Proposal to remove Common Good status from sections of Hunter's Hall Park, establish a new non-denominational Primary School with Nursery and Early Years services (incorporating the existing Greengables Nursery) and close Greengables Nursery School.

## **Summary Paper**

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#### What is being proposed?

The City of Edinburgh Council is proposing the following in the Craigmillar area of the city:

- The establishment of a new 14 class non-denominational primary school in Hunter's Hall Park with an Early Learning and Childcare Centre and the formation of a new catchment area. This would include the relocation of the existing Greengables Nursery into the new Early Learning and Childcare Centre and closure of Greengables Nursery School Building.
- Common good status to be removed from sections of Hunter's Hall Park to allow for the new primary school, a competition standard BMX track and supporting infrastructure to be built.
- Redevelopment of the Jack Kane Centre to improve and expand the facilities and services offered by the Jack Kane Community Centre and the Jack Kane Sports Centre.
- Maps showing the proposed school location and proposed catchment options have been included within this summary paper.

#### Where will the new primary school and nursery be located?

It is proposed that the new school, nursery and early years services will be built in Hunter's Hall Park.

## Why do we need a new primary school in Craigmillar?

Significant new housing has been built in the Craigmillar area, with more housing expected. The existing school infrastructure is not large enough to accommodate the pupil numbers expected going forward.

#### What are the implications for existing secondary schools?

The new primary school will feed into Castlebrae Community Campus. The proposal in this paper includes the relocation of a small area from Castlebrae Community Campus catchment into Portobello High School catchment.

#### Who will the changes affect?

The site for the new school and the position of the existing schools means that some realignment of existing catchment areas will be required to take advantage of existing capacity. A catchment area for the new primary school will be formed from sections of Castleview, Newcraighall and Niddrie Mill Primary Schools existing catchments.

Maps showing the proposed catchment areas have been included at the end of this summary paper.

Greengables Nursery would move to a new Early Learning and Childcare Centre as part of a new primary school at the Jack Kane Centre. This will provide greater capacity so that more children can attend and families can access a greater range of services.

#### When would the changes come into effect?

If the proposal is approved by the Council, the new school, nursery and early years services could open in August 2029 at the earliest.

#### Why are we consulting?

We want to hear the views of anyone affected by the proposal. There is also a legal obligation to carry out a statutory consultation under the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 as amended by the Children and Young people (Scotland) Act 2014.

#### How will I know if my views have been considered?

A report capturing views on removal of Common Good status will be considered by the Council's Culture and Communities Committee on Thursday,12 February 2026.

A second report capturing views on the proposal to establish a new primary school, closing Greengables Nursery School and undertaking catchment change will be considered at a meeting of the full Council on Thursday, 19 March 2026.

Further details of this process are contained in the full statutory consultation paper.

#### How can I find out more about the proposal or make my views heard?

If you want more information, you can find the full consultation paper and other supporting information at **www.edinburgh.gov.uk/huntershallproposals** where you can find a questionnaire.

We have also organised a public meeting which anyone can attend, as below:

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 13 November 2025	18:30 – 20:30	Castleview Primary School
Tuesday, 25 November 2025	18:30 – 20:30	Greengables Nursery

The meetings will open with a short presentation followed by a question and answer session. We will take a note of the meeting and all the points made will be captured in the final 'Outcomes of the Consultation Report'.

Please email: huntershallproposals@edinburgh.gov.uk by Thursday 23 October 2025 if you need translation services at the meeting.

In addition, we will hold drop-in public information events where you can speak with a Council Officer, find out more about the proposals and share your views:

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 30 October 2025	16:30 – 19:00	Jack Kane Community Centre
Monday, 3 November 2025	16:30 – 19:00	Castlebrae Community Campus
Wednesday, 3 December 2025	14:30 – 17:00	Niddrie Mill & St Francis Primary Schools

It would be helpful if you could take time to complete our short survey – you can find it easily online at **www.edinburgh.gov.uk/huntershallproposals**.

Copies of the statutory consultation paper are also available for inspection at the Council Offices at City Chambers and Waverley Court, at Craigmillar Library, at the Jack Kane Centre, at Greengables Nursery and at the schools affected by the proposals.

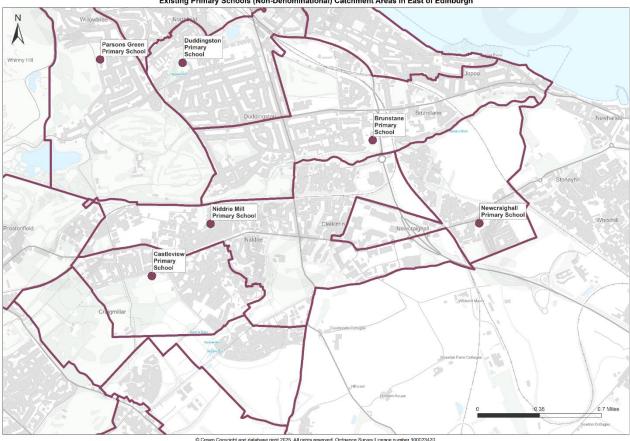
You can also email comments to us directly at **huntershallproposals@edinburgh.gov.uk** or if you prefer they can be posted to the address below:

Hunter's Hall Park Proposals City of Edinburgh Council Waverley Court,1.6 4 East Market Street Edinburgh EH8 8BG

All comments should arrive by 5pm on Tuesday 9 December 2025.

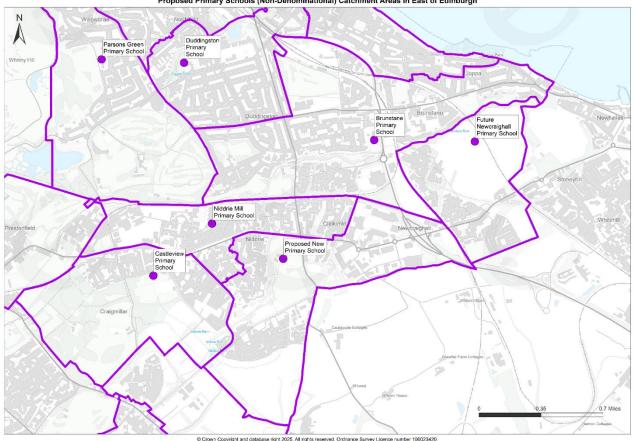
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Existing Primary Schools (Non-Denominational) Catchment Areas in East of Edinburgh



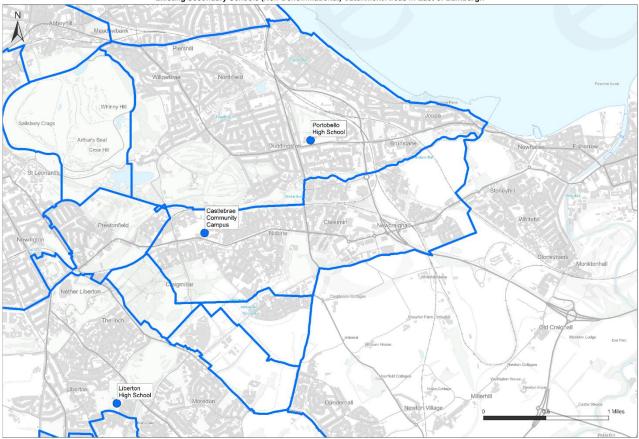
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### **Proposed New Primary School Site**



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