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HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Committee: Care, Learning and Housing

Date: 5 December 2019

Report Title: Early Learning and Childcare Update

Report By: Chief Executive

1. Purpose/Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides Members with information on the continued developments in early years in Highland including the early learning and child care expansion programme.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are asked to:
- i. Note and acknowledge the developments and progress in early years and the ELC Expansion Programme
 - ii. Note and acknowledge the continued risks to the ELC programme
 - iii. Note that a briefing will be provided to Members on how the expanded hours will be provisioned within their local area before March 2020

3. Implications

- 3.1 Resource: The Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) Expansion Programme has been fully funded by the Scottish Government.
- 3.2 Legal: There is a legal requirement to provide ELC in line with the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014.
- 3.3 Community (Equality, Poverty and Rural): 1140 hours of ELC will enable more parents to choose to return to work, study or education.
- 3.4 Climate Change / Carbon Clever: Opportunities for outdoor provision are being developed.

3.5 Risk: The risk to programme delivery remains in terms of completion of capital projects and workforce. There is also a dependency on Care Inspectorate registration being completed in a timely fashion to allow settings to deliver the 1140 hrs in August 2020.

3.6 Gaelic: Fluent Gaelic speakers are a requirement for the ELC workforce and there remains a risk that we will not be able to employ adequate staff.

4. National Update on Early Years and the ELC Expansion Programme

4.1 'One year to go' national data was reported on 2 October. The report is available on the Scottish Government and Improvement Service websites, and shows the progress made to August 2019. Most notably, over 46,000 children are now receiving more than 600 funded hours, and recruitment and capacity delivery have progressed well.

4.2 The Improvement Service continues to visit and offer specific support to local authorities as requested. Support includes the development of supply and demand analysis to prioritise capital programmes, risk analysis workshops and the creation and evaluation of contingency plans.

4.3 During a parliamentary debate of 2 October 2019, the Minister for Children and Young People stated the Scottish Government's intention to bring forward legislation to ensure that all children who are not yet 5 on the first day of school are eligible for funded ELC if their school start is deferred.

4.4 For now, there is no change in the law. All children who are still 4 years old at the start of the school year can be deferred and start primary one the following year. Children with a birthday in January or February who defer school entry are automatically entitled to another year of funded ELC. For children with a birthday between the school commencement date in August and December, parents continue to have an automatic right to school deferral, but local authorities decide whether another year of funded ELC will be made available. Local authorities may wish to communicate locally about their policy to help parents and carers understand their options in the interim.

In a separate report to the Care, Learning and Housing Committee, arrangements within the Highlands are detailed.

4.5 Guidance for creating high-quality experiences and opportunities for children in indoor/outdoor settings was published by the Care Inspectorate on the 11 July 2019.

4.6 A Family Learning Scotland Programme is to be established. While many ELC practitioners are already delivering family learning, the intention is to roll-out an evidence-based programme across all 32 local authority areas by providing national training and support for over 400 practitioners so that family learning is embedded in the ELC offer for families living in the most disadvantaged communities.

4.7 Work is on-going to develop 'SEEMiS Early Years' to replace the NAMS system. The developers are progressing with the system design and the system build has commenced. Communications and engagements in the lead up to delivery are being planned, including information around testing, training and data migration. As part of the communications plan, a session was held with local authorities on 7 October.

5. Local Update on Early Years and the ELC Expansion Programme

5.1 Quality

The expansion of provision brings opportunities to improve quality of early learning and childcare (ELC) in our settings. Comparisons of ratings for our ELC settings with those made nationally by the Care Inspectorate (CI) and Education Scotland show that while the Council have a great number of settings meeting the National Standard much work has to be done to move securely to 'very good' and 'excellent' judgements.

