St Mungo's High School News cont'd

Seagull Trust Project

The Seagull Trust is a charity which provides free canal cruising in Scotland for people with special needs. A current project is the conversion of the Highland Seagull, into an educational facility for schools, and the Media Team at St. Mungo's has been documenting its progress on film.

The boat is being converted by A. L. Gordon at their Bankside premises and is due to be put in the water on 22nd. June. So far, the team – Christopher Quilietti, Callum Timms and Samuel Goldie – have filmed the boat during its conversion, and have filmed at the Seagull Trust's Bantaskine boathouse.

They will also be filming pupils from the Thistle Unit at Kinnaird Primary enjoying a canal cruise on one of the Trust's other boats, and filming the official launch by HRH The Princess Royal on 6th July.

S4 Enterprise and Employability Day

Michael Matheson launched our S4 Enterprise and Employability Day on 19th March. The day was designed to establish links with local employers and highlight different routes to get into different careers. Many local employers attended and provided excellent advice and support to pupils.

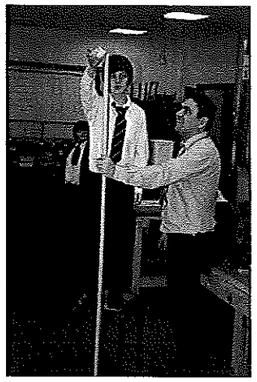
The day was supported by My Future's in Falkirk and pupils gained an insight into the different opportunities open to them in the Falkirk area.

Pupils also completed a series of workshops to help prepare them for their work experience and took part in an essential health and safety course.

S2 Technology Challenge Day

In February all S2 pupils took part in a Technology Challenge Day. Pupils' activities included the 'Jiant Jaffa Cake Company' which focused on production methods and quality control.

One of the activities had an Olympic theme with pupils using a laser cutter to create designs for a new stadium and a range of medals. Other activities included designing bridges with help from the institute of civil engineers, testing a range of crash helmets for eggs as well as pupils designing their own computer games.



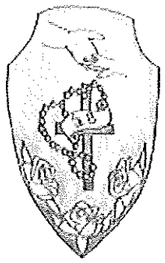
All these different activities allowed pupils to see different areas of technology education and they got to use problem solving skills in real life applications.

It is no wonder St Mungo's High has achieved the Gold award for Enterprise for the past two years.

Budding Artists

Competitions are nothing new to the pupils of St Mungo's High and the teachers in the Art and Design department ensure that pupils' work is acknowledged and celebrated and does not become just another painting for the fridge.

In the past pupils have been highly commended in and even won local and national competitions. Pupils have been involved in national projects including competitions set by the RSA and the National Galleries of Scotland. But the pupils at St Mungo's have recently been using Live Projects and Competitions to get more involved in their local community.



Logo designed by Caitlin MacInnes, S3

A competition by St Bernadette's Primary asked pupils to design a logo for their new school due to open in August 2012. Pupil's were eager to get involved and loved the idea that one of their design's could become a School logo that would be around for years. The work entered was of such a high standard that three pupils from St Mungo's (Caitlin MacInnes, Chellsi Thomson and Jenna Callaghan, all S3) made it to the final five and each were awarded a runner up prize.

Pupils and staff loved being a part of something so close to home and this has led to the development of other projects within the local community.

Pupils in the Art Department are currently working on a research project in conjunction with The Waterways Trust Scotland, British Waterways and cycling charity Sustrans.

The pupils have been set the brief to come up with six portrait candidates who can be past or present with a strong connection to Falkirk to become figures on their local 'Portrait Bench'.

The 'Portrait Bench' is a simple wooden bench which will feature 3 life-size characters chosen by the community. The figures will be cut from Corten steel (like the Angel of the North) so they will

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Budding Artists continued -

weather to a fine rust surface and become a natural part of the landscape. The bench will be situated along the canal, very close to St Mungo's High.

St Mungo's pupils will be responsible for selecting one of the three figures to be featured on the bench. Pupils will research the people who could be featured and will report back to the class. After narrowing the selection down to six candidates the vote will go to the local community. There will be a public ballot at the Falkirk Wheel and an online vote to decide which of St Mungo's choices will be featured. When complete there will be a national collection of over 230 portraits.

Formula 1 in schools

Move over McLaren and Red Bull. St Mungo's has its own F1 Teams – "Dynamite" and "Road Rage". Both teams have been researching, designing and manufacturing their own car. Kai, Nathan and Ruarhi formed Road Rage and Heather, Shelby, Caitlin and Matthew formed Team Dynamite.

The Scottish regional finals this year were held in Kirkcaldy and involved teams from across Scotland. There was a day of competition in which the teams had to give a presentation, have their design portfolio judged and race their cars. Road Rage car beat all the competition and was awarded fastest F1 Class car at the Scottish Championships, managing to fly down the 10 metre track in just under 1.3 secs.

Team Road Rage impressed the judges with their innovative ways of communicating with each other and caught the eye of potential sponsors on Facebook. The team won the Innovative Thinking Award.

Team Dynamite also impressed the judges with their team identity and won the 'Best Team Identity Award' for Scotland.

Both teams have already started planning for next year's F1 in Schools final and are trying to win the chance to represent Scotland at the world wide finals at one of the F1 races and the chance to meet one of the F1 teams.

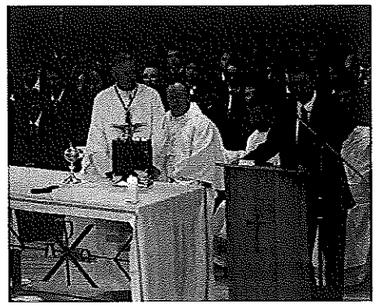
Both teams were supported by Miss McNamee, Miss Kerr and Mr McGee from the Design Technology Department.

- ★ Best Team Identity - Dynamite - St. Mungo's High School
- ★ Innovative Thinking Award - Road Rage - St. Mungo's High School
- ★ Fastest F1 Car - Road Rage - St. Mungo's High School (1.255 seconds)

Faith in Action

Putting 'faith into action' has always been a fundamental part of the ethos of St Mungo's High and pupils are regularly given opportunities to reflect on their faith.

We have a strong chaplaincy team which meets regularly and delivers a range of liturgical events during the course of each session. A special time is our feast day, even more so this year when we were joined by Cardinal Keith O'Brien, local clergy and staff and pupils from local primary schools.



Pupils have the opportunity to support and care for their fellow pupils. This can be in the form of support for personal and social issues or helping junior pupils with literacy and numeracy. Senior pupils receive training in peer mediation.

A very strong feature is our charity work. This year pupils have raised over £25,000 for a range of charities. Pupils also donated over 70 food parcels to SVDP to distribute to families at Christmas time.

Our retreat programmes give pupils time to reflect on their life, hopes and aspirations prior to making course choices.

Pupils are also given the opportunity to consider issues such as social justice and helping others through Lenten campaigns and ongoing work with Life Groups, Fairtrade and Justice and Peace groups.

Eighteen pupils from St Mungo's went to Lourdes.

With the launch of "This Is Our Faith", we are called not only to profess our faith, but to show example to everyone that we meet. Our pupils certainly do that.

St Patricks Primary School News

On 27th March St Patrick's PS opened its grounds to parents and friends for an Orchard Planting Day. The weather was excellent and hundreds attended to visit the eco stalls and fun events such as crazy hair and face painting. We even had a visit from a real Smurf! Our guests could see apples being freshly pressed and then sampling the juice.

P5/4 have taken responsibility for this venture along with Steve from Grounds for Learning. They have learned a great deal about fruit trees and are looking forward to caring for them and having a bumper crop of apples!

Parents, grandparents and pupils helped plant a group of fruit trees and 18 metres of lavender hedging. These, added to the previously installed willow structures, sculptures, and outdoor classroom, make for a very happy learning environment.

Local groups and services who have worked on eco projects with the pupils were gifted apple trees the pupils had grafted themselves. All in all it was a very happy spring day indeed!

St Patrick's 150th Anniversary

St Patrick's Primary celebrated its 150th anniversary on 2nd December 2012.

There were a wide range of events organised to celebrate this momentous occasion including an abseil from the Falkirk Wheel which captured the interest of many former pupils, including a grandfather!

We held a Family Fun Day for the local community and this was a terrific success, despite the terrible weather – it was a good job we had a contingency plan for indoors!

We commissioned a local artist, supported by several members of our school staff, to come into school and work with the pupils on a mural in our school hall – every child made a contribution to this fantastic piece of work and we are very proud of it.

We were honoured to receive an American Flag which had been flown over the Capitol Building especially for us. This was presented to the school by the daughter of a former pupil who now lives in America. The flag has pride of place in our trophy cabinet and we did raise it on our school flagpole on the 2nd December when we

welcomed Cardinal Keith Patrick O'Brien along to celebrate a very special school mass with us. He concelebrated the Mass with six other priests, three of whom are former pupils of the school.

This mass was also a real community event and we were joined by many members of the local community, former pupils and staff, headteachers from Denny, St Mungo's and St Modan's clusters, representatives from Falkirk Council Education Services and local councillors.

A group of children have been working for many months on researching the history of the school and we will publish a special commemorative magazine within the next few weeks.

We plan to end the celebrations with a school concert, a birthday party for the pupils and we hope to commission a stained glass window for the school as a permanent reminder.

