Reject the petition (in whole or in part), giving the reason for rejection; OR
3. For simple issues, instruct immediate action by the Council without any further hearing or report; OR
4. Pass the petition to the relevant director and chairperson to look into, with or without any specific direction as to action.

Councillor Warren welcomed the petition noting the lack of public transport in rural areas resulting in in accessibility and affordability and moved that the petition proceed to a full Hearing. This was seconded by Councillor Harris.

Councillor Macrae stated the petition does not mention accessibility or affordability, instead being based on the number of places available and, given that officers had advised sufficient places are available, he moved an amendment to reject the petition. This was seconded by Councillor McBain.

Prior to the vote and following advice from the Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance and further discussion seeking clarity on which issues from the petition were to move to a full hearing, Councillor Warren amended the motion that the petition proceed in part to a full hearing in relation to rurality issues in Moray and mitigations to be put in place to address the inequality and accessibility. This was seconded by Councillor Harris.

On the division there voted:

For the Motion (5)	Councillors Warren, Harris, Lawrence, Leadbitter and Morrison
For the Amendment (9)	Councillors Macrae, McBain, Allan, Colyer, Divers, Keith, Mustard, Robertson and Ross

Accordingly the amendment became the finding of the meeting and the Committee agreed to reject the petition in whole on the basis that sufficient places are available.

9. Learning Estate Strategy - Programme Delivery Update

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) providing the Committee with an annual update on the status of the Learning Estate Strategy Delivery Programme.

The Programme Manager (Learning Estate) apologised for two errors in figures contained in the report, namely:-

1. Para 4.1 should read 45 Primary Schools rather than 46; and
2. Para 4.32 currently states 17% of primary school pupils however that is the overall primary and secondary, not the standalone primary percentage which should read 30%.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to:-

i. note the annual update on the status of the Moray Learning Estate Delivery Programme;

ii. note the planned Capital budget investment to deliver the Programme;

iii. approve the requirement for additional workforce resources to deliver the programme; and

iv. recommend to the Corporate Committee approval of the allocation of funding from the transformation reserve to meet the costs of posts that require revenue budget for up to 3 years.

10. Learning Estate Programme Update - Future Forres Academy Site Selection

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee on the outputs from the recent community engagement on the site selection for the future Forres Academy new build project and seeking agreement on a preferred site that can be recommended to Council for final decision.

Councillor Lawrence moved to approve the recommendations as printed based on the location and accessibility for all pupils in Forres, the educational benefits of a campus model, creation of a centralised sport and leisure hub, and work to be undertaken on compensation to the community in relation to the loss of Common Good land. This was seconded by Councillor McBain.

Following lengthy consideration and there being no one otherwise minded, the Committee unanimously agreed:-

i. to note the outcome of the option appraisal by the design team regarding the location of a new school (para 3.8-3.10);

ii. to note the outcome of the public engagement regarding the location of a new school (para 4.1-4.3); and

iii. that the Applegrove/Roysvale option is the preferred site for the new school for recommendation to Moray Council on 22 May 2024 for approval (para 5.1-5.5)

11. Education Scotland Inspection of Jack and Jill Nursery Elgin

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the outcomes of the recently published report on a Moray Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) setting following inspection by Education Scotland.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to note the contents of the report and findings of Education Scotland following their inspection.

12. Education Scotland Inspection of Seafield Nursery Elgin

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the outcomes of the recently published report on a Moray Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) setting following inspection by Education Scotland.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to note the contents of the report and findings of Education Scotland following their inspection.

13. Performance Report - Education Resources and Communities - Period to 31 March 2024

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the performance of the service for the period to 31 March 2024.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to note the actions being taken to improve performance where required.

15. Partnership Community Learning and Development Plan (2024-2027)

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) updating the Committee on the process that the Community Learning and Development (CLD) Strategic Partnership (CLDSP) are going through to meet the Statutory Requirement to produce a new Partnership CLD Plan for Moray and giving members the opportunity to contribute to the development of the Plan themes.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to note the current themes and priorities for consideration in the 2024-27 update.

15. Performance Report - Education - Period to 31 March 2024

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the performance of the service for the period to 31 March 2024.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to note the actions being taken to improve performance where required.

16. Analysis of Secondary School Leaver Attainment 2022-2023

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) leaver attainment across secondary schools in Moray and for this data to be scrutinised and noted as part of the Council's focus on improving outcomes and raising attainment. This is an update to the Initial Attainment Report for Secondary Schools 2023 previously presented to Committee on 28 November 2023, with leavers' update now presented to Committee at first opportunity following data release in February 2024 including initial positive destinations.

Mrs Slater and Councillor Ross expressed concern relating to a lack of information being shared from Moray College UHI as to changes of courses being offered and the possible impacts on young people in Moray. In response the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) advised that the Council is aware of the impacts from changes in the college which are being considered by secondary Head Teachers, and offered to check with secondary Head Teachers the curriculum arrangements that are being put in place and bring back an update report to the Special Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee scheduled for 20 June 2024.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to:-

i. note the Senior Phase Leaver Attainment across Secondary Schools in Moray for session 2022/23 with specific regard to the National Measures for leavers published on Insight in February 2024;

ii. acknowledge identified improvements in performance evidenced through key measures outlined within this paper; and

iii. further note identified actions for improvement arising from 2022/2023 attainment and performance as outlined in initial analysis of secondary school attainment paper previously presented to Committee on 28 November 2023 (para 14 of minute refers).

17. Resumption of Meeting

PRESENT

Councillor James Allan, Councillor Tracy Colyer, Mrs Anne Currie, Mr Alfie Harper, Councillor Juli Harris, Councillor Sandy Keith, Councillor Scott Lawrence, Councillor Graham Leadbitter, Ms Jillian MacKellar, Councillor Marc Macrae, Councillor Paul McBain, Councillor Shona Morrison, Councillor Bridget Mustard, Councillor Kathleen Robertson, Councillor Derek Ross, Mrs Susan Slater, Mrs Emma Tunnard, Councillor Sonya Warren

APOLOGIES

Mrs Sheila Brumby, Councillor John Cowe, Councillor John Divers, Reverend Tembu Rongong

IN ATTENDANCE

Interim Chief Executive; Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development; Head of Education, Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance, Stewart McLauchlan, Quality Improvement Manager and Caroline O'Connor, Committee Services Officer

18. Education Scotland Inspection of Seafield Primary School

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the outcomes of the recently published report on a Moray school following inspection by Education Scotland.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to note the contents of the report and findings of Education Scotland following their inspection visit.

19. Education Scotland Inspection (Continuing Engagement) of St Peters RC Primary School

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the outcomes of the recently published report on a Moray school following inspection revisit by Education Scotland.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to:-

i. note the contents of the report and findings of Education Scotland following their inspection visit;

ii. note that a clear and revised action plan is in place to acknowledge areas where progress has been made and in order to focus on areas for improvement requiring further attention;

iii. note that support will continue from the Quality Improvement team in order to realised further improvements required; and

iv. note that following future revisit from Education Scotland (anticipated April 2025), a further paper will be brought to Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee in order to provide update on school progress with improvements.

20. Education Scotland Inspection (Continuing Engagement) of Forres Academy

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the outcomes of the recently published report on a Moray school following inspection revisit by Education Scotland.

Whilst noting improvements require to be made, members of the Committee raised concerns regarding the impact on staff welfare. In response the Head of Education advised officers are attending the school regularly for meetings to support the Head Teacher and staff.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed to:-

i. note the contents of the report and findings of Education Scotland following their inspection visit;

ii. note that a revised school improvement action plan is in development with review of key actions identified by Education Scotland His Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIE) to be addressed;

iii. note that support will continue from the Quality Improvement Manager in order to support and challenge school improvement required with further oversight, scrutiny and support by the Head of Education; and

iv. note that following future revisit from Education Scotland (anticipated April 2025), a further paper will be brought to Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee in order to provide update on school progress with improvements.

21. Information Reports - if called in

The Committee noted that no Information Reports had been called in.

22. Additional Support Needs Protest

Ahead of moving to the private session, the Chair read out the following statement: -

"We appreciate the time parents and carers are taking to join us ahead of committee where the ASN Change Management Plan will be discussed. We'd like to reassure them that elected members are aware of the strength of feeling on this issue and that the appropriate level of care and education is a significant priority for parents and carers.

The change management plan recognises that additional support needs are varied and have developed and changed over time, which is why our proposals to redesign the service for supporting pupils with ASN has gone through a number of iterations, taking account of learning from other local authorities and input from across our own teams to make sure we make the changes needed to get it right to meet future needs.

the proposals represent an ongoing budget commitment and set out a future service to reflect the need to create nurturing, inclusive environments for our young people.

As the report concerns employees directly, it is being taken in private to afford them the respect of being informed of any decisions first. However the investment in training and learning from other local authorities will enhance the provision for our young people at a time when challenges are increasing. We'll publish a statement after the staff consultation process setting out any decisions made and how future ASN provision in Moray will be delivered.

Thank you again for taking the time to make your view known to the Committee."

23. Additional Support Needs Review - Change Management Plan [Paras 8 & 9]

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Committee of the change management plan as part of the Additional Support Needs (ASN) Review within the Education service.

Councillors Robertson and Mustard are to discuss with officers the best forum to engage with parents.

Following consideration the Committee unanimously agreed the proposed changes which are subject to the outcome of consultation with employees and their trade unions and timeline as part of the ASN review.

REPORT TO: MORAY COUNCIL ON 22 MAY 2024

SUBJECT: LEARNING ESTATE PROGRAMME UPDATE - FUTURE FORRES ACADEMY SITE SELECTION

BY: DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES AND ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT)

1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 To inform the Council on the site selection for the Future Forres Academy new build project and seeks approval of the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee's recommendation for preferred site.

1.2 This report is submitted to Council in terms of Section III (D) (17) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to the School Estate to consider and make recommendations on capital and minor works programmes.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that Council:

i) note the outcome of the option appraisal by the design team regarding the location of a new school (Para 3.8-3.10);

ii) note the outcome of the public engagement regarding the location of a new school (Para 4.1- 4.3); and

iii) agree the recommendation of the Education, Children's and Leisure Service Committee on 14 May 2024 that the Applegrove/Roysvale Park option is the preferred site for the new school (Para 5.1 to 5.5

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 Following approval at the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee on 19 September 2023 (para 16 of the minute refers), a feasibility study to support Future Forres Academy Project was instructed and undertaken by Hub North Scotland supported by JM Architects, Goodson Associates (Civil and Structural Engineers, Rybka (Mechanical and Electrical Engineers), Currie and Brown (Quantity Surveyors), The Learning Crowd (Educationalists) and Ryder (Consultation). The final report is at **Appendix 1**.

3.2 In addition to new build proposals, consideration was given to refurbishment of the current building. This would have entailed a significant cost and disruption to the school users over a 3 year period with all or a majority of the users required to be decanted into temporary school accommodation (in either the school car park and/or adjacent Roysvale common good land). The study concluded that a refurbishment option would not offer value for money and be unlikely to meet the aspirations of the local community. It was therefore decided to progress with a new build solution.

3.3 A further objective of the feasibility study was to complete an appraisal of three site options suitable for a new build school - (1) Applegrove/Roysvale (Central), (2) Lochyhill (East) and Grantown Road (South) - against fourteen factors weighted with respect to national policies that Moray Council are aligned with. This includes the National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4), local living and 20 minute neighbourhoods, climate change and reducing carbon emissions policies. Overall project costs were not a factor considered at this stage. These initial 3 sites options are shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1. Potential locations for Future Forres Academy

3.4 This scoring matrix and outcomes from the site appraisal are set out in the table below.

3.5 The outcome of the appraisal supported the decision to discount the Grantown site as a viable option. There were a number of factors contributing to this decision not least its edge of town location (both now and in the future), the presence of high pressure gas pipes, low voltage mains and services cables within the site boundary and the poor transport infrastructure to and around the site that to improve would incur significant cost.

Criteria	Weighting	Lochyhill		Applegrove/Roysvale		Forres - Grantown Road	
	%	Score	Weighted Score	Score	Weighted Score	Score	Weighted Score
Context (scale, location, civic presence,opportunities for joining up services)	15	2	30	3	45	1	15
Place (SMART Objectives)	15	3	45	4	60	2	30
Transport (existing infrastructure, safer routes to schools, car parking)	10	1	10	3	30	1	10
Flood Risk	10	3	30	2	20	3	30
Sustainability (reuse of buildings)	5	1	5	2	10	1	5
Landscaping & Ecology (existing topography/ trees)	5	3	15	3	15	3	15
Planning Considerations (LDP, policies, settlement boundary, listed buildings, conservation areas)	5	3	15	3	15	2	10
Utility Infrastructure (drainage separate)	5	1	5	3	15	1	5
Underground Risks (non utility services, archaeology)	5	2	10	2	10	3	15
Construction (access, disruption, decant)	5	3	15	2	10	3	15
Orientation, massing and shading	5	3	15	2	10	3	15
Ground Conditions	5	3	15	3	15	3	15
Drainage	5	3	15	2	10	2	10
Future Expansion	5	4	20	2	10	4	20
Total	**100**		**245**		**275**		**210**
Ranking			**2**		**1**		**3**

Score	
4	Fully Delivers
3	Mostly Delivers
2	Delivers to a Limited Extent
1	Does not Deliver

Site Appraisal Scoring Matrix

3.6 It should be noted that for the design team appraisal, 30% of the score was shared between the Context and Place criteria. This took account of the key national and local strategies and policies as defined in National Planning Framework 4 and Moray Local Development Plan 2020 and adopted by Moray to improve people's lives by making sustainable, liveable and productive spaces. These support 20 minute neighbourhoods, reducing car-based and maximising active travel journeys and town centre economic sustainability. It was the two key criteria of Context and Place that favoured the central location of the Applegrove/Roysvale site and scored it higher than the Lochyhill situated on the eastern boundary of the town.

3.7 In terms of the other criteria both sites scored equally overall – with some criteria favouring a Lochyhill site over an Applegrove/Roysvale site and vice versa. Both sites were considered viable options for a new build development, with the differences between them, considered within the selection criteria, viewed as design challenges and/or project risks and issues and not indicators of non-viability. The following is noted as key supporting information in determining a preferred site for construction:

Lochyhill

- Supports a design solution that would incorporate a new build secondary school constructed with an associated 3G pitch and car park on site;
- Provides minimal design constraints and meets the education strategic objectives;
- Would not meet the Moray place-based policy.
- Would see the current school demolished with the exception of the swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and fitness suite which would remain as a standalone self-sufficient asset;
- Delivers an affordable design within an area of 5.8 hectares (58,000 sqm). This would not support a requirement for future expansion - further land would need to be acquired to facilitate this;
- The site is not Council owned and would need to be purchased from the current landowners – at market rate for development land;
- Limited flooding risk given the lower groundwater table supporting a simpler groundworks design;
- Site drainage not complex on site but would still require works to connect to Forres Waste Water Treatment site to the west;
- Requires the development of new safer routes to school:
- Does not provide an opportunity to develop a 5-18 campus model with existing primary school;
- Requires road improvements including potential requirement for a new roundabout on the A96 to provide overall site access from the school and future residential site;
- Improvement and upgrade to site utility connections to meet increased demand; and
- Could impact local businesses due to edge of town location.

Applegrove/Roysvale Park

- Supports a design solution that would incorporate a new build secondary school and accessible parking constructed on the new site together with the retention and improvement of the majority of current Roysvale Park playfields and repurposing of existing school site to accommodate a 3G pitch, main car park and soft landscaping;
- Meets the educational strategic objectives and place-based policy
- Would see the current school demolished with the exception of the swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool and fitness suite which would remain as a standalone self-sufficient asset and the current school site redeveloped with a 3G pitch and car park;
- The Council owns the site for new school building;
- Plans for the bus drop off and playing fields are on inalienable common good land. Its appropriation would require legal consent following a statutory consultation;
- Would maintain the majority of the common good as green space for community use with mitigations planned to improve current surface water drainage issues;
- Options to use or improve existing safe routes to school;
- Opportunity to develop a 5-18 campus with adjacency of existing primary school with benefits of shared management, curriculum and pastoral transition (mainstream and ASN), shared PEF investment and access to extended learning for primary
- Supports a pedestrian priority campus with a dedicated bus/coach drop off which would avoid road congestion;
- Provides a central location for the school with a good opportunity for a united civic presence;
- Provides links to other existing green/health and wellbeing spaces providing both educational and community benefit; and,
- Provides good opportunities for educational links during construction and maintains the economic benefits to the surrounding businesses.

3.8 The options for 'future proofing' have been considered within the options appraisal with Lochyhill scoring higher than the Applegrove/Roysvale site. This accounted for the fact that more land is be currently available on the Lochyhill site as there was no existing residential property constraints. This will change should residential development progress in the future in accordance with the Local Development Plan (LDP). However, there is no allowance for this within the planned site footprint or the associated additional land acquisition costs. School roll forecasts indicate that even with a 100% increase on current maximum forecast housing output rate over the next 15 years (equating to 1600 new houses) the planned school capacity will be more than adequate and no extension is foreseen. Should the situation change there is provision within the current LDP for land to be available for a new primary school on the wider Lochyhill development site which would allow the Applegrove site to be considered for any future expansion of the new Forres Academy.

3.9 The Applegrove/Roysvale site is owned and administered by Moray Council while Lochyhill is privately owned. The Council would need to formally acquire

the Lochyhill site land at market value in order to develop on it. However, a major area of the Applegrove/Roysvale site is classed as inalienable Common Good and hence the Council would need to remove the constraints this imposes to allow a main contractor to commence works on site in accordance with the programme.

