
Report to Council of Thursday 12th March 2009

Subject: Closure of Fairfield School

Prepared by: Jim Goodall, Head of Education and Community Services

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1. In order to formally close Fairfield School, Clackmannanshire Council is required by law to complete a formal consultation process.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1. It is recommended that Council approve the closure of Fairfield School.

3.0 Considerations

- 3.1. On January 29th, Clackmannanshire Council accepted the recommendation to "approve in principle the proposal by Education and Community Services to close Fairfield School, subject to the completion of the statutory consultation process."

It was also agreed that a further report will be brought to Council in March following the completion and evaluation of the consultation process.

- 3.2. Stakeholders were notified of the proposed closure by letter; by insertion in the local media and by a public meeting held in Sauchie Hall on Tuesday 24th February 2009.
- 3.3. Three members of the public attended the public meeting; all were local residents with queries about the future use of the building. In all cases, officers were able to provide satisfactory responses.
- 3.4. The statutory 28 day consultation process ended on Monday 2nd March 2009.
- 3.5. At the end of the consultation process, no representations had been received and no objections to the proposal made.

4.0 Sustainability Implications

- 4.1. There are no sustainability issues arising from this paper.

5.0 Resource Implications

5.1. *Financial Details*

5.2. There are no financial implications arising from this paper.

5.3. *Staffing*

5.4. There are no staffing implications arising from this paper

6.0 Declarations

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

(1) **Our Priorities 2008 - 2011** (Please tick ☒)

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| The area has a positive image and attracts people and businesses | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Our communities are more cohesive and inclusive | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| People are better skilled, trained and ready for learning and employment | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Our communities are safer | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vulnerable people and families are supported | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Substance misuse and its effects are reduced | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Health is improving and health inequalities are reducing | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The environment is protected and enhanced for all | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The Council is effective, efficient and recognised for excellence | <input type="checkbox"/> |

(2) **Council Policies** (Please detail)


7.0 Equalities Impact

7.1 Have you undertaken the required equalities impact assessment to ensure that no groups are adversely affected by the recommendations?

Yes ☐ No ☒

8.0 Legality

8.1 In adopting the recommendations contained in this report, the Council is acting within its legal powers Yes ☒

APPROVAL/SIGNATURE	DATE
Head of Service: 	
Director:	

REPORT TO [NAME OF MEETING]

To: Head of Administration and Legal Services, Greenfield, Alloa FK10 2AD

Report author: Jim Goodall, Head of Education Services

Service: Services to People

Report title: Closure of Fairfield School

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It is recommended that the attached report be:

1. **Given unrestricted circulation** ☒
2. **Taken in private by virtue of paragraph ___ of schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973** ☐

List any appendices attached to this report (if there are no appendices, please state 'none')

1. **None**

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List the background papers used in compiling this report . If you have completed a sustainability checklist please add this to your list (if there are no background papers please state 'none')

1. **Report to Council 29 January 2009**

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Nb. All documents listed must be kept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of the meeting at which the report is considered