Sacred Heart Primary School News

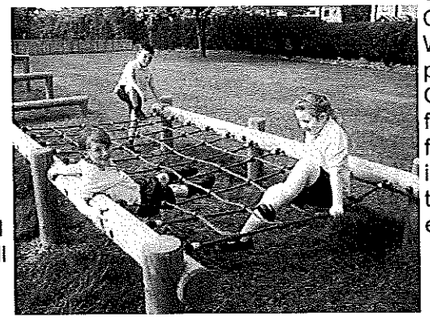
Enterprising for Outdoor Learning

At the end of last session, as part of our school evaluation, our pupils said that they would like more opportunities for outdoor learning and an improvement in their playground facilities. Our Primary 7 pupils rose to the challenge and have really put their mark on the school this year. They decided to organise a Winter Fayre to raise enough funds to make a change.

Supported by Mr. Short, the children created a business plan to establish a course of action. They quickly started writing to local businesses, organisations and parents for their support. They produced a profit and expenditure report which provided detailed information on how our whole school community could get involved. As a result of the children's creative advertising campaign, a great deal of interest surrounded the event.

The day was a huge success and raised £2700. From a teaching perspective, this was an exciting way to deliver literacy, numeracy and technologies within one interdisciplinary context. The children gained some very valuable skills for life and work which may well see them as entrepreneurs one day.

Although we raised a lot of money, to make the changes the children had asked for, we still required additional funds. A small group of children worked with Mr. Short to make an *Awards for All* application to the Big Lotto Fund. Our application was successful and we were awarded £7300.



The combined funds meant that we were able to purchase an outdoor classroom and an adventure trim trail. The entire school community are thoroughly enjoying the new additions to our school and staff look forward to enhancing the learning experiences for our pupils through the use of these resources.

Pupils' Environmental efforts are rewarded

Sacred Heart School is delighted to hear that their Eco-Schools Green Flag Award has been renewed.

The Eco Committee is working hard to ensure that all pupils and staff at Sacred Heart continue to contribute to protecting the environment and leading healthy lifestyles.

Clean up Crew

As part of the National Spring Clean Campaign, Miss Harvey and a group of Eco Warriors put on their volunteer vests and litter picked the grassed area at Kersiebank Avenue in Grangemouth. Armed with litter pickers and gloves from the Council, the children worked hard and filled several bags of litter. All of the children involved thought it was an enjoyable afternoon and they plan to become involved in other community events whenever possible.

Sacred Heart Primary School News cont'd

Going for Gold!

Pupils in Sacred Heart have been working very hard to achieve their Going for Gold Award. As well as learning about the Olympics in class, children have had the fantastic opportunity to try out some of the famous sporting activities and have been holding their own events to rival the London Olympics. Children have not only been able to participate in various lunch-time and after school clubs such as hockey, basketball and even boxing, but have also had the chance to attend local sporting days along with many children from other local schools.

On top of all this sporting enthusiasm, children from P1 to P7 and nursery classes managed to raise £2071.66 for Sports Relief by completing a sponsored Aerobathon. The children exercised their way from 9.10am until 3.15pm along with Miss Trotter, to reach this phenomenal amount and there were smiles all around, especially when the children found themselves in the local paper!

It hasn't ended there, children are helping Miss Trotter to organise a Sports week in June where they will host their own Opening Ceremony to rival London and will even have a Lap of Honour with the Olympic Torch and a performance from the school GLEE Club. They are hoping to host a sponsored assault course on the new trim trail to help raise funds for more playground games, and of course there will be sports day too! All of this has to finish of course with a final awards ceremony...GOLD for Sacred Heart!

Rights Respecting Schools

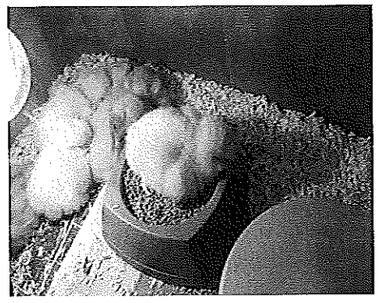
Children and staff in Sacred Heart Primary have been working very hard towards achieving their Rights Respecting School Award. Along with lots of hard work and super assemblies from Mrs McCallum, children have helped to create Rights and Responsibilities Charters for the school, playground and classrooms based on the UN Convention on the Rights of a Child. They have even had a special certificate of recognition from UNICEF for all of their hard work and commitment.

Whilst thinking about their own rights, children have also been learning about the rights of others around the world and decided to host a UNICEF 'Day for Change' in the school to raise money for the charity which helps children in Uganda. Each class decided to change something about their school day, with some children and staff coming to school in non-uniform, pyjamas and crazy hair. There was even one class who changed roles for the day with their teacher, who dressed in school uniform! Children managed to raise money £83.25 for UNICEF, well done everyone!

Children also raised money for SCIAF during Lent this year through Mrs McCallum's 'Funding Fridays' which were non-uniform days, raising a total of £328.13 over the month of March. Lots of hard work has gone into RRS within Sacred Heart and the children have shown great enthusiasm and commitment to their rights and responsibilities and those of others. This has enabled Sacred Heart to apply for their Level 1 Award!

Little Chicks at Sacred PS

The boys and girls at Sacred Heart Nursery Class have enjoyed a visit from some very special guests this week.



On Tuesday we got a delivery from the Living Eggs Company. Craig brought us all the things we needed to hatch and care for our very own little chicks. He brought a brooder box, an incubator, some baby chicken food, and some very special eggs.

On Wednesday our eggs hatched and we now have eight little, fluffy, yellow chicks. The children have found it very exciting and enjoyed watching and learning about the life cycle of the chicken.

This project has helped to develop children's understanding of where living things come from, how they grow, develop and are nurtured. The chicks have had many visitors this week: P1-P7 enjoyed visits to the nursery to see the chicks.

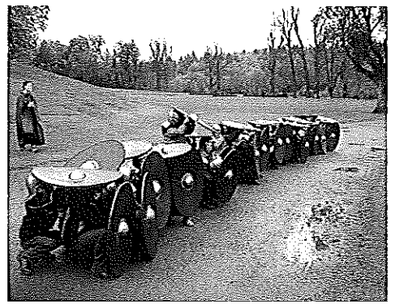
St Francis Primary School News

Journalist News Talk

A memorable P7 event which we were involved in was the visit we had from journalist Bill Leckie. He came to speak to the class about writing successful newspaper articles. He then answered questions that the pupils put to him about his career, inspiration, ambitions etc. He also brought in some awards and memento's which he has picked up throughout his career. The pupils then wrote an article about his visit which we then gave him to read and he chose some star writers. Overall the pupils thought he was really inspiring and thoroughly enjoyed his visit.

Music Group

In taking forward This is Our Faith, pupils and staff have formed a Music group that now play for our hymn singing at Mass and school services.



Ancient Rome

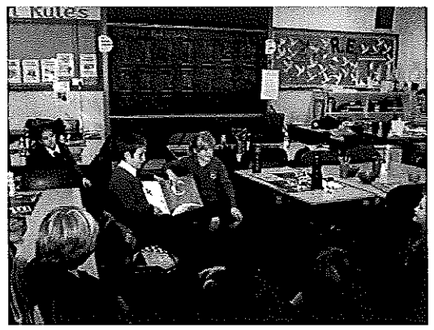
P3 room 6 immersed themselves in learning about Ancient Rome. They had the opportunity to dress as Roman soldiers visiting the site of the Antonine Wall at Callendar Park. Great fun was had perfecting the "Tortoise Manoeuvre" used by Roman soldiers.

They also enjoyed transforming themselves into Roman citizens whilst having a Toga party. An afternoon of eating, drinking and merriment followed, with Ancient Roman music playing in the background entertaining the citizens!

Active Schools - Going for Gold

All children have had the opportunity to try a variety of new sports as part of Active Schools Going for Gold Initiative. Master Bailey visited the school provided P1, 2 and 7 taster sessions in Taekwondo.

Children have been receiving awards for displaying the Olympic and Paralympic values during PE lessons. To encourage children to be good sports people, awards are given out to children who show respect, excellence, friendship, determination, courage and equality. Their pictures are then displayed in the hall for all to see!



P5 Shared Reading

Primary 5 celebrated Children's Book Week by reading some of their favourite picture books to the infant classes around the school.

It was a fantastic experience reading to the younger children and experiencing the joy and pleasure that shared reading creates.

St Francis Primary School News cont'd

Food Standards Agency

This year, Primary 4 became secret agents and undertook a mission set by the Food Standards Agency. The purpose was to explore the main issues surrounding food hygiene such as appropriate fridge/food temperatures, correct storage conditions for different food types and the difference between 'good' and 'bad' bacteria.

Upon completion of various class and home tasks, all pupils passed the training course and received a well deserved certificate. Mission accomplished Primary 4...!

Health and Wellbeing

As part of Health and Wellbeing, P6/13 took part in the Max in the Middle programme. One of the aspects covered was making children think about healthy eating and making good choices.

The children spent a morning preparing healthy snacks which they then sampled. The children found this a very enjoyable experience and tasted foods which they previously had not.

Scottish Wars

This year Primary five have been learning about the Scottish Wars of Independence. In November we visited Bannockburn Heritage Centre where we met Sir Thomas Randolph who was a relative of King Robert the Bruce. We learned how to fight in a 'shiltron' and how the Scots beat King Edward's Army at the battle of Bannockburn.

We had a great time trying on knights' armour and looking at the weapons they would have used.

