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**Report to**                      **Clackmannanshire Council**

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**Date of Meeting:**    **19 March 2026**

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**Subject:**                      **Learning Estate Works Progress**

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**Report by:**                      **Strategic Director: Place**

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### 1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Council on the progress of work across the Learning Estate, including targeted investment and planned works. [The report will also provide Member's with an update on improvement works for St Mungo's RC Primary as part of their permanent integration to Alloa Campus.]

### Recommendations

- 2.0 Council is asked to:
- 2.1 Note the progress made in relation to **Targeted Investment, Planned works** and **St Mungo's** Improvement Works. (paragraph 3.3 - 3.10).
- 2.2 Note the progress made and planned works associated with the **Learning Estate Strategy** and Condition Work that will influence the future Learning Estate Strategy and future capital programme.
- 2.3 Agree to the recommendation to demolish the former **St Mungo's** RC Primary. (paragraph 3.11 – 3.13)

### 3 Progress

- 3.1 Officers over the past year have been advancing a series of priorities associated with the Council's Learning Estate and Learning Estate Strategy. This work has been progressed in stages due to the significant turnover of staff within Place.
- 3.2 This work has included targeted investment of works linked 2024 officer condition assessments, learning estate planned works, progression of St Mungo's RC Primary School integration and learning estate strategy development.
- 3.3 **Targeted Investment** – Undertaken preparatory work has set the foundations for significant improvement works within 5 identified establishments as a result

of officer led condition assessments. Officers have secured a contractor to progress identified improvement works, which due to capacity within Place will be carried out by Council contractors. Our contractors have undertaken programme planning and diligence checks. Our contractors are working with Education to minimise the impact of these planned works on children and young people.

- 3.4 The scheduled works will include roof improvements, window replacement, wall and render upgrades as appropriate to the said five schools. In some of the establishments we will utilise modular classrooms to use reasonable endeavours to minimise disruption which may occur, with as much of the works being planned during school holiday periods. An outline of the timeframe involved can be found in appendix 1.
- 3.5 A series of planned works is underway across our Learning Estate, including painting of classrooms, flooring upgrades and mechanical & electrical improvements. Additionally, planned works to the playground at Alva Primary is being scheduled to coincide with the targeted investment works.
- 3.6 In support of the planned works detailed in paragraph 3.5 a schedule and programme of condition works/structural surveys have been commissioned. The condition works/structural surveys are being analysed by our contractors which will inform planned works and targeted investment programmes but also provide valuable technical information to inform the development of the Council's next Learning Estate Strategy.
- 3.7 In addition to the above planned works, the Service in response to Council's approval for St Mungo's RC Primary School being permanently retained within the Alloa Campus, has progressed a number of key improvements within the Campus building working alongside the PPP management company.
- 3.8 The Service has commissioned the installation of toilet facilities on the ground floor that is easily accessible to St Mungo's pupils during break periods. This additionality not only supports primary school pupils, but also pupils in the adjacent additional support needs unit. Furthermore, the Service has commissioned additional toilets for the first floor, adding capacity for the Primary School.
- 3.9 Place Service have been working with the People Service (Education), school leadership, parents and importantly pupils within St Mungo's, on the preference for a new entrance canopy. The canopy has been ordered and will be installed in the very near future, providing a dedicated and distinctive entrance for the school, that will provide shelter during pick up and drop off. This work will be further complimented by interior signage and new age-appropriate furniture all of which is expected to be in place by the new academic year, August 2026.
- 3.10 Finally, following concerns raised by the local Parent Council, regarding indiscriminate parking and traffic in and around Alloa Campus, Place Services working with Education, School colleagues and Police Scotland have progressed a series of actions from improved road markings, signage, active travel promotions to visible presence of Police Colleagues. The authority will continue to work with Police Scotland in addressing parking violations and raise awareness amongst parents regarding drop off/pick up behaviours.

- 3.11 Furthermore, with Council confirming the permanent relocation of St Mungo's RC Primary School to the Alloa Campus in December 2025. As a result, the former St Mungo's school site is now surplus to operational requirement, however, continues to incur ongoing revenue costs, circa £42,500 per annum.
- 3.12 As the former building can no longer be used as a school and cannot be repurposed due to the issues that led to the decant, and identified as surplus to operational requirements, Officers recommend that the site be demolished at an estimated cost of circa £150,000, to reduce ongoing expenditure.
- 3.13 If Council approves demolition, the future use of the site will be considered as part of the wider asset strategy, with any proposals being brought forward to Council at a future date. At this stage the key driver associated with this recommendation is to reduce ongoing costs to the Council.
- 3.14 It is proposed that the Learning Estate Strategy progress update will be presented to Council, subject to all works being completed, the later part of 2026.

