

The Highland Council

Caithness and Sutherland Area Committee - 10 February 2015

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Golspie High 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 Golspie High School 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 320 pupils, with the secondary school serving 260 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 Helmsdale Primary, 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 GOLSPIE HIGH SCHOOL

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

(Area) – Golspie ASG		
School	Date of Latest Published Report	Link
Golspie High School	May 2011 (Follow Up)	Golspie High Inspection
Brora Primary School	Apr-10	Brora Primary Inspection
Golspie Primary School ©	Apr-14	Golspie Primary Inspection
Helmsdale Primary School	June 2010 (Follow Up)	Helmsdale Primary Inspection
Lairg Primary School	Jan 2010 (Follow Up)	Lairg Primary Inspection
Rogart Primary School ©	Aug-13	Rogart Primary Inspection
Rosehall Primary School	Jun-06	Rosehall Primary Inspection

© Denotes school part of a “cluster” management arrangement

Early Years Centre	Date of Latest Published Report	Link
Brora Primary Nursery	May-14	Brora Primary Nursery Inspection
Brora Playgroup	May-13	Brora Playgroup Inspection
Golspie Primary Nursery	Apr-14	Golspie Primary Nursery Inspection
Golspie Playgroup	Sep-13	Golspie Playgroup Inspection
Helmsdale Primary Nursery	Aug-14	Helmsdale Primary Nursery Inspection
Lairg Primary Nursery	Sep-13	Lairg Primary Nursery Inspection
Rogart Primary Nursery	Aug-13	Rogart Primary Nursery Inspection
Child-minders no of: 11		

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
Golspie High School	82.8%	87.5%	96.4%
Highland	90.7%	93.1%	92.7%
Scotland	89.9%	91.4%	92.3%

Leaver Destinations for High School

Number of pupils leaving in school year:

Total No. Leavers	Golspie High School	HIGHLAND	SCOTLAND
2011/12	58	2495	50892
2012/13	56	2579	52792
2013/14	56	2601	51876

Destinations of Pupils (%)

DESTINATION	Golspie High School			HIGHLAND			SCOTLAND		
	11/12	12/13	13/14	11/12	12/13	13/14	11/12	12/13	13/14
Higher Education	25.9%	21.4%	44.6%	34.6%	33.7%	32.3%	37.3%	36.5%	38.6%
Further Education	34.5%	37.5%	21.4%	21.2%	23.7%	23.8%	26.8%	27.8%	26.3%
Training	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	1.9%	2.3%	4.6%	5.0%	4.1%
Employment	22.4%	28.6%	30.4%	29.7%	31.2%	31.9%	19.8%	20.4%	21.7%
Voluntary	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	0.7%	0.8%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%
Activity Agreements	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	1.9%	1.5%	0.9%	1.3%	1.1%
Unemployed Seeking	15.5%	10.7%	1.8%	5.9%	5.6%	4.8%	8.4%	7.1%	6.3%
Unemployed Not Seeking	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	1.9%	0.8%	1.3%	1.3%	1.2%	1.1%
Unknown	1.7%	1.8%	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 5 open Activity Agreements involving former pupils of Golspie High School.

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%
Brora Primary School	108	0	<5	13.6%	90.9%
Golspie Primary School	96	<5	<5	20.0%	100.0%
Helmsdale Primary School	45	0	<5	10.9%	80.0%
Lairg Primary School	40	<5	<5	35.3%	100.0%
Rogart Primary School	21	0	0	small school/number	small school/number
Rosehall Primary School	12	0	0	no meals provided	no meals provided
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%
Golspie High School	260	<5	<5	11.9%	55.2%
Nursery	Pupil Roll	Looked After	EAL Pupils	Free Meals Eligibility	Free Meals Uptake
Brora Primary Nursery	13				
Brora Playgroup	5				
Golspie Primary Nursery	11				
Golspie Playgroup	12				
Helmsdale Primary Nursery	12				
Lairg Primary Nursery	13				
Rogart Nursery	4				

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
Brora Primary School	94.3%	4.3%	1.4%	65/1000	37/1000
Golspie Primary School	92.7%	5.9%	1.4%	0/1000	0/1000
Helmsdale Primary School	95.1%	3.9%	1.0%	0/1000	0/1000
Lairg Primary School	95.4%	3.8%	0.7%	0/1000	0/1000
Rogart Primary School	95.8%	3.5%	0.7%	0/1000	0/1000
Rosehall Primary School	95.1%	4.9%	0.1%	0/1000	0/1000
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
Golspie High School	91.1%	7.5%	1.3%	26/1000	22/1000

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
Golspie H.S.	Bronze	Yes	Weak (2008)	0	0	12
Brora P.S.	Bronze	Yes	Satisfactory (2010)	1	1	7
Golspie P.S.	Bronze	Yes	Weak (2014)	1	1	0
Helmsdale P.S.	Silver	Early Stages	Weak (2008)	0	0	1
Lairg P.S.	Bronze	Early Stages	Unsatisfactory (2008)	1	1	4
Rogart P.S.	Bronze	Early Stages	Satisfactory (2013)	0	0	1
Rosehall P.S.	Silver	Early Stages	Good (2006)	5	5	2

