

HIGHLAND COUNCIL

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| Agenda Item | 5. |
| Report No | SCC/13/21 |

Committee: Sutherland County Committee

Date: 16 August 2021

Report Title: **North West Sutherland Schools Group Overview**

Report By: ECO Education & Learning

1. Purpose/Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides an update of key information in relation to the schools within the 3-18 North West Sutherland Schools, and provides useful updated links to further information in relation to these schools.
- 1.2 The primary schools in this area serve 37 pupils, with the secondary school serving 40 young people.

ASG roll projections can be found at:

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

Recommendations

- 2.
- 2.1 Members are asked to: scrutinise and note the content of the report.

School Information

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

Primary

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

| School | Link to School Webpage |
|------------------------------|---|
| Durness Primary School | Durness Primary webpage |
| Kinlochbervie Primary School | Kinlochbervie Primary webpage |
| Scourie Primary School | Scourie Primary webpage |

© Denotes school part of a “cluster” management arrangement

School/Nursery Inspections

| School | Date of Latest Published Report | Link to Education Scotland Pages |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Kinlochbervie High School © | Jan 2014 (Follow Up) | Kinlochbervie High Inspection |
| Durness Primary School © | Nov 2014 | Durness Primary Inspection |
| Kinlochbervie Primary School © | Sept 2019 | Kinlochbervie Primary Inspection |
| Scourie Primary School | Aug 2016 | Scourie Primary Inspection |

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

| Early Year Centre | Date of Latest Published Report | Quality of Care & Support | Quality of Environment | Quality of Staffing | Quality of Management & Leadership |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| Kinlochbervie Childcare Centre | May 2019 | Adequate | Adequate | Good | Adequate |
| Scourie Primary Nursery | June 2018 | Very good | Very Good | Very Good | Very Good |

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 |
|------------------------------|------------|-------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Kinlochbervie High School | | No | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Durness Primary School | | No | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kinlochbervie Primary School | | No | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Scourie Primary School | | No | 0 | 0 | 0 |

ECO School information is reported as at June 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) |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Kinlochbervie High School | 9.43 | 88.42 |
| Durness Primary School | 1.49 | 45.67 |
| Kinlochbervie Primary School | 3.09 | 57.17 |
| Scourie Primary School | 2.44 | 39.28 |

| Nursery | Teaching Full Time Equivalent (FTE) | Non-Teaching (FTE) |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Durness ELC | | 1.63 |
| Kinlochbervie ELC | | 2.23 |
| Scourie ELC (part of the early years class) | 1 | 0.97 |

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](#).

As Members will be aware, this session the allocation of the ASN staffing resource has been postponed. It is expected that in late August/Early September there will be the meetings with the head teachers in each ASG in Highland to determine the allocation of the ASGs allocated ASN staffing.

The 3-18 ASG schools receive an allocation as a whole and in consultation with Area Leadership Team members, the head teacher allocates this to the different locations as they think is best. The ASN staffing allocation at the end of April prior to this postponement indicated that for 2021-2022 there would be funding for additional staffing for the ASG as follows:

- 1.4 FTE ASN teachers
- 2.2 FTE PSA staff (60 hours assuming FTE = 27.5)

The identified level of need for the start of the 2021-2022 session was:

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|---|-------------------|
| 4 | Pupils at level 3 |
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| KLB HS | DURNESS PS | KLB PS | SCOURIE PS | |
|--------|------------|--------|------------|-------------------|
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | Pupils at level 3 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | Pupils at level 4 |

Funding

| School | Budget Aug 19/20 | Cost Per Pupil | Carry Fwd 18/19 |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Durness P.S. | 112,195 | 14,024 | |
| Kinlochbervie High School | 629,742 | 12,852 | 1,296 |
| Kinlochbervie P.S. | 221,822 | 9,243 | |
| Scourie P.S. | 165,133 | 18,348 | |

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

Buildings

| School | Suitability | Condition | % Roll Capacity |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Kinlochbervie High School | B | B | 24% |
| Durness Primary School | C | B | 17% |
| Kinlochbervie Primary School | B | B | 46% |
| Scourie Primary School | C | C | 19% |

Building suitability, condition and capacity levels are as reported on the 2020 School Estate Core Facts return.

