

## Broadford Primary (New School) Stakeholder Group

**Minutes – Meeting 17, Microsoft Teams, 11 Sept 2024, 3pm**

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Initials</b>
<b>Highland Councillor</b>	
John Finlayson	JF
Drew Millar	DM
Ruraidh Stewart	RS
<b>Stakeholders</b>	
Stephen Atkins, Head Teacher	SA
Hamish Fraser, Broadford & Strath Community Council	HF
Nicholas Kelly, South Skye Community Campus	NK
Melissa MacLeod, Parent Council	MML
Ronan Martin, Parent Council	RM
<b>Highland Council Officials</b>	
Laura Burns, Project Manager	LB
Robert Campbell, Estate Strategy Manager	RC
Christopher Gunn, Estates Co-ordinator	CG
Jenny MacRae, Estates Co-ordinator	JMR
Iain Robertson, Principal Project Manager	IR
<b>External</b>	
<b>School Pupils</b>	
Franco Abringe	FA
Arnie Davis	AD
Daniel MacDonald	DMD
Heidi Parker	HP
<b>Apologies</b>	
Julie Corcoran, HLH Libraries Dorothy Gibb, Estates Team Leader Shirley Grant, South Skye Community Campus Mhairi MacDonald, Area Education Manager David O'Donnell, Broadford & Strath Community Council Cllr Calum Munro Ryan Sutherland, Senior Architectural Technician James Swinnerton, LSHA	

<b>Item</b>	<b>Discussion and comment</b>	<b>Action</b>
1.	<b>Welcome, apologies and matters arising</b>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As above.</li> <li>• Welcome to everyone and particularly the new pupils this session representing the school.</li> <li>• Round screen introductions were made.</li> <li>• Feedback comments from Public Drop In event were shared at last meeting. Positive comments received and varied opinions on the school design.</li> <li>• JF – one comment was raised regarding Borreraig Road being widened. Is this being looked at?</li> <li>• IR – There are ongoing discussions with Roads and Transport on this and options being looked at.</li> </ul> <p><b>Pupil Questions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• D – Did you find anything during the archaeological dig?</li> <li>• IR – Nothing found on site which is a good thing as it won't delay the project.</li> <li>• H – Are the plans finished and is the Planning Application been submitted.</li> <li>• IR – Application has been submitted to the Highland Council website and can be viewed online at the following link: <a href="https://www.highland.gov.uk">Simple Search (highland.gov.uk)</a> and then searching under the application reference <b>24/02571/FUL</b>. Planning decision has not been made yet and still going through the process.</li> <li>• A – When is the new school going to be done.</li> <li>• RC – Currently working on the program to deliver the project. Hope to have Dunvegan and Broadford running together, although Broadford will be ahead with a slight gap of 2- 3 months with Dunvegan. Anticipating a one-year build for Broadford with a completion date of around August 2026. Contractor tendering process still to be done but hoping to have two schools to build, will be more appealing to contractors. Any changes or updates will be addressed through the Stakeholder Meeting.</li> <li>• D – Will the Muga and Play Park stay</li> <li>• NK – Play Park is staying but the Muga will go as the new school will have a Muga.</li> <li>• F– What will happen to the Muga space</li> <li>• NK – Muga site will be used for changing facilities and maybe some additional parking space and some of the site is needed to extend the Astro Pitch.</li> <li>• H – What will happen to the old school site.</li> <li>• RC – Discussions to transfer the site to Housing Team but this has not been finalised. Internal Housing Team work closely with Housing Associations and as site is in the middle of housing scheme, could be used for additional houses.</li> <li>• JF – Access could be an issue, but more housing is needed in Broadford and other parts of Skye.</li> </ul>	