3.10 The current intended use of Common Good land is as temporary construction site access, laydown and project 'life support' area for the duration of the construction project (estimated around 32 months). This same area would be improved to support long term use as a green playing field site within the final school design. In addition, it is intended that a 12m landstrip adjacent to the Sanquhar Road would be repurposed and developed as a bus drop off lane. There are other viable design options that could be considered as alternatives to the Common Good for this purpose (within the proposed new car park or on Burdsyard Road to the south of the site), and although these would be further from the new school building.

3.11 The feasibility report concludes that if the Council is confident that the Common Good constraint can be removed prior to the planned start of construction on site (programmed for July 2025) then the recommendation, based on all the selection criteria considered, is that the Applegrove/Roysvale site would offer the best option for Moray Council to deliver a new build school.

3.12 Currie and Brown prepared high level cost models for each of the 3 sites as part of the feasibility study. The estimated construction costs for each site option have not been provided within this report due to their commercial sensitivity; however, a comparison of additional authority costs is provided in the table below. The additional cost to develop the Lochyhill site and anticipated off site works is estimated at £3,372,300 above that for the Applegrove/Roysvale site.

Site Option	Authority Costs	Detail
Applegrove/Roysvale	£4,286,500	Design and project risk allowance, legal costs/fees, IT equipment, furniture
Lochyhill	£7,658,800	As above + Off site works: cost of land for development, improvement to access roads (including A96) and active travel routes, and improvements and upgrades to site utilities (water, drainage, electricity).

3.13 Given the future importance of the site selection to young people, parents/carers and residents of Forres, it was agreed at the Special Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee on 27 March 2024 (para 5 of the minute refers), to undertake a public engagement on the location for the new Forres Academy, with two site options, Lochyhill and Applegrove/Roysvale Park, presented.

3.14 The public engagement was completed between 28 March - 25 April 2024 with the objective to share site information that was available and seek views on the location for the Forres Academy new build. It consisted of: an online survey and an equivalent paper version (available from the Forres Post Office and Forres Library); an information session for Forres Academy staff and pupils held on 17 April 2024; and a community drop in session held on 18 April 2024 at Forres Town Hall. A copy of the online/paper survey is at **Appendix 2.**

4. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

4.1 The output from the public engagement online survey is summarised below with more detail analysis provided at **Appendix 3;**

- A total of 1,191 online survey submissions were received;
- The overall breakdown is 54.7% to 45.3% preference for the Lochyhill site;
- 330 respondees identified as a parent/carer of a child attending school – the breakdown within this group was 52.1% to 47.9% in favour of the Applegrove/Roysvale site;
- 518 respondees were from the Applegrove PS catchment where Applegrove/Roysvale site is located – the breakdown within this group was 62% to 38% preference for the Lochyhill site;
- 951 respondees were from within the Forres town boundary (Applegrove, Andersons and Pilmuir Primary School catchments) – the breakdown of these was 53.9% to 46.1% preference for the Lochyhill site; and,
- The total size of the respondee groups encompassing Primary and Secondary school pupils and staff was 131 – only the primary school pupil group (39 respondees) preferred the Applegrove/Roysvale site (59% to 41%). The remaining secondary school pupils (51 respondees) had a preference for the Lochyhill site (57%) over Applegrove/Roysvale (43%) and similarly the staff (41 respondees) were in favour of Lochyhill (63%) over Applegrove (37%)

4.2 The output from the public engagement paper survey is summarised below with more detailed analysis provided at **Appendix 4:**

- A total of 89 paper surveys were received;
- The preference was 85% for the Lochyhill site;

A significant number of paper surveys were completed within the last week of the engagement and there is clear evidence of multiple surveys with identical content which could call into the question the validity of the results.

4.3 During the Public Engagement process a number of questions, queries and observations were submitted with respect to both sites. These were received within the survey responses, as direct e-mail correspondence to the Council and during the in person engagements. These were collated into key themes and responses provided in the form of Frequently Asked Questions list. These can be found on the Moray Council website at

http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_151261.html. . The Learning Estate team will continue to update FAQs as the new school design and project progress.

5. PREFERRED SITE SELECTION

5.1 In determination of the preferred site for new build Future Forres Academy a number of factors, and the risk and issues associated with these, were considered.

5.2 The feasibility report acknowledges there are a number of issues and risks associated with developing either of the 2 sites. The technical risks have been identified and the civil and structure engineers appointed to the design team have considered robust mitigation strategies that will be confirmed during the concept design stage. The construction project costs have incorporated a related risk contingency factor for both sites. Therefore the key remaining site differentiators relate to land ownership status.

5.3 The feasibility report conclusion is that if the Council are able to gain consent to use the Common Good then the Applegrove/Roysvale site is the best option for a new build school. The common good land transaction would require the consent of the Sheriff Court following a Public Consultation and due consideration by the Council. The outcome of the public consultation will be an influential consideration but the whole perspective on all of the process followed and issues, including any improvements to the site for the benefit of the community will be considered. If the Court was to reject the application the Council would need to purchase an alternative piece of land, which would increase the project delivery timescales. This is an important consideration in the context of the current condition of the Forres Academy building. Currently an allowance of 6 months has been incorporated into the project plan timeline. If consent is not forthcoming, and the Council need to pursue an alternate site (Lochyhill) then this would incur a 6 month delay to the project (moving the operational date from January 2028 to July 2028).

5.4 With the Lochyhill site the Council would need to acquire the development land at market rate and accept that the project costs would increase to near £4m to cover this acquisition and significant off site development costs and additional construction costs.

5.5 Although there is a risk that the Council will not gain legal consent for any use or development of the Roysvale site and this will result in a minimum 6 month delay while an alternate site is proposed (Lochyhill would be the alternate), There may be other options on the use of the site that would remove or significantly reduce that risk and this is being considered. There are a number of reasons to support the selection of the Applegrove/Roysvale site, summarised as:

- Central location better meets the place-based and strategic context requirements for a new community school, aligning with the NPF4 and

Scotland's Learning Estate Strategy – Connecting People, Places and Learning guidance and principles;

- More cost effective option at a time when the current and future challenges on the Council capital budget are significant;
- Retains flexibility to respond to future school roll growth if required as the Lochyhill site is identified for a primary school;
- Offers educational benefits of a 5-18 campus - with adjacency of existing primary school with benefits of shared management, curriculum and pastoral transition (mainstream and ASN), shared PEF investment and access to extended learning for primary; and
- Benefit of the improvement of the Roysvale land and drainage improvement to improve community use of the green space/playing fields for the future.

5.6 The Applegrove/Roysvale site was proposed as the preferred development site for the new school at the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee on 14 May 2024 and the Committee agreed to recommend to Council for approval.

6. NEXT STEPS

6.1 The proposed next steps are dependent on the Council decision on 22 May 2024. It would be to either:

A. Lochyhill: Consult regarding the relocation of the school in accordance with the Schools (Consultation)(Scotland) Act 2010 and engage in discussion over acquisition of the private land or;

B. Applegrove/Roysvale - consult the public regarding the Common Good use to support school construction for the duration of the project and for permanent development of bus drop off areas.

6.2 Should the Council agree the recommendation that the Applegrove/Roysvale is the preferred site and the consent to use the Common Good ground is not forthcoming the only viable alternate for a new build be the Lochyhill. Therefore it is prudent for the Council to continue to consider Lochyhill as a potential future site and engage in discussion over acquisition of the land

6.3 In parallel with the site selection activity the project will also be progressing with consultation on the concept design for the new school over the next 6 months.

7 SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP)

This report supports the aims of the Corporate Plan to:

- **Build thriving, resilient, empowered communities:** Learning estate fit for the future and financially sustainable - tackle the

affordability and standard of our learning estate to ensure sustainability while meeting climate requirements.

and supports the LOIP outcomes:

- Building a better future for children and young people in Moray; and,
- Empowering and connecting communities.

(b) Policy and Legal

The Lochyhill site is outside the current school boundary and therefore consultation regarding the relocation of the school in accordance with the Schools (Consultation)(Scotland) Act 2010 would require to be undertaken.

Roysvale Park is categorised as inalienable Common Good and if it is not possible to progress an alternative site layout that avoids long term use of the common good land, the Council would require to obtain consent of the Sheriff Court in terms of the Section 75(2) Local Government (Scotland) Act to appropriate the land. Section 222(2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 requires the Council to have regard to the interests of the inhabitants of the former Burgh of Forres when administrating Common Good land.

In addition, Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, which came into force on 27 June 2018, requires that before taking any decision to appropriate a Common Good asset, the Council must publish details about the proposed disposal. In publishing these details, the Council must also:

(i) notify the relevant community council and any community body that is known to have an interest in the property; and

(ii) invite those bodies to make representations in respect of the proposals.

In deciding whether or not to appropriate the land, the Council must have regard to any representations made, whether by those invited or by some other relevant party. The proposal, along with the summary of any representations received, would then form the basis of a further report to this Committee to allow it to make a decision regarding the appropriation of the site and submission for court approval.

(c) Financial implications

The short term financial implications of the site selection have been addressed within the report.

Although the project will receive outcome based revenue funding from the Scottish Government through Phase 3 of the Learning Estate Investment Programme (LEIP) this is calculated against the project construction costs and does not take account of any Authority Costs

outwith this which would include a site acquisition and off site development costs.

(d) Risk Implications

The majority of risks are already covered within the report. The key risk is related to project timing delay (and associated inflationary pressures) and apply to both site options.

Applegrove/ Roysvale

A currently allowance of 6 months has been incorporated into the project plan timeline for the Applegrove/Roysvale site. If the legal consent to use Common Good land is refused, the Council need to pursue an alternate site (Lochyhill). This would incur a further 6 month delay to the project (moving the operational date from January 2028 to July 2028).

As discussed earlier in the report the risk of non-consent could be reduced if the final design seeks to minimise or remove the requirement to permanently repurpose and develop the land strip adjacent to Sanquhar Road.

Lochyhill

The Council would need to negotiate the acquisition of the site from the current owner. There is a risk that the owner would be unwilling to sell, or that the price sought would not meet affordability criteria. With similar situations in other projects the Council has promoted a compulsory purchase order (CPO) in tandem with landowner negotiations. As part of the CPO process the Council would need to justify its requirement for that particular site (with reference to alternatives) and 18 months minimum would need to be allowed for this process (moving the operational date from January 2028 - with current 6 month contingency - to January 2029).

Early engagement with the current landowner is required to fully determine the likelihood of this.

(e) Staffing Implications

The requirement to undertake a form of statutory consultation on either site selection option will result in a 3-6 month increase in workload that may require external support to ensure project timescales are met. A legal cost factor has been included in the cost model.

(f) Property

The property implications are set out in the body of the report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

The quality of the learning environment can impact on learning and attainment by as much as 16%. The condition and suitability of our learning estate, and capacity challenges associated with both growth and population decline in some areas, give rise to unequal opportunity across Moray.

This proposal supports the Learning Estate Strategy requirement that all Learning Estate buildings meet minimum standards and are fit for purpose.

(h) Climate Change and Biodiversity Impacts

Whichever site is chosen there will be a requirement to consider embodied carbon within construction and whole life operational carbon generated. The scale of this overall impact will be assessed in detail as the project progresses to full business case and this will be balanced against the current operational carbon budgets. The LEIP 3 standards for both operational carbon (energy efficiency) and embodied carbon require the new build design to minimise carbon. A whole life carbon assessment and community wealth building statement will be provided during the planning application stage.

(i) Consultations

The Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance, Chief Financial Officer, Acting Head of Economic Growth and Development, Equal Opportunities Officer and Democratic Services Manager have been consulted and the comments received have been incorporated into the report.

8 CONCLUSION

8.3 The Council is requested to agree the recommendations of the Education, Children's and Leisure Service Committee on 14 May 2024 that the Applegrove/Roysvale site be the preferred development site for the Future Forres Academy new build. In supporting that decision they are ask to consider the findings of the project feasibility report and the outputs from the public engagement on the 2 site options. Thereafter, a statutory consultation, dependent on the site selected and any alternative options as set out in the report will commence.

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Appendices:
1. SSPS Project Feasibility Report
2. Public Engagement Survey
3. Online Survey Results
4. Paper Survey Results

Background Papers:
SSPS Report Appendix A - Consultation
SSPS Report Appendix B - Brief
SSPS Report Appendix C - Utilities
SSPS Report Appendix D - Engineering
SSPS Report Appendix E - Site Investigations

SSPS Report Appendix F - Site Appraisal
SSPS Report Appendix G -Energy Carbon
SSPS Report Appendix H – Programme
SSPS Report Appendix J – Cost (Commercially sensitive) – available to Councillors on request

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MORAY COUNCIL

Minute of Meeting of the Moray Council

Wednesday, 22 May 2024

Council Chambers, Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

PRESENT

Councillor James Allan, Councillor Peter Bloomfield, Councillor Neil Cameron, Councillor Tracy Colyer, Councillor Theresa Coull, Councillor John Cowe, Councillor John Divers, Councillor Amber Dunbar, Councillor Jérémie Fernandes, Councillor Donald Gatt, Councillor David Gordon, Councillor Juli Harris, Councillor Sandy Keith, Councillor Scott Lawrence, Councillor Graham Leadbitter, Councillor Marc Macrae, Councillor Paul McBain, Councillor Neil McLennan, Councillor Shona Morrison, Councillor Bridget Mustard, Councillor Kathleen Robertson, Councillor Derek Ross, Councillor John Stuart, Councillor Draeyk van der Horn, Councillor Sonya Warren, Councillor Ben Williams

APOLOGIES

No apologies were submitted.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development), Chief Officer, Health and Social Care Moray, Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance, Head of HR, ICT and Organisational Development, Acting Head of Economic Growth and Development, Chief Financial Officer, Andy Hall, Project Officer, Senior Project Manager - Housing Mix Delivery and Democratic Services Manager.

1. Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests

In terms of Standing Order 21 and 23 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from Group Leaders or Spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how Members will vote on any item on the agenda.

Councillor Stuart declared an interest in Item 11 "Refugee Resettlement and Assylum Activities" and said he would remove himself from the meeting prior to the consideration of the item.

With regard to Item 8 "Learning Estate Programme Update - Future Forres Academy Site Selection" and Item 10 "Land Assembly - Moray Growth Deal", Councillor Williams stated, that following previous discussions with the Monitoring Officer, he did not believe that the connections met the test for declarations of interest merely a connection that he is declaring for transparency and would remain in the meeting for the consideration of the items.

Councillor Robertson raised, for transparency that she is a trustee of the Moray Migrants and Refugee Support Charity but she felt that this did not preclude her from continuing to chair and consider Item 11.

There were no further declarations of Member's interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

2. Resolution

The meeting resolved that in terms of Section 50A (4) and (5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the public and media representatives be excluded from the meeting for Items 10 and 11 of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information of the class.

Para number of the minute	Para Number of Schedule 7a
14	Para 9 Information on terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the Authority
15	Para 3 Information relating to any particular applicant for, or recipient or former recipient of, any service provided by the Authority and Para 5 Information relating to the adoption, care, fostering or education of any particular child or relating to the supervision or residence of any particular child in accordance with a supervision requirement.

3. Congratulations

On the invitation of the Chair, the Council joined Councillor Keith in congratulating Councillor Divers on his 25 year unbroken anniversary of being elected as a Councillor at Moray Council.

In response, Councillor Divers thanked the Council and Councillor Keith for his kind words.

4. Minutes of Special Moray Council on 28 February 2024

The minutes of the Special Meeting of Moray Council on 28 February 2024 were submitted and approved.

5. Minutes of Meeting of Moray Council on 6 March 2024

The minutes of the meeting of Moray Council on 6 March 2024 were submitted and approved.

6. Minutes of Special Moray Council on 27 March 2024

The minutes of the Special Meeting of Moray Council on 27 March 2024 were submitted and approved subject to a change to paragraph 6 - Review of Standing

Orders. Councillor Williams stated that he had raised concerns about Councillor welfare and not safety.

7. Minutes of Special Moray Council on 24 April 2024

The minutes of the Special meeting of Moray Council on 25 April 2024 were submitted and approved.

8. Written Questions **

The Council noted that no written questions had been submitted.

9. Moray Integration Joint Board Summary Report

The Council joined the Chair in thanking Mr Bokor-Ingram for his service as Chief Officer of Health and Social Care Moray, as this would be his last meeting of the Council in the role.

The meeting had before it a report by the Chief Officer, Health and Social Care Moray asking the Council to approve the Council's contribution to the Moray Integration Joint Board budget and to inform the Council of the latest approved minutes of the meeting of the Moray Integration Joint Board.

Following consideration the Council agreed to:

i) note the annual contribution to the Moray Integration Joint Board budget;

ii) note that a recovery plan is being prepared in an endeavour to manage the overspend of the budget; and

iii) note the content of this report in regards to the approved Minutes.

10. Recruitment and Selection Process for a Chief Social Work Officer

The meeting had before it a report by the Chief Executive and Interim Chief Executive recommending the proposed approach for recruiting an interim and permanent replacement for the outgoing Chief Social Work Officer (CSWO)/Head of Service of the Council which is a key statutory post in the Moray Health and Social Care Partnerhip.

The Chief Executive advised the Council of an error in paragraph 3.5 of the report in which the date should read 30 May and not 31 May.

He further advised that in paragraph 3.10 of the report the Head of HR, ICT and Organisational Development is an adviser to the panel and not a substantive member of the recruitment panel.

He concluded by assuring the Council that the course of action proposed in the report is done in consultation with the Chief Social Work Officer for Scotland who is assisting the Council with the process.

Councillor Mustard sought clarification on what would happen in there was a tie between candidates.

In response the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) confirmed that tests and assessments are carried out on each quality and requirement for the post and members would be taking a decision on the results of the assessments which due to their nature, it was highly unlikely that 2 candidates would score exactly the same.

She further added that in the unlikely event of that happening the Committee would decide whether or not to make an appointment or question the candidates further but this should be covered under the recruitment procedures.

