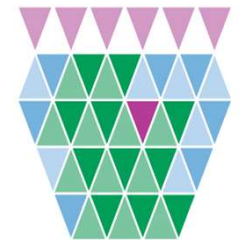


# **Appendix B1 - Presentation delivered to all Consultation Meetings**

## **Forres Academy Relocation Proposal**

Public Consultation



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# Consultation Process

- **School (Consultation)(Scotland)Act 2010**
- The 2010 Act's principal purpose is to provide strong, accountable statutory consultation practices and procedures that local authorities must apply to their handling of all proposals for school relocations and other major changes to schools.
- These consultation processes are to be robust, open, transparent and fair.
- Public Consultation:

**Thurs 18 September 2025 to Thurs 13 November 2025**



# Background

- Forres Academy is classified as a non-Rural school under the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010.
- In terms of S7 of that Act any changes to educational provision requires a public meeting to be held as part of the change consultation process.
- **16 Sept 2025:** Approval for Statutory Consultation on school relocation.

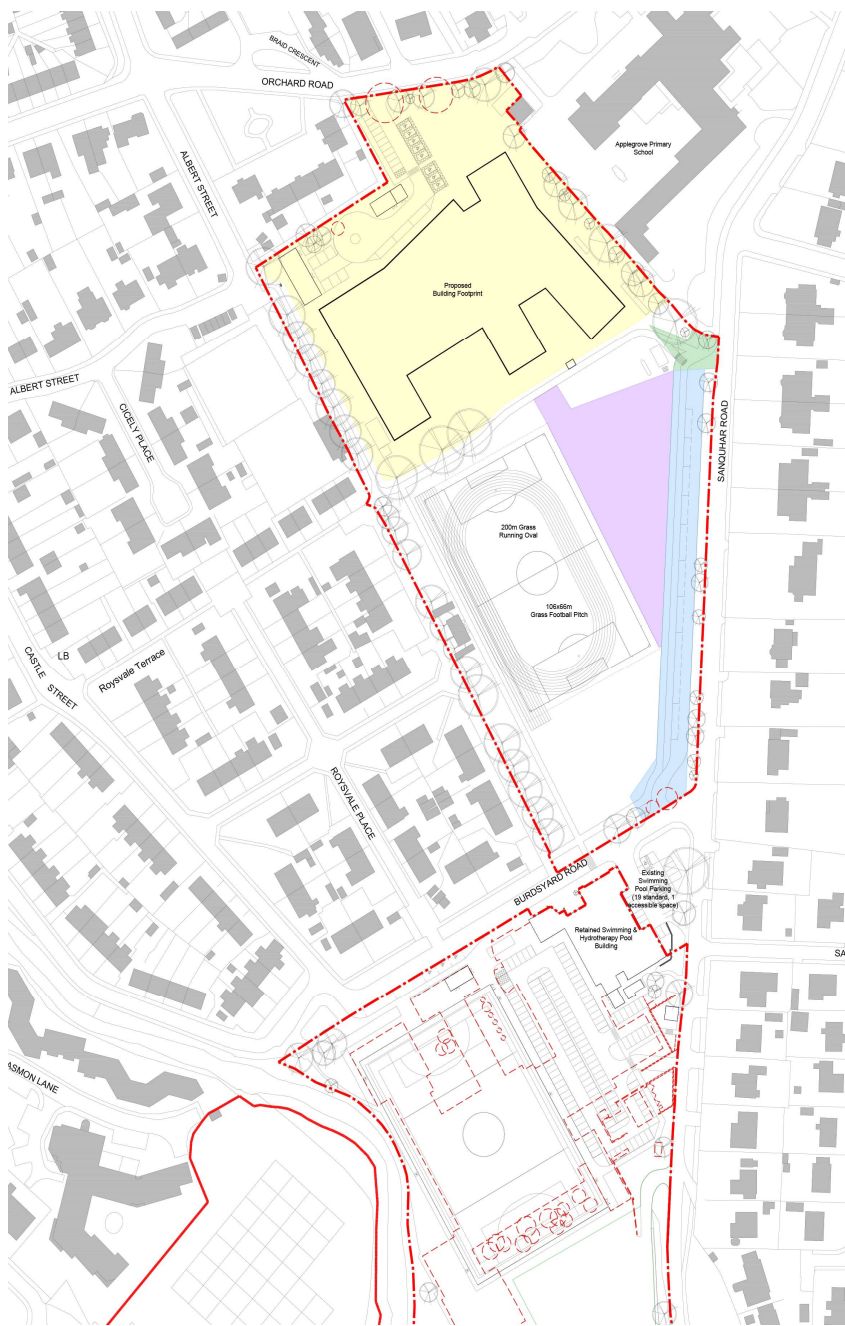


**Current Site**

# Proposal

- **Current Location:** Burdsyard Road
- **Proposal:** Adjacent site within the Applegrove Primary School boundary on Orchard Road in Forres.
- **Capacity & Future Growth:** New academy designed to accommodate secondary pupils based on future school roll forecasts.
- **Catchment Area:**
  - No changes to the existing catchment area
  - Pupils currently zoned to the academy will continue to be zoned to the new school
- **Free School Transport:**
  - 3 miles from secondary school





## Construction & traffic management strategy

# Construction – Phase 1



Form new vehicle access to school. This will be used for construction traffic/deliveries during Phase 1 period. On agreement, restricted delivery times will be in place.



Contractor's lay down and material storage area. Due to limited storage area, 'just in time' deliveries will be utilised.



Exit to junction of bus drop off area to be formed during a school summer holiday period. Pedestrian management will be in place during these works to maintain access to the core path and play park.



Contractor's pedestrian access for site accommodation to site



Contractor's compound: Site accommodation and welfare - site parking area for the contractor to be within the purple and blue area during Phase 1.

