

The Highland Council

Caithness and Sutherland Area Committee - 10th February 2015

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Dornoch Academy School Associated School Group Overview

Report by Director of Care and Learning

Summary

This report provides an update of key information in relation to the schools within the Dornoch Academy Associated School Group (ASG), and provides useful updated links to further information in relation to these schools.

1.0 ASG PROFILE

The primary schools in this area serve over 210 pupils, with the secondary school serving 255 young people.

ASG roll projections can be found at:

http://www.highland.gov.uk/downloads/download/858/school_roll_forecasts_2014-15

There is currently one acting Head Teacher in Dornoch Academy, and all schools are in receipt of support through the Quality Improvement Officer and the Area Office.

1.1 Attainment and Achievement

1.1.1 DORNOCH ACADEMY

Attainment – Performance Summary

As a consequence of the STAC's data no longer being produced, no performance data can be provided at this stage.

A separate report using the new "Insight" data will be provided to Members when it is available, during February 2015. This report will cover all the Caithness & Sutherland ASG's in a single report, and will enable Members to assess performance across schools and also with the comparator schools.

1.1.2 Wider Achievement & Notable Successes

Dornoch Academy ASG		
School	Date of Latest Published Report	Link
Bonar Bridge Primary School ©	June 2007 (Follow Up)	Bonar Bridge Primary Inspection
Dornoch Primary School	Mar-10	Dornoch Primary Inspection
Dornoch Academy	May-09	Dornoch Academy Inspection

© Denotes school part of a "cluster" management arrangement

Early Years Centre	Date of Latest Published Report	Link
Bonar Bridge Primary Nursery EM & GM	Jun-13	Bonar Bridge Primary Nursery Inspection
Dornoch Primary Nursery	Nov-12	Dornoch Primary Nursery Inspection
Child-minders no of: 5		

1.1.3 Destinations 16+

Leaver destination information is taken from the School Leaver Destination Return (SLDR) which is a statistical return undertaken by Skills Development Scotland (SDS) on behalf of the Scottish Government. The return is based on a follow up of young people who left school between 1 August 2013 and 31 July 2014. This exercise was carried out during the month of September 2014.

	% Positive Destinations		
	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Dornoch Academy	89.6%	93.3%	97.7%
Highland	90.7%	93.1%	92.7%
Scotland	89.9%	91.4%	92.3%

Leaver Destinations for Dornoch Academy

Number of pupils leaving in school year:

Total No. Leavers	Dornoch Academy	HIGHLAND	SCOTLAND
2011/12	48	2495	50892
2012/13	45	2579	52792
2013/14	43	2601	51876

Destinations of Pupils (%)

DESTINATION	Dornoch Academy			HIGHLAND			SCOTLAND		
	11/12	12/13	13/14	11/12	12/13	13/14	11/12	12/13	13/14
Higher Education	47.9%	35.6%	41.9%	34.6%	33.7%	32.3%	37.3%	36.5%	38.6%
Further Education	18.8%	31.1%	16.3%	21.2%	23.7%	23.8%	26.8%	27.8%	26.3%
Training	2.1%	0.0%	2.3%	2.5%	1.9%	2.3%	4.6%	5.0%	4.1%
Employment	18.8%	24.4%	34.9%	29.7%	31.2%	31.9%	19.8%	20.4%	21.7%
Voluntary	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	0.7%	0.8%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%
Activity Agreements	0.0%	2.2%	2.3%	1.8%	1.9%	1.5%	0.9%	1.3%	1.1%
Unemployed Seeking	2.1%	4.4%	2.3%	5.9%	5.6%	4.8%	8.4%	7.1%	6.3%
Unemployed Not Seeking	2.1%	2.2%	0.0%	1.9%	0.8%	1.3%	1.3%	1.2%	1.1%
Unknown	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	0.5%	1.2%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%

Note: National averages have been calculated from the figures for all available local authority and grant-aided schools, whereas the local authority averages are based on local authority schools only.

