

Good Afternoon Gavin,

I would like to thank you for getting back to me and ensuring that the minutes will be appropriately updated.

In short, the main points that I made in the meeting are:

The changes to the ELCC were made in relation to the amount of 'eligible' children who had applied for the services of the ELCC.

The admission panel, throughout WDC consider the following when placing children:

Priority 1

Child Protection, Prevention, Looked After and Additional Support Needs.

Priority 2

Any child born August to February, whose parent wishes to defer their entry to primary school.

Priority 3

Pre-school children within their allocated community as indicated by address.

Priority 4

Ante pre-school children within their allocated community as indicated by address.

Priority 5

Admission will be given to children resident out with West Dunbartonshire whose parents make a request for this.

Priority 1-3 are placed first.

KCC children are subject to the same set of criteria as all children.

The admission panel rigidly apply these rules as they allocate the places for each child, within the appropriate nurseries.

Our admissions for next term will be allocated in the coming months. It is unclear, at this point, whether the model will change, or not.

Regarding the school, there is the capacity there for 100 children to attend. This roughly relates to 4 composite classes of 25 pupils per class. The current role is 80. We are hopeful that this will rise in August, to around 88. The 'free' spaces at each stage is entirely dependent upon the classification, which has not yet been decided for 2025-2026.

I hope that this information is helpful.

Yours sincerely,

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