

**Item 12: Question Time**

To the Leader of the Council

**“The Inner Moray Firth Local Development Plan marks out allocations IN43 and 50 for 401 houses. With planning permission routinely granting 25% over allocation, this will most likely be at least 500 houses.**

**The Council's own methodology would predict 120 extra primary children for 400 houses, yet over 10 years the roll forecast for the affected schools shows a net increase of only 19 children. We risk having over 100 children who we have not been accounted for in schools which are already past 100% capacity.**

**Why do the roll forecasts continually fall short of reality and how does the IMFLDP allocations not seem to match up with roll forecasts?”**

Response to Mr A Jarvie

School roll forecasts are recalculated each year using:

- Updated and newly supplied housing programming figures
- GP registration (CHI) information
- New school pupil roll (Pupil Census) for each school.
- Additional school capacity changes are amended as required.
- Flows of placings to other schools (including to Denominational and Gaelic) are modelled and updated to ensure trends of outward and inward placing requests are incorporated in the forecasts.

The two allocations IN43 and IN50 have a remaining capacity of 155 houses. These are programmed for delivery to 2022/3 however they are split between two Primary School catchment areas – Milton of Leys and Hilton

For the two schools the school roll forecasts identify an increase of 69 pupils.

Recent forecasts for these two schools have been either very close to the actual roll – or have been higher than the actual school roll attending.