Back in the class we learned about the line of succession from Malcolm Canmore to The Maid of Norway and we decided if we would have signed the Ragman Roll.

Callendar House Visit

Primary two visited Callendar House as part of their topic. The children were finding out about when their grandparents were young. They participated in various dances the 'Hand Jive' being a huge hit with the girls. The boys preferred 'Jailhouse Rock' by Elvis.

They children also looked at various artefacts from the 50s and enjoyed playing with the old toys.

St Mary's Primary School News

Living Eggs in Primary 1 and 2

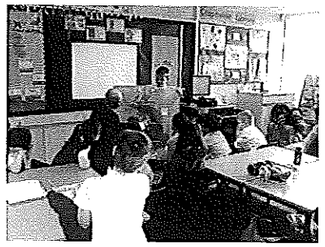
P1, P1/2 and P2 participated in a Science project called Living Eggs. This was a unique 10 day experience which allowed the children to see at first hand the chicks hatch from eggs. There was great excitement throughout the whole school when the eggs were delivered on the first day in the incubator.

By the end of the second day we started to see some cracks in two of the eggs. The children could not wait to get to school the next day to see if the chicks had hatched. They were so excited to see two fluffy new chicks that morning. We followed their progress carefully all day and were rewarded with the opportunity of watching a chick hatch before our eyes. The children were so amazed to see how much effort it took for the chick to hatch and how rapidly it's appearance changed to a fluffy chick. We used ICT extensively in this project and were lucky to catch the hatching live on video. We posted this on our website and word soon spread through the school enabling the whole school to interact with the project. Over the next day seven more chicks hatched giving us 9 chicks in total (5 girls and 4 boys). Their next step was to move to the brooder box. Each class had the opportunity to name a chick and have the chicks to stay in their classroom.

From a teaching point of view this project impacted powerfully on so many areas of the curriculum. It generated so much interest and involvement from parents and grandparents from the school community. We also received messages from other local schools through our Visitor's page on the website. The children could receive a certificate to record their involvement through our Enterprise event.

Primary 3 News

Primary 3 have had a very exciting year! First, we had a barn owl named Plop come to visit our class. He helped us learn about the importance of feelings and how important it is to respect others within our class. Since, he has been travelling around Bo'ness and learning about the local area with the children.



Throughout P3, we have been doing a lot of co-operative learning and working with our peers. This includes our maths work, topic work and lots of other learning experiences. We also have our very special 'Heart Partners' and we like to spend time with them discussing our feelings from day-to-day. Our 'Heart Partners' also work with us during Active Literacy to help us learn our words.

The children have enjoyed a lot of their topic work this year, specifically; looking into the past at the lives of the Romans. We even made up our own Roman family in our co-operative learning groups! The family then took us on a journey back in time as we learned about how a Roman family would have lived in Bo'ness. We were very lucky to have two guest speakers, who were relatives of children within the class, to come in and tell us some more about the Romans and Bo'ness. Roman songs were another favourite - we learned lots to sing whilst in role as our family!

Throughout the year, we have worked hard to keep our parents informed of our learning through our class blog on GLOW. As a class, we work together to keep our class blog updated with all of the learning and events happening in Primary Three.

Primary 5 News

We have had a busy but enjoyable year in P5 at St. Mary's. There have been so many highlights that it is hard to know where to begin. Our two favourite topics were "The Waterhorse" and "The Jacobites". Through these topics we learned more about Scotland's history, geography and culture. It certainly makes us appreciate our country more. Another project we participated in was "Max in the Class". We had the opportunity to create our own island which we named Salaboom and take on the role of different characters who live on the island. It was great fun and at the same time, the project taught us more about physical, emotional and mental health. With the Olympics coming up this year we have taken part

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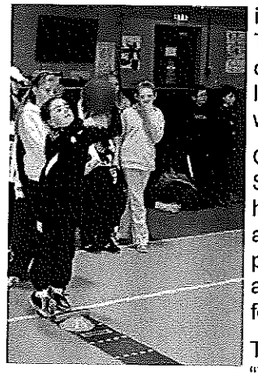


in lots of sporting activities including tennis, athletics, volleyball and badminton. This has been brilliant and has also helped us to keep fit. As part of the P5 curriculum, we started going to Bo'ness Recreation Centre recently for swimming lessons and it has quickly become one of our favourite parts of the week. We will certainly be a healthier and fitter class by the time we get to the end of P5.

On the educational side, a large part of this year has been about "Active Spelling". We are all now experts in Diacritical Marking and Elkonin Boxes. It has certainly made us think more carefully about our spelling and we have made a great effort to improve in this area. We have also managed to teach our parents all about the strategies we use to help us spell. GLOW has been another significant part of our year and we use the site regularly and look forward to extending our knowledge of it next year.

The year isn't over yet and at the end of May, we are performing a play called "The Gentle Jacobite". We are busy in both Music and Drama, learning our lines and our song words. It has been a great year and we will be sad when we reach the end of P5 but we're sure that P6 will bring us new experiences and challenges. We can't wait.

Scottish Parliament Visit

P6 have been extremely busy all through the months of February and March. As part of our topic work on the Scottish Parliament an Outreach teacher visited our school. She conducted a mock election with the children followed by a debate where we even had our very own Presiding Officer, Mr Ben Whigham. This was followed up by a visit to the actual Scottish Parliament building in Edinburgh where the Debating Chamber proved to be the highlight for many of the kids.

Debating Chamber - Scottish Parliament

Ellie McAloon, Louis Kennedy, Ryan Keenan and Stephanie McCormick attended the Euroquiz at Larbert High School on 6th March. They finished in joint third place which was a fantastic achievement.

Louis Kennedy competed in the Forth Valley Cross Country Championships in Dunblane on 8th March where he ran an impressive race and finished in 5th place. All the hard work Louis put in out of school training with his dad definitely paid off!

Mrs Bell, our transition teacher from St. Mungos has visited our class on 4 different occasions to get to know all the children. They enjoyed her visits and look forward to seeing her more next year in P7.

Max in the Middle Week

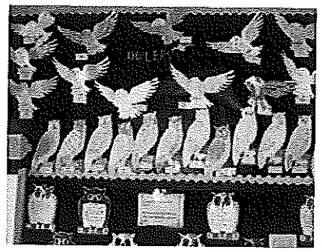
From 19th to 23rd March we were lucky enough to have Max in the Middle all week. The children loved all the dancing, acting and their performance to selected guests on Friday. The Health and Wellbeing week was well received by the children and they were so proud of all their achievements throughout the week. Jade and Heather who worked with the class were superb and have certainly left a lasting impression!

Fund Raising in Primary 7

P7 were delighted to be able to contribute over £800 to the Sick Kids charity. This is a cause that is very close to their hearts as one of their fellow pupils in P7 regularly attends the Royal Hospital for Sick Children in Edinburgh. The children used their imagination and enterprise skills to come up with a really unusual way to raise money: a sponsored problem solving afternoon! The pupils raised money from their friends and family then worked cooperatively on a number of problem solving tasks set by their class teacher, Mrs McIntyre. Well done to all the responsible citizens in P7 at St Mary's!

St Andrews Primary School News

Rich Task/Open Evening



Our Rich Task Open Evening at the end of last term was an extremely successful event. The number of families represented was very encouraging. Pupils from P1-P7 took their families on a tour of the classrooms, engaging them in some rather interesting activities from; searching for dragon eggs, making potions, a Victorian quiz, writing their name in hieroglyphs to making gingerbread men!

Feedback from parents and pupils on both the Rich Tasks and the homework grids used continues to be very positive e.g.

'I find the Homework grids really engage my boys, bringing topic work and learning home'

'They enjoy the challenge of completing as many activities as possible'.

'I think the Rich Tasks offered a wonderful range for all kinds of interests and learning styles with some affording plenty of parent involvement.'

P6 Sherlock Holmes

Our P6 pupils delighted the school and their parents with their Victorian drama, Sherlock Holmes. This

was a fantastic chance for them to show off their talents and skills as well as the wealth of knowledge they have gained about life in the Victorian period. To celebrate the success of this show, they will now represent the school at Falkirk Council's Accent on Schools Event.

Curriculum Workshops

As part of our RACI tasks this session we organised curriculum workshops for parents and carers on Active Literacy and Active Maths. This gave our parents the opportunity to become familiar with the methodologies and resources being used in the classrooms and helpful hints on how they can support their child's learning at home.

The feedback from parents was very encouraging.

I learned how interesting maths is now, wish it was like that for me years ago'!

'The teaching ethos is so different, much more positive and engaging for children'.

This will help me in trying out slightly different techniques at home from those I have used so far'.

'I have a better understanding of what to do to develop her learning'.

Wider Achievements

Scottish Cup Final

On Monday the 23rd of April the St Andrews Football Team went to Toryglen in Glasgow to compete in the Scottish Cup Final. The team didn't just suddenly get to the final, they had to go through a quarter final and a semi final (750 teams from all over Scotland entered) .The school team was very successful in the group stages; they managed to score an amazing 56 and concede none. The school realised this was a great achievement and thought that if the boys were to win they needed some support so....

They brought along about 170 pupils, teachers and parents!!! When the day came all of the boys were very nervous and a bit anxious about the teams they would come up against. The journey took about an hour and before long we were there and ready to go. The people who ran the competition kindly gave us new strips to add to the occasion. As soon as we stepped out we were hit by this loud noise from all the support and we were all pumped up and ready to go!!!

