Glasgow City Council

PUBLIC CONSULTATION



Proposal to open a new Gaelic Medium Education (GME)
Primary School in the South West of the City and to define
new catchment areas for primary-aged children attending
Glasgow Gaelic School/Sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghlaschu and
Glendale Gaelic School/Bunsgoil Ghàidhlig Ghleann Dail
and the new school (summary document*)

In 1999 Glasgow opened its first primary GME provision. As the roll grew, it became necessary to relocate to a larger building, along with the addition of GME secondary education within the authority.

In August 2006, Glasgow City Council opened its first dedicated all-through GME school when the existing GME primary school relocated to the former Woodside Secondary in Berkeley Street.

The primary school roll has grown steadily since, and this is now reflected in the increased roll in the secondary GME provision on the campus. In May 2016, GCC opened its second GME primary school at the Glendale Campus in the Pollokshields area of Glasgow.

As a result, Glasgow now has two catchment areas identified in the city for primary GME provision.

GME is, without doubt, a success in the city and after an assessment of future demand and engagement sessions with parents and carers, staff and young people, the case was made for a third primary GME school in the city.

It is proposed to establish a new primary GME school in the former Gowanbank Primary School and new catchment areas.

So that you can inform us of your thoughts, we have published the full consultation document on the Glasgow City Council website www.glasgow.gov.uk/schoolconsultations

You can use the form on the web page above to submit your opinions to us online. Alternatively, you can submit a paper version of the response questionnaire which you can post back to us at Education Consultations, Education Services, City Chambers East, 40 John Street, Glasgow G1 1JL.

We will read and consider every submission. Once we have collated all responses, we will produce a report which will be presented to councillors who will then decide whether to go ahead with the proposals outlined above.

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*Please Note

The statutory, consultation document detailing these proposals is available at the establishments identified above (as is the response questionnaire) and online at www.glasgow.gov.uk/schoolconsultations, and at Education Services, City Chambers East, 40 John Street, Glasgow, G1 1JL or by calling 0141 287 4327.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

Where a Council brings forward proposals to change catchment areas, there is a requirement to carry out a public consultation within the statutory framework defined by the Schools (Consultation)(Scotland) Act 2010..

Consultation papers have been distributed to a wide range of stakeholders and interested parties including:

- Education Scotland (HMI)
- Parents/carers/children (establishments affected by the proposals)
- · Appropriate staff
- Trades Unions
- Community Councils
- Area Partnerships
- Groups formed under Part 2 of the Local Government in Scotland Act (2003)
- · Other users of the school premises.

The indicative timetable for the consultation is as per the table below.

Date	Action
22 May 2017	Start of Public Consultation period (Advert)
6 June 2017	Public meeting at 7pm in Sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghlaschu
20 June 2017	Public meeting at 7pm in Bunsgoil Ghàidhlig Ghleann Dail
17 August 2017	Public meeting at 7pm in Gowanbank Primary School
3 September 2017	End of Public Consultation period
8 September 2017	Information to HMI for report (3 week period)
(TBC)	Consultation response report published at least 3 weeks prior to Executive Committee
(TBC)	Report to Executive Committee

SCOTTISH MINISTERS' CALL-IN

The Schools (Consultation)(Scotland) Act 2010 as amended, does not make provisions for referral to Scottish Ministers in cases other than school closures.