#### **4 Sustainability Implications**

- 4.1 The above works and strategies will support the Council's sustainability effort not only in terms of Net Zero ambitions, but also in terms of longer-term financial sustainability. It is anticipated that the works undertaken will not only support learning and teaching but also support more efficient working practices and reduce our revenue spend.

#### **5 Resource Implications**

##### *5.1 Financial Details*

- 5.2 The full financial implications of the recommendations are set out in the report. This includes a reference to full life cycle costs where appropriate. Yes

- 5.3 Finance have been consulted and have agreed the financial implications as set out in the report. Yes

##### *5.4 Staffing*

- 5.4.1 There are no identifiable impacts for staffing within this report.

#### **6 Exempt Reports**

- 6.1 Is this report exempt? Yes  (please detail the reasons for exemption below) No

#### **7.0 Declarations**

The recommendations contained within this report support or implement our Corporate Priorities and Council Policies.

(1) **Our Priorities**

- Clackmannanshire will be attractive to businesses & people and ensure fair opportunities for all
- Our families; children and young people will have the best possible start in life
- Women and girls will be confident and aspirational, and achieve their full potential
- Our communities will be resilient and empowered so that they can thrive and flourish

(2) **Council Policies**

- Complies with relevant Council Policies

**8.0 Impact Assessments**

- 8.1 Have you attached the combined equalities impact assessment to ensure compliance with the public sector equality duty and fairer Scotland duty? (All EFSIAs also require to be published on the Council's website)

Yes

- 8.2 If an impact assessment has not been undertaken you should explain why:

There is no direct impact to people as a result of this update.

- 8.2.1 It is not believed that an assessment is required for this report, that future strategies will in due course be assessed.

**9.0 Legality**

- 9.1 It has been confirmed that in adopting the recommendations contained in this report, the Council is acting within its legal powers. Yes

**10.0 Appendices**

- 10.1 Please list any appendices attached to this report. If there are no appendices, please state "none".

Appendix 1 – Works outline for School Improvement

**11.0 Background Papers**

- 11.1 Have you used other documents to compile your report? (All documents must be kept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of meeting at which the report is considered)

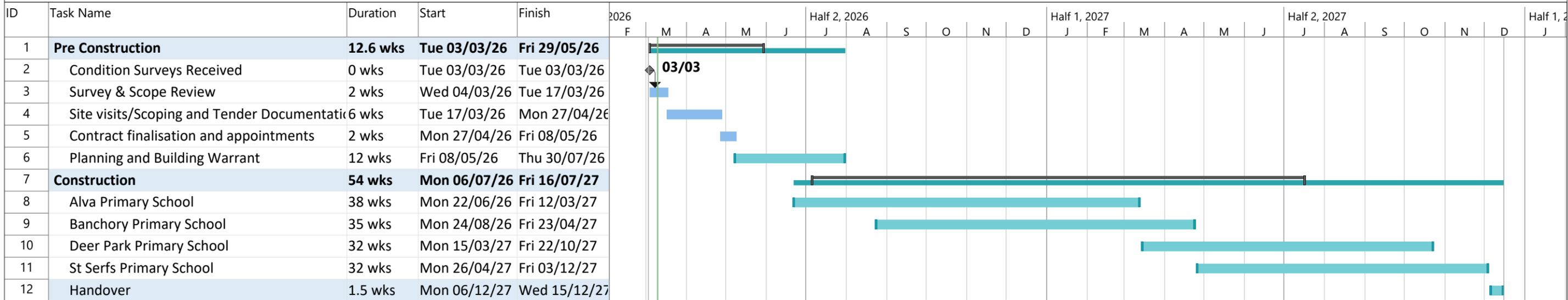
Yes  (please list the documents below) No

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Clackmannanshire Schools  
High Level Programme  
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Task		Project Summary		Manual Task		Start-only		Deadline	
Split		Inactive Task		Duration-only		Finish-only		Progress	
Milestone		Inactive Milestone		Manual Summary Rollup		External Tasks		Manual Progress	
Summary		Inactive Summary		Manual Summary		External Milestone			