

19 January 2021



Dear Parent/Carer

Glencorse Primary School Statutory Consultation

I am writing to inform you that earlier today, Midlothian Council approved the recommendations as set out in the statutory consultation proposal as follows:

- the provision of primary education at Glencorse Primary School be discontinued;
- the catchment areas of Mauricewood and Roslin Primary Schools be extended to include the Glencorse catchment area;
- remaining pupils to have the choice of attending Mauricewood or Roslin Primary Schools, the nominated school to be considered the pupil's catchment school;
- children residing in the Glencorse catchment area who in the future become of primary school age to be given the choice of attending Mauricewood or Roslin Primary Schools, and the nominated school to be considered their catchment school;
- school transport to be provided for all children affected, where there is no safe walking route to school and/or the distance from home to school is more than two miles.

Midlothian Council now has six working days to notify Scottish Ministers of its decision. Section 15 of the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 enables Scottish Ministers to call-in a decision to implement the proposed closure of the school. Scottish Ministers have a period of up to eight weeks from and including the date of the council's decision to decide if they will call-in the proposal. The council will publish the date when Scottish Ministers have been notified and representations can then be made to the Scottish Ministers within the first three weeks of the eight-week period. To clarify, the council may not proceed with the implementation of the proposal during the call-in period. We will be back in touch with you once we are made aware of the Scottish Ministers' decision.

Your school's Headteacher and Nicola McDowell, Schools Group Manager (nicola.mcdowell@midlothian.gov.uk) will be available to respond to any queries you have regarding today's decision.

Yours sincerely

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