Consultation on the proposal to relocate St Catherine's Roman Catholic Primary School to a new site on Captains Road



Thursday 12th October, St Catherine's RC Primary School



Introductions

- Tom Wood Chair
- Cllr Margaret Graham
- Lynn Paterson Head of Education (Early Years and Parenting)
- Robbie Crockatt Strategic Asset Planning
- Peter Garner Learning Estate Planning Officer
- Nicola Thomson-Jack Portfolio Planner

Background & Context

- Investigations in 2018 concluded the building needed to be replaced rather than upgraded.
- Initial budget of £12.802m increased to £20.3m in April 2023 to reflect updated cost estimates.
- On the 5th September 2023 Education & Families Committee approved that a consultation be undertaken.

Background & Context

- School currently has 7 classes
- The replacement school is planned to provide 11 classes with the ability to extend to 14 with a 64 place nursery

Community Priorities

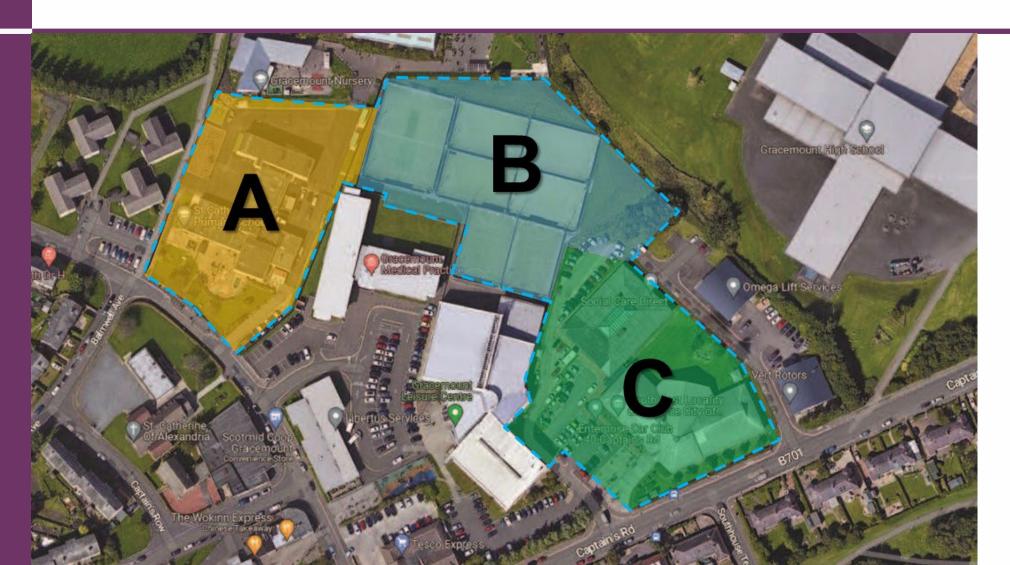
- Key community priorities were identified in consultation with the Gracemount community in the 'My Gracemount' report.
- Priorities included access to affordable physical activities & connectivity of public space that supports walking & cycling.
- Playparks, bins & improvement to the public space also a priority.

