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Dear Parent / Carer

Following the Scottish Ministers notification that the decision to close Campsie View and Merkland Schools will not be called in for review, the Council will now start to work on developing the new school.

This will be a complex project that will take a significant amount of time. The Council is committed to working with staff, parents, young people and the local community at all stages of the project in order to deliver the best possible school for East Dunbartonshire and the Waterside Community. Council officers will work openly and transparently with all groups involved in the project to keep them up to date as the project develops. This will include:

- Consultation and discussion of the overall school design
- Consultation and discussion of detailed aspects of the school design
- Engagement with all groups involved on the transport solution for the school
- Providing information to all groups involved on the construction approach and management, to ensure minimal disruption
- Visits to site where suitable, particularly for young people
- Joint work on transition planning with staff, parents, and young people

Much of this work will be carried out with members of the design and construction team. Council officers will now work to establish a project team. This will include the engagement of a delivery partner, who will provide a framework for managing the design and build process, as well as the engagement of contractors, and a design team. In order to do this for a project of this size, it is important to go through the relevant procurement and legal processes, which may take several months.

During this time, the Council will continue to provide updates and information to all groups involved in the project. Officers will also arrange to work with all groups above to discuss the most appropriate way forward for future consultation, and how to ensure that this is proportionate and meaningful.

When the project team has been appointed, a detailed design and consultation programme will be agreed. The programme will reflect the key project stages laid out by the Royal Institute of British Architects. These are described in the attached document, along with a summary of the council's work at each stage, and the main opportunities for input from involved parties.

If you require any further information, please contact the Primary School Improvement Programme team at:

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Yours sincerely

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