

# Learning Estate Investment Programme (LEIP)

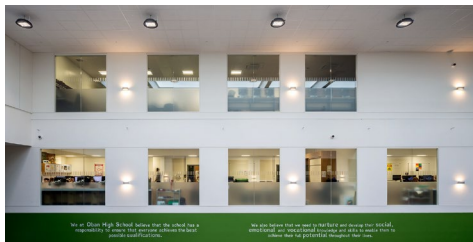
AUGUST 2022  
PRE ENGAGEMENT



# Background to LEIP

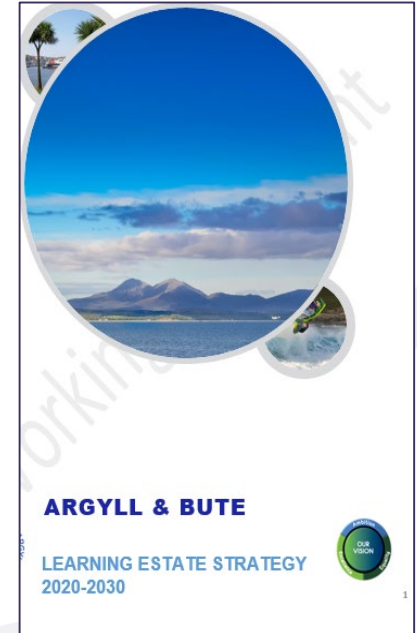
- ▶ Scottish Government (SG) flagship for education investment
- ▶ £2Billion of investment from Scottish Government & Council
- ▶ Running since 2019 – ABC are in minority to not apply thus far (only 1 Island approved – Barra)
- ▶ SG pay 50% of build costs if certain criteria are met:-
  - ▶ Condition maintained at Grade A or B
  - ▶ Energy Efficient
  - ▶ Digitally enabled
  - ▶ Supports Economic Development
- ▶ Funding paid annually over 25 years
- ▶ No further rounds of LEIP in this Parliament (national capital review)

# New School Estate in Argyll & Bute



# Argyll & Bute – Our Learning Estate

- ▶ Argyll and Bute consists of: 5621 Primary Pupils, 4597 Secondary
  - ▶ 65 primary schools 49 with ELC
  - ▶ 3 stand alone nurseries (1 outdoors)
  - ▶ 23 ELC Partner Providers
  - ▶ **5 secondary schools 2-18 schools (CAMPUS) 2 inc Gaelic**
  - ▶ 1 special school
- ▶ Future visions set out in our Learning Estate Strategy
- ▶ Mainland schools £180m investment
- ▶ Island Equity – Mull & Islay highest priority
  - ▶ Of these Mull is considered to be top priority based on suitability of existing estate
- ▶ Educational experience, attainment & digital learning + Educational Benefit



# Process & Timescales

- ▶ July 2022 – LEIP Board issued invitations to Council to make a bid
- ▶ August 2022 – Pre Engagement with Community + stakeholders
- ▶ September – Full Council Meeting to consider submission of bid
- ▶ October 2022 – Submission of LEIP Bid to Scottish Government
- ▶ December 2022 – LEIP Board announcement of successful bids
- ▶ February 2023 (for 6 months) - Statutory Community Engagement
- ▶ February 2023 to 2025 – Project Development
- ▶ December 2027 – New facilities to be opened

**Expectation is that more bids than in previous phases + geographic spread.**

**This is a nationally competitive process & no guarantee that a bid will be successful.**

**Council to fund all up front & wholly meet any non-eligible costs.**



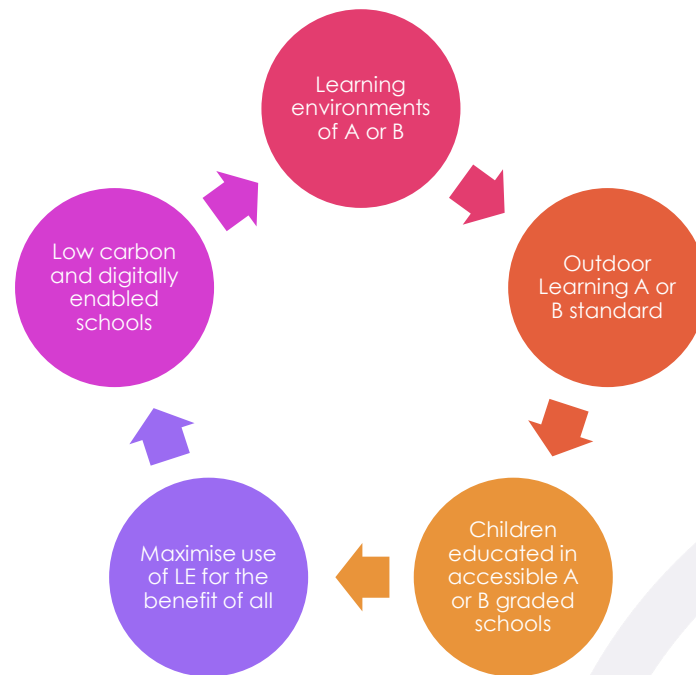
# Much more than just schools.....

- ▶ Potential transformational & regeneration investment in Mull
- ▶ New Community Infrastructure depending on scope
  - ▶ Argyll College, LIVE Argyll, all public sector – what else?
- ▶ Not just 9am – 3pm...establishing flexible assets for all, everyday
- ▶ Outdoor learning, specialist classrooms, Gaelic, Supports jobs, learning, net zero, digital, infection control, EV Charging, leisure
- ▶ Long term investment in buildings + opportunities
  - ▶ Construction, vocational skills, tourism related, renewables
- ▶ This is potential strategic change for communities
- ▶ Need your input & support. Team approach on a national level to give best chance of success.