There are currently no open Activity Agreements involving former pupils of Dornoch Academy.

1.2 Pupils

Roll taken from the Pupil Census extracted in September 2014 and Highland Pre-School Survey collected September 2014. Looked After and English as and Additional Language pupil numbers extracted from school management system in December 2014.

School	Pupil Roll	Looked After	EAL Pupils	Free Meals Eligibility	Free Meals Uptake
Highland Primary				15.1%	91.6%
Scotland Primary				20.6%	88.7%
Bonar Bridge Primary School	54	<5	0	27.8%	80.0%
Dornoch Primary School	161	0	<5	8.6%	83.3%
School	Pupil Roll	Looked After	EAL Pupils	Free Meals Eligibility	Free Meals Uptake
Highland Secondary				10.9%	84.7%
Scotland Secondary				15.5%	76.6%
Dornoch Academy	255	<5	<5	9.3%	91.3%
Nursery	Pupil Roll	Looked After	EAL Pupils	Free Meals Eligibility	Free Meals Uptake
Bonar Bridge Primary Nursery - EM	12				
Bonar Bridge Primary Nursery – GM	0				
Dornoch Primary Nursery	27				

Free School Meal information extracted from Healthy Living Survey collected February 2014 Free Meals Eligibility is the percentage of the present school roll registered for free meals. Free Meals Uptake is the percentage of those present on census day who were registered and took free meals.

1.2.1 Attendance/Absence/Exclusion Profile 2012/13

Scottish Government collect Attendance, Absence and Exclusions on a bi-annual basis, comparative national information will be next available for academic year 2014-15.

SCHOOL	% Actual Attendances	% Authorised Absences	% Unauthorised Absences	No of Exclusions and Rates per 1000 Pupils	No Pupils Excluded and Rate per 1000 Pupils
Highland Primary (Attendance 2012-13 & Exclusions 2013-14)	94.8%	4.3%	0.9%	9/1000	6/1000
Scotland Primary (2012-13)	94.9%	3.8%	1.3%	10/1000	6/1000
Bonar Bridge Primary School	96.0%	4.0%	0.0%	0/1000	0/1000
Dornoch Primary School	92.4%	6.9%	0.7%	13/1000	6/1000

SCHOOL	% Actual Attendances	% Authorised Absences	% Unauthorised Absences	No Of Exclusions and Rates per 1000 Pupils	No Pupils Excluded and Rate per 1000 Pupils
Highland Secondary (Attendance 2012-13 & Exclusions 2013-14)	90.9%	6.4%	2.6%	33/1000	24/1000
Scotland Secondary (2012-13)	91.9%	5.4%	2.5%	58/1000	33/1000
Dornoch Academy	92.7%	6.6%	0.5%	36/1000	33/1000

1.3 School

School	ECO School	Travel Plan	Improving through Self-Evaluation and Improving Services	No. of Placing Requests In	No. of Placing Requests In Granted	No. of Placing Requests Out Granted
Dornoch Academy	Green flag	Yes	Good (2009)	23	23	5
Bonar Bridge P.S.	Green flag	Yes	Good (2005)	3	3	2
Dornoch - Primary	Silver	Yes	Satisfactory (2010)	8	8	0

It should be noted that all placing requests in/out of these schools were able to be accommodated this year. There were therefore no parental appeals lodged for this ASG.

1.4 ECS Staffing

School	Teaching Full Time Equivalent (FTE)	Non-Teaching (FTE)
Bonar Bridge Primary School	4.00	1.60
Dornoch Primary School	8.70	3.20
Dornoch Academy	23.60	8.60
Nursery	Teaching Full Time Equivalent (FTE)	Non-Teaching (FTE)
Bonar Bridge Primary Nursery - EM		2.00
Bonar Bridge Primary Nursery – GM		0.00
Dornoch Primary Nursery		4.00

School staff information from Staff Census collected Sept 2014. Please note that only certain types of teaching posts are counted here: Normal complement, Long term sick absence replacement, secondment replacement, maternity leave replacement, other replacement, temporary contract, covering a vacancy. Teachers who teach at the school but are centrally employed are excluded. Pre-school staff information from Pre-School Census collected Sept 2014. For school nursery staff full time equivalent hours are 23 per week.

