



# Statutory Consultation Public Meeting

2 February 2015



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# Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Format of meeting**
- **The Proposal**
- **Presentations**
- **Questions**
- **Close and Thanks**

# Panel / Introduction



**Name**

**Title**

Councillor Bob Band

Convener of Lifelong Learning Committee

Dorothy Henderson

Quality Improvement Officer

Karen Robertson

Service Manager, Business Services

# The Proposal

This meeting is with regard to the following proposal:

Establish Additional Support Needs specialist provision at Oakbank Primary School with effect from August 2015.



# Vision



- Perth and Kinross works to enhance quality of life, make best use of public resources and ensure continuously improving services.
- Our Corporate Plan “Securing the Future” aims to ensure that individuals, families and communities experience the best possible outcomes from a range of services.

# Investment in the School Estate



- A Special Meeting of Perth & Kinross Council in 2012 approved Report No 12/53 for the Composite Capital Programme up to 2016/17.
- Included funding to upgrade Oakbank Primary School by building a new combined school and nursery.
- Additional Support Needs (ASN) specialist provision added to Oakbank project due to increasing demand.

# Additional Support Needs (ASN) Specialist Provision at Oakbank PS



- Perth & Kinross Council has a duty to ensure that education provision is adequate, delivered and managed appropriately.
- The establishment of ASN specialist provision at Oakbank Primary School will:
  - expand the education provision available in the school and also within Perth and Kinross;
  - Accommodate up to 12 pupils; and
  - Meet the needs of projected and potential pupils with ASN.



# Educational Benefits



The Additional Support Needs (ASN) specialist provision will be:

- Fully accessible, specially built, and equipped with modern solutions to meet specific needs.
- Built to meet the learning and care needs of pupils and ensure the best learning opportunity is afforded to every pupil.
- Delivered by staff with appropriate qualifications and high levels of expertise, working in partnership with other agencies and staff to meet individual needs.





# Educational Benefits (contd)

In addition it will:

- Focus on building skills and strategies to help pupils cope with social and personal relationships.
- Promote accessible, inclusive learning.
- Enhance the Council's capacity to meet the needs of young people with ASN to remain in mainstream education provision.

# Implications for Staffing

- Staff arrangements will be consistent with Perth & Kinross Council Staffing Standard and other local agreements.
- Detailed consultation will be undertaken with individual members of staff, Trade Unions and professional associations on an implementation plan for staffing the ASN specialist provision at Oakbank Primary School.

# Transport Arrangements



- Perth & Kinross Council currently provides free transport for eligible pupils attending their catchment school.
- Transport arrangements for the ASN specialist provision would be made in line with Perth & Kinross Council's Home to School Transport Policy.
- Free home to school transport is **not provided** for successful placing requests
- The ASN specialist provision at Oakbank PS may negate some pupils travelling significant distances

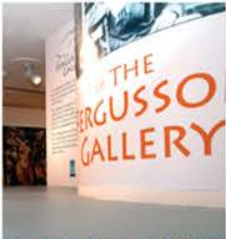


# Statutory Consultation Process

- **Legal Framework**
- **Consideration by Lifelong Learning Committee**
- **Proposal Paper including Educational Benefits Statement**
- **Statutory Consultation period**
- **Representations from interested parties**

# Statutory Consultation Process

- Involvement of Education Scotland
- Preparation of Consultation Report
- Decision by Lifelong Learning Committee





# Questions?