Councillor Mustard proposed that should the procedures for a tie not be covered in the recruitment procedures then authority is delegated to the Interim Chief Executive to decide on the process if there is a tie.

As there was no one otherwise minded the Council unanimously agreed to:

i) delegate authority to the Interim Chief Executive of the Council to appoint an Interim CSWO/Head of Service in consultation with the Interim Chief Executive of NHS Grampian, the Chair and Vice Chair of Moray Integration Joint Board (MIJB) to cover the period until the new permanent Chief Social Work Officer/Head of Service is recruited and takes up post (estimated to take approximately 6 months);

ii) approve the progression of the recruitment process for the permanent CSWO/Head of Service post in accordance with current policy;

iii) note the indicative timeline for the recruitment and selection process for the permanent position;

iv) instructs the Interim Chief Executive of the Council to report back to the Council and MIJB on any interim appointment; and

v) delegate authority to the Interim Chief Executive to decide on the process should there be a tie between applicants at the end recruitment process, if it is not covered under the recruitment procedures.

11. Learning Estate Programme Update - Future Forres Academy Site Selection

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Council on the site selection for the Future Forres Academy new build project and seeking approval of the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee's recommendation for the preferred site.

The Chair acknowledged and thanked the members of the public for all the correspondence that have been received and assured the public that all members have read them. Some important issues have been raised and members have had the opportunity ask questions of Officers before or during meetings.

Councillor McBain moved the recommendations as printed. This was seconded by Councillor Macrae.

Councillor McLennan sought clarification on where the risk to the Common Good sits if there is any legal challenge, does it sit with the 4 Ward Councillors or is it all 26 Councillors.

In response, the Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance confirmed that Common Good land is managed by the Council so responsibility sits with all 26 Councillors.

Councillor McLennan proposed an amendment to the recommendations in the following terms:

Pause Recommendations 2.1 (i) and 2.1 (iii) until, new recommendation below has taken place:-

Recommendation 2.2

Arrangements to be made for Councillors to have the opportunity to meet a representative from the following groups within the next 14 days: Forres Community Council, Forres Development Trust/Forres Area Community Trust, Forres New Academy Forum and, separately, Pupil Voice Representatives from Forres Academy and Forres ASG Primary feeder schools, and separately Forres ASG Headteachers and a teacher representatives from each school. A Special Meeting of Moray Council to be arranged before summer recess to return to this paper following those meetings taking place.

Councillor Robertson asked if Councillor McLennan had a seconder. In terms of Standing Order 65, Councillor McLennan's amendment failed to obtain a seconder and therefore fell.

Councillor Stuart sought agreement to have a short adjournment to allow Councillors to consider the emails from members of the public which had been sent in since the start of the meeting.

In response, the Chair confirmed that the meeting had been timetabled for some time and been ongoing since 9.30am and did not think it was appropriate for members to take into consideration emails received after the start of the meeting to influence debate and the decision. She further added that it would not be good practice and could lead to poor decision making and sought approval from the Council to continue with this item and consider the recommendations. This was unanimously agreed.

The Council agreed to:

i) note the outcome of the option appraisal by the design team regarding the location of a new (paras 3.8 to 3.10);

ii) note the outcome of the public engagement regarding the location of a new school (paras 4.1 to 4.3); and

iii) the recommendation of the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee on 14 May 2024 that the Applegrove/Roysvale Park Option is the preferred site for the new school (para 5.1 to 5.5).

Councillor McLennan asked that his dissent be recorded.

12. Best Wishes

The Council joined the Chair in sending their best wishes to Richard Lochhead MSP following his recent surgery and wished him a speedy recovery.

13. Retirement of Chief Executive

The Council joined the Chair in wishing Mr Burns a long and happy retirement and thanked him for his dedication and service to the people of Moray, staff, as well as past and current Councillors as this was his last meeting of the Council.

14. Land Assembly - Moray Growth Deal [Para 9]

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) updating the Council on progress with the land assembly for the South Street regeneration and to authorise the use of compulsory purchase powers to include the "Newmarket Close" in order to support development of property in South Street, Elgin and to secure the delivery of Moray Growth Deal Projects.

Following consideration, the Council unanimously agreed to:

i) note progress on land assembly for the South Street regeneration project;

ii) note that as per previous Council decision a compulsory purchase order (CPO) be served on the remaining South Street property required for the project; and

iii) delegate authority to the Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance to use compulsory purchase powers to acquire "Newmarket Close" as shown in Appendix 2 and thereafter to the Head of Housing and Property and Legal Services Manager for the acquisition of the close to enable the redevelopment of the site in Appendix 1.

Councillor Stuart left the meeting at the conclusion of this item.

15. Refugee, Resettlement and Asylum Activities [Paras 3 and 5]

The meeting had before it a report by the Chief Executive informing the Council of activities to date with respect to the UK and Scottish humanitarian protection, refugee resettlement and asylum programmes, including resource allocation, accommodation, integration/support provision, funding received and proposed ongoing management.

Following consideration the Council agreed to:

i) note the updates on the activities in support of individuals requiring humanitarian protection or seeking asylum;

ii) note that consideration will be given to the appropriate committee which will oversee refugee, resettlement and asylum activities, to be incorporated in future revision of the Council's Scheme of Administration;

iii) note the budgetary position to 31 March 2024 as detailed in section 7 (c) of the report and, pending completion of the review at recommendations 3.1 (iv) and report at (v) below, delegates authority to the Head of Housing and Property in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer to assign the available funds received under various grant and associated funding streams in line with service requirements;

iv) note that the Head of Housing and Property will review the staffing arrangements and develop proposals to absorb ongoing provision within the Housing and Property service; and

v) note that following the proposals set out in recommendations 3.1 (iii) and (iv), a report setting out the proposed future budgetary and staffing arrangements will be brought to Council later in the year.

PROPOSAL DOCUMENT

RELOCATION OF FORRES ACADEMY

Consultation: 18th September 2025 to 13th November 2025

MORAY COUNCIL IS PROPOSING, SUBJECT TO THE OUTCOME OF THE STATUTORY CONSULTATION PROCESS:

- **To discontinue education provision at the existing Forres Academy school buildings on Burdsyard Rd, Forres IV36 1FG with effect from October 2028.**
- **To transfer education provision to the new Future Forres Academy buildings near to the existing school at a site on Orchard Road, Forres IV36 1PJ from October 2028**

This document has been issued by Moray Council in accordance with the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 as amended. The Act requires that changes to school estate are subject to rigorous consultation.

The schools directly affected by this proposal are:

- Forres Academy
- Applegrove Primary School

DISTRIBUTION

A copy of this document is published on the Moray Council website:https://engage.moray.gov.uk/new-forres-academy-relocation-consultation

or can be requested by e-mail to learningestates@moray.gov.uk

A copy of the Proposal Paper is made available at these locations:

- Moray Council Offices, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX
- Forres Academy
- Applegrove Primary School
- Andersons Primary School
- Pilmuir Primary School
- Kinloss Primary School
- Dyke Primary School
- Dallas Primary School
- Alves Primary School
- Forres Library
- Logie Primary
- Elgin Central Library

Notice of the Proposals will be sent to:

- Parent Councils of Forres Academy and the Associated School Group (ASG) primary schools

- Parents/carers of pupils who attend Forres Academy and the Associated School Group primary schools
- The staff (teaching and non-teaching) of Forres Academy and Applegrove Primary School
- Any Trade Union which is representative of staff
- Community Councils
- Community Planning Partnership
- The constituency Member of Parliament
- The constituency Members of the Scottish Parliament
- The list Members of the Scottish Parliament
- Education Scotland

1. Legislative Background

1.1. The proposal is advanced with the context of all applicable legislation. Amongst other duties, education authorities are required to secure adequate and efficient provision of school education (S.1 of the Education Act 1980); and to endeavour to secure improvement in the quality of school education in schools that are managed by them (S.3 of the Standards in Scotland's Schools Act 2000).

1.2. Forres Academy is classified as a Non-Rural school within the terms of the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010. In terms of S7 of that Act any changes to educational provision requires a public meeting to be held as part of the change consultation process.

2. Introduction

2.1. Moray Council strives to allocate its resources in a way that ensures the quality of all its services. It attaches particular importance to providing the best possible educational experience for all pupils in its schools.

2.2. The Council's vision for developing its learning estates can be summarised as delivery of a:

> "Learning Estate that is flexible and inspirational, that supports excellence and equity for all in Moray, building a better future for our children and young people, providing life-long learning opportunities and providing the foundations for a growing and diverse sustainable economy."

2.3. In order to fulfil the vision, it is necessary to consider the changing nature of teaching, drivers for digitally enabled education, low carbon schools, additional support needs and early learning & childcare when considering the future of the learning estate. The Learning Estate Strategy requires the provision of the best learning environments for our learners and ensure that there is sufficient capacity as Moray grows as an economy.

2.4. The meeting of Moray Council on 7 September 2023 approved Future Forres Academy as the priority project for Scottish Government Learning Estate Investment Programme (LEIP) Phase 3 funding. At its meeting on 22 May 2024 the site at Applegrove/ Roysvale was approved as the preferred location for a new school.

2.5. This proposal document is focussed upon the Forres Academy, located within Forres, Moray, and part of the Forres Associated School Group and classified as Non-Rural by the Scottish Government.

2.6. This consultation focuses solely upon the relocation of Forres Academy. Other elements (e.g. planning, common good) related to the new school project have been or will be subject to separate engagements and consultations.

2.7. The consultation process for this proposal is set out in detail in Section 12 of this document.

3. Reason for Proposal

3.1. Secondary education for the Forres area is currently provided at Forres Academy. The original building was built in 1969 and has been expanded and updated several times to accommodate the requirements of modern education.

3.2. The capacity of the Academy is 1121 with a current roll of 821. The existing Forres Academy building was assessed in 2021 as overall condition D – life-expired and/or at serious risk of imminent failure. In August 2023, Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) was discovered in many areas of the 1969 building. Although mitigation works has recovered many areas for learning, several areas remain unused and any planned future use would require significant investment to complete mitigation works to safely return for school use.

3.3. Several options for replacing Forres Academy have been explored together with several possible locations for new build options. A feasibility study was undertaken and in addition to new build proposals, consideration was also given to the refurbishment of the current building on the existing site. The study concluded that a refurbishment option would not offer value for money and be unlikely to meet the aspirations of the local community, therefore a new build solution was proposed. Public engagement was undertaken over a four-week period in the form of an online and paper survey, with a community drop-in session also held. Officers within Education, Children's and Leisure Services, as well the wider Moray Council, have carefully considered the feasibility study and all the responses to the public engagement study and have supported recommendations on the preferred site.

3.4. The Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 requires that when a school is to be relocated then a consultation must be undertaken with the relevant stakeholders.

4. Details of the Proposal

4.1. The Council proposes that education provision at the current Forres Academy at Burdsyard Road in Forres be discontinued with effect from October 2028 and that from that date pupils will continue their education at the new Forres Academy

which will be located at a nearby site within the Applegrove Primary School boundary on Orchard Road in Forres.

4.2. The new Forres Academy will be built with sufficient capacity for secondary pupils, based upon future school roll forecasts and the factors that impact those such as birth rate trends and estimated housing output rates; with shared facilities and with sufficient core areas that additional accommodation could be provided for future roll increase should this be required.

4.3. The catchment area for Forres Academy will not change with the new location. All pupils currently zoned to the school would continue to be zoned to the school and would attend the new Forres Academy.

4.4. Currently, pupils living out with 2 miles of their zoned secondary school would have an entitlement to school transport.

4.5. The current capacity and predicted rolls for Forres Academy, based on the September 2024 census data, are shown in Table 1 below. These figures are the published 2024 School Roll Forecast figures which can be found on the Moray Council website at the following address: http://www.moray.gov.uk/downloads/file159781.pdf

Table 1 – Forres Academy December 2024 School Roll Forecast

School	**Capacity**	**2024**	**2025**	**2026**	**2027**	**2028**	**2029**	**2030**	**2031**	**2032**
Forres Academy	1121	873	845	836	874	878	870	881	881	888

4.6. The school roll forecast information shown in Table 1 takes account all housing allocated in the Local Development Plan.

4.7. The locations of the existing Forres Academy and the proposed Forres Academy, with an indicative site plan, are shown below:



Current Site



Proposed Site and indicative site plan

5. Educational Benefits Statement

5.1. In September 2019 the Scottish Government updated its vision for the future school estate in Scotland with Scotland's Learning Estate Strategy 'Connecting People, Places and Learning' which was developed by Scottish Government and COSLA. This contains ten guiding principles which local authorities are required to take account of in planning changes to their school estate, namely:

- Learning environments should support and facilitate excellence joined up learning and teaching to meet the needs of all learners;
- Learning environments should support the welfare of all learners, meet varying needs to support inclusion and support transition for all learners;
- The learning estate should be well managed and maintained, making the best of existing resources, maximising occupancy and representing and delivering best value;
- The condition and suitability of learning environments should support and enhance their function;
- Learning environments should serve the wider community and where appropriate be integrated with the delivery of other public services in line with the place principle;
- Learning environments should be greener, more sustainable, allow safe access and accessible walking routes for walking, cycling and wheeling and be digitally enabled;
- Outdoor learning and the use of outdoor learning environment should be maximised;
- Good consultation about learning environments, direct engagement with learners and communities about their needs and experiences, and an involvement in decision making processes should lead to better outcomes for all;
- Collaboration across the learning estate, and collaboration with partners in localities, should support maximising its full potential;
- Investment in Scotland learning estate should contribute towards improving learning outcomes and support sustainable and inclusive economic growth.

5.2. The Moray Council's Learning Estate Strategy was approved by Council in December 2020 as a strategic approach, and updated in 2022, sets out the Council's vision of providing a sustainable education service aiming for excellence. It sets out how the Council will meet the needs of 21st century learning and teaching and aligns with the local priorities set out within the Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP) and the Moray Council Corporate Plan.

5.3. Within Moray the strategic aspirations and key drivers are:

Excellence
- All learners to be educated in high quality buildings (minimum level B for condition and suitability).
- All learners to have access to high quality outdoor learning environments.

Inclusion
- The learning estate must be accessible to all.
- The learning estate must support achievement for all, including non-traditional learner pathways.
- The learning estate should support the health and wellbeing of all users.

Place
- Our learning estate should be for the local community, with flexible and extended use outside of normal nursery/school operating hours.
- Shared use of the buildings to be explored with partners to enhance and enable effective delivery of services within our communities.

Sustainability
- We will aim for school occupancy levels of at least 80% of functional capacity.
- The learning estate must meet national and local net zero carbon targets.
- The learning estate must be able to support high quality digitally enabled learning and community access to digital.
- We must achieve and evidence best value from our investments.

5.4. A new modern Forres Academy will enhance learning for all pupils by providing an inspiring and innovative learning environment that supports the delivery of the Curriculum for Excellence throughout the Broad General Education and into Senior Phase, broadening potential for additional work-based qualifications through flexible learning spaces provided. The modern design proposed will allow flexibility to use the learning environment creatively and linking different subject areas as we look to the future and as highlighted through ongoing work being undertaken by Education Scotland on the Curriculum Improvement Cycle, learning within discrete curriculum areas and wider project-based learning (inter-disciplinary learning) will be enhanced.

5.5. The new design will facilitate high levels of collaborative and collegiate working among educational professionals, further strengthening levels of achievement through curriculum offered and providing a wide range of opportunities for children to achieve their full potential as successful learners, confident individuals, responsible citizens and effective contributors. The greater potential

for natural and collaborative, collegiate working will enhance opportunities for staff to share practice and engagement in professional dialogue, evaluation and moderation.

5.6. The new building will be designed to promote accessible and inclusive learning, meeting the needs of all learning including those with enhanced Additional Support Needs who will be accommodated in well considered accessible facilities that will support them from their arrival on site, throughout the day, through formal learning and informal social times. Internal spaces will be further complemented by accessible outdoor spaces, enriching the learning environment and skills development for young people further.

5.7. The new building will also provide an improved wireless-enabled learning environment to maximise the effective use of digital devices and promote digital literacy and independent learning. Further potential to extend the qualification offer through e-learning courses for pupils due to flexible spaces provided and digitally enabled spaces is provided. The design takes account of the latest technology available, while ensuring the infrastructure supports the aspiration to move to one-to-one devices for all young people in secondary schools. This strategy will work alongside other devices that are an integral part of the delivery of the curriculum in some subject areas, supporting to prepare young people for future life and work and progression to positive post-school destinations

5.8. An assembly hall which can accommodate 400 pupils is part of the design brief, which will include retractable, tiered seating that can be moved away to allow the space to be used for a variety of purposes. The assembly hall also serves as an excellent venue for examinations, school productions, music and drama performances, information evenings for parents and community events. In addition to this large gathering space, there will be other spaces throughout the new school that will provide additional gathering space for presentations as well as providing social space for young people at break and lunch. Additional, large collaboration spaces can be created by opening the flexible partitions between some classroom areas. These double classroom spaces will also allow additional examination spaces for larger numbers.

5.9. Providing a new building with shared and flexible learning spaces will encourage staff to work collaboratively and provide more opportunities for pupils to work co-operatively, supporting depth, pace and challenge in learning within a modern learning environment. Further opportunities using flexible learning spaces may also widen opportunities for inter-generational working with Early Years' settings, Primary Schools and the wider community.

5.10. Spaces for learning will be designed to allow a range of learning and teaching approaches including active, interdisciplinary and outdoor learning. New and

flexible learning environments will inspire pupils and have a positive impact on health and wellbeing. They will further strengthen pride in Forres Academy and promote the school's main three values of *Inclusive, Kind and Determined*.

5.11. The new Forres Academy building will be fully responsive to future learning requirements, and the design process will ensure that all spaces support learning and teaching relevant to the society pupils will enter as adults. It will be designed to be an inspiring learning environment, fully able to support new and innovative digital learning and engage pupils with the curriculum. Provision of wider break-out spaces and pupil support areas will support all young people in relation to wellbeing and equity, ensuring that we get it right for every child by supporting them in inclusive workspaces where they are supported to reach their full potential.