Core staffing is calculated using the Highland Staffing Model, which takes account of national agreements for P1 to P3 class sizes. As a result, all primaries in this ASG are staffed according to the model.

- Primary Teacher [Staffing](#) arrangements
- [Primary School Rolls as at September 2014 – Appendix1](#)

In addition to core staffing for each school, a model will be used to provide an appropriate level of ASN cover to each school within the ASG. This model was approved at Adult and Children's Services Committee, 26th September 2012. Report [ACS.33.12](#)

This session we are funding additional staffing for the ASG as follows:

- 2.25 FTE ASN teachers
- 10.36 FTE PSA staff (assuming FTE = 27.5 hrs)

The identified level of need at start of session was:

39	Pupils at level 2
22	Pupils at level 3
10	Pupils at level 4

1.5 Funding

School/Nursery	Devolved Budget 2013/14	Cost per pupil	Carry Forward from 2012/13	Devolved Budget 2014/15	Cost per pupil	Carry Forward from 2013/14
Dornoch Academy	1,537,191	5,610	-30,052	1,337,243	5,224	-44,124
Bonar Bridge P.S.	194,358	3,410	-1,776	178,947	3,254	-1,051
Dornoch - Primary	454,459	2,913	-19,623	401,900	2,679	-14,054

Members are asked to note that devolved funding is generally sufficient for school needs.

1.6 Buildings

School	Suitability	Condition	Occupancy	Current/Future Investment (last 5 yrs)
Dornoch Academy	B	B	81%	£1202026 including replacement windows, re-roofing, Electrics
Bonar Bridge Primary School	C	C	38%	
Dornoch Primary School	B	C	64%	£284851 including Biomass boiler, Oil boiler

2. High Life Highland in ASG

HLH Facilities and Services within the Associated School Group Area	User Information	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Bonar Bridge Library	Issues	6,604	5,326	5,204
Dornoch Library	Issues	16,298	14,486	14,772
Mobile Library	Issues	36,504	36,402	33,071
Active Schools Coordinator (figures for academic years, term time only)	Unique Participants	175	210	284
Youth Development Officer	Contacts with Young People Young Scot Card percentage uptake (National average – 72%)	3402 100%	2994 99%	3210 92%
Adult Learning	Unique Participants	179	162	88

Programme Information:-

Bonar Bridge Library:

<http://www.highland.gov.uk/leisureandtourism/libraries/yourlocallibrary/bonarlib.htm>

Dornoch Library:

<http://www.highland.gov.uk/leisureandtourism/libraries/yourlocallibrary/dornochlib.htm>

Mobile Library:

<http://www.highland.gov.uk/leisureandtourism/libraries/mobilelibraryservice/default.htm>

HLH Youth Services –

- Work directly with young people in NEED
- COORDINATE local provision
- Support PARTNER organisations
- Ensure young people have a VOICE
- Support and develop ACHIEVEMENT frameworks

3. RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Area Committee is asked to scrutinise and note the content of the report.

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PRIMARY SCHOOL ROLLS

Session 2014-15

SEED Code	School Name	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	TOTAL
5107725	Bonar Bridge Primary School (EM)	8	9	2	5	8	6	5	43
5107725	Bonar Bridge Primary School (GM)	0	2	2	1	0	3	1	9
5110629	Dornoch Primary School	29	17	25	25	19	20	21	156

SEED Code	School Name	N3 (Sep)	N4(Sep)	N3(Jan/Apr)	No Sessions
5107725	Bonar Bridge Primary School (EM)	1	11		5
5107725	Bonar Bridge Primary School (GM)	0	0		0
5110629	Dornoch Primary School	9	18		10

School Name	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1-S6
Dornoch Academy	27	38	43	59	47	41	255