Our first game was against Craigdhu Primary and we won 3 – 1 with Flynn scoring all 3 goals. Then we drew the second game with Harrison and Flynn hitting the net for St Andrews. On to the 3rd game and due to results elsewhere it was now or never... if we won we were through to the grand final and if we lost...we were out! We sadly lost the game 2-0 and we were all disappointed but we had to pick ourselves up for the 3rd 4th place play off. The game began and Aaron Reid came from nowhere and put

St. Andrew's Primary School News Cont'd

us in the lead then Dingwall hit back and equalised with the last kick of the ball. We were devastated! It was decided by the organisers that as it was a draw both teams would be joint 3rd. We were all very upset that we didn't win but we realised that by coming 3rd in the whole of Scotland we had done the school proud! It was a great day that we will all remember. **By Harrison and Jason**

Nursery Class News

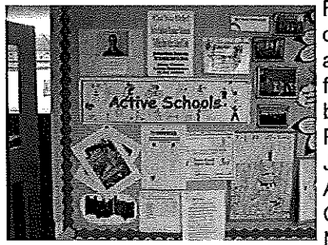
In January 2012 we were very excited to open our new nursery class. The nursery is situated in a portakabin in the school grounds. This session we have 20 children who attend in the morning and 30 in the afternoon. Next session our numbers are increasing to 30/30. The playroom is a bright, welcoming place, full of great play and learning experiences. We eagerly await the construction work to be completed on our outside play area and we are currently fundraising for outdoor equipment.

Lunch and After School Clubs

There are several lunch and after school clubs running for pupils. Staff and parents help to organise the clubs. Pupils can enjoy Table Tennis, Badminton, Cross Country, Football and Chess every week.

Healthy Helping Hearts

In February, we held a 'Healthy Helping Hearts' Fundraiser. The children took part in a range of fun fitness activities led by Mrs Young, our PE Specialist and Johnny Bannerman, Active Schools Coordinator. Our Nursery raised £250 for the British Heart Foundation and our P1-7 pupils raised a total of £462 for SCIAF.



Max in the Middle

Both our P6 classes participated in the week long 'Max in the Middle' health topic. For a whole week pupils learned about keep well in its widest sense; physical health, mental and social/emotional health. Their week long experience culminated in a show for parents. It was a memorable experience for all involved.

Outdoor Learning

Throughout the session all classes have been making the most of opportunities to take learning outdoors. Some members of staff have attended national training courses and are keen to use the school grounds and our local area for enterprising learning and teaching. All classes have been using the school grounds for maths, writing poetry, science, eco initiatives and of course, sport!

Last term, our Primary 7 pupils enjoyed some fun packed and exciting sessions with The Outdoor Education Team. The pupils were involved in canoeing, mountain biking and team building – even our teachers took part. The sessions were a great success and pupils felt a sense of achievement being able to try something new and challenging.

All classes have made use of Callendar Park to enhance their topic work; autumn walks, Roman workshops, WW II workshop, Victorians workshop.

Eco Initiatives

This session we are collecting plastic bottle tops. The bottle tops are being used for making murals to brighten up our school grounds. Mrs Millard, our art specialist and P6 pupils are involved in this project.

Our Eco Committee have adopted a piece of land adjacent to our new nursery. The children have turned the run down path and grounds into a Cleanzone. The pupils carried out two litter picks and surveys. The committee also contacted the Litter Team at the council and, with the help of the Criminal Justice Team, the area has been transformed. Our P7 pupils also planted daffodils and shrubs. We hope to hang one of our murals in this area too.

Our enterprising P1/2G class has also adopted a Cleanzone over in Callendar Park. Each term they visit the park to improve their own little patch!

Our Eco Committee organised a 'Swap It Day' for our P1-7 classes. All pupils were invited to bring in a good quality toy or game they had outgrown or finished with. P3 then sorted the toys and games and all children could choose one toy/game to take home. There were many happy smiling faces that day and not one penny was spent!

Deadline Approaching for Schools' 'ECO Editors' Competition

Secondary schools across Falkirk are reminded to send in their entries for the ScottishPower Green Energy Trust's Eco Editors competition - closing date - 1st June.

The Green Energy Trust's Eco Editors contest is an innovative writing and environmental project for pupils which gives eco-conscious schools the opportunity to produce two pages of content for ScottishPower's 'Green' magazine and win £500 to spend on a school environmental project.

The budding journalists taking part in the 2012 'Eco Editors' are challenged to write about ongoing 'green' projects at their school or tell the Trust about inspirational eco-friendly activities that other pupils can put into practice.

In order to become an 'Eco Editor,' simply tell The ScottishPower Green Energy Trust in not more than 300 words, your experience or suggestions which schools across the UK could implement to help save the planet.

The winning school's pupils will be also be able to see their contribution in print in the autumn/winter edition of the magazine. All schools taking part in 'Eco Editors' should submit their entries to kirstin.aitken@bigpartnership.co.uk or Kirstin Aitken, The BIG Partnership, 5 Park Circus Place, Glasgow, G3 6AH, no later than **Friday, June 1st, 2012.**

For further information on the ScottishPower Green Energy Trust, please visit www.scottishpowergreentrust.co.uk

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Quarriers Falkirk Children's Rights Service

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Gordon Stewart - Children's Rights Officer and

Mary Bateman - Who Cares Worker are now co-located at:

Quarriers Falkirk Children's Rights Service, 1A Banks Street, Falkirk FK1 1NB Telephone - 01324 612308

Gordon's main responsibility is for children & young people - Looked After at Home, young people in foster care and all Children and young people's rights.

Mary's main responsibility is for children & young people - Looked After Away from Home, young people in residential care including secure.

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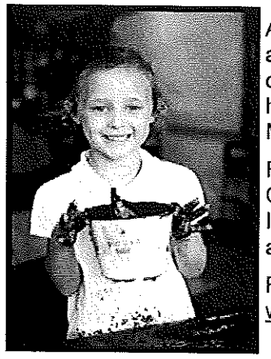
Care for a daffodil and help Marie Curie care for people at the end of life

Marie Curie Cancer Care is inviting all children aged 3-11 to take part in its *Mini Pots of Care* fundraising activity this autumn and help raise money for Marie Curie Nurses.

Mini Pots of Care is a free creative and educational project for schools and groups which teaches children about science, nature and the work of Marie Curie Nurses, who provide free care to people with a terminal illness in their own homes.



As part of the activity children plant daffodil bulbs in their own mini pots in the autumn and care for them throughout the winter months. In the spring, children celebrate their daffodils in bloom by holding a Mini Pots of Care Day when they have fun painting their pots, fundraising and learning about the work of the Marie Curie Cancer Care.

Free detailed lesson plans supporting Key Stages 1 and 2 of the National Curriculum for England and Wales and equivalent for Scotland and Northern Ireland are available online. Activity resources for youth groups are also available to download from the Marie Curie Cancer Care website.

Register your school or group to take part by calling 08700 340 040 or visiting www.mariecurie.org.uk/minipotsofcare by October 5, 2012.

Library Support for Schools - Happy 1st Birthday Oliver!

Library Support for Schools upgraded our existing catalogue (ALICE) last May. The main purpose of this was to provide remote access to our catalogue of resources. We were frequently being asked for printed lists of what we held, however with over **130,000** items available this was impractible. The planning, preparation for this and acquiring the funding took a while but we are really pleased with the results and hope you will be too. Oliver can be accessed via the **intranet** using this link (*http://oliver.falkirk.gov.uk*).

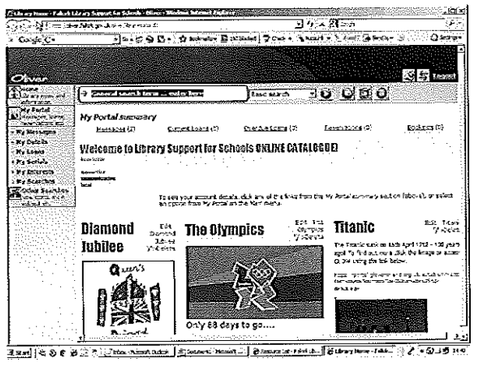
Oliver has many additional features which ALICE did not provide. We are now able to add websites as well as interact/search alternative providers e.g. SCRAN and BBC Bitesize. If there are other alternative providers that you would like us to add please contact Susan Campbell at LSS. The home page feature allows us to promote literacy events and link them to resources we hold or where relevant pages on GLOW e.g. Olympics, Diamond Jubilee, Author events online.

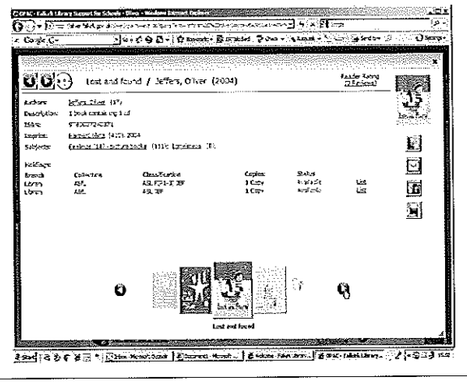
Library Support for Schools subscribes to a Bibliographic Document Supply service (BDS) which allows us to upload book cover images to Oliver and we are able to upload images of our other resources e.g. masks, puppets. The carousel feature is also very attractive.