5.12. The direct adjacency of Applegrove Primary School in addition to Anderson's Primary School and Pilmuir Primary School nearby to the new Forres Academy is a strategic decision that aligns with national policy drivers such as Getting It Right For Every Child (GIRFEC), Curriculum for Excellence (CfE) and Scotland's Learning Estate Strategy which promote collaboration, inclusion and equity across education. This adjacency will provide enhanced learning and teaching opportunities for primary school staff and pupils with:

- Ease of access to specialist facilities such as practical science classrooms, digital suites, technical workshops, performance and art studios and modern sports facilities;

- Opportunities for interdisciplinary learning and shared thematic projects (project-based learning) with secondary departments will enhance depth, progression, and challenge for senior primary pupils, especially in P6 and P7; and,

- Primary school staff benefiting from professional learning partnerships with secondary colleagues, encouraging innovation and consistency in pedagogy and assessment practices across the BGE (Broad General Education) phase.

5.13. It will further support improved transitions and continuity of learning where:

- Physical proximity to a larger local Primary School and nearness to two other local Primary Schools (Anderson's and Pilmuir) fosters a seamless transition from primary to secondary for the majority of pupils in the Forres ASG, reducing anxiety and promoting familiarity with staff, spaces, routines, and expectations;

- Joint curriculum planning across P7-S1 may be supported for continuity and progression in key curricular areas such as literacy, numeracy, STEM, and expressive arts; and,

- Earlier planned engagement with guidance staff and pastoral support systems would enhance pastoral continuity, ensuring that children are known well and supported effectively before and after transition.

5.14. It will also provide broader opportunities for inclusion and personal development:

- Access to wider extra-curricular activities and accommodation, which may include sports teams, music ensembles, clubs, and leadership programmes, will support the personal and social development of primary pupils;

- Children with Additional Support Needs (ASN) would benefit from early access to enhanced support services and inclusion strategies developed at secondary level, ensuring consistency and strengthened transition planning; and,

- Senior secondary pupils can be available to serve as mentors, role models, or reading buddies, fostering a culture of leadership, inclusion, and cross-age collaboration as well as potential to achieve additional qualifications or awards.

5.15. The 'shared' campus model that the adjacency allows to develop will support efficient use of shared resources and promote a community identity by:

- Promoting a coherent educational campus identity, supporting equity of access and community cohesion across all age groups;

- Enhancing the efficient and sustainable use of public resources, including staff expertise, facilities, catering, and transport logistics; and,

- Acting as a community hub, bringing together children, families, and wider partners in learning, wellbeing, and support.

5.16. The new design places real emphasis on outdoor learning which can be accessible by secondary school staff and pupils, primary school staff and pupils and the wider community. In addition to the space around the immediate new school build, such as the ecology garden, amphitheatre, enhanced outside PE and technical workshop, enhance ASN provision garden and kitchen garden, there will be ground improvements to the adjacent Roysvale Park grass football-sized pitch and athletics running track. The existing school area will be redeveloped to create

a 3G sports pitch and additional space that will be landscaped to improve biodiversity and create an area supportive of health and wellbeing while the new school will maintain walking distance access to the retained swimming, fitness suite and hydrotherapy pool facilities.

5.17. All the above factors will support pupil and staff wellbeing, staff recruitment and retention, pupil achievements and parental/community engagement as well as increased employability partnership approaches through flexible learning spaces provided.

6. Local Community Benefit

6.1. The new building shall be a comprehensive, purpose-built facility for the whole community, located to be as accessible and welcoming as possible. It will look to create links with existing community facilities within the area and, as well as creating new links, it will retain facilities from the existing school such as the swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool, parking area and playing fields.

6.2. It is anticipated that the groups and individuals making use of the existing facilities will transfer to the new Academy facilities on completion. There will also be a new 3G pitch which will be of benefit to both the local community, Forres Academy and Applegrove Primary school.

6.3. By maintaining a central location, the new building should link with existing public transport and road infrastructure and minimise pedestrian travel distance and time from the existing town. It will promote active and sustainable travel as well as developing 'safer routes' to school.

6.4. The new Academy design is optimised with community and sport facilities which will significantly enhance opportunities for PE and related activities and will improve pupils' health and wellbeing. It will provide excellent facilities for children, families and other community users out with core school hours.

7. Alternatives to the proposal

7.1. A range of alternative possibilities have been considered as noted below:

- **Continuing the status quo** – the current building is assessed as overall condition D – life-expired and/or in serious risk of imminent failure. The current school was designed for an earlier approach to education and no longer reflects the needs of user community for the integration of education, skills and jobs that will support long-term resilience and sustainability. Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) is also present in the current building and a significant investment in mitigating this has recovered some of the existing classroom accommodation in

the short to medium term, but not all. The continued drain on resource to simply maintain current building condition standards is unsustainable and is not seen as value for money or providing one of the council's key drivers that 'All learners to be educated in high quality buildings (minimum level B for condition and suitability).

- **Refurbish and Extend** – the feasibility of refurbishment together with extension option was considered, however it was rejected as there was potential of a compromised design solution in comparison to a new build (span between structural floor slabs significantly less than in a modern facility); financial implications of a staggered construction project (provision of decant accommodation), implications for pupils attending the school while phased construction is undertaken, the extent of RAAC and concerns over fire engineering would mean that the cost would likely exceed that of a new build with the risk that the final building could be compromised in some aspects.

- **New Build on existing site -** The current site falls within a significant flood area adjacent to the Mosset Burn. Planning requirements now take account of future climate change and increased flooding risks and this makes the current site not viable for a full rebuild on the site for number of significant reasons. Constructing a new building while retaining the old one would necessitate partial demolition impacting potential flooding. The new building floor would need to be significantly elevated creating an 'island development' that would not integrate with the surrounding landscape and existing infrastructure. In addition, to redevelop on the current site would require most if not all the school to decant to temporary modular accommodation for up to 3 years which in addition to adding significant project costs would have an impact on education delivery.

- **New Build on alternative site** - A thorough review was carried out regarding building on alternative sites; however, several significant challenges were identified, including complex land ownership, lack of access for site investigations, and higher overall costs. These issues make the alternative options impractical at this stage and risk delaying the delivery of the much-needed new school.

8. School Transport

8.1. The location of the proposed replacement Forres Academy is on a site within 400m of the existing school therefore there would be no impact upon entitlement to school transport. The travelling times for pupils attending on foot would remain similar as would that of pupils transported to the school either by bus or car.

9. Sustainability

9.1. Sustainability is a key factor in the design of the new school and is being incorporated into every feasible aspect. This ranges from the construction materials used, to the heating system and the lighting provided and the landscaping of the external site to encourage biodiversity. The new build is part of the Scottish Futures Trust Learning Estate Investment Programme (LEIP) which in order to receive funding achievement of the agreed outcomes requires to be evidenced. These outcomes include zero emissions heating, energy efficiency and construction embodied carbon and detail of these can be found at https://www.scottishfuturestrust.org.uk/publications/documents/leip-outcomes-based-funding-briefing-document

9.2. The new school design, construction and operation will be environmentally and energy efficient contributing directly to delivering yearly reductions in greenhouse gas emissions introduced by the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009.

10. Equal Opportunities

10.1. An Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) is a statutory requirement on the Council to assess the policies, procedures and practices necessary to meet the requirements of anti-discrimination and equalities legislation. It also affords an opportunity for the Council to consider the impact on the education service. In addition, an IIA can provide more information to develop and deliver services that meet the needs, in this case, of children and parents. An assessment has been carried out.

10.2. The aim of an IIA is to examine policies and practice in a structured way to make sure that adverse effects on groups with protected characteristics are avoided. It is also a tool to enable the Council to assess what positive steps it can take to promote equality of opportunity and measure the results of the actions that have been taken. The existing IIA will be reviewed and updated as an outcome of this Consultation and submitted as an Appendix to the Consultation Report.

10.3. With regards to the new Forres Academy and Applegrove Primary School it is believed that this will have a no negative impacts on any groups with protected characteristics.

10.4. As part of the consultation process the Council will consult with a wide range of stakeholders, including staff, parents/ carers and young people, and will address any comments about equality during this activity.

10.5. The new school design must and will be legally compliant with the following legislation and thereby avoid any discrimination with access to facilities and services:

- Equality Act 2010
- Education (Disability Strategies and Pupils' Educational Records) (Scotland) Act 2002
- Building Standards (Scotland) Regulations - Section 4: Accessibility

10.6. To meet the equality requirements the design will consider building access and circulation, access to facilities and the inclusivity of learning environments and outdoor spaces

10.7. Under The Equality Act 2010 education providers must not treat disabled pupils less favourably and should take reasonable steps to avoid putting disabled pupils at a substantial disadvantage. Existing arrangements in place for pupils with additional support needs within the Academy will continue. The new Forres Academy will be fully accessible and designed to be inclusive and so would not have a negative impact on any child who has a disability.

11. Implications for Staff

11.1. Teaching and teaching support staff development is a key component to delivering high quality learning and teaching. The new school will provide even more opportunities for staff to work together and collaborate, with space to develop their own personal learning and to make further improvements to the curricular offer. The adjacency of the new secondary school and existing primary school will support a shared campus approach that will support this more collaborative approach between teachers, subjects and departments, with the curriculum structured to allow cross collaboration between subjects and skillsets. This will support staff to build on the significant achievements already recognised by the SCQF regarding the innovative curricular developments.

11.2. The opportunities offered at the new school regarding the increased opportunities to be more innovative with curriculum and learning journey should prove attractive to staff and assist with staff recruitment and retention. The working environment will be inspirational and enhanced with staff having access to onsite facilities including fitness facilities.

12. Consultation Arrangements

12.1. At its meeting on 16th September 2025, the Education, Children's and Leisure Service Committee was asked to agree that a proposal document should be issued as a basis for consultation. No decision will be taken by the Committee or wider Council on the proposal contained in the paper until after the end of the

consultation period. The Committee and Council will then receive a report on the Consultation and will reach a view on the recommendations.

12.2. As this consultation is occurring as part of a wider capital building project, activity will continue in terms of the planning process to ensure that if this proposal is accepted the building programme will be able to finish within the timescales set for securing the funding from the Scottish Government.

12.3. A copy of this proposal document will be issued to all of the consultees listed on the first page of this document and it will also be published on the Council's website:

12.4. Reading copies of this proposal will be made available at Moray Council, Elgin Central Library, Forres Library, Forres Academy, Alves Primary School, Anderson's Primary School, Applegrove Primary School, Dallas Primary School, Dyke Primary School, Kinloss Primary School, Logie Primary School and Pilmuir Primary School.

12.5. The period of consultation will run from 18 September 2025 until 13 November 2025 which adequately covers the statutory 6-week period inclusive of at least 30 school days.

12.6. Two in person public meetings are planned to be held, the first for pupils, parents and carers of pupils on Wednesday 29 October 2025 and the second on Tuesday 4 November 2025 for the wider public. In addition, a virtual meeting will also be held for anyone that has not been able to attend the two in person sessions, to be held on Thursday 6 November 2025.

12.7. The meetings will be convened by the Council and the Council will present the reasons for bringing forward the proposal. There will be an opportunity for questions and comments and a minute will be taken so that comments can later be summarised and considered.

12.8. Opportunities will be provided for the Forres Academy and Applegrove Primary School staff to discuss the proposal. Opportunities will also be arranged for impacted pupils at each school to engage in the consultation in a manner appropriate to their age.

12.9. An online survey will be available from 18 September 2025 as part of the consultation. This can be completed at the following address: https://engage.moray.gov.uk/embeds/projects/44023/survey-tools/50564 – or by

scanning the QR code below:



12.10. The Council will also consider any written comments which should be emailed to learningestate@moray.gov.uk. Alternatively, any comments can be sent to **Education Estates, HQ Room 231, Elgin Council Offices, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX**. Comments should be received no later than 4pm on 13 November 2025

12.11. A copy of this document will also be sent to Education Scotland. They will also receive a copy of any relevant written representations that are received by the Council during the consultation period. They will receive a copy of any oral representations made at the public meeting and a copy of any other relevant documentation. Education Scotland will then prepare a report on the educational aspects of the proposal. In preparing their report, they may visit the schools impacted and make such reasonable enquiries they consider appropriate.

13. Consideration of Consultation Responses

13.1. The Council will review the proposal having regard to the Education Scotland Report, written representations that it has received, and oral representations made to it by any person at the public meeting and the online survey responses. It will then prepare a report on the consultation. This report will be published in electronic format and will be available on the council website.

13.2. The report will include a record of the total number of written representations made during the consultation period, a summary of the written representations and a summary of the oral representations made at the public meeting. The report will also include the Authority's response to the Education Scotland Report, a response to issues raised through any written or oral representations it has received, together with a copy of the Education Scotland Report and any other relevant information, including details of any alleged inaccuracies and how these have been handled. The report will also contain a statement explaining how the Council has complied with the requirement to review the proposal in light of the Education Scotland Report and representations (both written and oral) that it received.

13.3. The last section of the report will include an officer recommendation as to whether the proposals should be adopted and implemented. The Consultation

Report will be published at least three weeks prior to the Council making a final decision.

14. Decision Making

14.1. The consultation report will be considered by Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee who will be asked to review and make comment on the officer recommendation.

14.2. Following discussion and recommendation at the Education, Children's and Leisure Committee, Full Council will consider the report and be asked to approve the officer recommendation in the report. This is expected to be in February 2026.

15. Conclusion

15.1. The Council believes that the measures proposed in this document will enhance the provision of secondary education within the Forres Associated School Group and further deliver a valuable community hub to the centre of the town.

15.2. This proposal paper is issued in terms of the authority's procedures to meet the relevant statutory requirements.


Current School Site


Applegrove
Primary School
Visitors & Accessible Car Park
Secondary School
Building Location
Grass Football Pitch
& Running Track
Coach Drop Off
Swimming &
Hydrotherapy
Pools
School Car Park
3G Sports Pitch

WE, THE PROVOST, MAGISTRATES and COUNCILLORS of the Royal Burgh of Forres as representing the whole body and community of the said Burgh, heritable proprietors of the subjects hereinafter disponed: IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of Two hundred and thirty-four pounds paid to us by the Joint County Council of the Combined County of Moray and Nairn incorporated as aftermentioned as the price of the said subjects hereinafter disponed being the sum of One hundred and thirty-four pounds for the subjects (First) hereinafter disponed and the sum of One hundred pounds for the subjects (Second) hereinafter disponed of which we hereby acknowledge the receipt: Have sold and do hereby dispone to the said Joint County Council of the Combined County of Moray and Nairn incorporated under the Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1929-1947 as Education Authority of the said Combined County and their successors and assignees whomsoever heritably and irredeemably (First) ALL and WHOLE that area of ground lying in the Burgh and Parish of Forres and County of Moray extending to Seven hundred and forty-eight decimal or one thousandth parts of an acre or thereby Imperial Measure and bounded as follows:- On or towards the North by other ground belonging to our said disponees along which it extends Three hundred and sixty-nine feet, nine inches or thereby; on or towards the South-west by the subjects (Second) hereinafter disponed along which it extends Two hundred and eighty feet or thereby and on or towards the South-east by a public footpath belonging to us along which it extends Two hundred and twenty-five feet, three inches or thereby, all as the said area of ground is shown coloured pink on the plan annexed and signed as relative hereto: Which subjects form part and portion of the lands and others in the said Burgh and Parish of Forres and County of Moray (formerly Elgin and Forres) described in the Disposition by the Reverend Alexander Mackenzie and Others in our favour dated Eighteenth and recorded in the Division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Elgin and Forres, Twenty-fifth both days of November, Eighteen hundred and ninety-one and (Second) ALL and WHOLE that area of ground lying in the said Burgh and Parish of Forres and County of Moray extending to One acre and six hundred and sixty-seven decimal or one thousandth parts of an acre or thereby Imperial Measure and bounded as follows/

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follows:- On or towards the North-west by ground belonging to the Scottish Garden City Housing Society Limited along which it extends Two hundred and five feet three inches or thereby; on or towards the North-east partly by other ground belonging to our said disponees and partly by the subjects (First) hereinbefore disponed along which it extends respectively Fifty-two feet or thereby and Two hundred and eighty feet or thereby; and on or towards the South-east and South-west by a public footpath belonging to us along which it extends respectively Two hundred and twelve feet or thereby and Three hundred and fifty feet or thereby, all as the said area of ground is shown coloured blue on the plan annexed and signed as relative hereto: Which subjects form part and portion of All and Whole that part of the Estate of Sanquhar in the said Burgh and Parish of Forres and County of Elgin extending to Five acres, two roods and thirty-one and one-half poles or thereby Imperial Measure described in the Feu Charter by Alexander Edward of Sanquhar in our favour dated Fourth and recorded in the Division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Elgin and Forres on the Fourteenth both days of December, Eighteen hundred and ninety-nine: Together with the parts, privileges and pertinents of the whole subjects hereinbefore disponed and our whole right title and interest present and future in and to the said whole subjects and others: But always with and under as regards subjects (Second) hereinbefore disponed, and so far as still valid subsisting and applicable the provisions, conditions and other clauses contained in the said Feu Charter by Alexander Edward of Sanquhar in our favour dated and recorded as aforesaid, and declaring that the said subjects (Second) hereinbefore disponed are so disponed also with and under the burden of payment by our said disponees and their foresaids of the sum of Twelve Pounds, two shillings and three pence per annum in name of feuduty, being the proportion of the cumulo feuduty of Thirty-nine Pounds, eight shillings per annum constituted in terms of the/

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A Macdonald Town Clerk

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the said Feu Charter hereby apportioned on the said subjects (Second) hereinbefore disponed, together with such augmentation of said apportioned feuduty as may be fixed by the Superior on formal allocation, and further declaring that as regards the whole subjects hereinbefore disponed our said disponees shall be bound to erect and maintain adequate stockproof fences between the points AB, BC and CD shown on the said plan annexed and signed as relative hereto: WITH ENTRY as at Whitsunday, Nineteen hundred and fifty-nine notwithstanding the date hereof: And we assign the writs and in respect that the writs enumerated in the Inventory annexed and signed as relative hereto relate also to other subjects belonging to us and so are not delivered we bind and oblige ourselves to make the said writs furthcoming on all necessary occasions on the usual borrowing terms and to take any person to whom the said writs may ultimately be delivered bound in a similar obligation: And we assign all rights competent to us quoad the subjects hereinbefore disponed to demand exhibition or delivery of all other prior writs: And we assign the rents: And we bind ourselves to free and relieve our said disponees and their foresaids of all feuduties and public burdens exigible prior to the said term of entry: And we bind and oblige ourselves to free and relieve our said disponees of all Ministers stipend and the redemption thereof due and payable in respect of the said subjects hereby disponed in all time coming: And we grant warrandice: And we certify that the transaction hereby effected does not form part of a larger transaction or of a series of transactions in respect of which the amount or value or the aggregate amount or value of the consideration exceeds Three thousand, five hundred/

Wm Baird Witness.
Jean Mackintosh Baird
A Macdonald.
Town Clerk

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hundred pounds: And we consent to registration for preservation: IN WITNESS WHEREOF these presents typewritten on this and the three preceding pages are, together with the Inventory of Writs and Plan annexed hereto, sealed with the Common Seal of us the said Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres and are subscribed for and on our behalf by Provost Robert Bonsor Stewart Braid and Bailie Mrs. Jean Mackintosh, and by Alastair Hugh Macdonald, Town Clerk, all at Forres on the Thirteenth day of June, Nineteen hundred and sixty before these witnesses Vera Margaret Bannerman Williamson, Shorthand Typist and Patricia Anita Grant, Clerkess, both of One hundred and twenty-one High Street, Forres.