- 5.2 The Council are currently carrying out an analysis of the key themes emerging from the most recent CI reports to develop a package of support to settings to improve quality further. In addition to the development of a Highland ELC Quality Strategy which will set out planned activity aligned with the six themes for educational improvement; positive relationships; inclusion, rights and equalities; safeguarding, care and wellbeing; pedagogy and development; and leadership of change.
- 5.3 ELC Expansion
The Expansion Programme continues to move forward at a pace in Highland, with Phase three going 'live' in January 2020. An additional 53 settings have been identified in Phase three. In 19 of those identified local authority settings there are additional staffing requirements. The identified posts are currently going through the recruitment process to ensure appointments are in place for the January school term.
- 5.4 In Highland there are a total of 245 ELC providers. A further 53 settings will move to 1140 hours from January 2020 as part of phase 3. This means from the beginning of ELC Expansion programme and including the settings moving to 1140 in January, a total of 126 ELC providers are delivering 1140 hrs. The remaining total (119) will move to 1140 in August 2020 incrementally.
- 5.5 Key milestones for settings going to full implementation in August 2020 have been identified and plans are being developed. In the last committee report we reported the contingency plans for critical projects. A priority now is to communicate with parents and councillors regarding the choice and flexibility that we the Council are offering and our contingency plans for the critical projects that have been identified. This will need to be communicated before 10th February enrolment date.
- 5.6 To assist the Council in meeting critical milestones within the expansion programme monthly meetings with representatives from the Care Inspectorate, Estates and the project team continue to be in place. In addition to this, the Council recognise the need to develop a critical pathway of actions needing to take place within all the expansion work streams.
- 5.7 February 2020 is a key milestone in the run up to August 2020 and so a great deal of the planning is focused on ensuring that the Council have both cemented and actioned key areas on the critical pathways between now and February.
- 5.8 Since August 2019 we the Council have recruited an additional 5 Childcare Managers to support expansion planning. Four of these posts are peripatetic and are supporting multiple settings, to ensure we the Council are effectively utilising the management role. The fourth post has been developed to support whole year ELC provision in Aviemore.
- 5.9 After the Supply and Demand work completed with support of the Improvement Service in July and August the Council have now updated the Highland operating model. By August 2020 this will include an offering of ELC of 30 funded hours per week in accordance with school opening times. In most cases this will be over 5 days (9am - 3pm) however some schools operate an asymmetric week with early closing on a

Friday. A more flexible term time option between 8am and 6pm; which equates to 30 funded hours per week, with the opportunity to purchase additional hours (subject to availability), and a whole year provision which allows for funded hours to be taken in discussion with the setting, and the opportunity to purchase additional hours, subject to availability.

5.10 Outdoor Learning

In line with the national driver to promote outdoor learning, the Council have provided four single days of outdoor training (one in each area) to support staff around actively utilising outdoor provision and feedback from these sessions has been very positive. The Council have a cohort of 16 practitioners who are part of a 12 month programme of outdoor training aptly named '*Laying the Trail for Outdoors*'. The emphasis of this training is to enable participants to develop a shared understanding of the values of outdoor provision and develop a train-the-trainers approach to spread the knowledge, understanding and skills of effective outdoor learning across Highland. The training is project based and will culminate in a one day conference in Inverness on 1st June 2020.

5.11 The Council continues to work with colleagues from Inspiring Scotland around developing outdoor provision with at least one new fully outdoor provision registered in Highland. To effectively utilise outdoor space we are aware of the acceptable use of provision to reduce risk. Highland is hosting a Northern Alliance event facilitated by the Scottish Government and led by the Care Inspectorate on developing 'free flow' play outdoors.

5.12 Milton Holiday Hub Pilot Programme

In line with the national driver for family learning to be embedded in the ELC offer for families living in the most disadvantaged communities; a partnership project, funded by the Scottish Government and Highland Council ran over the summer holiday period. The programme offered hot cooked meals, childcare and activities to the community of Milton, Ross-shire. Partners to the project include; Highlife Highland, Action for Children, the Primary School & the Mercat Community Centre. The pilot has taken a community planning approach. It contributes to child poverty drivers and to the council's Poverty Reduction aim from the Highland Outcome Improvement Plan.

5.13 Funding from the Scottish Government was secured to continue the pilot until the end of Easter 2020 and so the hub ran again during the October holidays. Having built up relationships with partner providers such as Action for Children and Highlife Highland an excellent range of activities were on offer during October. Further developments included; holding parental engagement sessions, increasing the number of family cooking sessions and opening up lunchtimes to include parents, carers and siblings.

5.14 Increasing family and community participation, in addition to parents joining children and staff for a lunchtime meal was reported as having a positive impact on the wellbeing of both parents and children. The success of the October hub has resulted in further developments being implemented – a 'community meal night' during term time for families; Certified training in Health and Hygiene and First Aid and five parents are signed up to begin adult learning courses over the next six months as part of the pilot project.