Oliver allows book reviews to be added to resources on the catalogue and electronic files can now be added to this as a resource. This is something we are currently developing and would like to be able to include examples of work/ideas that teachers would be happy to share with colleagues e.g. planners.

Oliver is continually developing with the High schools all being upgraded last November. Library Support for Schools are working with Softlink to test a new Oliver product for primaries which if suitable we hope to be able to trial in a couple of Falkirk schools soon.

Library Support for Schools will be running short CPD sessions on how to use Oliver in September during the **OPEN WEEK** (10th – 14th September).
Places are limited (15) so book early.





Free canal cruising for people with special needs

The Big Lunch UK
on
Sunday 3rd June 2012
12.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.

The Boathouse
Bantaskine Park, off Gartcows Rd FK1 5EF

Bring your friends and family
Own picnic, drinks and picnic blankets

Boat trips available by donation
Entertainment too

For more information and to be a part of it
The Big Lunch – Falkirk
or our website
Please register your interest
Contact
Sonia McLay
Mob 07730447212
email soniamclay@blueyonder.co.uk

Part of the the big lunch UK

From Inchlair to Hong Kong

As part of Falkirk Council International Education Scheme Lorna Richardson, Senior Early Years Officer at Inchlair Nursery School worked over Summer 2011 at Woodland Sai Kung Pre-School in Hong Kong.

"I was very fortunate to be given funding from Falkirk Council which allowed me to work in Hong Kong for seven weeks during our summer break. I had a fantastic time and one I shall never forget. The children were amazing and very quickly accepted me into their classroom. Although there are many similarities in education between Scotland and Hong Kong it was very interesting to experience a day in the life of a Chinese child.

My friend, Mrs Shiela Forsyth, who was a Primary 7 teacher in Shieldhill Primary School, moved two years ago to live in Hong Kong. I helped her set up a Primary one classroom following the Scottish systems. It's great to hear from her that the children are enjoying their new classroom and many other teachers from different schools in Hong Kong have come to visit and have now made changes.

I was told by the head teacher that I had brought a lot of very useful information, ideas and suggestions which they would take on board and use in their school. The biggest change was that young children at the age of four should not be kept sitting at a desk and chair for hours at a time but should be allowed to learn through active free play.

I have brought a few ideas from Hong Kong and would like to now put these into practice in my own setting at Inchlair Nursery School. The children at Inchlair have enjoyed listening to my stories, sharing my experience and dressing up in some of the beautiful costumes I brought back.

I continue to keep in touch with the school staff and children in Hong Kong. It is fantastic to see the changes being put in place that I suggested to them and that now the children are experiencing lot's more play in their school day".

Scottish Primary Schools Cross Country Championships

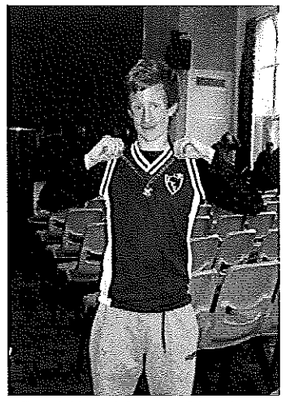
Following the successful Primary Schools Cross Country League, hosted by local athletics club, Falkirk Victoria Harriers, 47 P6 and P7 pupils from 14 Primary Schools across the Falkirk council area travelled to Kirkcaldy on Saturday 21st April to compete in the Scottish Primary Schools Cross Country Championships. Over 30 of the children travelled in a bus provided by the Council's Active Schools Team.

For all of the pupils, this event was the first time they had competed at this level in an athletics competition. The majority had been encouraged to do so after their performances throughout the winter in the local league, which has produced two individual winners in the last 5 years. Caroline Lawless, the Vics Treasurer, and Additional Support for Learning Administrator in the Council's Education Service was instrumental in encouraging the schools to enter the pupils and organising the travel arrangements. Caroline also travelled with the pupils, some of whom were the sole representatives from their schools, and parents to encourage the pupils at the event.

The races are split into Girls and Boys at each P6 and P7 stages, and additionally into A to K and L to Z by school name to keep the size of the fields to manageable levels for the 1500m races. In a fantastic day, enjoyed by all, the talent in the Falkirk Council area was evident from the first race to the last. In the first race for P6 girls (A to K) Kirsten Lawrie of Airth Primary School was the first Falkirk Council pupil to finish in 26th position. Flora Johnstone of Ladeside Primary was first home in the (L to Z) race in 30th place. In the P6 boys (A to K) race Carronshore Primary's Max Rintoul ran superbly to finish **2nd** with a time of 5 mins 48 secs and is pictured with his medal, was closely followed by teammate Owen Lake in 4th place (6min 03secs) as the Carronshore boys, with Ross Gauld the important third counter in 49th place, finished an excellent 5th in the team competition. In the (L to Z) race Thomas Boyle representing Maddiston Primary just pipped Kane Elliot of St Francis. The boys finishing 21st and 22nd respectively.

Jessica Christie of Kinnaird Primary was the first Falkirk pupil home in the P7 girls (A to K) race, covering the 1500 metre course in 6 min 50 secs to finish 19th. Katy McGonigal of St Margarets was 34th in the (L to Z) race. Bantaskin Primary provided the only boys in the P7 (A to L) race Scott Richardson-Peat was 37th and Kerr Mitchell 41st.

The best results for the Falkirk Council area came in the days final event, the P7 boys (L to Z) race. A superb run by Paul Hutchison of Larbert Village saw him become the 3rd local athlete to win an individual gold in the last 5 years. Paul is pictured with his medal. Pauls winning time was an impressive 5 min 21 secs. St Andrews Primary became the areas second school in the local leagues 9 year history to win team medals. Excellent runs from Aaron Reid who was 4th in a time of 5 min 47 secs, Harrison Glassey 14th in 6min 08 secs, and Lewis Pentecost in 41st place resulted in the boys finishing 3rd Team and gaining the bronze medals. The St Andrews pupils are also pictured with their medals.



Paul Hutchison of Larbert Village PS

Thanks goes to all the teachers and helpers who provided training for the pupils throughout the winter which resulted in these terrific performances.

Calendar of Events

June 2012

Public Social Partnership - 9am - Callendar Business Park	04 Jun
Accelerated Incremental Progression Meeting - Sealock House	05 Jun
Parent Council PVG Session - Seminar Room - CEC - 6.30pm	07 Jun
Falkirk Children's Commission - Executive Group - 1.30pm - Committee Room - Municipal Buildings	07 Jun
ESMT - 9am	07 Jun
Educational Psychology Service - Staff Development Day	07 Jun
Worlds Ocean Day	08 Jun
Education Matters - June Edition - article deadline date	08 Jun
Headteachers Meeting - Grangemouth High School - 8.45am	12 Jun
ESMT - 9am	13 Jun
ESMT/Primary HTs Business Meeting - Conference Room, Sealock House	15 Jun
Fathers Day	17 Jun
Dementia Awareness Week (www.alzscot.org)	18 Jun
Enterprise in Education & Enterprise Champion Awards - Grangemouth HS	19 Jun
Summer Solstice (longest day of the year)	20 Jun
Falkirk Children's Commission - 9am - Conference Room - Sealock House	21 Jun
ESMT (Extended) - 9am	26 Jun
Summer Term Ends	29 Jun

Young Enterprise Final

Congratulations to Bo'ness Academy who had a very successful night at the recent Young Enterprise Final.

- ★ Best Company Overall (will represent Forth Valley at Scottish Final) Timeless (Bo'ness Academy)
- ★ Best Company Report – Timeless (Bo'ness Academy)
- ★ Best Presentation – Ohana Tropicana (Bo'ness Academy)
- ★ Best Business in the Community – Quill (Stirling High School)
- ★ Most Innovative Product – Timeless (Bo'ness Academy)
- ★ Best Marketing Plan – Timeless (Bo'ness Academy)
- ★ Most Effective Sales Technique – Timeless
- ★ Best Display at Finals – Ohana Tropicana
- ★ Best Display at Trade Fair – Ohana Tropicana

As you can see Bo'ness Academy almost swept the board!

Larbert, Graeme and Grangemouth also attended from Falkirk and all did really well, submitting their Company reports, setting up a Trade Stand and delivering a presentation.

Although Bo'ness romped home, any of the other schools would have been worthy winners too. A very strong competition and well done all those who took part.

Green Flag News

Larbert High – third green flag!

Following a visit by the Eco School Assessors, Larbert High School were awarded with their third green flag.

The assessors commented very positively and were very impressed by the proceedings which were entirely pupil led.

Well done Denny Primary!

Congratulations' to Denny PS for achieving a Green Flag! Keep up the good work.

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: PARTICIPATION IN SCOTLAND EXCEL CONTRACTS
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 June 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE & NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

1. BACKGROUND

1.1 Falkirk Council as a Member of Scotland Excel (Excel), the local government centre of expertise for procurement has access to a range of national local government framework contracts.

1.2 The Director of Corporate and Neighbourhood Services has delegated authority to determine which contracts the Council should procure through Excel and which should be procured directly by the Council.

1.3 The purpose of this Report is to advise Members of the Authority's participation in the Excel Advertising contract from 1st July 2012.

2. PARTICIPATION AND BENEFITS

Advertising

2.1 The Council's current contract for the provision of Recruitment Advertising, with Thirty Three Ltd, Edinburgh terminates on 30th June 2012. The annual value for this contract is less than £10,000.

