

ANGUS COUNCIL

CHILDREN AND LEARNING COMMITTEE – 17 NOVEMBER 2020

MONIFIETH LEARNING ESTATE

ABSTRACT

This report provides information to members with regard to services in the Education and Lifelong Learning Directorate, albeit that a decision is not required in terms of the current Scheme of Delegation to Officers and the Order of Reference of Committees.

1. BACKGROUND

Angus Council, at its meeting on 05 September 2019 took a number of decisions in relation to the Monifieth Learning Estate Options Appraisal. Members agreed that Option 6 of the Monifieth Options Appraisal had been fully explored and agreed that Options 3 and 5 would be the priority for further work. [Report 285/19](#) refers. Also in September 2019, the Scottish Government published its new Scottish Learning Estate Strategy, and announced the first phase of projects to benefit from Scottish Government funding. In February 2020, Elected Members made a high-level commitment of capital funding to support future learning estate projects in the Monifieth cluster. [Report 84/20](#) refers.

2. CURRENT POSITION

Due to the circumstances presented by Covid-19, a decision was taken by Scottish Government to delay the announcement of the second phase of projects to December 2020. In September 2020, the Scottish Government wrote to all local authorities requesting an update on current learning estate strategies and confirmation of any priority projects to be put forward for consideration as part of phase two.

Officers from the Education and Infrastructure Directorates were tasked with preparing a response prior to the deadline of 13 October 2020. A submission has now been made providing Scottish Government with a general update on the Learning Estate and identifying Monifieth High School as the priority project for consideration for funding as part of Phase 2 ([appendix 1](#)). A decision is expected in December.

A detailed report is being prepared for Elected Members for consideration before Christmas. The report will provide a update on the wider Angus Schools for the Future Programme and further consideration of the Monifieth options.

3. REPORT AUTHOR

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