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)
Golspie High School	27.6	9.26
Brora Primary School	5.0	4.35
Golspie Primary School	6.5	3.45
Helmsdale Primary School	3.2	1.7
Lairg Primary School	2.0	1.1
Rogart Primary School	2.5	1.2
Rosehall Primary School	1.5	0.6
Nursery	Teaching Full Time Equivalent (FTE)	Non-Teaching (FTE)
Brora Primary Nursery		2.0
Brora Playgroup		2.0
Golspie Primary Nursery		2.0
Golspie Playgroup		2.0
Helmsdale Primary Nursery		2.0
Lairg Primary Nursery		2.0
Rogart Primary Nursery		1.0

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 – Appendix 1](#)

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:

- 4.85 FTE ASN teachers
- 17.27 FTE PSA staff (assuming FTE = 27.5 hrs)

The identified level of need at start of session was:

82	Pupils at level 2
14	Pupils at level 3
4	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
Golspie H.S.	1,764,438	6,511	-55,426	1,423,704	5,332	-57,383
Brora P.S.	375,347	3,508	-14,727	310,088	2,953	-12,812
Golspie P.S.	319,753	3,366	-8,318	276,192	2,970	-9,678
Helmsdale P.S.	193,611	4,119	-4,241	175,732	3,994	-9,701
Kinbrace P.S.	26,223	0	-3,996	1,711	0	-1,439
Lairg P.S.	173,646	5,107	-5,491	136,173	3,783	-5,884
Rogart P.S.	120,090	7,064	-2,512	115,520	5,776	-3,724
Rosehall P.S.	94,011	7,834	-4,186	80,840	8,084	-3,706

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)
Golspie High School	B	C	49%	£1820000 including alterations to PE Dept, replacement windows, Fire safety works
Brora Primary School	B	C	42%	£602000 including refurbishment of toilets, rewiring, replacement roof covering
Golspie Primary School	B	C	31%	£253266 including Boiler, fencing, toilet block refurbishment and re-roofing
Helmsdale Primary School	B	C	38%	£64780 including access path and ramp
Lairg Primary School	B	C	29%	£226080 including alterations to Nursery, biomass boiler, SEN alterations
Rogart Primary School	B	B	36%	
Rosehall Primary School	C	C	24%	

Building suitability and condition levels are as reported on the 2014 School Estate Core Facts return.. Occupancy levels are based on the school roll for academic year 2012-13.

2. HIGH LIFE HIGHLAND IN ASG

HLH Facilities and Services within the Associated School Group Area	User Information	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Sutherland Swimming Pool Complex	Users	32,022	28,298	27,038
Lairg Library	Issues	9,462	9,423	9,621
Adult Learning/Brora Learning Centre	Users	292	940 users	4,277
Golspie Library	Issues	8,872	6,518	6,981
Helmsdale Library	Issues	4,460	3,739	4,086
Brora Library	Issues	11,082	10,642	10,657
Mobile Library	Issues	36,504	36,402	33,071
Brora Heritage Centre	Users	1973	1894	1961
Playing fields: Couper park Golspie Pittenrail Ferrycroft	Available for let by sports clubs			
Active Schools Coordinator (figures for academic years, term time only)	Unique Participants	549	368	352
Youth Worker	Contacts with Young People Young Scot Card percentage uptake (National average – 72%)	1648 100%	1753 92%	1195 74%
Adult Learning	Unique Participants	9	25	144

Programme Information:-

Sutherland Swimming Pool Complex: <http://highlifehighland.com/leisure-facilities/golspie>

Lairg Library:

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

Adult Learning/Brora Learning Centre:

<http://www.broraweb.co.uk/Learning%20Centre.html>

Golspie Library:

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

Helmsdale Library:

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

Brora Library:

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

Mobile Library:

<http://www.highland.gov.uk/leisureandtourism/libraries/mobilelibraryservice/broramobile.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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APPENDIX 1

PRIMARY SCHOOL ROLLS

Session 2014-15

School Name	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	TOTAL
Brora Primary School	18	13	16	19	20	10	12	108
Golspie Primary School	16	13	14	14	13	18	8	96
Helmsdale Primary School	4	10	8	3	9	7	4	45
Lairg Primary School	14	6	3	4	3	5	5	40
Rogart Primary School	3	3	2	3	2	3	5	21
Rosehall Primary School	0	1	2	0	4	3	2	12

Nursery	N3 (Sep)	N4(Sep)	N3(Jan/Apr)	No Sess
Brora Primary School	0	13		5
Brora Playgroup	4	1		5
Golspie Primary School	0	11		5
Golspie Playgroup	10	2		5
Helmsdale Primary School	3	9		5
Lairg Primary School	6	7		5
Rogart Primary School	0	4		5

School Name	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1-S6
Golspie High	52	40	40	44	51	33	260