2.2 Scotland Excel has in place a national framework agreement for the supply of Advertising, Lot 1 of which covers Recruitment Advertising, for which the suppliers are noted below. With extension periods this national contract has the potential to run through to 31st October 2013.

Company	Postal Town
Euro RSCG Riley Ltd	Glasgow
Thirty Three Ltd	Edinburgh
Media Vision Ltd	Edinburgh
Spirit Media Scotland Ltd	Edinburgh
TMP Ltd	Edinburgh
Work Communications Ltd	Edinburgh

2.4 From the pricing information available it is estimated that participation in the Excel contract would secure a saving of approximately 10% against current costs.

2.5 Considering that savings would be realised, best value would be achieved by Falkirk Council participating in Framework for Recruitment Advertising from the 1st July 2011.

3. ACTION TAKEN

3.1 As best value would be achieved I authorised participation in the Scotland Excel contract from 1st July 2012 with an estimated annual expenditure of £10,000 for the provision of Recruitment Advertising to Falkirk Council.

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DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE & NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

Date: 25th May 2012
Ref: AAD0612
Contact Name: David Houston Ext: 0819

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: TENDERS UPTO £100,000 IN VALUE – EXTENSION TO CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF FIRST AID TRAINING (C/N : CNS/050/10)
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 June 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Council currently has in place a contract for the provision of First Aid Training.

1.2 The contract period was from 1st June 2010 to 31st May 2012 with the option to extend annually for two years to 31st May 2014.

1.3 The estimated spend for the initial two years was £42,000. The forecast spend for the initial two years is expected to be approximately £35,000.

1.4 It is estimated that should the contract be extended for twelve months to the 31st May 2013 additional expenditure would be approximately £21,000. This would give a total expenditure of £56,000, over the three years, which would remain within the original advertised contract value.

1.5 The current provider MacSafe Health & Safety Ltd, Denny has given a good service and has indicated their wish to continue to provide the Council's requirements for First Aid Training.

2. CONTRACT EXTENSION

2.1 It is considered best value to Falkirk Council to extend the contract for a further twelve months for the following reasons:

a) No need to incur further tendering or advertising costs.

b) The contact continues to provide best value for the Council and spend will remain within budget.

c) Current supplier is meeting contract performance and quality standards.

2.2 The funding for the contracts is contained within current revenue budgets.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 In accordance with Standing order 6.2(i) I accepted the extension with MacSafe Health & Safety Ltd, Denny in the sum of approximately £21,000 for 12 months from 1st June 2012 to 31st May 2013 which will give an overall total contract value of £56,000 for the period 1st June 2010 to 31st May 2013.

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DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

Date: 4 May 2012
Ref: AAD0612
Contact Name: David Houston Ext: 0819

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. * Tender documents

* Item not for publication on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in, paragraph 10 of part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2009
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This report is to advise members of the actions taken by Development Services in relation to the Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009, (the 2009 Act).

1.2 This report also confirms the introduction of a Performance Indicator, separate from the requirements of the 2009 Act.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 A report titled "Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009" was placed before the Environment and Community Safety Committee on the 25 October 2011. This report updated Members on progress made implementing The Disabled Persons' Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009, and explained the duties placed upon local authorities in relation to disabled persons' parking places. The 2009 Act requires local authorities to submit a performance report to the Scottish Government within three months from the end of the financial year, i.e. by the end of June. A copy of the report, the contents of which is prescribed in the 2009 Act, is enclosed as Schedule 1.

2.2 At the Committee Meeting of the 25 October 2011, Members discussed the introduction of a Performance Indicator separate from the reporting requirements of the 2009 Act. A Performance Indicator compares performance against a target. The proposed target to assess performance is that 80% of applications will have Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO's) in place within 120 days.

2.3 The Performance Indicator for the 2011/2012 financial year shows 87% of applications were processed within 120 days. The Performance Report is enclosed as Appendix A.

3 ON-STREET DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES: INITIAL DUTIES

3.1 Section 4 of the 2009 Act required local authorities to identify every advisory on-street disabled persons' parking place in its area and decide whether it was an 'eligible parking place'. This initial requirement was discussed in the report placed before Members on the 25 October 2011.

4 ON-STREET DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES: ON-GOING DUTIES

4.1 Section 5 of the 2009 Act makes provision for individuals or organisations to apply for an on-street disabled persons' parking place.

4.2 The 2009 Act requires local authorities to report on the number of applications for disabled bays received and the number provided. It also requires local authorities to list the time taken to commence the statutory process for providing a bay from when it is determined that a bay can be provided.

4.3 Between 1 April 2011 and 31 March 2012, Falkirk Council received 86 applications for on-street disabled persons' parking places. Of these applications, 58 traffic regulation Orders were commenced to provide a bay.

5 OFF-STREET DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES: INITIAL DUTIES

5.1 The 2009 Act permits applications to be received for on-street disabled persons' parking places but not for off-street parking places.

5.2 Section 6 of the 2009 Act required local authorities to identify every advisory off-street disabled persons' parking place in its area and decide whether it was an 'eligible parking place'. Thereafter the authority had to determine whether a TRO could be promoted to make the bay legally enforceable. The main factor affecting the ability to promote a TRO for advisory disabled persons' parking places is whether the private land owner wishes the Order to be made.

5.3 Local authorities are required to undertake this exercise every two years. Development Service first undertook this duty during the 2010/2011 financial year and will do so again this financial year.

5.4 Disabled persons' parking bays in car parks operated by Development Services are generally compliant with the requirement of the 2009 Act. Discussions have taken place with other Services who operate car parks containing disabled persons' parking places and these Services are currently collating the information required to allow TRO's to be drafted. It is the intention to publish these TRO's this financial year.

6 DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES WITHIN DEVELOPMENTS

6.1 Section 7 of the 2009 Act requires Falkirk Council to identify advisory off-street disabled persons' parking places associated with new developments. The authority must determine whether a TRO could be promoted to make any bay legally enforceable. Again, the main factor affecting the ability to promote a TRO for advisory disabled persons' parking places is whether the private land owner wishes the Order to be made.

6.2 The 2009 Act is intended to cover car parks associated with retail, private leisure and sport or tourist type businesses where the public are actively encouraged to use the car parks.

6.3 Development Services have contacted those developers that have received planning permission for relevant business types during the 2011/2012 financial year to determine whether they wish TRO's to be promoted. There have been 30 bays provided over five separate developments. Responses are still awaited from the developers.

7 OFF-STREET DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES: ON-GOING DUTIES

7.1 Section 8 of the 2009 Act requires local authorities to determine the locations of advisory disabled persons' parking bays in off-street car parks biennially. As advised in item 5.3 above, Development Services will undertake this exercise this financial year.

8 CONCLUSIONS

8.1 The implementation of TRO's in relation to disabled persons' parking places located in publically accessible car parks operated by the various Services within Falkirk Council is currently being progressed with the intention of publishing TRO's this financial year.

9 ACTION TAKEN

9.1 In accordance with the timescales set down in the 2009 Act, the annual performance report has been submitted to the Scottish Government.

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Director of Development Services

Date: 7 June 2012

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT REQUIRED INFORMATION

SCHEDULE 1 -YEAR 2011-12

This Schedule provides the detailed information specified in the Disabled Persons Parking Places Order

(a) Duties under Section 1

	Details of action taken in fulfilment of duty under section 1.	Falkirk Council considered all requests for disabled persons parking places by qualifying persons and has where possible commenced the statutory process to make Orders for those applicants. It has developed its own Performance Indicator to monitor the period of time to process applications for on-street disabled persons' parking places.

(b) Designated Parking Places

	Number of parking places designated as being for use only by a disabled person's vehicle by virtue of the 2009 Act (excluding Section 9).	Falkirk Council has designated a total of 50 disabled persons parking places during the reporting period.

(c) Duties under Section 4

(i)	Number of advisory disabled street parking places identified under section 4(1).	The initial duty contained in Section 4 was reported during the 2010/2011 financial year.
(ii)	Reasons for any decisions under section 4(2) or 4(3)(a).	Refer to (c)(i) above.
(iii)	Number of parking places for which the statutory procedure under section 4(3)(b) has started.	Refer to (c)(i) above.

(d) Duties under Section 5

(i)	Number of requests received under section 5(1).	Falkirk Council received 86 applications for disabled persons parking places during the reporting period.
(ii)	Number of parking places identified under section 5(2)(b).	Of the 86 applications received, 63 parking places were identified.

(iii)	Reasons for any decision under section 5(3)(a).	Of the 63 parking places identified, TRO's were not made for 2 applications due to objections being received and not resolved, for 3 applications due to applicants withdrawing their applications, and for 8 applications due to the applications still going through the process at the end of the reporting period.
(iv)	Number of parking places for which the procedure under section 5(3)(b) was started.	Falkirk Council has commenced the statutory process required to make an Order for 58 applications for disabled persons parking places during the reporting period.
(v)	Periods between identifying a parking place under section 5(2)(b) and starting the related procedure under section 5(3)(b).	See attached list Reference 1.