5.15 Moving forward, the Milton Holiday Hub Pilot project intends to research into the wider impacts of this type of provision on an area of rural deprivation.

6. **ELC Capital Investment Programme Update**

- 6.1 A detailed report was provided to the previous meeting of this Committee outlining the current status of the individual projects in the capital programme. This also included the approach that has been adopted in order to identify and manage the risks associated with those projects that have been classed as high priority, and/or high-risk, in terms of being able to deliver the expanded ELC service from August 2020 onwards.
- 6.2 This risk identification and management process is ongoing and contingency plans and/or interim arrangements continue to be developed for settings as required. A commitment was given in the October report to provide regular updates to Members at Ward level and the initial reports for all Wards will be issued by the end of December. A comprehensive update on the overall programme will also be reported to the next meeting of this Committee (capital annex attached as **Appendix 1**).

Designation: Chief Executive

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Background Papers:

School/Setting	ASG	Area	Local Authority / Partner	HC Nursery Prior to 1,140?	Establish HC Nursery?	Investment Required?	Comments
Ankerville Nursery (Alness) Ltd	Alness	Mid	Partner				
Ardross	Alness	Mid	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Ardross Nursery Playgroup	Alness	Mid	Partner				
Bridgend	Alness	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Coulhill	Alness	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Highlife Highland Katz	Alness	Mid	Partner				
Kiltearn	Alness	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Obsdale	Alness	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Ben Wyvis	Dingwall	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	At design stage.
Croileagan Inbhir Pheofharain	Dingwall	Mid	Partner				
Dingwall - EM/GM	Dingwall	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Dingwall Childrens Nursery	Dingwall	Mid	Partner				
Dingwall Ducklings	Dingwall	Mid	Partner				
Ferintosh	Dingwall	Mid	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Kilcoy Kindergarten	Dingwall	Mid	Partner				
Little Angels Nursery	Dingwall	Mid	Partner				

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Marybank	Dingwall	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Muir of Ord Playgroup	Dingwall	Mid	Partner				
Mulbuie	Dingwall	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Does not have dedicated nursery room.
St Clement's School Nursery	Dingwall	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Strathconon	Dingwall	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Strathgarve	Dingwall	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Strathpeffer	Dingwall	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Tarradale	Dingwall	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Avoch	Fortrose	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Cromarty	Fortrose	Mid	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Cromarty Childcare Centre	Fortrose	Mid	Partner				Possible opportunity to relocate nursery to school if roll numbers continue to fall.
Culbokie	Fortrose	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Fortrose Pre-school Limited	Fortrose	Mid	Partner				
Munloch	Fortrose	Mid	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Munloch Pre-School Centre	Fortrose	Mid	Partner				
North Kessock	Fortrose	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	

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Resolis	Fortrose	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Tore	Fortrose	Mid	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Invergordon Childcare	Invergordon	Mid	Partner				
Milton	Invergordon	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Newmore	Invergordon	Mid	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Park	Invergordon	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
South Lodge	Invergordon	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Ankerville House Nursery (Tain)	Tain	Mid	Partner				
Craighill - EM/GM	Tain	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Investment in English Medium only.
Edderton	Tain	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Gledfield	Tain	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Hill of Fearn	Tain	Mid	Local Authority	No	Yes	Yes	Complete.
Hilton of Cadboll	Tain	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Inver	Tain	Mid	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Knockbreck	Tain	Mid	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Stepping Stones	Tain	Mid	Partner				

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Tarbat Old	Tain	Mid	Local Authority	Yes		No	

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Bonar Bridge	Dornoch	North	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Complete.
Dornoch	Dornoch	North	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Complete.
Farr	Farr	North	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Works underway.
Melvich	Farr	North	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Works underway.
Tongue	Farr	North	Local Authority	No	Yes	Yes	At design stage.
Tongue Pre-school Centre	Farr	North	Partner				
Brora	Golspie	North	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Brora Playgroup	Golspie	North	Partner				
Golspie	Golspie	North	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Minor works required.
Golspie Playgroup	Golspie	North	Partner				
Helmsdale	Golspie	North	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Lairg	Golspie	North	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Rogart	Golspie	North	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Rosehall	Golspie	North	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Durness	Kinlochbervie	North	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Kinlochbervie	Kinlochbervie	North	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Kinlochbervie Preschool	Kinlochbervie	North	Partner				

