# Gaelic Provision in Inverclyde 2022

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| **1. Do you agree with the establishment of a catchment area for primary Gaelic provision in Inverclyde?** | | | | |
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| **Answer Choices** | | | **Response Percent** | **Response Total** |
| 1 | Yes | |  | | --- | |  | | 70.97% | 22 |
| 2 | No | |  | | --- | |  | | 19.35% | 6 |
| 3 | Undecided | |  | | --- | |  | | 9.68% | 3 |
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| This box gives an opportunity to explain the reason for your response. (13) | | | | |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | 02/02/2022 15:20 PM ID: 184090877 | Free Breakfast club should take priority over transport for a school that has been chosen when there are alternatives near by | | 2 | 02/02/2022 20:35 PM ID: 184120595 | Wouldn't like to exclude those just outside a boundary when it is still their nearest GME school. | | 3 | 03/02/2022 13:34 PM ID: 184168451 | so parents will boycott the classes, shame. | | 4 | 03/02/2022 15:08 PM ID: 184178898 | The need for transport for children who's parents have opted to send their children to that school should not be treated differently from any other placing request. | | 5 | 09/02/2022 17:09 PM ID: 184619446 | If there is an increase in demand can the school accommodate it. | | 6 | 12/02/2022 00:52 AM ID: 184812756 | It would be more prudent to concentrate on Mathematics English improve on the basics, moving to online education, Estonian teaches robotics by P7. | | 7 | 12/02/2022 21:32 PM ID: 184842587 | I do not believe we should have Gaelic in schools | | 8 | 17/02/2022 18:38 PM ID: 185244571 | At present the only option for Gaelic Education is at Whinhill. I live in Port Glasgow and although manage find it very difficult to get to and from school and work full time. Childminders have also refused to take my kids as they have rules about locations. It’s not great having to complete a placement request when it’s the only school available in the local area that provides Gaelic. I know that most parents are not from the Catchment area of Whinhill also. | | 9 | 26/02/2022 18:41 PM ID: 185795082 | Every child in inverclyde should be offered the opportunity to attend GME, travel costs/time should not be a barrier. | | 10 | 09/03/2022 21:52 PM ID: 186661505 | Gaelic provision in central belt should be a lower priority for funding | | 11 | 17/03/2022 10:56 AM ID: 187268947 | This would encourage more pupils to access GME more easily who may not have been able to due to travel restrictions. | | 12 | 17/03/2022 11:00 AM ID: 187273349 | I feel we should try and make learning Gaelic as accessible as possible. | | 13 | 18/03/2022 17:01 PM ID: 187403626 | It makes sense for their to be an established catchment area that alleviates the need for placing requests from within the council area. | | | | | |

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| **2. Do you agree that the catchment area for Gaelic medium for Whinhill primary school should be the whole of the local authority area?** | | | | |
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| **Answer Choices** | | | **Response Percent** | **Response Total** |
| 1 | Yes | |  | | --- | |  | | 80.65% | 25 |
| 2 | No | |  | | --- | |  | | 19.35% | 6 |
| 3 | Undecided |  | 0.00% | 0 |
|  | | | answered | 31 |
| skipped | 0 |
| This box gives an opportunity to explain the reason for your response. (13) | | | | |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | 02/02/2022 15:20 PM ID: 184090877 | Yes but transport should not be provided | | 2 | 02/02/2022 20:35 PM ID: 184120595 | I think that Kilwinning GME is too far away for pupils in Skelmorlie who are in North Ayrshire. Perhaps the catchment could be about halfway and the Councils could cooperate and communicate to reach agreement. | | 3 | 03/02/2022 13:34 PM ID: 184168451 | Whinhill Primary is designated school for Gaelic | | 4 | 03/02/2022 15:08 PM ID: 184178898 | See previous. | | 5 | 09/02/2022 17:09 PM ID: 184619446 | If available to all in Inverclyde then it should cover the whole area. | | 6 | 12/02/2022 00:52 AM ID: 184812756 | Same as before, if you wish to teach a language, try mandarin or Japanese, | | 7 | 12/02/2022 21:32 PM ID: 184842587 | I do not believe that we should have Gaelic in schools | | 8 | 17/02/2022 18:38 PM ID: 185244571 | As it’s the only Gaelic offering in Inverclyde the catchment should be whole of Inverclyde. | | 9 | 02/03/2022 20:08 PM ID: 186087398 | I am not in favour of offering Gaelic language in schools | | 10 | 15/03/2022 16:10 PM ID: 187128486 | All children in Inverclyde should have the opportunity to learn Gaelic. | | 11 | 17/03/2022 10:56 AM ID: 187268947 | This will allow for the greatest opportunity for pupils within the council to more easily access GME. | | 12 | 18/03/2022 17:01 PM ID: 187403626 | There is no other Gaelic provision within Inverclyde, therefore the whole council area should form the catchment area. | | 13 | 18/03/2022 21:49 PM ID: 187419329 | Gaelic should be offered for the full council area. | | | | | |