(e) Duties under Section 6

(i)	The number of advisory disabled off-street parking places identified under section 6(1).	The initial duty contained in Section 6 was reported during the 2010/2011 financial year.
(ii)	Reasons for any decision under section 6(2)(a).	Refer to (e)(i) above.
(iii)	Number of parking places for which the procedure under section 6(2)(b) was started.	Refer to (e)(i) above.
(iv)	Reasons for any decision that the Council would not have power to make a disabled off-street parking order.	Refer to (e)(i) above.
(v)	Number of premises that include a parking place for which the Council sought arrangements under section 6(6).	Refer to (e)(i) above.
(vi)	The reasons why it was unsuccessful in making any such arrangements.	Refer to (e)(i) above.
(vii)	Number of parking places in relation to which the procedure under section 6(7) was started.	Refer to (e)(i) above.
(viii)	The date by which duties under section 6(1), 6(2), (4) or (6), relative to the period of 12 months referred to in section 6(9).	Refer to (e)(i) above.

(f) Duties under Section 7

(i)	Number of developments for which a planning permission mentioned in section 7(1) was granted.	Falkirk Council have contacted those Developers that have received Planning Permission relating the relevant business types during the 2011/2012 financial year to determine whether they wish TRO's to be promoted. There have been 30no bays provided over five separate developments. Responses are still awaited from the Developers.
(ii)	Its reasons for any decision under section 7(3) that it would not have the power to make a disabled off-street parking order.	Refer to (f)(i) above.
(iii)	Number of premises that include a parking place for which the Council sought arrangements under section 7(5).	Refer to (f)(i) above.
(iv)	The reasons why it was unsuccessful in making any such arrangements.	Refer to (f)(i) above.
(v)	Number of parking places in relation to which the procedure under section 7(6) was started.	Refer to (f)(i) above.

(g) Duties under Section 8

(i)	Its reasons for any decision under section 8(2) that the Council would not have the power to make a disabled off-street parking order.	Section 8 of the 2009 Act requires local authorities to determine the locations of advisory disabled persons' parking bays in off-street car parks biennially. Falkirk Council will undertake this exercise this financial year.
(ii)	Number of premises that include a parking place for which the Council sought arrangements under section 8(4).	Refer to (g)(i) above.
(iii)	The reasons why it was unsuccessful in making any such arrangements.	Refer to (g)(i) above.
(iv)	The number of parking places in relation to which the Council started the statutory procedure under section 8(5).	Refer to (g)(i) above.

(h) Disabled street parking and disabled off-street parking orders

(i)	The number of such orders the making of which the Council started the statutory procedure in accordance with the 2009 Act.	Falkirk Council has commenced the statutory process required to make 58 TRO's for disabled persons parking places during the reporting period.
(ii)	The number of parking places designated as being for use only by a disabled person's vehicle under such an order.	There have been a total of 50 disabled persons' parking places designated during the reporting period.
(iii)	In relation to each such order, the period between the start of the statutory procedure and the making of the order.	See attached list Reference 1.
(iv)	In respect of each case in which it started the statutory procedure but did not make the order the reasons why not.	See attached list Reference 1.

(i) Duties under Section 9

(i)	Designation of a temporary parking place where a request has been made under Section 5.	Falkirk Council designates temporary parking places by marking a bay on the carriageway. Once the TRO has been made, the associated traffic sign is erected.

Reference 1

Disabled Persons Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009

Sections 1(d)(v) and 1(h)(iii)

Reporting Period from 01/04/2011 to 31/03/2012

Ref. Number	Date on which parking place identified	Date on which statutory procedure commenced	Period of time in days to commence statutory procedure	Date on which order made	Period of time in days to make TRO
11/026	05/05/2011	23/05/2011	18 days	11/08/2011	80 days
11/033	19/04/2011	26/04/2011	7 days	11/08/2011	107 days
11/035	19/05/2011	26/07/2011	68 days	10/11/2011	107 days
11/036	11/04/2011	26/04/2011	15 days	11/08/2011	107 days
11/037	19/04/2011	26/04/2011	7 days	11/08/2011	107 days
11/038	12/05/2011	23/05/2011	11 days	06/10/2011	136 days
11/039	19/04/2011	26/04/2011	7 days	11/08/2011	107 days
11/040	09/05/2011	28/06/2011	50 days	06/10/2011	100 days
11/042	31/05/2011	28/06/2011	28 days	06/10/2011	100 days
11/043	23/05/2011	28/06/2011	36 days	06/10/2011	100 days
11/047	30/06/2011	26/07/2011	26 days	10/11/2011	107 days
11/048	03/06/2011	28/06/2011	25 days	06/10/2011	100 days
11/049	07/07/2011	26/07/2011	19 days	10/11/2011	107 days
11/050	16/06/2011	28/06/2011	12 days	06/10/2011	100 days
11/051	18/07/2011	26/07/2011	8 days	10/11/2011	107 days
11/052	28/06/2011	26/07/2011	28 days	10/11/2011	107 days
11/054	11/07/2011	26/07/2011	15 days	10/11/2011	107 days
11/055	08/07/2011	26/07/2011	18 days	10/11/2011	107 days
11/056	21/07/2011	26/07/2011	5 days	Objection received – not yet resolved	
11/058	17/10/2011	24/10/2011	7 days	02/02/2012	101 days
11/059	21/07/2011	26/07/2011	5 days	10/11/2011	107 days
11/061	27/10/2011	22/11/2011	26 days	08/03/2012	107 days
11/062	05/08/2011	23/08/2011	18 days	08/12/2011	107 days
11/063	12/08/2011	23/08/2011	11 days	08/12/2011	107 days
11/064	01/08/2011	23/08/2011	22 days	08/12/2011	107 days
11/065	20/10/2011	24/10/2011	4 days	02/02/2012	101 days
11/066	31/08/2011	26/09/2011	26 days	05/01/2012	101 days
11/068	31/08/2011	24/10/2011	54 days	02/02/2012	101 days
11/069	22/09/2011	Applicant withdrew their application			
11/070	23/09/2011	26/09/2011	3 days	02/02/2012	129 days
11/073	31/08/2011	26/09/2011	26 days	05/01/2012	101 days
11/074	17/10/2011	24/10/2011	7 days	02/02/2012	101 days
11/075	22/09/2011	26/09/2011	4 days	02/02/2012	129 days
11/076	22/09/2011	26/09/2011	4 days	02/02/2012	129 days
11/077	17/10/2011	24/10/2011	7 days	02/02/2012	101 days
11/078	12/10/2011	24/10/2011	12 days	02/02/2012	101 days
11/079	22/11/2011	22/11/2011	0 days	08/03/2012	107 days
11/080	17/10/2011	22/11/2011	36 days	08/03/2012	107 days
11/081	21/11/2011	22/11/2011	1 days	08/03/2012	107 days
11/082	27/03/2012	28/03/2012	1 days	Traffic Regulation Order not yet made	
11/083	20/10/2011	24/10/2011	4 days	02/02/2012	101 days

Ref. Number	Date on which parking place identified	Date on which statutory procedure commenced	Period of time in days to commence statutory procedure	Date on which order made	Period of time in days to make TRO
11/084	29/11/2011	29/11/2011	0 days	05/04/2012	128 days
11/085	04/11/2011	22/11/2011	18 days	Objection received – not yet resolved	
11/086	13/12/2011	19/12/2011	6 days	05/04/2012	108 days
11/087	12/12/2011	19/12/2011	7 days	05/04/2012	108 days
11/088	16/11/2011	22/11/2011	6 days	08/03/2012	107 days
11/089	04/11/2011	22/11/2011	18 days	08/03/2012	107 days
11/090	13/02/2012	20/02/2012	7 days	07/06/2012	108 days
11/091	21/11/2011	Applicant withdrew their application			
11/092	13/12/2011	19/12/2011	6 days	05/04/2012	108 days
11/094	10/01/2012	24/01/2012	14 days	Applicant withdrew their application	
11/095	15/12/2011	19/12/2011	4 days	05/04/2012	108 days
11/098	12/01/2012	24/01/2012	12 days	07/06/2012	135 days
12/001	27/03/2012	28/03/2012	1 days	Traffic Regulation Order not yet made	
12/002	13/02/2012	20/02/2012	7 days	07/06/2012	108 days
12/004	14/02/2012	20/02/2012	6 days	07/06/2012	108 days
12/005	06/03/2012	24/04/2012	49 days	Traffic Regulation Order not yet made	
12/006	17/02/2012	20/02/2012	3 days	07/06/2012	108 days
12/011	18/04/2012	24/04/2012	6 days	Traffic Regulation Order not yet made	
12/012	27/03/2012	28/03/2012	1 days	Traffic Regulation Order not yet made	
12/013	02/05/2012	Statutory process still to be commenced			
12/019	02/05/2012	Statutory process still to be commenced			
12/020	14/05/2012	Statutory process still to be commenced			

APPENDIX A

APPLICATIONS FOR DISABLED PERSONS' PARKING PLACES

Performance Indicator Report for Applications received between 01/04/11 and 31/03/12