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KLB Playgroup	Kinlochbervie	North	Partner				
Scourie	Kinlochbervie	North	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Castletown	Thurso	North	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Crossroads	Thurso	North	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Halkirk	Thurso	North	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Halkirk Playgroup	Thurso	North	Partner				
Halkirk Pre-School	Thurso	North	Partner				
Miller Academy	Thurso	North		Yes		Yes	
Mount Pleasant	Thurso	North		Yes		Yes	
Pennyland	Thurso	North		Yes		Yes	
Playden Nursery	Thurso	North	Partner				
Reay	Thurso	North	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Reay - EM / CALA	Thurso	North	Partner				
Reay Under 5's Playgroup	Thurso	North	Partner				
Scallywags	Thurso	North	Partner				
Bower	Wick	North	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Busy Bees Bower	Wick	North	Partner				

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Canisbay	Wick	North	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Dunbeath	Wick	North	Local Authority	No	Yes	Yes	Complete.
Keiss	Wick	North	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	At design stage.
Lybster	Wick	North	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Minor works required.
Newton Park	Wick	North	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Noss	Wick	North	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Complete.
Private PartnerP (2's)	Wick	North	Partner				
Thrumster	Wick	North	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Watten	Wick	North	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.

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Abriachan Nursery	Charleston	South	Partner				
Beauly	Charleston	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Dochgarroch	Charleston	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Jannies House Kinmylies	Charleston	South	Partner				
Kinmylies	Charleston	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Kirkhill	Charleston	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Muirtown	Charleston	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Summerlings at The Shieling Project	Charleston	South	Partner				
Teanassie	Charleston	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Tomnacross	Charleston	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Ardersier	Culloden	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Balloch	Culloden	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Country Bumpkins	Culloden	South	Partner				
Cradlehall	Culloden	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Cradlehall Nursery	Culloden	South	Partner				
Cradlehall Playgroup	Culloden	South	Partner				

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Croy	Culloden	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Duncan Forbes	Culloden	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	See comment on Stratton below.
Green Tree Nursery	Culloden	South	Partner				
Inverness College UHI Nursery	Culloden	South	Partner				
Les Enfants Nurseries Ltd (Westhill)	Culloden	South	Partner				
Smithton	Culloden	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Underway as part of larger project
Stramash Outdoor Nursery Tornagrain	Culloden	South	Partner				
Stratton	Culloden	South	Local Authority	No	Yes	Yes	Considering the establishment of new provision on the reserved school site.
Tiny Tots Nursery	Culloden	South	Partner				
Balnain	Glenurquhart	South	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Cannich Bridge	Glenurquhart	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Glenurquhart - GM	Glenurquhart	South	Local Authority	No	No	Yes	Considering the establishment of Gaelic Medium provision.
Glenurquhart Childcare Centre - EM	Glenurquhart	South	Partner				
Abernethy	Grantown	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Carrbridge	Grantown	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Deshar	Grantown	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Joint initiative with Community.

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Grantown	Grantown	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Grantown Playgroup	Grantown	South	Partner				
Bishop Eden	Inverness High	South	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Central	Inverness High	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Dalneigh	Inverness High	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Underway as part of larger project
Fliperz Day Care	Inverness High	South	Partner				
Limetree Childrens Nursery	Inverness High	South	Partner				
Merkinch	Inverness High	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Underway as part of larger project
Merkinch Family Centre	Inverness High	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Northern Meeting Park	Inverness High	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
St Joseph's	Inverness High	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Aldourie	IRA	South	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Bun-sgoil Ghaidhlig Inbhir Nis	IRA	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	At design stage.
Busy Bees Inverness	IRA	South	Partner				
Cauldeen	IRA	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Complete.
Farr	IRA	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	

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Foyers	IRA	South	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Hilton	IRA	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Holm	IRA	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Reviewing requirements in relation to Ness Castle.
Les Enfants Nurseries Ltd (Ness Side)	IRA	South	Partner				
Lochardil	IRA	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Reviewing requirements in relation to Ness Castle.
Ness Castle	IRA	South	Local Authority	No	Yes	Yes	New Primary School at Ness Castle to be operational for August 2021.
Nessie's Nippers Playgroup	IRA	South	Partner				
Stratherrick	IRA	South	Local Authority	No	Yes	Yes	Complete.
Alvie	Kingussie	South	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Aviemore	Kingussie	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	To be considered once updated school roll forecasts are available.
Cairngorm ELC	Kingussie	South	Partner				
Gergask	Kingussie	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Kingussie	Kingussie	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Newtonmore - EM/GM	Kingussie	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	English and Gaelic Medium provision currently in shared room.
Rosebuds (2 yr provision)	Kingussie	South	Partner				
Wild Willows	Kingussie	South	Partner				