Vera M. B. Williamson, witness

Pat. A. Grant Witness

R. Stewart Braid Provost.

Jean McKintosh Bailie

A. H. Macdonald Town Clerk

Register on behalf of the within named Joint County Council of the Combined County of Moray and Nairn in the Register of the County of Moray.

Solicitor, Elgin.
Agent.

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INVENTORY of WRITS referred to in foregoing Disposition.

1. DISPOSITION by Rev. Alexander Mackenzie and Others in favour of the Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres dated 18th and recorded G.R.S. (Elgin & Forres) 25th November, 1891.

2. FEU CHARTER by Alexander Edward of Sanquhar in favour of the Provost, Magistrates and remanent members of Forres Town Council dated 4th and recorded G.R.S. (Elgin & Forres) 14th December, 1899.

Jean Mackintosh Bailie
A Strachan
A Macdonald
Town Clerk

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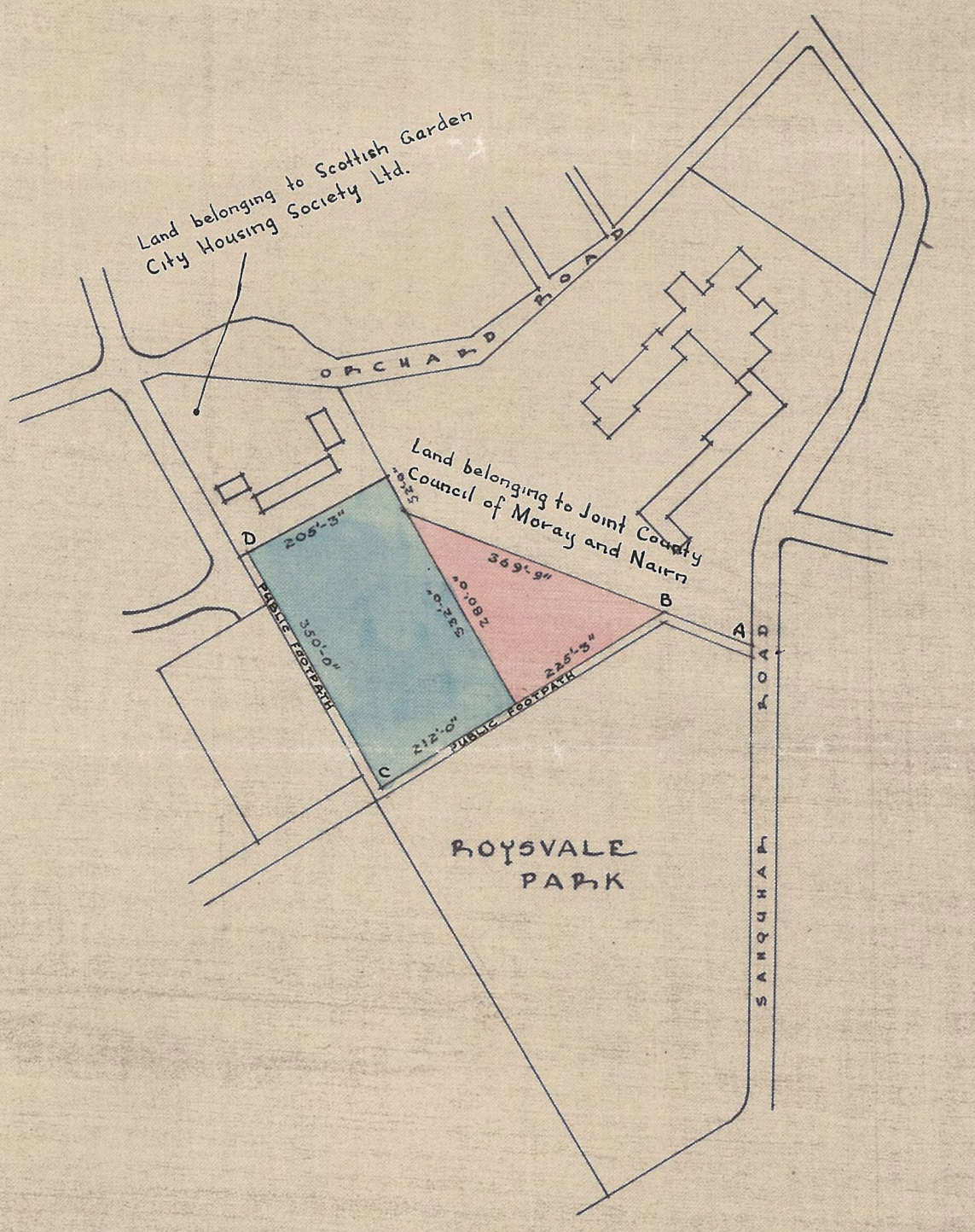
This is the Plan referred to in the foregoing Disposition by the Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres in favour of the Joint County Council of Moray and Nairn dated 13th June, 1960.

AREA COLOURED PINK = 0·748 ACRES

AREA COLOURED BLUE = 1·667 ACRES



Alfred Provost.
Jean Mackintosh Bailie
A Macdonald
Town Clerk

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D I S P O S I T I O N

- by -

The Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres

- in favour of -

The Joint County Council of Moray and Nairn.

AD 06/00072/A&FEd

1960:

Subjects: Forres Primary School.
Playingfield Extension.

Applegrove School.

Fo 19/65

Robert McGill,
Solicitor and County Clerk,
ELGIN.

County Clerk,
Elgin.

Stamp £15 Wdd.



WE, the PROVOST, MAGISTRATES and COUNCILLORS of the Royal Burgh of Forres, as representing the whole body and community of the said Burgh, heritable proprietors of the subjects (First), (Second) and (Third) hereinafter disponed, IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of ONE THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED AND NINETY FIVE POUNDS paid to us by the Joint County Council of the Combined County of Moray and Nairn incorporated as aftermentioned as the price of the said subjects (First), (Second) and (Third) hereinafter disponed, being the sum of Seven hundred and twenty pounds for the said subjects (First) and (Second) hereinafter disponed and the sum of Seven hundred and seventy five pounds for the said subjects (Third) hereinafter disponed, of which we hereby acknowledge the receipt, Have Sold and Do Hereby DISPONE to the said Joint County Council of the Combined County of Moray and Nairn incorporated under the Local Government (Scotland) Acts 1929 to 1947, as Education Authority of the said Combined County, and their successors and assignees whomsoever, heritably and irredeemably (First) ALL and WHOLE that area or piece of ground lying in the Burgh and Parish of Forres and County of Moray extending to one acre and one hundred and seventy five decimal or one-thousandth parts of an acre or thereby Imperial Measure and coloured blue on the plan annexed and signed as relative hereto; (Second) ALL and WHOLE that area or piece of ground lying in the said Burgh and Parish of Forres and County of Moray extending to three acres and five hundred and seventy-one decimal or one thousandth parts of an acre or thereby Imperial Measure and coloured pink on the said plan; and (Third) ALL and WHOLE that area or piece of ground lying in the said Burgh and Parish of Forres and County of Moray extending to two hundred and forty one decimal or one-thousandth parts of an acre or thereby Imperial Measure and coloured green on the said plan: Which subjects (First), (Second) and (Third) hereby disponed together comprise the area or piece of ground within the boundaries coloured red on the said plan and bounded as follows videlicet:- On or towards the North and North West by Orchard Road along which it extends following the bends Five hundred and sixty-nine feet three inches or thereby; On or towards the North East by ground belonging to us along which it extends Two hundred and seventy-nine feet eight inches or thereby; On or towards the South East and East by Sanquhar Road along which/

Exd. J. S. Reid.
A K Forbes
A Macdonald.

RECEIVED IN THE GENERAL REGISTER OF SASINES FOR THE COUNTY OF MORAY.
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Presented and Recorded on 3rd December 1955

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which it extends following the bends Four hundred and eighty-nine feet two inches or thereby; On or towards the South West by ground belonging to us along which it extends Four hundred and eighty three feet nine inches or thereby; And on or towards the West partly by ground belonging to us along which it extends Fifty-two feet or thereby and partly by ground belonging to the Scottish Garden City Housing Society Limited along which it extends One hundred and thirty-three feet or thereby, a total distance of One hundred and eighty-five feet or thereby: Which subjects (First) and (Second) hereby disponed form parts of the lands and others in the said Burgh and Parish of Forres and County of Moray (formerly Elgin and Forres) described in (One) the Disposition by the Reverend Alexander Mackenzie and Others in our favour dated the Eighteenth and recorded in the Division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Elgin and Forres on the Twenty-fifth both days of November, Eighteen hundred and ninety-one;and (Two) the Disposition by Richard Murray and John Murray in our favour dated the Nineteenth and recorded in the said Division of the General Register of Sasines on the Twenty-third both days of June, Nineteen hundred and forty-four and which subjects (Third) hereby disponed are part of the subjects particularly described in the said Disposition by Richard Murray and John Murray in our favour dated and recorded as aforesaid: Together with the pertinents, rights and privileges, and our whole right, title and interest, present and future, in and to the said subjects (First), (Second) and (Third) hereby disponed: WITH ENTRY to the subjects (First) hereby disponed at the term of Martinmas (Eleventh day of November) Nineteen hundred and fifty-two, and With Entry to the subjects (Second) and (Third) hereby disponed at the term of Martinmas (Eleventh day of November) Nineteen hundred and fifty-five, all notwithstanding the date hereof: And we assign the writs and in respect that the Writs enumerated in the Inventory annexed/-

Lt Col J. S. Grant
of Forbes
A Macdonald.

annexed and signed as relative hereto contain other subjects than the subjects hereby disponed and so cannot be delivered we oblige ourselves and our successors to make the same with the exception of Numbers One to Ten inclusive and Numbers Twenty-two, Twenty-three, Twenty-four and Thirty-seven which are not in our possession furthcoming to our said disponees and their foresaids on all necessary occasions on a receipt and obligation to redeliver the same within a reasonable time and under a suitable penalty and we oblige ourselves and our foresaids to take any person to whom the said writs may ultimately be delivered bound to make the same furthcoming in like manner and we assign to our said disponees and their foresaids all obligations quoad the subjects hereby disponed to have the said excepted Writs Numbers One to Ten inclusive and Numbers Twenty-two, Twenty-three, Twenty-four and Thirty-seven and all other writs made furthcoming: And we assign the rents: And we bind ourselves to free and relieve our said disponees and their foresaids of all feuduties and public burdens: And we grant warrandice: And we certify that the transaction hereby effected does not form part of a larger transaction or of a series of transactions in respect of which the amount or value or the aggregate amount or value of the consideration exceeds Three thousand pounds: IN WITNESS WHEREOF these presents typewritten on this and the two preceding pages are - under declaration that the word "exception" where it occurs in the third line of page Third is partly typed on erasure - together with the Inventory of Writs and plan annexed, subscribed for and on behalf of and as authorised by the said Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres, by Robert Bonsor Stewart Braid, Provost, and Alfred Houghton Forbes one of the Bailies, and by Alastair Hugh Macdonald, Town Clerk of the said Royal Burgh, the corporate seal of the said Royal Burgh being affixed at the same time, all at Forres on the Fourteenth day of November, Nineteen hundred and fifty-five.

Robt B S Braid Provost
A H Forbes Bailie
A H Macdonald Town Clerk

Register on behalf of the within named Joint County Council of the Combined County of Moray and Nairn in the Register of the County of Moray.

Solicitor, Elgin,
Agent.

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INVENTORY of WRITS referred to in the foregoing Disposition.

I. LANDS OF ROYSVALE.

1/11. THE WRITS Nos. 1 to 11 inclusive of the Inventory annexed to No.12 hereof.

12. DISPOSITION by the Rev. Alexander Mackenzie and Others in favour of the Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Forres dated 18th and recorded G.R.S. Elgin and Forres 25th, both days of November, 1891.

13. BOND & DISPOSITION IN SECURITY p. £600 by the Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres in favour of the Trustees of Frederic George Dunbar dated 23rd and recorded said G.R.S. 26th both days of November, 1891.

14. ASSIGNATION of No.13 hereof by said Trustees of said Frederic George Dunbar in favour of said Frederic George Dunbar dated 3rd and recorded said G.R.S. 29th both days of June, 1896.

15. ASSIGNATION of No.13 hereof by Sir Frederick George Dunbar, Bart., (formerly Frederic George Dunbar) in favour of the Trustees of the Findhorn Disaster Fund dated 15th and recorded said G.R.S. 20th both days of November, 1901.

16. PARTIAL DISCHARGE of No.13 hereof to extent of £100 by the said Trustees of the Findhorn Disaster Fund in favour of the said Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres dated 14th October and recorded said G.R.S. 15th November, both in the year 1913.

17. DISCHARGE of No.13 hereof by the said Trustees of the Findhorn Disaster Fund in favour of the said Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres dated 9th, 22nd, and 25th October and recorded said G.R.S. 3rd November, all in the year 1917.

II. LANDS OF APPLEGROVE.

18/50. THE WRITS Nos. 1 to 33 inclusive of the Inventory annexed to No. 51 hereof.

51. DISPOSITION by Richard Murray and John Murray in favour of the Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres dated 19th and recorded said G.R.S. 23rd both days of June, 1944.

52. SEARCH for INCUMBRANCES.

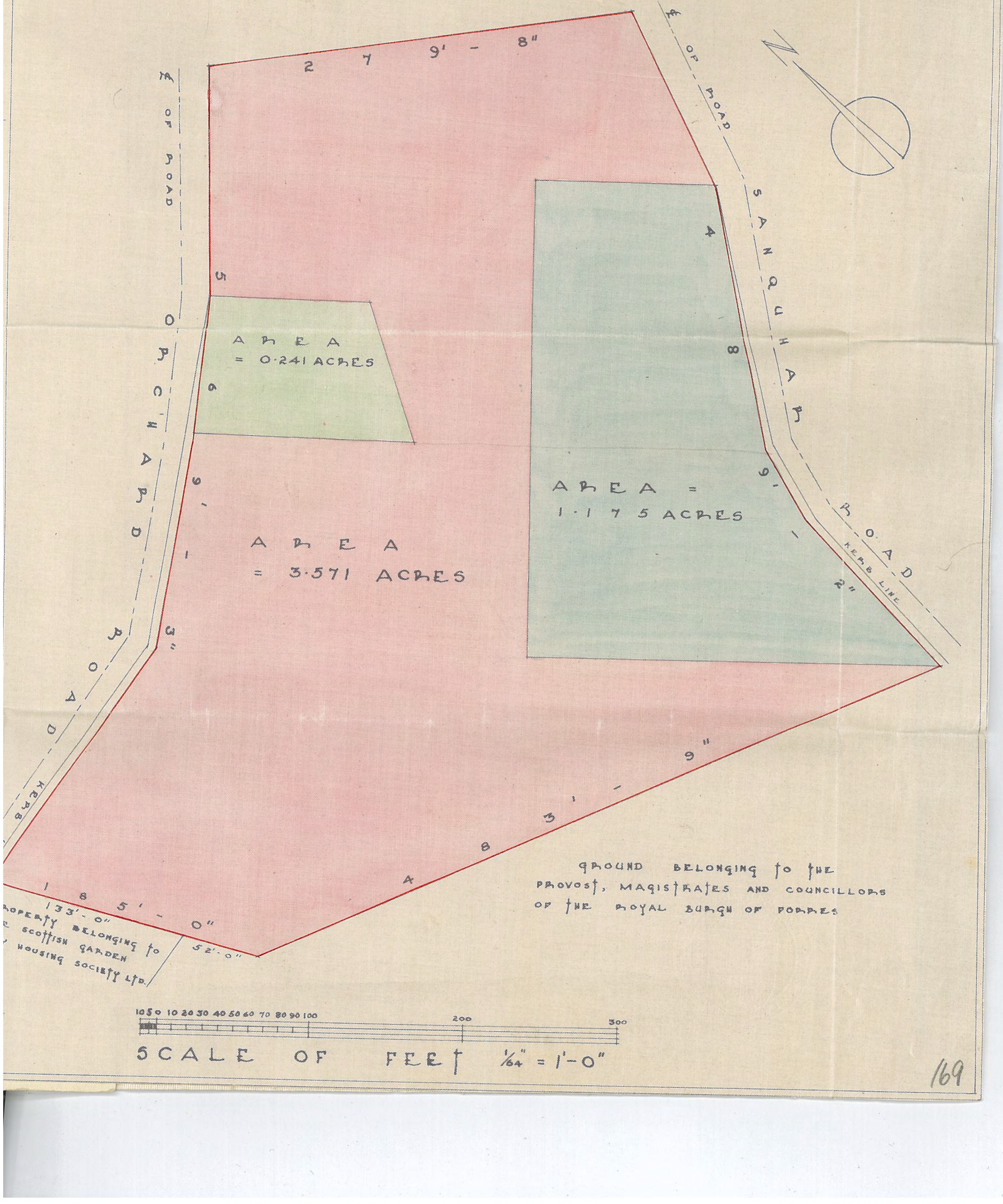
Lo[illegible] J. S. Laird
A Forbes
A Macdonald.

