

HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Agenda Item	4.
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Committee: Sutherland County Committee

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Report Title: **Dornoch 3-18 Overview**

Report By: ECO Education and Learning

1. Purpose/Executive Summary

1.1 This report provides an update of key information in relation to the schools within the Dornoch 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 198 pupils, with the secondary school serving 192 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.*

3. School Information

3.1 Secondary – [Link to Dornoch Academy webpage](#)

Primary

<https://www.highland.gov.uk/directory/66/schools/category/541>

School	Link to School Webpage
Bonar Bridge Primary ©	Bonar Bridge Primary webpage
Dornoch Primary ©	Dornoch Primary webpage

© Denotes school part of a “cluster” management arrangement

3.2 School/Nursery Inspections

School	Date of Latest Published Report	Link to Education Scotland Pages
Dornoch Academy	May-09	Dornoch Academy Inspection
Bonar Bridge Primary	Aug-16	Bonar Bridge Primary Inspection
Dornoch Primary	Mar-10	Dornoch Primary Inspection

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

Early Year Centre	Inspection Month	Quality of Care & Support	Quality of Environment	Quality of Staffing	Quality of Management & Leadership
Bonar Bridge Primary Nursery	May-19	Very good	Very good	Not Assessed	Not Assessed
Dornoch Primary Nursery	Nov-18	Very good	Good	Not Assessed	Not Assessed

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
Dornoch Academy		Yes	7	7	2
Bonar Bridge Primary		Yes			2
Dornoch Primary		Yes	5	5	2

ECO School information is reported as at May 2021. Placing requests are those received to start in a school during academic year 2020-21.

Staffing

School	Teaching Full Time Equivalent (FTE)	Non-Teaching (Hrs)
Dornoch Academy	23.18	262.25
Bonar Bridge Primary	5.18	46
Dornoch Primary	11.18	150.18
Nursery	Teacher (FTE)	Total Staff (Hrs)
Bonar Bridge Primary Nursery		
Dornoch Primary Nursery		

School staff information from Staff Census collected Sept 2020. 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.

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](#).

All the staffing posts indicated in the data have been filled. There is now a PT ASN for the 3-18 school. Previously there was not a PT for ASN in the Dornoch schools. For a new pupil who is expected we are going to use a new approach in order to be working in close partnership with NHS Highland to provide trained staff in school.

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

- 2.0 FTE ASN teachers
- 8.24 FTE PSA staff equivalent to 226.49 PSA hours

The identified level of need at start of session was:

20	Pupils at level 3
9	Pupils at level 4

Funding

School/ Nursery	Budget 1920	Cost Per Pupil	Carry Fwd 1819
Bonar Bridge N.S.	38,678	3,223	(1,312)
Bonar Bridge P.S.	280,880	6,688	(12,095)
Dornoch - Primary	524,307	3,217	(20,419)
Dornoch Academy	1,521,519	7,925	(38,162)
Dornoch N.S.	113,247	4,045	(4,973)

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

Buildings

School	Suitability	Condition	% Roll Capacity
Dornoch Academy	C	B	49%
Bonar Bridge Primary	C	C	47%
Dornoch Primary	B	B	87%

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

4. Pupil Information

4.1 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 2019 and 31 July 2020.

	% Positive Destinations		
	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Dornoch Academy	96.77%	96.67%	100%
Highland	95.99%	96.08%	92.55%
Scotland	94.40%	96.10%	93.36%

Number of pupils leaving in school year:

Total No. Leavers	Dornoch Academy	HIGHLAND	SCOTLAND
2017/18	31	2441	49707
2018/19	30	2068	44032
2019/20	32	2216	47435