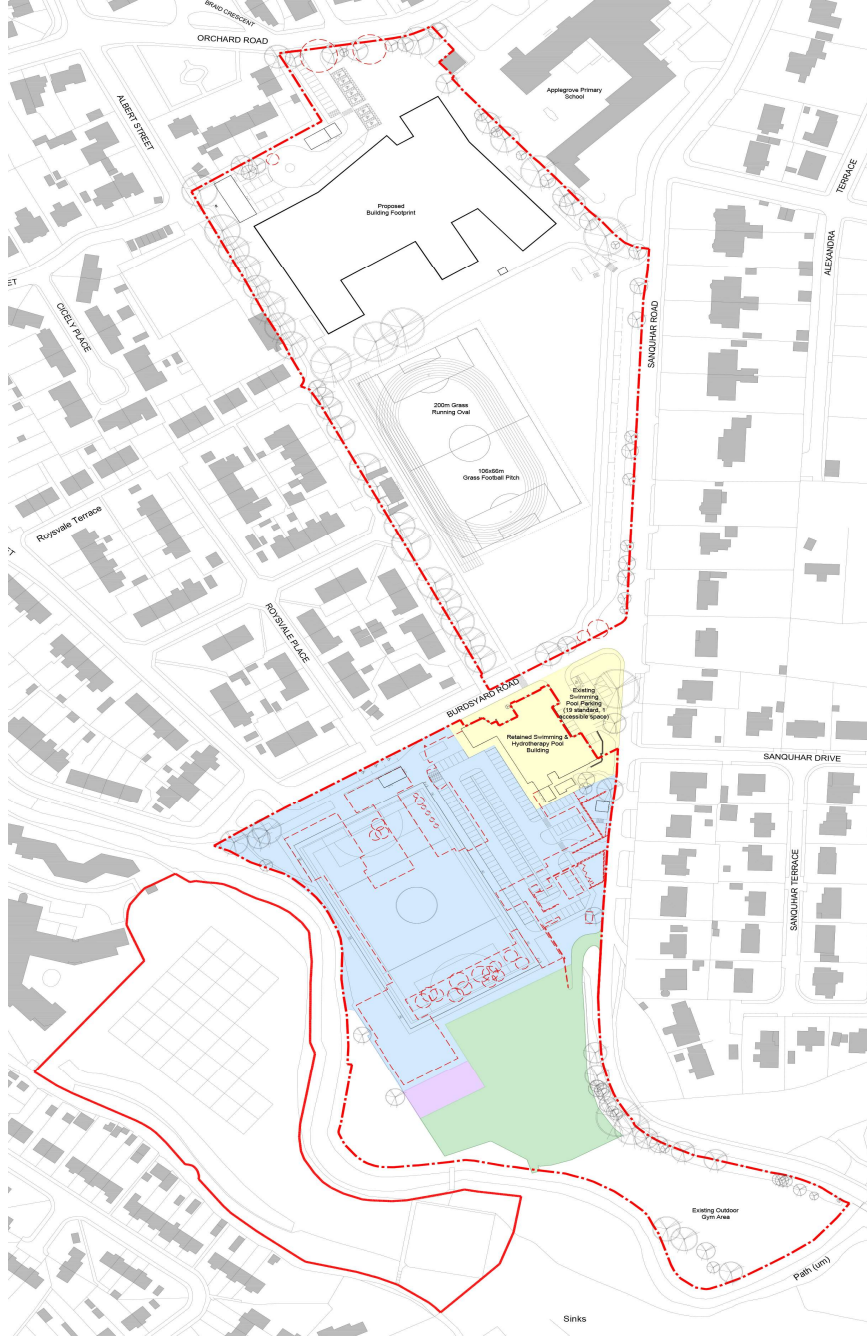


Form new bus drop off, cycle and foot path - will also provide access to contractor's compound and off-street parking. Note: during Phase 2 works, compound area will be de-mobilised, but the area will remain fenced off to allow the re-establishment of the soft landscaping and grassed areas.



Vehicle access to site compound, utilising the new junction for bus drop off area.





# Construction – Phase 2

- Access and operation to existing swimming pool and hydrotherapy pool building maintained.
- Building separation and demolition works. New sports pitch and car park formed.
- Existing access and car park maintained for school staff parking during Phase 2 works.
- Area of existing car parking to be utilised for contractor's office and welfare accommodation.

**Construction & traffic management strategy**



# Completed Project



## Forres Academy Site Strategy



Accessibility



Enhanced  
Provision



Intergenerational  
Learning



Access / Right of  
Way



Environment



Public Transport



Biodiversity



Community  
Facility



Bus Drop Off



Pitch and  
Running Track



Trees



Privacy



Existing Building



Car Parking



3G Pitch

# Landscaping

- Ecology Garden
- Performance Space
- Social Space
- Active Space
- Food Tech Garden
- Technical Yard
- EP Garden
- Dining



Completed building including landscaping



# Educational benefits

- Aligned with Scotland's and Moray Council's Learning Estate Strategy and Vision
- Providing a modern, high-quality learning environment
- Further supporting collaborative working and Primary-Secondary learning opportunities
- Wellbeing and inclusion focus through building design
- Sustainability in build approach
- Flexibility of learning spaces
- Shared benefits for Forres Associated Primary Schools
- Enhanced outdoor learning spaces
- Extended partnership working opportunities: inter-generational and community

# Local Community benefits

- Comprehensive, Purpose-Built Facility
- Retention of Key Existing Facilities
- New Sports & Recreation Opportunities
