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Committee: Sutherland County Committee

Date: 23 May 2018

Report Title: **Golspie Associated School Group Overview**

Report By: Director of Care and Learning

1. Purpose/Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides an update of key information in relation to the schools within the Golspie Associated School Group (ASG), and provides useful updated links to further information in relation to these schools.
- 1.2 The primary schools in this area serve over 310 pupils, with the secondary school serving 243 young people.

ASG roll projections can be found at:

<http://www.highland.gov.uk/schoolrollforecasts>

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are asked to: scrutinise and note the content of the report.

School Information

Secondary – [Link to Golspie High webpage](#)

Primary

<http://www.highland.gov.uk/directory/44/schools/search>

School	Link to School Webpage
Brora Primary School	Brora Primary webpage
Golspie Primary School	Golspie Primary webpage
Helmsdale Primary School	Helmsdale Primary webpage
Lairg Primary School	Lairg Primary webpage
Rogart Primary School	Rogart Primary webpage
Rosehall Primary School	Rosehall Primary webpage

© Denotes school part of a “cluster” management arrangement

School Inspections

Link to Care Inspectorate website: [Find a care service](#)

School	Date of Latest Published Report	Link to Education Scotland Pages
Golspie High School	May-17	Golspie High Inspection
Brora Primary School	Apr-10	Brora Primary Inspection
Golspie Primary School	Jun-16 (follow up)	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	Oct-17	Rosehall Primary Inspection

Other School Information

SCHOOL	ECO School	Travel Plan	No of Placing Requests In	No of Placing Requests in Granted	No of Placing Requests Out Granted
Golspie High School	Bronze	Yes	0	0	0
Brora Primary School	Bronze	Yes	0	0	1
Golspie Primary School	Bronze	Yes	0	0	0
Helmsdale Primary School	Silver	No	2	2	0
Lairg Primary School	Bronze	No	0	0	1
Rogart Primary School	Bronze	No	1	1	0
Rosehall Primary School	Silver	No	0	0	1

ECO School information is reported as at May 2017. Placing requests are those received to start in a school during academic year 2017-2018

Staffing

School	Teaching Full Time Equivalent (FTE)	Non-Teaching (FTE)
Golspie High School	27.70	7.77
Brora Primary School	4.04	2.98
Golspie Primary School	3.50	3.18
Helmsdale Primary School	3.09	1.6
Lairg Primary School	3.90	1.92
Rogart Primary School	2.00	1.69
Rosehall Primary School	1.40	0.53
Nursery	Teacher (FTE)	Total Staff (FTE)
Brora Primary Nursery	0.1	1.4
Golspie Primary Nursery	0.1	2.31
Golspie Playgroup	0.0	2.24
Helmsdale Primary Nursery	0.1	1.31
Lairg Primary Nursery	0.1	1.31
Rogart Primary Nursery	0.1	1.42

School staff information from Staff Census collected Sept 2017. 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 has been taken from the Pre-School Census returned to the Scottish Govt in September 2017.

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. The Primary Staffing Arrangements are currently being revised and the new Highland Staffing Model will be shared in due course.

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 (Item 9a). Report [ACS-33-12](#).

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

- 4.8 FTE ASN teachers
- 17.4 FTE PSA staff (hours assuming FTE = 27.5 hrs)

The identified level of need at start of session was:

74	Pupils at level 2
27	Pupils at level 3
7	Pupils at level 4

Funding

School/ Nursery	Budget Aug 2016-17	Cost Per Pupil	Carry Fwd 2015-16
Golspie H.S.	1,693,758	260	6,514
Brora P.S.	393,351	106	3,711
Golspie P.S.	380,944	96	3,968
Helmsdale P.S.	228,949	52	4,403
Lairg P.S.	244,685	40	6,117
Rogart P.S.	131,010	19	6,895
Rosehall P.S.	99,520	11	9,047
Brora N.S.	36,269	15	2,418
Golspie N.S.	48,714	13	3,747
Helmsdale N.S.	31,888	7	4,555
Lairg N.S.	35,679	29	1,230
Rogart Nursery	26,965	4	6,741

Members are asked to note that devolved funding is generally sufficient for school needs. Figures in () are surpluses.

