



## COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR: 4 DECEMBER 2024

### COMMITTEE DECISION REPORT

#### EDUCATION, SPORT AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE : 26 NOVEMBER 2024

At its meeting on 26 November 2024, the Education, Sport and Children's Services Committee considered the business referred to below. The Committee has approved the recommendations detailed for approval by the Comhairle. Where the Committee has exercised delegated powers or used the conditional delegation provisions for any item, this is stated.

Items marked with an asterisk\* were considered with the press and public excluded from the Meeting.

<i>Item Title</i>	<i>Agenda Number</i>	<i>Committee's Decision</i>
Minute of Meeting of 24 September 2024	1	The Minute of the Meeting of 24 September 2024 was approved.
Minute of Local Negotiating Committee: Teaching Staff Meeting of 19 November 2024	2	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Minute of the Meeting of 19 November 2024.
Declaration of Interest	3	There were no declarations of interest.
Outcome Delivery Report	4	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.
Support for Local Club Sport Groups	5	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle approve continued support for the Local ClubSport Groups through devolving £10k to the ClubSport Lewis and Harris and £6k to ClubSport Uist and Barra Sports from the 2024/25 Sports Grant budget.
Children's Parliament Call to Action	6	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.
National Improvement Framework: Annual Report, Plan and Stretch Aims	7	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle:  (1) approve the priorities, actions and targets set out in the National Improvement Framework Plan 2024-25 and the Scottish Attainment Challenge Stretch Aims Report for 2024-25 (24-26); and  (2) agree to arrange an Education Seminar which would include consideration of the National Improvement Framework and statutory reporting.
Building Racial Literacy and Awareness of Anti-Racism	8	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle:  (1) agree to arrange a Seminar for Elected Members on Promoting Anti Racist Education in Scotland; and  (2) support building racial literacy and awareness of anti-racism within Education and Children's Services in the Western Isles.

The Nicolson Institute – Further Inspection	9	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.
Sgoil Ùige – Inspection Report	10	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle:  (1) note the Report; and  (2) supports the new Head Teacher, Sgoil Ùige and Sgoil Àraich Ùige to develop and implement the new action plan which will address the areas for improvement within the HMI report.
Home to School Transport	11	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle approve the Home to School Transport Policy.
Comhairle Playpark Renewal Programme Update	12	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle:  (1) approve the proposed playparks eligible for grant funding, as detailed in paragraph 6.7 of the Report, and  (2) authorise the Chief Officer, Education and Children’s Services and the Chief Officer, Assets and Infrastructure to agree improvements and allocation of grant funds to approved playparks based on technical appraisal and all available grant funds are distributed.
Stornoway Primary Sports Development Update	13	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.
Barra and Vatersay Community Campus Update	14 *	It was agreed to recommend, insofar as the interests of the Committee were concerned, that the Comhairle note the Report.
Integrated Children’s Services Plan 2023-2026	15	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle approve the revised Integrated Children’s Services Plan 2023-2026.
Western Isles Housing Support Service	16	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.
Chief Social Worker Annual Report 2023/24	17	It was agreed to recommend, insofar as the interests of the Committee were concerned, that the Comhairle note the Chief Social Work Officer Annual Report 2023/24.
Residential Placements for Children and Young People	18 *	It was agreed to recommend, insofar as the interests of the Committee were concerned, that the Comhairle note the financial position for specialist residential provision for 2024-25.
Fostering and Adoption Inspection Update	19 *	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note:  (1) the findings of the Care Inspectorate Report – Fostering and Adoption Services;  (2) the Improvement Plan and progress made; and  (3) the changing landscape of care placements, with kinship placements far outnumbering the number of foster and adoptive placements in the Western Isles.

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20 It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.