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**BUTE AND COWAL AREA COMMITTEE - CASTLE HOUSE, CASTLE GARDENS, DUNOON on  
TUESDAY, 1 OCTOBER 2013 at 10:00 AM.**

I refer to the above meeting and enclose herewith covering report for item 6 (Kirn Primary School) and updated report for 12 (Possible Allotment Site at Kilbride Farm, Dunoon).

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Executive Director - Customer Services

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

**6. KIRN PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Report by James Wylie, Head Teacher of Kirn Primary School (Pages 1 - 2)

**E1 12. POSSIBLE ALLOTMENT SITE AT KILBRIDE FARM, DUNOON**  
Report by Legal Services Manager (Pages 3 - 8)

The Committee will be asked to pass a resolution in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public for items of business with an "E" on the grounds that it is likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph of Part I of Schedule 7a to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

The appropriate paragraph is:-

**Paragraph 9** Any terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

## **BUTE & COWAL AREA COMMITTEE**

Councillor Gordon Blair (Vice-Chair)	Councillor Michael Breslin
Councillor Robert Macintyre (Chair)	Councillor Bruce Marshall
Councillor Alex McNaughton	Councillor James McQueen
Councillor Len Scoullar	Councillor Isobel Strong
Councillor Dick Walsh	

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COMMITTEE****COMMUNITY SERVICES: EDUCATION****01 OCT 2013**

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**KIRN PRIMARY SCHOOL INSPECTION REPORT**

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**1.0 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 Education Scotland inspected Kirn Primary School on week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> May and the Report was published on 20<sup>th</sup> August.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The Area Committee is asked to note the report related to the recent Education Scotland inspection of Kirn Primary School. The action plan related to the recent Education Scotland inspection is still under construction with the Education Service but is very much so in line with the school's three year action plan already in existence.

**3.0 DETAIL**

- 3.1 This inspection found the following key strengths.

- Confident, respectful children who have a clear love of learning and great pride in their school.
- Innovative approaches to the organisation of the curriculum to ensure children develop important skills through exciting, deep and coherent learning experiences.
- High-quality support for children who require extra help in their learning.
- Effective partnerships with parents, volunteers, partners and the local community to enrich and extend children's learning.
- Inspirational and strong leadership of the headteacher which drives forward improvements to ensure all children make very good progress in their learning.

The Inspectors discussed with staff and the education authority how they might continue to improve the school and nursery class. This is what we agreed with them.

- Continue to develop day-to-day planning of learning to take account of differences in children's abilities.
- Further develop opportunities for teachers to work together to evaluate the quality and standard of children's work.

Education Scotland were satisfied with the overall quality of provision. They are confident that the school's self-evaluation processes are leading to improvements. As a result, they will make no further evaluative visits in connection with this inspection. During the inspection, they identified an aspect of innovative practice which they would like to explore further in order to share the practice with others. As a result they will work with the school and local authority in order to record and share more widely the innovative practice.

3.2 See attached Education Scotland Report.

### **4.0 CONCLUSION**

4.1 Kirn Primary School are in the process of amending their Improvement Plan to incorporate the action points in line with the recent Education Scotland Report on the school.

### **5.0 IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Policy - None

5.2 Financial - None

5.3 Legal - None

5.4 HR - None

5.5 Equalities - None

5.6 Risk - None

5.7 Customer Service - None

### **6.0 APPENDICES**

6.1 Education Scotland Inspection Report for Kirn Primary School

**Executive Director of Community Services**

Date 24.9.13

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