% of Leavers	Dornoch Academy			HIGHLAND			SCOTLAND		
	17/18	18/19	19/20	17/18	18/19	19/20	17/18	18/19	19/20
Higher Education	46.81	30.77	48.39	34.11	32.74	23.83	41.1	40.35	44.20
Further Education	8.51	17.95	12.90	17.34	23.14	25.41	26.5	27.27	28.06
Training	0.0	7.69	6.45	0.98	4.81	3.20	2.1	3.47	3.68
Employment	42.55	38.46	25.81	40.30	33.88	23.83	22.7	22.92	16.18
Voluntary	0.0	2.56	0.0	0.70	0.71	0.50	0.7	0.58	0.45
Activity Agreements	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.26			1.2		
Unemployed Seeking	0.0	0.0	3.23	1.44	2.08	4.42	3.8	3.12	4.14
Unemployed Not Seeking	0.0	2.56	0.0	1.27	1.46	2.17	1.3	1.41	1.83
Unknown	2.13	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.42	0.86	0.4	0.42	0.67

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 Activity Agreements involving former pupils of Dornoch Academy

4.2 Pupil Attendance/Absence/Exclusions 2018/19

Scottish Government collect Attendance, Absence and Exclusions on a bi-annual basis, next reporting year is 2020-21

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 (2018-19)	94.5%	4.2%	1.3%	5/1000	3/1000
Scotland Primary (2018-19)	94.5%	3.6%	1.9%	8/1000	
Bonar Bridge Primary	94.7%	5.0%	0.3%	0/1000	0/1000
Dornoch Primary	94.4%	4.4%	1.1%	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 (2018-19)	90.1%	6.3%	3.5%	35.7/1000	24.4/1000
Scotland Secondary (2018-19)	90.7%	5.5%	3.7%	40/1000	
Dornoch Academy	89.0%	7.4%	3.6%	0/1000	0/1000

Roll, Looked After and EAL pupil numbers have been taken from the Pupil Census carried out in September 2020.

School	Pupil Roll	Looked After	EAL Pupils	Free Meals Registered P4-7	Free Meals Uptake P4-7	Free Meals Uptake P1-3
Highland Primary (2020)				14.4%	74.8%	79.7%
Scotland Primary (2020)				19.9%	81.4%	75.7%
Bonar Bridge Primary	38	0	0	small school / number		73.7%
Dornoch Primary	160	<5	0	8.5%	80.0%	87.9%

School	Pupil Roll	Looked After	EAL Pupils	Free Meals Registration	Free Meals Uptake
Highland Secondary (2020)				11.6 %	77.6%
Scotland Secondary (2020)				15.6%	70.9%
Dornoch Academy	192	<5	<5	9.6%	93.3%

Free School Meal information extracted from Healthy Living Survey collected February 2020 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

5. HLH Facilities and Services within the Dornoch Associated School Group Area	User Information	2017 /18	2018 /19	2019 /20
Bonar Bridge Library	Customer Visits	4,706	4,381	7,082
Dornoch Library	Customer Visits	18,078	16,265	23,064
Mobile Library	Customer Visits	8,176	7,133	6,840
Active Schools Coordinator (academic year)	Participant Sessions	23,845	22,889	*
Youth Development Officer	Attendances	2,513	2,665	1,350
Adult Learning	Attendances	23	9	20

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>

*SportsScotland have removed the 19/20 data off the system as it was incomplete, so this information is currently unavailable.

6. *Implications*

6.1 Resource – All work will be managed within budget allocations

Legal – Statutory requirements are met as necessary

Community (Equality, Poverty and Rural) – N/A

Climate Change / Carbon Clever – N/A

Risk –N/A

Gaelic – Where GME/GLE is delivered in schools, we continue to support and further develop this.

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SCHOOL ROLLS 2020-21

PRIMARY SCHOOL	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	Total
Bonar Bridge Primary	3	9	5	4	3	8	6	38
Dornoch Primary	18	19	15	33	29	24	22	160
Grand Total	21	28	20	37	32	32	28	198

SECONDARY SCHOOL	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1-S6
Dornoch Academy	45	30	33	32	32	20	192