- Community Access to Facilities
- Central Location with Improved Connectivity
- Improvement to Common Good land (drainage) and wider local area drainage system

# Public submissions during consultation

- A copy of our statutory consultation document which proposes the relocation of Forres Academy can be accessed on the Moray Engage website at:

<https://engage.moray.gov.uk/new-forres-academy-relocation-consultation>

- Copies of the proposal are available for reference at: Moray Council, Forres Academy, Applegrove Primary School, Andersons Primary School, Pilmuir Primary School, Kinloss Primary School, Dyke Primary School, Dallas Primary School, Alves Primary School, Logie Primary School, Forres Library, and Elgin central library.
- Copy available by email or post, please contact the Education Estate Team at [learningestate@moray.gov.uk](mailto:learningestate@moray.gov.uk).
- Consultation: 18 September 2025 to 13 November 2025
- Online survey is available:



<https://engage.moray.gov.uk/embeds/projects/44023/survey-tools/50564>

# Public submissions during consultation

- Any written comments on the proposal must be received by Moray Council by 13 Nov.
- Posted to Forres Academy Relocation Consultation - Education Estate, Room 231, Moray Council Office, High Street, Elgin, Moray, IV30 1BX
- ...or emailed to [learningestate@moray.gov.uk](mailto:learningestate@moray.gov.uk)



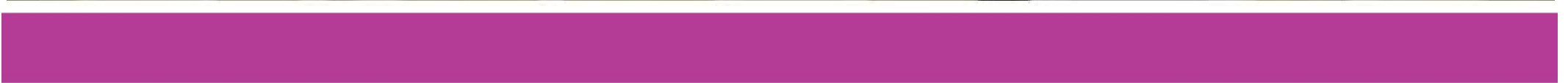
# Next steps

- Public Consultation completes - 13<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025
- All consultation documentation submitted to Education Scotland
- Education Scotland will complete their local consultation and prepare report on of the proposal (3 weeks)
- The full consultation report will be published online by the 4<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Considered by ECLS Committee – 11 Feb 2026
- Recommendations to Full Council for final decision – 25 Feb 2026

# Discussion













# Materials





# Contractor's compound – Phase 1





# Contractor's Compound – Phase 2