THIS IS THE PLAN REFERRED TO:

in the foregoing Disposition by the Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres in favour of the Joint County Council of the Combined County of Moray and Nairn dated 14th November, 1955.

Lyle & S. Fraser
Act Lord Dr.
A Macdonald Town Clerk

GROUND BELONGING TO THE PROVOST, MAGISTRATES AND COUNCILLORS OF THE ROYAL BURGH OF FORRES



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D I S P O S I T I O N

- by -

The Provost, Magistrates and Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Forres

- in favour of -

The Joint County Council of the Combined County of Moray and Nairn.

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Subjects:- Parts of the lands of Roysvale and the lands of Apple-:grove, Forres (Forres Primary School).

Fo 19/59

Robert McGill,
Solicitor and County Clerk,
ELGIN.

County Clerk,
Elgin.

I Alexander Edward of Sanquhar in the County of Elgin heritable proprietor of the subjects hereinafter disponed in consideration of the feu duty and other prestations hereinafter mentioned DO hereby Sell and in feu farm dispone to and in favour of the Provost Magistrates and remanent members of the Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Forres and their successors in office for behoof of the whole body and community thereof and to their assignees whomsoever (the said persons and their foresaids being hereinafter named and referred to as "the Vassals") heritably and irredeemably (but excluding assignees before infeftment on or registration in the appropriate Register of Sasines of these presents) All and Whole that area or plot of land situated on the estate of Sanquhar in the Burgh of Forres and County of Elgin, containing an area of Five acres two roods and Thirty one and one half poles imperial measure or thereby and bounded as follows:- On the North by Orchard Road along which it extends following the bends Two hundred and fifty feet or thereby On the North East by Roysvale Park already the property of the Vassals along which it extends One thousand and seventy Six feet nine inches or thereby On the South East by the Road leading to Sanquhar Road from Forres Mills along which it extends Two hundred and seventeen feet three inches or thereby, and on the South West boundary by lands belonging to me along which it extends One thousand two hundred and twelve feet or thereby, all as delineated within the boundaries coloured red on the Plan annexed and docqueted by me with reference hereto together with my whole right title and interest in the dominium utile of the said subjects Reserving always to me, my heirs and successors in the event of my or their desiring to drain any part of the lands belonging to me or them adjoining the subjects above disponed whether agricultural land or building lots or buildings thereon or other subjects of any kind or description full power and liberty to lay the Sewerage or other pipes to lead the drain or drains necessary therefor through any part of the said subjects above described that may be unbuilt on and with further liberty thereafter to enter upon said subjects in order to repair and uphold said drains as often as that may be necessary and that without payment of any kind to the vassals beyond the surface damage occasioned to them thereby according as such damage may be assessed by arbiters mutually chosen by me or my foresaids and by the vassals and in the event of the said arbiters disagreeing by an oversman to be named by them: Declaring always as it is hereby Specially provided and declared that these presents are granted and the said subjects and others are hereby disponed as aforesaid with and under the provisions conditions and clauses irritant and resolutive following <u>First</u> As regards the part of the said land extending from the said Orchard Road at the North to the strip or belting of young plantation situated Five hundred and eighty feet or thereby measured from the said Orchard Road Southwards along the western boundary of the said land hereby feued the Vassals may erect and maintain dwelling houses of the class of villas each detached or semidetached from the others, and each of a cost of not less than Eight hundred pounds, (but not tenement houses) built of Stone and Lime or brick and covered with Slates which whole buildings and re-erections thereof shall be in accordance with plans and Specifications and on sites to be approved of by me or my foresaids in writing before building is begun and as

Alex Edward

This Feu Charter with Warrant of Registration thereon was presented for registration at Edinburgh on the Fourteenth day of December in the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety nine and is recorded in the said Warrant of Registation and in the Books of Council and Session or other Public Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Elgin and Forres on the 122 - 127 and intervening folios of the One hundred and twenty eighth Book of the Division

L. Pitcairn Keeper

as regards the rest of the said lands hereby disponed the Vassals are prohibited from erecting on said land any buildings except a toolhouse for the park keepers or a pavilion and band-stand and as regards the whole of the said lands hereby disponed the vassals are also prohibited from carrying on thereon any business process or manufacture of any kind and from depositing any nauseous materials on the subjects hereby disponed and generally from doing any act which may be deemed a nuisance and which may injure the amenity of the place or neighbourhood for residential purposes and if the vassals shall erect on said ground any buildings of the said descriptions, they shall convey the sewage therefrom through properly constructed drains to the Fosses main drains in such a way as to avoid creating or causing a nuisance. The vassals shall not erect re-erect or restore on any part of the said ground any buildings until the plans and sites thereof have previously been submitted to the superior for the time and approved by him in writing and such buildings shall be erected strictly in accordance with the plans and on the sites so approved. Second The vassals before using or allowing said ground to be used as a park or pleasure ground or otherwise throwing it open for the purposes of recreation shall be bound to construct along the South West boundary of said ground and in all time coming to maintain at their own expense a sufficient wire fence at least four and one half feet high or other fence to be approved by me or my successors - but the Superior may at any time call upon the Vassals and when so called on the vassals shall be bound to erect and in all time coming to maintain a substantial and ststistic wooden fence along the said South Western boundary which wooden fence shall be at least five feet high above the ground level. Before the said fence is erected or restored the design of it shall be approved by me or my foresaids in writing. The Vassals shall relieve the Superior of all claims that may be made by the present tenants of said subjects with regard to the fences belonging to them on the North North East and South East sides of ground hereby conveyed. Lastly If the Vassals shall contravene or fail to implement any of the conditions provisions and obligations herein written or shall allow the feuduty hereinafter specified of two consecutive years to run into a third unpaid then in any or all of these events this present right and all that may have followed thereon shall in the option of me or my foresaids become void and null without declarator or other process of law to that effect any law or practice to the contrary notwithstanding And the Vassals shall amit, lose and forfeit all right and interest in the subjects hereby feued and buildings thereon all which shall thereupon revert and belong to me and my foresaids as superiors thereof free and disencumbered of all burdens whatsoever in like manner as if this feu right had never been granted. And I and my foresaids shall have right to remove the vassals and to enter into possession and levy the rents of the said subjects in all time coming without prejudice however to my legal rights and remedies against the vassals for payment of the bygone feuduties and performance of the prestations incumbent on them under these presents prior to the date of such forfeiture which conditions provisions obligations and clauses irritant and resolutive before written are hereby declared to be real burdens affecting the piece of ground hereby disponed and are

Alex Edmund

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are appointed to be inserted in any Notarial Instrument which may follow hereon and to be inserted or validly re-ferred to in terms of law in all future deeds of trans-mission or instruments relating to the said subjects otherwise such deeds or instruments shall be null and void; with entry on the Eleventh day of November Eighteen hundred and ninety nine To be Holden the said sub-jects hereby disponed by the Vassals of and under me and my foresaids as immediate lawful superiors thereof in Feu farm fee and heritage for ever paying therefor to me and my foresaids the Sum of Thirty nine pounds eight shillings Sterling yearly in name of feuduty at two terms in the year Whitsunday and Martinmas by equal portions beginning the first terms payment thereof, videlicet:- Nineteen pounds fourteen Shillings at Whitsun-day Nineteenhundred for the half year immediately preced-ing and the next terms payment thereof videlicet:- Nineteen pounds fourteen Shillings at Martinmas Nineteen hundred for the half year immediately preceding and so forth at the said two terms in the year in all time thereafter with a fifth part more of each terms payment of liquidate penalty in case of failure in the punctual payment thereof and interest at the rate of five per cen-tum per annum of the said feuduty from the respective terms of payment during the non-payment of the same, and doubling the said feuduty at the term of Martin-mas in each twenty fifth year from the term of Martinmas Eighteen hundred and ninety nine (beginning at Martinmas Nineteen hundred and twenty four) for each such twenty fifth year only in full of all compositions or other casual-ties of superiority exigible from the said subjects or buildings thereon with a fifth part more of penalty in case of failure and interest of each of the said additional payments at the foresaid rate from the time the same falls due during the non-payment and I assign the Writs but to the effect only of maintaining and defending the vassals in the right of the subjects and others hereby disponed and for that purpose I oblige myself and my foresaids to make the same to the extent of a legal progress forth-coming to the Vassals at their expense on all necessary occasions and that upon a receipt and obligation to re-deliver the same within a reasonable time and under a suitable penalty; And I assign the rents and bind myself to free and relieve the vassals of all feuduties and other duties and services and casualties payable to or exigible by my superiors now and in all time to come and also to relieve the Vassals of all ministers stipend and of all public and parochial and local burdens due from or on account of said subjects prior to the said term of entry and I grant Warrandice but excepting therefrom all leases or missives of lease af--fecting said subjects, without prejudice to the right of the vassals to quarrel and impugn the same upon any ground in

Albert Edmunds

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in law which shall not infer recourse against me or my foresaids: And I consent to the registration hereof for preservation, In witness whereof these presents written on this and the three preceding pages of stamped paper are along with the docquet on the said plan annexed hereto, subscribed by me at Sanguhar aforesaid, on the fourth day of December Eighteen hundred and ninety nine before these witnesses John McConnachie Clerk and Edwin Macdonald, Butler both at Sanguhar aforesaid.

J. McConnachie witness
E. Macdonald Witness

Alex Edwards

Register on behalf of the Provost Magistrates and remanent members of the Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Forres and their successors in office for behoof of the whole body and Community thereof - in the Register of the County of Elgin and Forres.

R. Cumming Jr. Solicitor & Law Agents in Forres.
Agent.

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PLAN OF GROUND

disponed by

Alexander Edward Esqr. of Sanquhar

to

The Royal Burgh of Forres. 1899.

The said Ground Being Contained Within
the Boundaries Coloured Red on Plan
and Contains.
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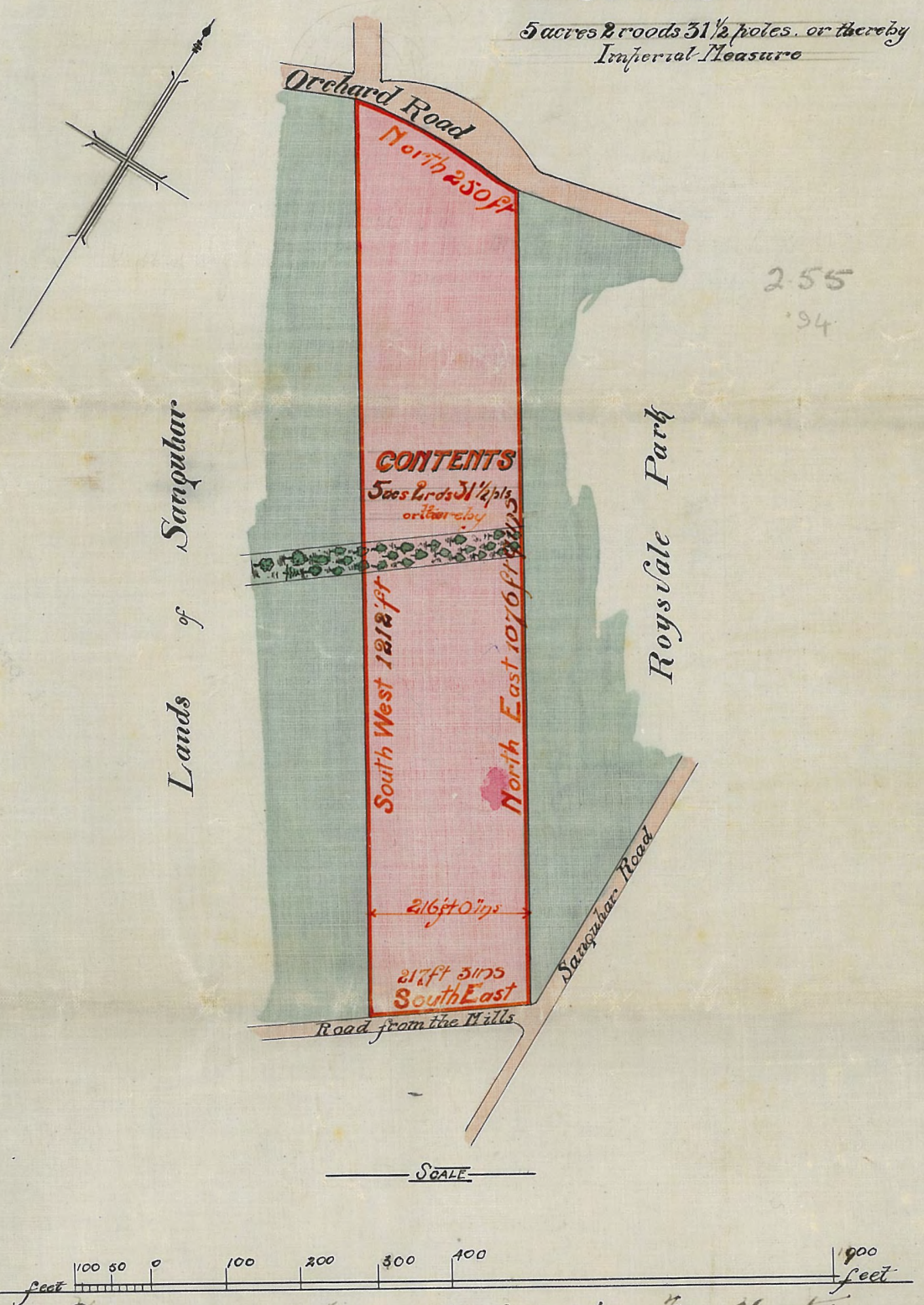

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This is the Plan referred to in the foregoing Feu Charter granted by Alexander Edward of Sanquhar to the Provost Magistrates and Town Council of Forres dated the fourth day of December Eighteen hundred and ninety nine

Alex Edward

Peter Fulton.
Surv.

Rob. Urquhart. Torres Obligations.

from
Cp° RKR 333 Mr. Mr.

14 Dec. 1899

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17 Feb. 1900

Feu Duties
to
Alexander Edward
of Saughtonhall
in favours of
The Baroness Magistrales
and Town Council
of Forres —

1899
Ord. 8.A.
Land adjoining Highside
Park, Forres.

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Mid Lothian

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FOUR POUNDS

I the Reverend Alexander Mackenzie, Minister of the Free Church of Scotland formerly at Nairn, and now of the Free Tolbooth Church Edinburgh, and residing at number six Tettes Rest Edinburgh, her:
:itable Proprietor of the lands and others hereinafter disponed, with the special advice consent and concurrence of Miss Jane Annabella Mackenzie, Miss Isabella Campbell Roy Mackenzie, and Miss Louisa Georgina Adams Mackenzie, (who have all attained majority) Children of the marriage between me the said Alexander Mackenzie, and Isabella Campbell Adams or Mackenzie sometime my Spouse, now deceased, for any right or interest present or future which they might have or claim in the said lands and others hereinafter conveyed, in any manner of way, and particularly without prejudice to the foregoing generality for any right or interest present or future which they might have or claim in the said lands and others, under the Antenuptial Trust Disposition and Settlement by me the said Alexander Mackenzie and the said Mrs Isabella Campbell Adams or Mackenzie, dated the Twenty-sixth day of June Eighteen hundred and eighty-six And I the said Alexander Mackenzie, And We the said Jane Anna:bella Mackenzie, Isabella Campbell Roy Mackenzie, and Louisa Georgina Mackenzie, all with joint consent and assent In Consideration of the sum of Eight hundred pounds sterling instantly paid to us by the Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Forres, out of the Corporation funds of the said Burgh, under their charge, as the price of the said lands and others whereof we hereby acknowledge the receipt Do hereby for our respective rights and interests Sell and Dispone to the said Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Forres, for themselves and as representing the whole body and community thereof, and to their successors in office, and their assignees whomsoever heritably and irredeemably All and Haill that portion of lands of the Rainings lying betwixt William Macculloch's garden, sometime occupied by John Innes on the East, and Burdsyards lands by the Achen Tree on the West, and the Town and Tails of Forres on the North, and the road leading from the Town of Forres to Sanchat (otherwise Sanquhar) on the South parts thereof, being eight bolls bay, whereof four bolls were set to James Warrand, Merchant, and three bolls to Mrs Innes, Relict of Doctor Innes and one bolls bay sometime under Tack to the aforenamed William Macculloch Gardener, together with the said garden then possessed by the said William Macculloch, lying on the South side of the Town of Forres, and on the East side of the said eight bolls bay above mentioned and which garden is bounded on the East and South by the road leading from the Tolbooth Wynd of Forres to Sanchat (otherwise Sanquhar) as the same was possessed by the said William Macculloch, and afterwards by the said John Innes with the house pertaining thereto, all lying within the Burgh and Parish of Forres, and County and Sheriffdom of Elgin and Forres, with the pertinents

Alexander M Kenzie
Jane Anna Mackenzie
Isabella C. R. Mackenzie
Louisa. G. Mackenzie

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Isabella C. R. Mackenzie
Louisa G. Mackenzie

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pertinents of the said Lands subjects and other, and our whole right title and interest present and future therein: with entry at the term of Martinmas Eighteen Hundred and ninety one, And we all with joint consent and assent as aforesaid Assign the writs according to Inventory thereof subscribed by us as relative hereto, and have delivered Herewith to our said disponees numbered Eleven of said Inventory, but as the other writs numbers one two three four five six seven eight and nine and ten contain other subjects of greater value, and so cannot be delivered up, we bind ourselves and our Heirs and successors to make the same forthcoming to our said disponees and their foresaids, at their expense, on all necessary occasions, and that upon a receipt and obligation to redeliver the same within a reasonable time and under a suitable penalty: And we assign the rents, And we bind ourselves to free and relieve the said disponees and their foresaids of all feuduties casualties and public burdens: And we Grant warrandice, but excepting always from this warrandice the current Tacks or Leases of the said Lands: And we consent to registration hereof for preservation In Witness Whereof these presents written on this and the preceding Page of Paper (the first whereof is duly stamped) are, together with the marginal additions on Page first hereof, and under the declaration that the word "Eleven" occurring on the seventh line counting from the top of this Page was written on an erasure, and the words "and ten" occurring on the eighth line, also counting from the top of this Page, were interlined so as to read between the words "nine" and "contain" all before subscription, subscribed by us the said Reverend Alexander Mackenzie, Jane Anna Bella Mackenzie, Isabella Campbell Roy Mackenzie, and Louisa Georgina Adams Mackenzie, otherwise Louisa Georgina Mackenzie, all at Edinburgh on the Eighteenth day of November Eighteen Hundred and ninety one years before these witnesses Alexander Patrick Melville, apprentice to Robert Russell Simpson writer to the Signet Edinburgh, and Thomas Black, Clerk officer twenty three Saint Andrew Square Edinburgh, and

Alexander Mackenzie

Alex. P. Melville Witness

Thomas Black Witness

Jane Anna Mackenzie

Isabella C. R. Mackenzie

Louisa G. Mackenzie

This Disposition with Warrant of Registration thereon was presented for registration at Edinburgh on the twenty fifth day of November in the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety one and is with said Warrant of Registration engrossed on the 129, 130, 131 and 132 folios of the Eighty second Book of the Division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Elgin and Forres.

