

Good afternoon Ian, further to my comments already submitted I would like to add that I would consider the Nairn catchment to be too small and it ought to be extended West to include Ardesier, Croy Tornagrein and the area around the airport. The level of housing growth allocated east of Inverness is going to place huge pressure on Inverness Royal academy and I don't think the IRA will have the capacity to take on the demand that will result from that size of area. It would be short sighted not to use this opportunity to rationalise the catchments so that they taken on a more equal share of the demand. The catchments as currently proposed run the risk of having to build a further school when it becomes evident that the IRA cannot meet the demand within its catchment. And given that process is glacial in pace, it would be regrettable that students and parents would have to work within a pressurized sub standard environment waiting on that solution which was so obviously avoidable at this very stage. Also how is it justifiable for students to travel from Ardeseir all the way to General ease road in Inverness which is not exactly in a central location? They are obviously closer to Nairn and should be accommodated there.

On another vain- I am not clear on whether developer contributions will be sought towards capacity constraints in Gaelic medium schools as the councils existing developer contributions supplementary guidance makes it clear that Gaelic schools could secure funding towards them in this way but we simply haven't up until now. The growth in demand for Gaelic medium education in the region surely makes this position untenable and new developments including small development of 1-4 houses should be making payments towards Gaelic medium capacity constraints accordingly.

I would appreciate if you could acknowledge receipt of my comments.

Kind regards,

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