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| **3. Do you agree that free transport should be provided for those who live within Inverclyde but further than a mile by acceptable walking route from the school?** | | | | |
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| **Answer Choices** | | | **Response Percent** | **Response Total** |
| 1 | Yes | |  | | --- | |  | | 77.42% | 24 |
| 2 | No | |  | | --- | |  | | 19.35% | 6 |
| 3 | Undecided | |  | | --- | |  | | 3.23% | 1 |
|  | | | answered | 31 |
| skipped | 0 |
| This box gives an opportunity to explain the reason for your response. (10) | | | | |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | 03/02/2022 15:08 PM ID: 184178898 | If their parents wish their children to attend a school that is not in their catchment why should the transport be subsidised when other children in the same position do not get it? | | 2 | 09/02/2022 17:09 PM ID: 184619446 | Ultimately it is still a parental choice, suitable schools are available closer. Gaelic education provision is a luxury not a necessity. | | 3 | 12/02/2022 00:52 AM ID: 184812756 | Obesity is rife, walking is good for the children. If they can walk it in 45 mins. | | 4 | 12/02/2022 21:32 PM ID: 184842587 | I do not believe that we should have Gaelic in schools | | 5 | 23/02/2022 23:51 PM ID: 185633109 | Other than the Overton area/close to the school, yes they should be able to get the bus | | 6 | 26/02/2022 18:41 PM ID: 185795082 | It would be good to also demonstrate the environmental benefits of offering school transport versus a high number of cars driving to Whinhill Primary from all over inverclyde | | 7 | 08/03/2022 11:05 AM ID: 186487293 | The school is difficult to access for the majority of Inverclyde residents who would like their children to experience Gaelic medium education. Either free transport should be provided, or a more central school used as the base. | | 8 | 09/03/2022 21:52 PM ID: 186661505 | unnecessary expense | | 9 | 17/03/2022 10:56 AM ID: 187268947 | I believe transport should be there to make access to GME as easy as possible within all areas of the council. | | 10 | 18/03/2022 17:01 PM ID: 187403626 | Inverclyde covers a large area, it would be a lot to expect those living further than a mile from the school to provide their own transport to and from school. | | | | | |

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| **4. I am responding in my capacity as a (please indicate by selecting the appropriate answer below):** | | | | |
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| **Answer Choices** | | | **Response Percent** | **Response Total** |
| 1 | Parent/carer of a child at primary school | |  | | --- | |  | | 41.94% | 13 |
| 2 | Parent/carer of a child at secondary school | |  | | --- | |  | | 22.58% | 7 |
| 3 | Parent/carer of a child in nursery | |  | | --- | |  | | 6.45% | 2 |
| 4 | Parent Council member (primary school) | |  | | --- | |  | | 3.23% | 1 |
| 5 | Parent Council member (secondary school) |  | 0.00% | 0 |
| 6 | Member of staff at primary school | |  | | --- | |  | | 25.81% | 8 |
| 7 | Member of staff at secondary school | |  | | --- | |  | | 3.23% | 1 |
| 8 | Church representative |  | 0.00% | 0 |
| 9 | Elected Member |  | 0.00% | 0 |
| 10 | Trade Union |  | 0.00% | 0 |
| 11 | Member of the public | |  | | --- | |  | | 22.58% | 7 |
| 12 | Member of Community Council |  | 0.00% | 0 |
| 13 | Bord na Gaidhlig | |  | | --- | |  | | 3.23% | 1 |
| 14 | Other group (please specify): | |  | | --- | |  | | 3.23% | 1 |
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| skipped | 0 |
| Other group (please specify): (1) | | | | |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | 02/02/2022 20:35 PM ID: 184120595 | Family of Gaelic speakers who lived in Fairlie, Bute and Inverkip.. | | | | | |

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| **5. If you would like to make any comment on the proposal, or suggest an alternative option for consideration please do so in the space below:** | | | |
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| **Answer Choices** | | **Response Percent** | **Response Total** |
| 1 | Open-Ended Question | 100.00% | 12 |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | 02/02/2022 15:20 PM ID: 184090877 | Parents who pick this school should think about transport breakfast club should not be paid for if these parents get transport for free | | 2 | 02/02/2022 15:36 PM ID: 184092670 | This will be great for the children and their Scottish identity. | | 3 | 02/02/2022 20:35 PM ID: 184120595 | I applaud the efforts being made to increase Gaelic provision in the area. | | 4 | 03/02/2022 13:34 PM ID: 184168451 | Why not the proposal a go and see how many actually boycott | | 5 | 03/02/2022 15:08 PM ID: 184178898 | There should be no different rule because parents have been able to benefit from sending their children to Gaelic provision. | | 6 | 09/02/2022 17:09 PM ID: 184619446 | In this day and age of cost savings having to be made, this seems like an unnecessary luxury. Everyone wants to get pupils into their school of choice it is discriminatory against parents from outwith the catchment area who put in a placing request for Whinhill but not for the Gaelic option. | | 7 | 12/02/2022 00:52 AM ID: 184812756 | It would be better to focus on the basics and improve. | | 8 | 12/02/2022 21:32 PM ID: 184842587 | I do not believe that we should have Gaelic in schools | | 9 | 17/02/2022 18:38 PM ID: 185244571 | It’s a welcome change. Gaelic is wonderful and having more accessibility for the whole of Inverclyde is extremely positive. Add in some good advertisements that Inverclyde has a Gaelic provision and we will no doubt see an increase in demand. | | 10 | 08/03/2022 11:05 AM ID: 186487293 | Introducing children to Gaelic in primary school would be a fantastic step forward in encouraging awareness and use of the language. If it could be embedded in the curriculum for all schools and not limited to Whinhill Gaelic centre, that would be brilliant. I would love for my child to experience a Gaelic medium education, but current provision in Inverclyde is poor, difficult to access and underfunded. | | 11 | 09/03/2022 21:52 PM ID: 186661505 | there should be higher priorities for council spending than gaelic provisions in central belt | | 12 | 18/03/2022 17:01 PM ID: 187403626 | I wholeheartedly support the proposal to create a GME catchment area for Inverclyde. It will offer all children/families a new option which may have previously not been available to them. Provision of transport will ensure equity for those who live furthest from Whinhill, as the cost of transport is a huge factor when deciding on schools. | | | | |
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