



COMATAIDH NA GÀIDHLIG
23 SEPTEMBER 2025

Gaelic Secondary School Feasibility Study

Report by Chief Officer for
Education and Children's Services

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23 AN T-SULTAIN 2025

Rannsachadh air Àrd-Sgoil Ghàidhlig

Aithisg le Àrd Oifigear Foghlaim agus
Seirbheisean Chloinne

PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of the Report is to provide an update to the Committee on progress with the Feasibility Study into establishing a dedicated Gaelic Secondary School.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 It was agreed by the Comhairle in February 2025 to undertake a feasibility Study on the establishment of a dedicated Gaelic Medium secondary school provision in the Western Isles.
- 2.2 Funding was secured from the Scottish Government Gaelic Capital Fund and a research team was commissioned from Edinburgh University to undertake the research.
- 2.3 The research will involve several elements, including a fieldwork visit to the island for two weeks commencing 22 September 2025.
- 2.4 A full report that was provided to the Education, Sport and Children's Services Committee is appended to this report providing a full update to the committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the report in as far as its interests are concerned.

ADHBHAR

- 1.1 'S e adhbhar na h-Aithisg seo fiosrachadh a thoirt don Chomataidh mu adhartas leis an Sgrùdadh Comasachd air a' stèidheachadh Àrd-sgoil Ghàidhlig anns na h-Eileanan Siar.

GEÀRR-CHUNNTAS

- 2.1 Dh'aontaich a' Chomhairle san Gearran 2025 sgrùdadh comasachd a dhèanamh air stèidheachadh àrd-sgoile sònraichte airson Foghlaim tro Mheadhan na Gàidhlig anns na h-eileanan.
- 2.2 Fhuair a' Chomhairle maoineachadh bho Riaghaltas na h-Alba airson a' phròiseict agus chaidh sgioba rannsachaidh fhastadh bho Oilthigh Dhùn Èideann gus an rannsachadh a dhèanamh.
- 2.3 Bidh an rannsachadh ann an grunn phàirtean, a' gabhail a-steach tadhal air an eilean airson dà sheachdain a' tòiseachadh air 22 Sultain 2025 gus obair a dhèanamh airson an rannsachaidh.
- 2.4 Tha aithisg slàn a chaidh gu Comataidh Foghlaim, Spòrs agus Seirbheisean Chloinne ceangailte ris an aithisg seo, a' toirt làn fhiosrachadh don chomataidh air an obair.

MOLADHEAN

- 3.1 Thathar a' moladh gun toir a' Chomataidh fa-near don aithisg.



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ESCS Committee Report:
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Background
Papers:

Cuir fios gu: Dòmhnall Macleòid
Fa-sgrìobhadh: Aithisg Comataidh FSSC: Àrd-
sgoil Ghàidhlig 23 Sultain
2025
Pàipearan
Fiosrachaidh

IMPLICATIONS

BUAIDH

4.1 The following implications are applicable in terms of the report. Tha na leanas mar bhuidhean.

Resource Implications	Implications/None	Buaidhean Stòras	Buaidh/Neo-ni
Financial	None	Ionmhas	Neo-ni
Legal	None	Laghail	Neo-ni
Staffing	None	Sgiobachd	Neo-ni
Assets and Property	None	So-mhaoin is Tog	Neo-ni
Strategic Implications	Implications/None	Buaidhean Ro-innleachdail	Buaidh/Neo-ni
Risk	None	Cunnart	Neo-ni
Equalities	None	Co-ionannachd	Neo-ni
Corporate Strategy	Support Children, Families and Young People Gaelic Language Plan	Ro-innleachd Chorporra	Thoir taic do chlann, teaghlaichean agus daoine òga Plana Gàidhlig
Environmental Impact	None	Buaidh air an Àrainneachd	Neo-ni
Consultation	Consultation is an inherent element of the feasibility study.	Co-chomhairleachadh	Tha co-chomhairleachadh na phàirt riatanach den sgrùdadh.