By

J. Mackenzie

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Register: on behalf of the Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Forres, for themselves and as representing the whole body and community

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Inventory of writs referred to in the foregoing disposition

Undelivered 1. **Disposition** by Robert Roy, W.S. (of inter alia the said Lands known as the Stanings in favor of Rear Admiral Patrick Campbell C.B. dated 30th March 1831.-

Undelivered 2. **Instrument of Sasine** thereon in favor of Rear Admiral Patrick Campbell C.B. (in the said Lands contained inter alia in No. 1 hereof) dated 14th and recorded in the said Particular Register of Sasines Reversions &c. Kept for the Burgh of Forres the 15th and in the Particular Register of Sasines Reversions &c. kept for the shires of Elgin Forres and Nairn at Elgin the 25th all days of June 1831.

Undelivered 3. **Trust Disposition and Deed of Settlement** by the said Rear Admiral Sir Patrick Campbell (of inter alia the said lands) dated 9th June 1831 and along with four Codicils thereto recorded in the Books of Council and Session 1st August 1842.-

Undelivered 4. **Instrument of Sasine** in favor of the Trustees of the said Rear admiral Campbell (in the said lands contained inter alia in No. 3 hereof) recorded in the New General Register of Sasines at Edinburgh the 16th August 1860.

Undelivered 5. **Disposition** by the said Trustees in favor of Captain Patrick J. Campbell and Commander Colin A. Campbell in the proportions therein mentioned (of the whole subjects contained in No. 3 hereof) dated 29 June and 2 July 1860

Undelivered 6. **Assignation** by the said Captain Patrick J Campbell and Commander Colin a Campbell to Robert Roy, W.S. before mentioned of the said Disposition No. 5 hereof and of the whole subjects therein contained) dated 3rd August 1861 and 24th January 1862.-

Undelivered 7. **Notarial Instrument** in favor of the said Robert Roy, W.S. proceeding upon Nos. 5 & 6 hereof, in the said lands and others (contained inter alia in said writs 5 & 6) recorded in the Particular Register of Sasines kept for the shires of Elgin Forres and Nairn at Elgin 26th October 1866.-

Undelivered 8. **Extract Registered General Conveyance and Settlement** by the said Robert Roy W.S. whereby he disponed inter alia the said Lands to Mrs Isabella Campbell Mackenzie, his niece, dated 1st September 1873, and registered in the Books of Council and Session 11th April 1874.-

9. Notarial

9. Notarial Instrument in favor of the said Wm Isabella Campbell MacKenzie (proceeding on Wm 7 & 8 hereof) in the said Lands and others (contained inter alia in said writs 7 & 8 hereof) recorded with warrant of registration thereon on behalf of the said Wm Isabella Campbell MacKenzie in the division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Elgin and Forres on the 23rd day of April 1874.-

Undelivered

10. Mutual Trust Disposition and Settlement by the said Reverend Alexander MacKenzie and Wm Isabella Campbell Adams or MacKenzie dated 26th June 1886.

Undelivered

11. Notarial Instrument in favor of the said Reverend Alex: ander MacKenzie in the said Lands and others procading on Wm 9 & 10 hereof, recorded along with warrant of registration thereon on his behalf in the division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Elgin and Forres 14th November 1891.-

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Jane Anna MacKenzie
Isabella C. K. Mackenzie
Louisa G. MacKenzie

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Robt Ingledew, Esq. Town Clerk, Yeovil

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of Appeal of the Royal Burgh of
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REPORT TO: **SPECIAL MORAY COUNCIL ON 21 JANUARY 2025**

SUBJECT: **COMMON GOOD CONSULTATION – ROYSVALE PARK FORRES**

BY: **DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES AND ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT)**

1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 This report asks Council to consider the results of a public consultation, seek court authority for short term disposal to provide a construction area and the appropriation of a 12m strip of land for a bus drop off area for the proposed site for the new Forres Academy.

1.2 This report is submitted to Council in terms of Section III (B) (20) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to the management of Common Good and Trust property.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Council:

i) considers and notes the outcome of the public consultation in relation to the proposed short term disposal of part of Roysvale Park to provide a construction area, and the proposed change of use of part of Roysvale Park to provide a bus drop off area;

ii) authorises the Legal Services Manager to apply to the Court for permission to proceed with the short-term disposal of part of Roysvale Park to provide a construction area, and appropriation of part of Roysvale Park to provide a bus drop off area; and

iii) notes the proposed management proposals comprising (i) the laying of a new 2.5m wide footpath adjacent to the pavilion to improve accessibility through the Park and (ii) laying of new drainage and ground improvement works to facilitate the drainage of the new Forres Academy and improve the drainage and condition of the Park (subject to any necessary planning permission being granted).

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 Forres Academy was part of a successful bid to Scottish Government for Learning Estate Investment Programme (LEIP) Phase 3 funding. Following approval at the Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee on 19 September 2023 (para 16 of the minute refers), a feasibility study to support the Future Forres Academy Project was instructed and undertaken by hub North Scotland supported by JM Architects, Goodson Associates (Civil and Structural Engineers), Rybka (Mechanical and Electrical Engineers), Currie and Brown (Quantity Surveyors), The Learning Crowd (Educationalists) and Ryder (Consultation). The study concluded that a refurbishment option would not offer value for money and be unlikely to meet the aspirations of the local community and it was therefore decided to progress with a new build solution. With RAAC being discovered in the school this further challenged the viability and value for money of a refurbishment option. The study continued to complete an appraisal of three site options, which had been distilled from a desk top appraisal of eight sites, for a new build school against fourteen factors weighted with respect to national policies that Moray Council are aligned with. This included the National Planning Framework (NPF4), local living and 20-minute neighbourhoods, climate change and reducing carbon emissions policies.

3.2 The Education, Children's and Leisure Services Committee on 14 May 2024 considered the outcome of the feasibility study along with the outcome of public engagement and recommended to Moray Council that the Applegrove/ Roysvale site be the preferred development site for the future Forres Academy (para 10 of the minute refers). Moray Council on 22 May 2024 agreed the recommendation that Applegrove/ Roysvale site be the preferred development site for the Future Forres Academy new build. (para 11 of the minute refers) Roysvale Park has been identified as the only viable site to facilitate the construction compound.

3.3 Roysvale Park is categorised as an inalienable Common Good Asset and in order to appropriate or dispose of any part of the Park the Council would require to obtain the consent of the Court in terms of Section 75(2) Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

3.4 Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, which came into force on 27 June 2018, requires that before taking any decision to dispose or change the use of a Common Good Asset the Council must publish details about the proposed disposal or change of use. In publishing these details, the Council must also:

(i) notify the relevant community council and any community body that is known to have an interest in the asset; and

(ii) invite those bodies to make representations in respect of the proposals.

3.5 In deciding whether to dispose or change the use of a Common Good Asset, the Council must have regard to any representations made, whether by those invited or by some other relevant party.

3.6 The next step given the decision of the Council on 22 May 2024, referred to above, was to consult the public regarding the Common Good use.

(i) to support the school construction by using Common Good land as a construction area (for site setup, contractor's compound and construction traffic parking) for the duration of the build and

(ii) for permanent development of Common Good land as a bus drop off area.

3.7 The consultation also included two management proposals which, although they do not require the consent of the court, the Council included in the consultation for full transparency. The management proposals were

(i) the laying of a new 2.5m wide footpath adjacent to the pavilion to improve accessibility through the Park; and

(ii) laying of new drainage and ground improvement works to facilitate the drainage of the new Forres Academy and improve the drainage and condition of the Park.

3.8 The consultation ran from 18 September until 12 November 2024 and comprised a consultation document published on the council website and siting copies of a notice in Forres library and community centre. In addition, a notice was put on the Council's social media, a notice placed in the Press and Journal, Northern Scot and Forres Gazette, and the local community council and local community groups were notified by email. A public drop-in session was also held on 21 October 2024 between 1600-1900 to allow any queries from the public in relation to the consultation to be answered.

3.9 275 representations/responses to the consultation were received through the response template, 17 by direct email and 2 by post. All representations and responses have been published on the Council's website as required by Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 and can be found here

3.10 An independent review of the representations has been carried out and identified key themes and these are summarised in the table below with a summary of the responses from the Council. Many representations were received in relation to the location of the new Forres Academy. Whilst the proposed changes to the Common Good Asset arise solely as a result of the construction of the new Forres Academy (and are therefore inextricably linked) the representations have been separated into those arising directly from the proposed changes to the common good and those arising from the construction or location of the new Forres Academy (ranked in terms of prevalence of responses):

Prevalence of comments	Summary of Representations	Council Response
	DIRECTLY RESULTING FROM COMMON GOOD PROPOSALS	
1	Temporary loss of greenspace during construction (and re-seeding period thereafter - up to 44 months)	As outlined in the consultation document, the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use.
2	Drainage: Concern this will not be improved and the flooding impact on the area.	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.
3	Loss of mature trees	As outlined in the consultation document, if the proposal is taken forward, all of the well established trees will be retained or replaced as required. In addition the proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that

		the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use
4	Bus drop off: extent or location	The width of the proposed bus drop off is inclusive of a shared footway/ cycleway and will be reviewed during the design process if the proposal is taken forward.
5	Environmental concerns: including disruption to wildlife, litter, emissions	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. The wider environmental issues raised would also be addressed through the planning application.
6	Encroachment of contractor compound into the Park during construction phase	The proposal has been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the park, swing park, footpath and playing fields can still be used by the public, and on completion the majority will be returned for public use with improved drainage to enhance community use of the green space/ playing fields for future use
7	Footpath: no need for additional footpath	With regards the proposed footpath adjacent to the pavilion, the proposal notes that this requirement is subject to detailed design, however, was

		included in the consultation for information.
8	Positive: welcome new footpath	With regards the proposed footpath adjacent to the pavilion, the proposal notes that this requirement is subject to detailed design, however, was included in the consultation for information.
9	Positive: Existing drainage issues should be resolved	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application.
	RESULTING FROM CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SCHOOL (NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO COMMON GOOD)	
1	Traffic: including impact of construction traffic, road safety, traffic congestion associated with new school	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development.
2	Health and wellbeing concerns: to primary pupils and residents during construction	Disruption to pupils and/or residents is not within the scope of the common good consultation

		however a planning application will be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment and associated mitigations. Further to the response provided, a construction phase plan would also be required under CDM 2015 which would cover the issues raised. A Construction Traffic Management Plan and Construction Environmental Management Plan would also be required.
3	Drainage: Concern re the flooding impact on the area	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would consider the design, layout, noise and transport assessment. Any planning application will have to have regard to relevant policies on flooding and SEPA is a statutory consultee for planning applications whose comments would be fed into the design and the application. Further to the response provided, any constraints from SEPA and the flood team would be flagged during the pre-planning application phase.
4	Risk of new Forres Academy expanding into the Park in future	Not relevant to current proposals but noted that school roll due to remain static for next 10 years
5	Noise pollution from the construction itself.	A planning application will need to be separately submitted for consideration which would

		consider the noise and transport assessment which would involve an assessment of the capacity/operation of the existing network and will identify any areas where intervention/ mitigation is necessary in order to address any additional traffic generated as a result of the development. Further to the response provided, this issue would be dealt with under an environmental and construction management plan which would require to be submitted as part of the planning application.

3.11 The representations contained a mix of positive, negative and neutral comments on the proposals. Having undertaken the community consultation in accordance with legislative requirements and having considered the detail and nature of all the representations received, it is considered that:-

i) the issues and concerns raised will be sufficiently mitigated through the design or planning process. In addition to the Council's responses summarised above, it is further noted that:

- a construction phase plan would be required under CDM 2015 which would address the concerns raised under "Health and Wellbeing concerns: to primary pupils and residents during construction", noise pollution will also be addressed under the construction management plan to be submitted as part of the planning application;

- concerns around drainage and flooding impact of the new school, any constraints from SEPA and the flood team would be flagged and addressed during the pre-planning application phase;

- a number of positive representations were received noting the urgent requirement for the new school and accepting the short term disruption in order to secure the long term future of the school and improvements to the Park;

- the area to be utilised temporarily during construction as site setup, contractor's compound and construction traffic parking for the duration of the build is estimated to be for a period of around 32 months. Following completion of the construction and removal of the compound area, the area will revert to its original grassed condition. The area will require to be fenced off for a further period of 12 months to allow the grass seeding to establish and restore the area to its original status;

- The bus drop-off area would be a maximum 12m width of land inclusive of a 4.5m shared footway/ cycleway and would look to retain (or replace as required) all of the well-established trees; and

- the proposals have been developed to minimise the area of common good land being used during the construction period so that the Park, swing park, footpath and playing field can still be used and enjoyed by the public.

(ii) considering the implications covered in Section 5 of this Report (Summary of Implications), on balance, the overall benefit of providing the new Forres Academy at this site outweighs the negative impacts that the proposals may have on the Common Good.

4. PROPOSAL

4.1 Having regard to the consultation responses received, and considering that the detail of the proposals will not be known until after further applications for planning permission have been made, it is recommended that the Council:

authorises an application to the Court for:

(i) the short-term disposal of an area of Roysvale Park to provide a construction area; and,

(ii) the appropriation of part of Roysvale Park to provide a bus drop off area;

4.2 notes the proposed management proposals comprising

(i) the laying of a new 2.5m wide footpath adjacent to the pavilion to improve accessibility through the Park, and

(ii) laying of new drainage and ground improvement works to facilitate the drainage of the new Forres Academy and improve the drainage and condition of the Park (subject to any necessary planning permission being granted).

4.3 The next steps for the project are the submission of a pre-planning application where any constraints or issues would be raised by statutory consultees. These would require to be addressed prior to a planning application being submitted. In addition, the Council require to undertake consultation on the relocation of the school as detailed under the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010. The public will have opportunity at these stages of the process to comment and/or submit representations.

5. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP))

This report supports the priorities of the 2024 - 2029 Corporate Plan to:

- Tackle Poverty and Inequality
- Build thriving, resilient and empowered communities

and supports the LOIP outcomes:

Building a better future for children and young people in Moray:

- Healthier Children: children get the healthiest start in life and are supported to achieve the best possible mental health and wellbeing and there is equity for vulnerable groups

(b) Policy and Legal

Roysvale Park is inalienable Common Good and its appropriation and disposal requires the authority of the Court in terms of Section 75(2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973. The Council is required to carry out a consultation prior to taking a decision on whether to dispose or change the use of common good property in terms of Section 104 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 and must have regard to the representations of those consulted.

(c) Financial implications

The Council would require to incur the costs of the court proceedings which are estimated at between £3-£5k if the court action is not opposed. If the Council do not proceed with the application, or the application is rejected by the Court then the Council will need to consider the alternate site for the new Forres Academy at an anticipated additional cost of £4m.

(d) Risk Implications

If the Court was to reject the application the Council would be unable to recover the expenses incurred and would require to locate the school at an alternative location. A range of locations have already been considered with only one remaining alternative which has complex ownership and access issues. In order to overcome these issues there would be an increase in project delivery timescales and costs.

(e) Staffing Implications

the work associated with the court process will require to be outsourced and has been factored into the overall project costs.

(f) Property

The property implications are set out in this report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

The quality of the learning environment can impact on learning and attainment by as much as 16%. The condition and suitability of our learning estate, and capacity challenges associated with both growth and population decline in some areas, give rise to unequal opportunity across Moray. This proposal supports the Learning Estate Strategy requirement that all Learning Estate buildings meet minimum standards and are fit for purpose.