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Crown	Millburn	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Daviot	Millburn	South	No Provision	No	No		Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Drakies	Millburn	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Inshes	Millburn	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Jannies House Raigmore	Millburn	South	Partner				
Les Enfants Nurseries Ltd (Inshes)	Millburn	South	Partner				
Milton of Leys	Millburn	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	At design stage.
Playpen Day Nursery	Millburn	South	Partner				
Raigmore	Millburn	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
St John's Pre-school Centre	Millburn	South	Partner				
Strathdearn	Millburn	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Wimberley Estate Childcare Facility	Millburn	South	Partner				
1st Steps (2 yr provision)	Nairn	South	Partner				
Auldearn	Nairn	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Cawdor	Nairn	South	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Junior World Childcare Group	Nairn	South	Partner				

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Millbank	Nairn	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Nairn Gaelic Playgroup / Croileagan Inbhir Narainn	Nairn	South	Partner				
Rosebank	Nairn	South	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	

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Acharacle - EM/GM	Ardnamurchan	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	English and Gaelic Medium provision currently in shared room.
Ardgour	Ardnamurchan	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Kilchoan	Ardnamurchan	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Minor works required.
Lochaline	Ardnamurchan	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Possible relocation to school building.
Strontian	Ardnamurchan	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Bualnaluib	Gairloch	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Gairloch - EM/GM	Gairloch	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	English and Gaelic Medium provision currently in shared room.
Kinlochewe	Gairloch	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Poolewe	Gairloch	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Shieldaig	Gairloch	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Kilchuimen	Kilchuimen	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Ballachulish	Kinlochleven	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Duror	Kinlochleven	West	No Provision	No			Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Glencoe	Kinlochleven	West	No Provision	No			Demand covered by other settings nearby.
Kinlochleven	Kinlochleven	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
St Brides	Kinlochleven	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	

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Banavie	Lochaber	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Loch Abar	Lochaber	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Caol	Lochaber	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Invergarry	Lochaber	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	At design stage - part of larger project
Inverlochy	Lochaber	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Minor works required.
Little Learners Day Care Nursery	Lochaber	West	Partner				
Lundavra	Lochaber	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Spean Bridge	Lochaber	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
St Columba's	Lochaber	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Stramash Outdoor Nursery	Lochaber	West	Partner				
Arisaig	Mallaig	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Canna	Mallaig	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Eigg	Mallaig	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Inverie	Mallaig	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Lady Lovat	Mallaig	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Mallaig	Mallaig	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	English and Gaelic Medium provision currently in shared room.

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Muck	Mallaig	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Rum	Mallaig	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Applecross	Plockton	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Auchtertyre	Plockton	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Complete.
Glenelg	Plockton	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Kyle	Plockton	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Kyleakin	Plockton	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Loch Duich	Plockton	West	No Provision	Yes		No	
Lochcarron	Plockton	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Plockton	Plockton	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Broadford - EM/GM	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	English and Gaelic Medium provision currently in shared room.
Bun-Sgoil Ghaidlig Phort Rìgh	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Complete.
Bun-Sgoil Shleite - EM/GM	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	
Carbost	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Dunvegan - EM/GM	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	English and Gaelic Medium provision currently in shared room.
Edinbane	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	

School/Setting	ASG	Area		HC Nursery Prior to 1,140?	Establish HC Nursery?	Investment Required?	Comments
Elgol	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Kilmuir	Portree	West	No Provision	Yes		No	
Knockbreck	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Macdiarmid	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Portree - EM	Portree	West	Partner	No		Yes	Relocation to vacated space in Primary School.
Raasay	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Staffin	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Struan	Portree	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Achiltibuie	Ullapool	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Badcaul	Ullapool	West	No Provision	Yes		No	
Lochinver	Ullapool	West	Local Authority	Yes		No	
Scoraig	Ullapool	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	Minor works required.
Ullapool - EM/GM	Ullapool	West	Local Authority	Yes		Yes	At design stage.