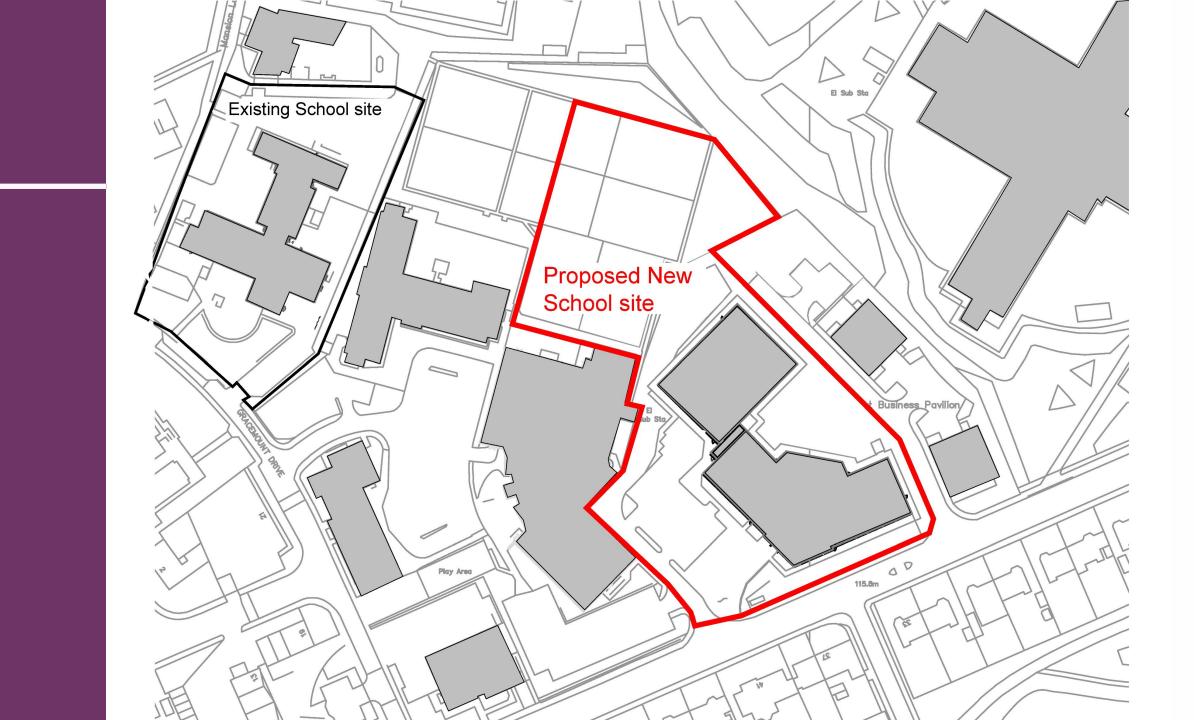
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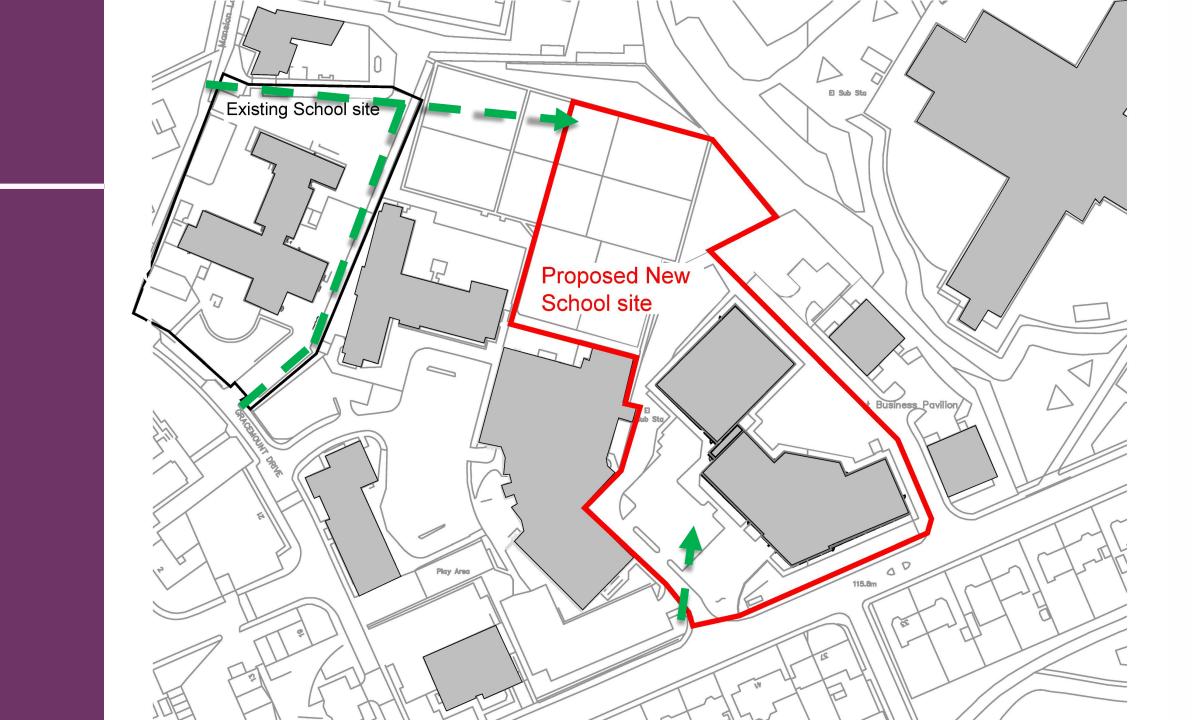
Priorities from the 'My Gracemount' report can be broadly grouped into eight themes:

- Affordability/Access to /Awareness of services
- Safety & anti-social behaviour
- Youth Services & Opportunities
- Community Hub
- Traffic & Parking
- Public Space
- Green Space
- Connectivity
- Transport

The Proposal







Implications of The Proposal

- An 11 class primary school would be established on the new site
- All staff and pupils would relocate to the new school on completion
- No change to existing secondary feeder arrangements
- Council will consider alternative uses for the existing site

The Process

- Consultation closes at 5pm on 31st October 2023
- Record and summarise all comments
- Report to Education Scotland
- Outcome of Consultation Report:
 Council meeting in January 2024

Next Steps

- Statutory Consultation:
 - Until Tuesday 31 October 2023

Education Scotland Report

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 - Council meeting in January 2024

Thank you



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