(h) Climate Change and Biodiversity Impacts

There is a requirement to consider embodied carbon within construction and whole life operational carbon generated. The scale of this overall impact will be assessed in detail as the project progresses to full business case and this will be balanced against the current operational carbon budgets. The LEIP 3 standards for both operational carbon (energy efficiency) and embodied carbon require the new build design to minimise carbon. A whole life carbon assessment and community wealth building statement will be provided during the pre-planning application stage.

(i) Consultations

The Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance, Chief Financial Officer, Acting Head of Economic Growth and Development, Acting Development Management and Building Standards Manager, Equal Opportunities Officer, the Legal Services Manager and Democratic Services Manager have been consulted and the comments received have been incorporated into the report.

Ward Members, Councillors Robertson, Lawrence, McBain and van der Horn have been consulted and may make their views known at Committee.

6. CONCLUSION

6.1 Following a review and evaluation of the representations received it is recommended that Committee:

- **considers and notes the outcome of the public consultation in relation to the proposed short term disposal of part of Roysvale Park to provide a construction area, and the proposed change of use of part of Roysvale Park to provide a bus drop off area;**

- **approve the proposal to seek court authority for short term disposal and change of use to provide a construction area and the appropriation of a 12m strip of land for a bus drop off area for the new Forres Academy; and,**

- **note the proposed management proposals comprising: i) the laying of a new 2.5m wide footpath adjacent to the pavilion to improve accessibility through the Park; and, (ii) laying of new drainage and ground improvement works to facilitate the drainage of the new**

Forres Academy and improve the drainage and condition of the Park (subject to any necessary planning permission being granted).

Author of Report: Shona Leese, Senior Project Officer, Learning Estate Team

Background Papers:
Ref:

MORAY COUNCIL

Minute of Special Meeting of the Moray Council

Tuesday, 21 January 2025

Council Chambers, Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

PRESENT

Councillor James Allan, Councillor Peter Bloomfield, Councillor Neil Cameron, Councillor Tracy Colyer, Councillor Theresa Coull, Councillor John Cowe, Councillor John Divers, Councillor Amber Dunbar, Councillor Jérémie Fernandes, Councillor Donald Gatt, Councillor David Gordon, Councillor Juli Harris, Councillor Sandy Keith, Councillor Elaine Kirby, Councillor Scott Lawrence, Councillor Marc Macrae, Councillor Paul McBain, Councillor Neil McLennan, Councillor Shona Morrison, Councillor Bridget Mustard, Councillor Kathleen Robertson, Councillor Derek Ross, Councillor John Stuart, Councillor Draeyk van der Horn, Councillor Sonya Warren, Councillor Ben Williams

IN ATTENDANCE

Interim Chief Executive; Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development); Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance); Chief Financial Officer; Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance; Legal Services Manager; Sport and Culture Service Manager; Acting Head of Economic Growth and Development; June Burnett, Development Officer; Head of Human Resources, ICT and Organisational Development and Caroline O'Connor, Committee Services Officer.

1. Chair

The meeting was chaired by Councillor Kathleen Robertson.

2. Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests *

In terms of Standing Orders 21 and 23 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from Group Leaders or Spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how Members will vote on any item on the agenda or any declarations of Member's interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

With regard to Item 8 "Elgin Business Improvement District - Ballot Renewal", Councillor Divers stated, for transparency, that he was on the Board of Directors for BID and would be taking part in the debate.

3. Resolution

The meeting resolved that in terms of Section 50A (4) and (5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the public and media representatives be excluded from the meeting for Item 11 of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information of the class described in the relevant Paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

Para Number of the Minute	Para Number of Schedule 7a
12	Paras 1 and 11 Information relating to staffing matters and information relating to any consultations or negotiations in connection with any labour relations

4. Order of Business

In terms of Standing Order 29, the meeting agreed to vary the order of business set down on the agenda to take Item 8 "Elgin Business Improvement District - Ballot Renewal" at the end of the public session to allow the relevant officer to attend the meeting.

5. Proposals for Revised Committee Reports Format and Processes

The meeting had before it a report by the Interim Chief Executive recommending the introduction of a revised reports format and a consistent more efficient and effective process for the timely submission to the Pre-Agenda meetings stage for formal Committees and Council Meetings.

The Interim Chief Executive referenced paragraph 6.4 of the report stating it was correct that reports should always be written in the name of the respective member of the Corporate Management Team however this was with the exception of the Audit and Risk Manager to protect his essential independence and it is a fundamental requirement from a governance perspective. In stating this was an omission from the report, the Interim Chief Executive apologised and asked if the recommendations were approved, that clarification on this point be included in the minute.

The Chair noted that the reference in recommendation a) should read paragraph 5.8 rather than paragraph 5.7 as stated.

With reference to paragraph 5.8, Councillor Van Der Horn asked if the timescale for issue and publishing of agendas and reports could be changed from 7 days as noted to 7 working days to give Elected Members more time to consider papers and seek clarification from officers on relevant points, if required. He further asked that in Summary of Implications at 7.1, the implication entitled “Climate Change, Biodiversity and Sustainability” be amended to read “Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environmental Sustainability” as it would be beneficial to demonstrate the importance of sustainability and would link to the outcome in the Local Outcome Improvement Plan referenced at 7.2(b).

In response to Councillor Van Der Horn’s query regarding the working in the Summary of Implications, the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) advised the Council had recently approved their Sustainable Development Sustainability Statement and Framework. She confirmed the reference to sustainability in the Summary of Implications is an action currently under review and given, that sustainability in the context of the Statement referred to environmental, social and economic wellbeing, it would prove challenging to amend the wording to be specific to environmental sustainability. She further confirmed officers are working on guidance to provide report authors with more information.

Due to online technical issues, the meeting was adjourned during consideration of this item to allow those attending remotely time to attend the meeting in person if they were able to do so.

The meeting resumed at 11am. Councillors Cowe, McLennan, Stuart, Warren and Williams had previously attended remotely however were unable to join in person and therefore left the meeting at this juncture. Councillor Stuart and Councillor Warren's disappointment at being unable to join online was noted.

The Chair apologised for the technical issues experienced and confirmed due to the ICT issues the meeting was unable to progress with online participation however the meeting would be webcast for the public and those Elected Members unable to participate enabling them to observe the meeting. The Chair advised the meeting was quorate in terms of Standing Orders and the business of the Council would therefore proceed.

In response to the request from Councillor Van Der Horn prior to the adjournment regarding the wording in the Summary of Implications relating to Sustainability and the comments from the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) regarding the review being progressed, the Interim Chief Executive recommended continuation of the heading currently used in reports namely "Climate Change and Biodiversity Impacts" until such time as the sustainability work was concluded.

In response to Councillor Van Der Horn's suggestion that the timescale for publication and issue of agendas in paragraph 5.8 be amended from 7 days to 7 working days, the Interim Chief Executive advised it would be possible to extend the timescale however it would increase pressure on officers who were already working to tight timescales.

Councillor Mustard suggested the timescales for issue/publication of agendas could be reviewed in 6 months' time to allow time for the new report formats and process to bed in. The Interim Chief Executive agreed that would be a helpful way to proceed.

In relation to paragraph 4.4, Councillor Keith stated he felt policy development is not as strong as it could be and while paragraph 5.11 states the process does not detrimentally affect or curtail the rights of opposition Members, however he was aware a report on committee sizes was being prepared and expressed concern regarding any impact on policy scrutiny and undermining the role of opposition Members resulting from any reduction in committee sizes. Given the increased role of Chair and Vice Chairs in the process, Councillor Keith suggested adding a section in Summary of Implications for budget papers and policy development to clearly set out the views of the Administration.

In response to Councillor Keith's query regarding 5.11, the Interim Chief Executive confirmed the Council is working on the recommendations from the External Advisor's report including strategic leadership. Draft policy papers are submitted to the Strategic Leadership Forum, the membership of which reflects proportionate political representation, and while not a decision making body, the views of Members on the Strategic Leadership Forum are used to guide officers in the recommendations they include in reports. He further advised whilst cultural change takes time to embed, improvements are being worked through on an incremental basis. In response to the request for the request for a section to be

added setting out the views of the Administration, the Interim Chief Executive stated in his view it was not appropriate for political views to be included in reports.

Councillor Lawrence, seconded by Councillor Robertson, moved to approve the recommendations in the report.

Following consideration and there being no-one otherwise minded, the Council unanimously agreed:-

(i) the revised process and timetable at 5.8 for the preparation, submission and approval of Council and Committee reports as described in the report be implemented;

(ii) a revised format and style of reports be introduced and consistently adopted throughout the Council as described in the report with the exception at 6.4 of reports submitted in the name of the Audit and Risk Manager; and

(iii) to continue with the heading currently used for up to six months in the implications section of reports namely “Climate Change and Biodiversity Impacts” until such time as the previously approved sustainability work is concluded.

6. Short to Medium Term Financial Plan

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) updating the Council's projected financial position for 2025/26 and 2026/27 following the local government settlement announced in December 2024.

The Chief Financial Officer apologised for a discrepancy in the figures contained in the financial implications at 6.1 and the figures contained in the Conclusion suggesting the gap to find is different. She explained it arises from the suite of options in Appendix 3 where different options used in calculating those figures.

Councillor Fernandes indicated he was minded to propose an amendment to delete recommendation (iii) as the SNP Group did not support the closure of libraries and given that the Administration had issued press releases indicating they did not support libraries closures, there would not be support to close libraries. As an alternative he suggested replacing recommendation (iii) with "recommends that the libraries review is not progressed further".

In response the Chief Financial Officer confirmed the Council was being asked to note the options for progress and that a report would be brought to a further meeting for a decision rather than the Council being asked to make any decisions at this meeting. In support the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) stated the views stated publicly do not equate to a democratic decision of the Council and information was being pulled together in the report which would come before the meeting of the Council in February.

The Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance questioned the competency of the proposed motion in that it did not provide fair notice for this meeting and there was a process ongoing which would be reported to Council in February for a decision to be made.

In terms of Standing Order 47 and having considered the advice of the Head of Governance, Strategy and Performance, the Chair ruled the amendment as incompetent.

In light of the emerging pressures highlighted in paragraph 3.18 relating to the increase in employers National Insurance Contributions not being fully funded specifically in respect of the Moray Integration Joint Board, Councillor Morrison proposed that the Council Leader write to the UK government highlighting the concerns around the amount not being fully funded and the emerging pressures on the Council.

Following consideration and there being no-one otherwise minded, the Council unanimously agreed:-

(i) to note the financial update summarised in Appendix 1;

(ii) to note the results of community engagement carried out via a survey and summarised in Appendix 2;

(iii) to note the options for progress for the libraries review will be developed following consideration of the consultation responses and will be the subject of a separate report;

(iv) to note the options for closing the budget gap as set out in Appendix 3; and

(v) the Council Leader write to the UK Government in relation to the increase in employers National Insurance Contributions specifically in respect of Moray Integration Joint Board, to highlight concerns around the amount not being fully funded and highlighting the emerging pressures on the Council.

7. 2025-28 Capital Plan and Indicative Capital Plan 2025 - 2035

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) asking the Council to agree the Council's three year capital budget for 2024/25-2027/28 and to consider the Council's indicative ten year Capital Plan for 2025 to 2035.

In response to concerns raised by a number of Councillors in relation to the Council being unfairly treated in terms of the COSLA Distribution Policy, the Interim Chief Executive confirmed he would contact COSLA to arrange an Elected Members Briefing on the Distribution Policy.

Following consideration the Council unanimously agreed to approve:-

(i) the introduction of a three year capital plan to better facilitate the forward planning of capital spend;

(ii) prioritisation of named projects as set out in paragraph 3.16; and

(iii) capital expenditure of £212.464m for the three year period 2024/25 to 2027/28 as set out in Appendix 1.

The Council further unanimously agreed to note:-

(i) the indicative ten year capital plan inclusive of cap set out in Appendix 3;

(ii) the application of the cap methodology to years 1 to 3 of the plan as set out in Appendix 2 and the reduction in planned cap on capital vs the anticipated slippage from the previous iteration of the ten year capital plan as set out in Appendix 4; and

(iii) the risk and impact associated with a reduction in the capital plan, alongside the underlying need to reduce the Council's asset base.

8. Authorisation Policy Review

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) inviting the Council to approve changes to the Council's Authorisation Policy.

Following consideration the Council unanimously agreed to approve the revised Authorisation Policy set out in Appendix 1.

9. Common Good Consultation - Roysvale Park

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) asking the Council to consider the results of a public consultation, seeking court authority for a short term disposal to provide a construction area and the appropriation of a 12m strip of land for a bus drop off area for the proposed site for the new Forres Academy.

Councillor Lawrence, seconded by Councillor Macrae, moved to approve the recommendations in the report.

Following consideration and there being no-one otherwise minded, the Council unanimously agreed to:-

(i) note the outcome of the public consultation in relation to the proposed short term disposal of part of Roysvale Park to provide a construction area, and the proposed change of use of part of Roysvale Park to provide a bus drop off area;

(ii) authorise the Legal Services Manager to apply to the Court for permission to proceed with the short-term disposal of part of Roysvale Park to provide a construction area, and appropriation of part of Roysvale Park to provide a bus drop off area; and

(iii) note the proposed management proposals comprising (i) the laying of a new 2.5m wide footpath adjacent to the pavilion to improve accessibility through the Park and (ii) laying of new drainage and ground improvement works to facilitate the drainage of the new Forres Academy and improve the drainage of the new Forres Academy and improve the drainage and condition of the Park (subject to any necessary planning permission being granted.

10. Moray Sport and Leisure Asset Review Update

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) informing the Council of the findings of the external Moray Sport and Leisure Asset Review and based on these

findings to propose recommendations in regard to income generation and future service direction.

Following consideration the Council unanimously agreed:-

(i) to note the findings of the external Moray Sport and Leisure Asset Review report;

(ii) based on the findings of the report, to increase service charges as detailed in the report to maximise income generation;

(iii) to realign service direction based on Scotland's National Framework for Physical Activity for Health and our local approach - focussing on health and wellbeing and the prevention agenda;

(iv) the proposed draft weighting criteria for further development in regards to rationalisation of the Sport and Leisure Estate;

(v) to hold an Elected Members workshop to discuss rationalisation, governance and service direction; and

(vi) a report come back to Council with a proposal that will contribute to the long term financial sustainability of the Council.

In terms of Standing Order 83, the Chair sought agreement from the Committee to suspend Standing Order 75 and continue beyond 12.45pm in order to conclude the business on the agenda. This was unanimously agreed.

11. Elgin Business Improvement District - Ballot Renewal

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Economy, Environment and Finance) informing the Council of the renewal ballot for the Elgin Business Improvement District (BID) and to seek the Council's approval to support the proposals.

With reference to the Financial Implications, Councillor Mustard asked what the major impact would be if the Council decided to either not vote or vote no in the ballot on the likelihood of a successful outcome of the renewal ballot. In response Ms Burnett advised that due to the rateable value of the Council buildings within the BID area which equate to circa 10% of the total rateable value of properties within the BID area, the outcome of the ballot could be significantly impacted due to there requiring to be a minimum turnout of 25% in terms of numbers and rateable value of which the number of votes and rateable value would require to be 50% in favour for the ballot to be successful.

Councillor Keith stated he had strong views and that the Council had a unified business voice through Elgin BID and referenced positive work they have undertaken including relating to seagull prevention. He suggested the Council cannot be neutral on the economic development on Elgin Town Centre particularly following the recent closure of the St Giles Centre and the Council should be using its votes in the ballot.

Councillor Macrae agreed with some other Members who had suggested not all businesses considered BID to be of benefit to them. He stated the unified business voice includes the Moray Chamber of Commerce and Federation of

Small Businesses and that whilst one of the main objectives of BID is to remain cost neutral for each business, due to it being a compulsory levy, businesses may be choosing not to operate in Elgin. He stated it should be a decision for businesses to make as to whether or not to continue with BID.

Councillor Macrae, seconded by Councillor Fernandes, moved to approve recommendations (i) and (ii), replace recommendation (iii) with "agree to abstain from the vote", delete recommendation (iv) resulting in recommendation (v) becoming recommendation (iv).

Councillor Keith, seconded by Councillor Divers, proposed agreeing the recommendations as printed in the report.

On a division there voted:-

For the motion (16)	Councillors Macrae, Fernandes, Allan, Bloomfield, Colyer, Coull, Dunbar, Gatt, Gordon, Harris, Kirby, Lawrence, McBain, Morrison, Mustard and Van der Horn
For the Amendment (3)	Councillors Keith, Divers and Ross
Abstain (2)	Councillors Cameron and Robertson

Accordingly the Motion became the finding of the meeting and Council agreed to:

(i) approve the Elgin BID proposal and business plan for 2025-2030;

(ii) approve the assessment made in Appendix 4 and agree not to exercise the Council's right of veto;

(iii) abstain from the vote; and

(iv) note that subject to a positive ballot outcome the BID levy contributions for Council owned properties within the defined Elgin BID area total £16,524 per annum, as outlined in 3.10 of the report.

In terms of Standing Order 65, Councillors Keith and Divers requested that their dissent be recorded.

12. Application for Voluntary Early Retirement [Para 1 and 11]

The meeting had before it a report by the Depute Chief Executive (Education, Communities and Organisational Development) asking the Council to consider one application under the terms of the agreed Voluntary Early Retirement (VER) Scheme.

Following consideration the Council unanimously agreed proceed with the proposed reduction of the post outlined in Appendix 1 and to approve the application for Voluntary Early Retirement contained therein.

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PETITIONERS

for

authority under section 75 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to dispose of or appropriate heritable property held as part of the Common Good of the Petitioners

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