Buildings

School	Suitability	Condition	% Roll Capacity
Golspie High School	B	C	32.5%
Brora Primary School	B	C	51.4%
Golspie Primary School	C	C	58.7%
Helmsdale Primary School	B	C	50%
Lairg Primary School	B	C	62.7%
Rogart Primary School	B	B	38%
Rosehall Primary School	B	C	40%

Building suitability, condition and capacity levels are as reported on the 2017 School Estate Core Facts return.

Early Year Centre	Inspection Month	Quality of Care & Support	Quality of Environ- ment	Quality of Staffing	Quality of Management & Leadership
Brora Primary Nursery	May-14	Very good	Very good	Very good	good
Golspie Primary Nursery	Mar-15	Very good	good	Very good	good
Golspie Playgroup	Apr-15	good	good	Good	Very good
Helmsdale Primary Nursery	Jun-16	good	good	Good	adequate
Lairg Primary Nursery	Oct-16	Very good	good	Not assessed	Not assessed
Rogart Primary Nursery	Sep-16	Very good	Not assessed	Not assessed	adequate

Pupil Information

Pupil Destinations 16+

Leaver destination information is taken from the School Leaver Destination data collected by Skills Development Scotland (SDS) on behalf of the Scottish Government. The most recent return is based on a follow up of young people who left school between 1 August 2016 and 31 July 2017.

	% Positive Destinations		
	2014/15	2015/16	2016/2017
Golspie High School	98.2%	97.7%	95%
Highland	93.7%	94.9%	95.5%
Scotland	92.9%	93.3%	93.7%

Number of pupils leaving in school year:

Total No. Leavers	Golspie High School	HIGHLAND	SCOTLAND
2013/14	56	2601	51876
2014/15	55	2700	53836
2015/16	44	2516	52249
2016/17	40	2411	51258

Destinations of Pupils (%)

DESTINATION	Golspie High School			HIGHLAND			SCOTLAND		
	14/15	15/16	16/17	14/15	15/16	16/17	14/15	15/16	16/17
Higher Education	29.1	36.4	35%	34.1%	37.2%	35.5	38.3%	40.34	40.71
Further Education	25.5	25.0	27.5%	26.3%	21.3%	23.68	27.8%	26.59	26.83
Training	3.6	0.0	0.0%	1.5%	1.0%	1.74	3.8%	2.58	2.43
Employment	38.2	29.5	32.5%	29.1%	32.7%	31.31	21.7%	22.3	21.97
Voluntary	0	4.5	0.0%	0.7%	0.9%	0.83	0.4%	0.51	0.55
Activity Agreements	1.8	2.3	0.0%	1.9%	1.8%	2.45	0.9%	1.02	1.22
Unemployed Seeking	1.8	0.9	0.0%	4.2%	3.3%	1.41	5.4%	5.1	4.47
Unemployed Not Seeking	0	2.3	2.5%	1.3%	1.4%	1.45	1.1%	1.33	1.45
Unknown	0	0.0	2.5%	0.8%	0.4%	1.62	0.5%	0.24	0.37

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.