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2.	<p><b>Planning application updates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Covered under section 1 and Community Update.</li> <li>• RC – Target date for Planning decision has passed – 03.09.24.</li> <li>• IR – There are a couple of issues still to be addressed with SEPA – soil management and culvert positioning for water flow. Once these have been addressed and fed back into the system, this should free up the application to progress further.</li> <li>• JF – The Community Planning application has also been submitted.</li> <li>• NK – Yes</li> <li>• RS – With the delays in Planning, will this impact on the draw down for LEIP 2 funds from the Scottish Government? Timescales for build starting and completing will be tight to achieve the draw down. Has an extension been sought from the Scottish Government?</li> <li>• RC – In regular contact with Scottish Futures Trust who are the main funding body for the Scottish Government. Submit regular reports to this group and have advised we won't hit the December 2025 deadline. SFT would rather be kept updated rather than apply for an extension and then need another. Once Planning and Procurement have been concluded, we will be able to advise on a firm date for works to start and to be completed.</li> <li>• JF – Hopefully positive that we are trying to bundle Dunvegan and Broadford projects together.</li> <li>• RC – SFT aware that Dunvegan was part of the LEIP 3 Funding program and procurement issues faced.</li> </ul>	
3.	<p><b>Highland Council update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Covered under section 1</li> <li>• RC – Planning submission has been a big milestone and design is progressing. Dunvegan being designed on the back of Broadford and moving forward, the design will be used in other school builds. Broadford being a pilot project.</li> <li>• LB – Working through Planning Issues, Transport Officers and SEPA. Just about to appoint the Design Team for Dunvegan and it helps that the design of Broadford is like Dunvegan.</li> <li>• IR – Shared fly through video.</li> <li>• The size of the video needs to be reduced so it can be shared with the wider group and parents. File will be converted, and a link created to share video via You Tube.</li> <li>• HF – Will the delay in Dunvegan build have an impact on the start date and delivery of Broadford?</li> <li>• RC – No. Projects are separate, and Broadford will start first as it's further ahead. When engaging with contractors, the two options will be Broadford on its own or Dunvegan &amp; Broadford. Broadford has been agreed in the Capital Program.</li> <li>• JF – Important to add the Housing Project in Dunvegan along with the new schools.</li> </ul>	IR?

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4.	<p><b>Community update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NK – Planning application has been submitted for the Astro Pitch. Funding applications submitted to Sport Scotland and Island Fund Program and await their decision. If successful with these funders and with the money already raised, we should reach our £1m target for the project. Project is in three phases:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Astro Pitch</li> <li>2. Changing Facility</li> <li>3. Village Hall Refurbishment</li> </ol>               Hope to be able to start phase one at the end of this year or beginning of next. Further consultation and public meetings required to adopt the Village Hall under the umbrella of South Skye Community Campus.             </li> <li>• JF – Funding packages can be a challenge. Forbes Dunlop, CEX of Sport Scotland has been invited to Skye and it is hoped he will visit by the end of the year.</li> <li>• JF – Anything from Service Point of view?</li> <li>• JR – Nothing to report, progressing with HLH.</li> <li>• HF – Concerned that there is not proper communication with library/service point staff and HLH. Can this be checked.</li> <li>• JR – Will feed this back to my colleague in HLH.</li> <li>• DM – I am on the HLH Board and will monitor this and speak to the relevant officer at HLH and feed back to group if any issues.</li> </ul>	JR
5.	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RM – Introduced himself and MML as Parent Council representatives.</li> <li>• DM – Catch up meeting with Planning Officers on Friday afternoon. Will seek update on progress of the application and to ensure no unnecessary delays</li> <li>• IR – Spoke with Mark Harvey and has indicated decision will be made under Delegated Powers. Way may not need to wait for a committee date.</li> <li>• RS – If any issues arise with Planning, can a special meeting be arranged to push this on.</li> <li>• JF – Aspiration is it will be Delegated Approval, but emergency meeting can be arranged if issues arise.</li> </ul>	
6.	<p><b>Date of next meeting</b></p> <p><b>Wednesday 13 November 2024 – 3pm Via Teams</b></p>	