# Educational Benefits

Following workshops held with Senior Leaders from a cross sector of partners within Argyll and Bute Council in 2019 the following guiding principles were agreed for the Argyll and Bute Learning Estate Strategy:



# Educational Benefits

The Education Service believes that there will be considerable educational benefits arising from a new Campus on Mull. These centre around;

- ▶ Curriculum and Learning;
- ▶ Meeting learners' needs;
- ▶ Equity of access to broader opportunities;
- ▶ Broadening the range of opportunities;
- ▶ The environment for learning and
- ▶ Improved educational outcomes.

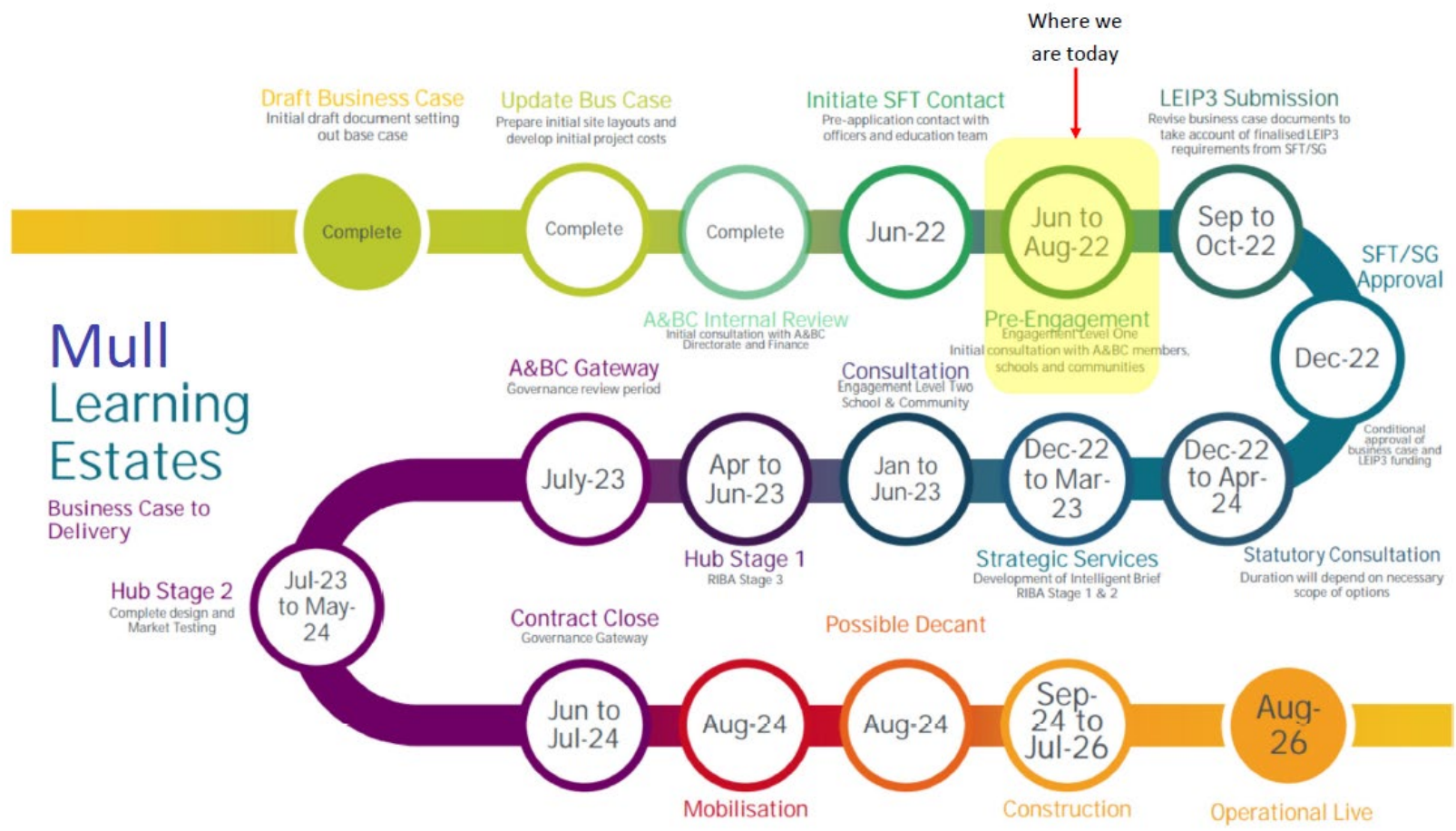


# The Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 (‘the 2010 Act’)

- ▶ This act sets out the consultation process that local authorities must follow when proposing a permanent change to any of their schools.
- ▶ You play a vital role in your child’s education and your opinions are crucial when a change to their school is being proposed.
- ▶ When proposing a major change to a school(s) the local authority must:
  - Publish a proposal paper, including a statement of the educational benefits of what’s proposed
  - Set a consultation period of at least 6 weeks of term time
  - Let parents and the Parent Council know about the consultation and invite responses
  - Hold a public meeting Invite Education Scotland to prepare a report on the educational aspects of the proposal
  - Publish a consultation report which responds to issues raised through the consultation period

**We have a handout for you that gives more details of this process**

# Application Process Routemap



**Mull Learning Estates**  
Business Case to Delivery



# Pre- Engagement

Do you want to progress with a LEIP bid to  
the Scottish Government?