Pupil Attendance/Absence/Exclusions AAE Return 2016/17

**From current SEEMIS extract for 2017-2018 school year*

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 (2015-16)	94.9%	4.0%	1.1%	8/1000	5/1000
Scotland Primary (2014-15)	94.9%	3.8%	1.3%	9/1000	5/1000
Brora Primary School	94.6%	3.9%	1.5%	0/1000	0/1000
Golspie Primary School	91.5%	5.9%	2.6%	0/1000	0/1000
Helmsdale Primary School	95.4%	3.4%	1.2%	0/1000	0/1000
Lairg Primary School	96.1%	3.8%	0.1%	0/1000	0/1000
Rogart Primary School	93.9%	5.0%	1.1%	0/1000	0/1000
Rosehall Primary School	94.3%	5.7%	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 (2015-16)	91.46%	5.9%	2.6%	39/1000	26/1000
Scotland Secondary (2014-15)	91.9%	5.4%	2.5%	50/1000	29/1000
Golspie High School	91.2%	6.7%	2.0%	100/1000	48/1000

Pupils

Roll, Looked After and EAL pupil numbers have been taken current SEEMIS records as of 03/05/18. Free School Meals taken from Healthy Living Survey February 2017.

School	Pupil Roll	Looked After	EAL Pupils	Free Meals Registered P4-7	Free Meals Uptake P4-7	Free Meals Uptake P1-3
Highland Primary (2017)				13.5%	76.5%	72.5%
Scotland Primary (2016)				17.9%	87.3%	81.7%
Brora Primary School	101	0	<5	47.1%	23.6%	46.2%
Golspie Primary School	85	<5	<5	Small number		69.0%
Helmsdale Primary School	48	<5	<5	80.0%	16.1%	88.9%
Lairg Primary School	53	0	<5	100.0%	36.4%	74.1%
Rogart Primary School	17	<5	0	Small school/number		87.5%
Rosehall Primary School	9	0	0	Small school/number		

School	Pupil Roll	Looked After	EAL Pupils	Free Meals Registration	Free Meals Uptake
Highland Secondary (2017)				11.3%	77.4%
Scotland Secondary (2016)				14.2%	73.9%
Golspie High School	243	<5	<5	12.2%	100.0%

Free School Meal information extracted from Healthy Living Survey collected February 2017 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.

The comment "small school/number" indicates that because of the small numbers of pupils in the school or the small numbers registered for free school meals this information cannot be disclosed.

High Life Highland

HLH Facilities and Services within the Golspie Associated School Group Area	User Information	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Sutherland Swimming Pool Complex	Customer Visits	37,969	36,798	31,356
Lairg Library	Customer Visits	5,356	4,825	4,368
Golspie Library	Customer Visits	4,732	5,456	7,839
Helmsdale Library	Customer Visits	5,928	9,756	8,437
Brora Library	Customer Visits	7,241	7,221	7,488
Brora Mobile Library	Customer Visits	10,066	8,260	8,176
Brora Learning Centre	Customer Visits	3,277	2,806	3,214
Brora Heritage Centre*	Customer Visits	1,138	4,001	4,146

Playing fields: Couper park, Golspie, Pittentrail, Ferrycroft	Available for let by sports clubs	-	-	-
Active Schools Coordinator (academic year, term time only)	Participant Sessions	395	342	Info available from Aug 2018
Youth Worker	Attendances	1,337	2,295	1,332
Adult Learning	Attendances	436	1,154	2,213

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.brora.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>

* Operated by the Brora Heritage Society

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Background Papers:

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PRIMARY SCHOOL	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Total
Brora Primary	12	10	12	17	15	18	17	101
Golspie Primary	16	12	9	12	13	13	10	85
Helmsdale Primary	6	4	10	5	9	9	5	48
Lairg Primary	9	7	7	12	8	4	6	53
Rogart Primary	1	1	6	1	3	3	2	17
Rosehall Primary	1		1	2	1	3	1	9
Grand Total	45	34	45	49	49	50	41	313

SECONDARY SCHOOL	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1-S6
Golspie High School	49	35	32	52	43	32	243

EARL YEARS - NURSERY	Total
Brora Primary Nursery	8
Golspie Primary Nursery	14
Golspie Playgroup	7
Helmsdale Primary Nursery	8
Lairg Primary Nursery	10
Rogart Primary Nursery	6
Sutherland Stepping Stones	16