Pupil Information

Pupil Destinations 16+ and

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 |
| Kinlochbervie High School | 87.50% | 100% | 100% |
| Highland | 95.99% | 94.8% | 92.6% |
| Scotland | 94.40% | 95.1% | 93.4% |

Number of pupils leaving in school year:

| Total No. Leavers | Kinlochbervie High School | HIGHLAND | SCOTLAND |
|-------------------|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| 2017/18 | 8 | 2441 | 49707 |
| 2018/19 | 9 | 2264 | 49717 |
| 2019/20 | 6 | 2216 | 47435 |

Destinations of Pupils (%)

| DESTINATION | Kinlochbervie High School | | | HIGHLAND | | | SCOTLAND | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|
| | 17/18 | 18/19 | 19/20 | 17/18 | 18/19 | 19/20 | 17/18 | 18/19 | 19/20 |
| Higher Education | 0 | 11.11 | 33.33 | 35.15 | 32.20 | 39.53 | 41.1 | 40.35 | 44.20 |
| Further Education | 50.0 | 11.11 | | 19.87 | 23.14 | 25.41 | 26.5 | 27.27 | 28.06 |
| Training | 0 | | 16.67 | 1.35 | 4.81 | 3.20 | 2.1 | 3.47 | 3.68 |
| Employment | 37.5 | 77.78 | 50.00 | 36.62 | 33.88 | 23.83 | 22.7 | 22.92 | 16.18 |
| Voluntary | 0 | | | 0.78 | 0.71 | 0.50 | 0.7 | 0.58 | 0.45 |
| Activity Agreements | 0 | | | 2.17 | | | 1.2 | | |
| Unemployed Seeking | 12.5 | | | 1.80 | 2.08 | 4.42 | 3.8 | 3.12 | 4.14 |
| Unemployed Not Seeking | 0 | | | 1.15 | 1.46 | 2.17 | 1.3 | 1.41 | 1.83 |
| Unknown | 0 | | | 1.07 | 1.68 | 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 open Activity Agreements involving former pupils of Kinlochbervie High.

Pupil Attendance/Absence/Exclusions 2018/19

Scottish Government collect Attendance, Absence and Exclusions on a bi-annual basis, next reporting year is 2018-19.

| 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 | |
| Durness Primary School | 95.7% | 3.6% | 0.6% | 90.9/1000 | 90.9/1000 |
| Kinlochbervie Primary School | 92.2% | 5.7% | 2.1% | 0/1000 | 0/1000 |
| Scourie Primary School | 95.4% | 3.6% | 1.0% | 0/1000 | 0/1000 |

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|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|---|
| 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 | |
| Kinlochbervie High School | 88.6% | 7.6% | 3.8% | 20.4/1000 | 20.4/1000 |

Pupils

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% |
| Durness Primary School | 6 | 0 | 0 | small school/number | small school/number | small school/number |
| Kinlochbervie Primary School | 20 | 0 | 0 | small school/number | small school/number | small school/number |
| Scourie Primary School | 11 | 0 | 0 | small school/number | small school/number | small school/number |

| School | Pupil Roll | Looked After | EAL Pupils | Free Meals Eligibility | Free Meals Uptake |
|---------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Highland Secondary (2019) | | | | 11.3% | 80.5% |
| Scotland Secondary (2019) | | | | 15% | 70.9% |
| Kinlochbervie High School | 40 | 0 | <5 | 22% | 100% |

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

| HLH Facilities and Services within the Kinlochbervie Associated School Group Area | User Information | 2018/19 | 2019/20 | 2020/21 |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Far North Mobile Library | Customer Visits | 7,804 | 7,446 | 112 |
| Sports Pitches: Scourie Playing Field | Available for let by sports clubs | - | - | - |
| Active Schools Coordinator | Participant Sessions | 714 | 320 | 105 |

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-----|
| Youth Development Officer | Contacts with Young People | 1,574 | 1,084 | 115 |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|-----|

Programme information

Mobile Library: <http://highlifehighland.com/libraries/brora-mobile-library>

Implications

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.

Designation: North Education and Learning Manager

Date: 20/07/2021

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Background Papers:

SCHOOL ROLLS 2019-20

SCHOOL ROLLS

| SEED Code | School Name | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | P5 | P6 | P7 | TOTAL |
|-----------|------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| 5108020 | Durness Primary School | 2 | | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 6 |
| 5108322 | Kinlochbervie Primary School | | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 20 |
| 5108829 | Scourie Primary School | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 11 |

| School Name | S1 | S2 | S3 | S4 | S5 | S6 | S1-S6 |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Kinlochbervie High School | 5 | 6 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 5 | 40 |