Ref Number	Date Application Form Validated	Date Traffic Regulation Order Made	Time Taken to Complete Process
11/026	07/04/2011	23/06/2011	77 days
11/033	11/04/2011	23/06/2011	73 days
11/034	01/04/2011	REFUSED - ALTERNATIVE OFF-STREET PARKING AVAILABLE	
11/035	01/04/2011	21/09/2011	173 days
11/036	01/04/2011	23/06/2011	83 days
11/037	01/04/2011	23/06/2011	83 days
11/038	05/04/2011	19/08/2011	136 days
11/039	14/04/2011	23/06/2011	70 days
11/040	19/04/2011	19/08/2011	122 days
11/041	03/05/2011	REFUSED - ALTERNATIVE OFF-STREET PARKING AVAILABLE	
11/042	03/05/2011	19/08/2011	108 days
11/043	03/05/2011	19/08/2011	108 days
11/044	09/05/2011	REFUSED - ALTERNATIVE OFF-STREET PARKING AVAILABLE	
11/045	09/05/2011	REFUSED – NO VEHICLE REGISTERED TO APPLICANTS ADDRESS	
11/048	24/05/2011	19/08/2011	87 days
11/049	26/05/2011	21/09/2011	118 days
11/050	27/05/2011	19/08/2011	84 days
11/051	27/05/2011	21/09/2011	117 days
11/052	02/06/2011	21/09/2011	111 days
11/053	06/06/2011	REFUSED - ALTERNATIVE OFF-STREET PARKING AVAILABLE	
11/055	13/06/2011	21/09/2011	100 days
11/057	16/06/2011	REFUSED - ALTERNATIVE OFF-STREET PARKING AVAILABLE	
11/058	01/07/2011	09/12/2011	161 days
11/059	04/07/2011	21/09/2011	79 days
11/060	07/07/2011	REFUSED – ROAD SAFETY AND/OR CONGESTION ISSUES	
11/062	18/07/2011	20/10/2011	94 days
11/063	25/07/2011	20/10/2011	87 days
11/064	26/07/2011	20/10/2011	86 days
11/065	02/08/2011	09/12/2011	129 days
11/066	09/08/2011	17/11/2011	100 days
11/067	10/08/2011	REFUSED – NO VEHICLE REGISTERED TO APPLICANTS ADDRESS	
11/068	12/08/2011	09/12/2011	119 days
11/069	16/08/2011	APPLICATION WITHDRAWN	
11/070	18/08/2011	09/12/2011	113 days
11/071	23/08/2011	REFUSED - ALTERNATIVE OFF-STREET PARKING AVAILABLE	
11/072	24/08/2011	REFUSED – NO VEHICLE REGISTERED TO APPLICANTS ADDRESS	
11/073	24/08/2011	17/11/2011	85 days
11/074	14/09/2011	09/12/2011	86 days
11/075	13/09/2011	09/12/2011	87 days
11/076	13/09/2011	09/12/2011	87 days
11/077	20/09/2011	09/12/2011	80 days
11/078	20/09/2011	09/12/2011	80 days
11/080	27/09/2011	19/01/2012	114 days
11/081	22/09/2011	19/01/2012	119 days

Ref Number	Date Application Form Validated	Date Traffic Regulation Order Made	Time Taken to Complete Process
11/082	04/10/2011	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
11/083	12/10/2011	09/12/2011	58 days
11/084	22/11/2011	16/02/2012	86 days
11/086	27/10/2011	16/02/2012	112 days
11/087	27/10/2011	16/02/2012	112 days
11/088	27/10/2011	19/01/2012	84 days
11/089	28/10/2011	19/01/2012	83 days
11/090	04/11/2011	20/04/2012	168 days
11/091	09/11/2011	APPLICATION WITHDRAWN	
11/092	29/11/2011	16/02/2012	79 days
11/093	09/12/2011	REFUSED - ALTERNATIVE OFF-STREET PARKING AVAILABLE	
11/094		APPLICATION WITHDRAWN	
11/095	09/12/2011	16/02/2012	69 days
11/098	23/12/2011	20/04/2012	119 days
12/001	26/01/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/002	31/01/2012	20/04/2012	80 days
12/003	31/01/2012	REFUSED - ALTERNATIVE OFF-STREET PARKING AVAILABLE	
12/004	08/02/2012	20/04/2012	72 days
12/005	13/02/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/006	13/02/2012	20/04/2012	67 days
12/007	22/02/2012	REFUSED – NO VEHICLE REGISTERED TO APPLICANTS ADDRESS	
12/008	22/02/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/009	24/02/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/010	01/03/2012	REFUSED – NO VEHICLE REGISTERED TO APPLICANTS ADDRESS	
12/011	07/03/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/012	08/03/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/013	19/04/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/014	19/04/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/015	19/04/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/016	19/04/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/017	19/04/2012	REFUSED - ALTERNATIVE OFF-STREET PARKING AVAILABLE	
12/018		CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/019	19/04/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	
12/020	19/04/2012	CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH PROCESS	

Target Performance Indicator 80% of applications processed in less than 120 days
Actual Performance 87% of applications processed in less than 120 days

Summary (Report based on qualifying data. Information correct as of 14/05/2012)

78no suitable applications were received between 1/4/2011 and 31/3/2012
46no applications received between 1/4/2011 and 31/3/2012 have successfully completed the process
14no applications received between 1/4/2011 and 31/3/2012 are currently going through the process
9no applications were refused due to alternative off-street parking being available
5no applications were refused due to no vehicle being registered to applicants address
1no application were refused due to road safety and/or congestion issues
3no applications were withdrawn by applicant

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: EXTENSION OF TENDER FOR TERM COMMISSION FOR FLOODING AND DRAINAGE RELATED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Reference is made to the report by the Director of Development Services to the Policy and Resources Committee on 7 April 2009 regarding the term commission for flooding and drainage related professional services. The Council's current term commission was entered into with the Halcrow Group Ltd on 21 May 2009 for an initial duration of three years with the option to extend the contract for a further two years.

1.2 The purpose of this report is to advise members that the term commission for flooding and drainage related professional services has been extended for a further two years until 20 May 2014.

2.0 DETAILS

2.1 The Halcrow Group Ltd have met all criteria for their initial appointment and have provided a quality service for three years. They are currently engaged in the development of the flood alleviation scheme for Grangemouth. For continuity in delivery of the scheme for Grangemouth and also for the continued provision of expert specialist services for flooding and drainage the term commission has been continued for a further two year period.

3.0 ACTION TAKEN

3.1 Members note that the term commission arrangements with the Halcrow Group Ltd for flooding and drainage related professional services have been extended for a further 2 years until 20 May 2014.

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Director of Development Services

Date: 28 May 2012

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. *Tender documents.
2. *Engineer's report on tenders.

* Items not for publication on the grounds that they involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 8 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: FALKIRK LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN: MAIN ISSUES REPORT - RESPONSE FROM SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Progress with the preparation of the Falkirk Local Development Plan (FLDP) reached a key milestone over the past year, with the Main Issues Report (MIR) having been approved for consultation by the Council in October 2011, and published in November 2011.

1.2 Consultation on the MIR, which is the main focus of public engagement, was carried out during a 12 week period between 18th November 2011 and 10th February 2012, and used a range of participatory approaches to involve people and organisations:

- the community roadshows in libraries, schools, community centres and supermarkets succeeded in drawing in over 600 people;
- special Community Council meetings were attended by some 140 people;
- 54 agency representatives attended 3 themed stakeholder workshops; and
- over 3000 visits to the FLDP web page have been recorded.

1.3 Just over 1000 written responses were received to the MIR. These, along with the notes from the roadshow events and workshops, are now being logged and analysed to inform the process of preparing the final Proposed Plan.

2.0 RESPONSE FROM SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

2.1 One of the key respondents to the MIR consultation is Scottish Government. They are required to be closely involved in the LDP preparation and Scottish Ministers ultimately approve the plan. The Scottish Government's Directorate for the Built Environment has provided the following supportive comments on the Council's approach to development planning as expressed in the MIR.

Form and content

2.2 *The MIR is a well thought out and thorough document, outlining a clear vision for the future of the FLDP area. The mapping of the different growth options, and illustrating the preferred options including the green belt map, are very helpful.*

Housing growth

2.3 *In terms of housing, we found Falkirk's approach in the MIR to be a good example: evidence based, realistic, with a commitment to delivering a generous supply. Overall the approach to green belt is very good and follows the requirements set out in Scottish Planning Policy.*

Climate Change

2.4 *We consider that the MIR's text coverage of climate change is better than many other MIR so far.*

Flood risk

2.5 *We would also like to particularly highlight our support for the approach towards flooding, including the preferred option to prioritise measures to address flood risk in Grangemouth.*

Green Network

2.6 *We commend Falkirk's track record on delivering greenspace projects on the ground. We strongly support the development of a Green Network for Falkirk that is intended to complement the growth strategy*

Public engagement

2.7 *We felt the summary of the MIR in your Development Plan Newsletter was very useful in providing an overview of the main issues, and are sure communities will have found it helpful.*

2.8 We would like to acknowledge the considerable efforts put into the public engagement programme on the MIR, including the community roadshow events at schools, shopping centres and supermarkets.

3.0 CONCLUSION AND NEXT STEPS

3.1 The above response from the Scottish Government's Directorate for the Built Environment is encouraging and offers broad support for the form and content of the Falkirk Local Development Plan Main Issues Report.

3.2 The full complement of submissions to the MIR is still being processed and analysed. Once this task has been completed a report on the implications for the next stage i.e. the LDP Proposed Plan, will be presented to Committee.

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Director of Development Services

Date: 1 March 2012

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Falkirk Local Development Plan Main Issues Report

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION UNDER £10,000 IN VALUE CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR PROPOSED NEW BUILD HOUSING AT DENNY POLICE STATION, BROAD STREET, DENNY (DEN- 6690 CE)
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Five companies were invited to submit quotations, using the Public Contracts Scotland Portal online quotation facility, in respect of consulting civil engineering services for proposed new build housing at Denny Police Station, Broad Street, Denny, in accordance with Standing Order 8.3 relating to contracts.

2. QUOTATIONS RECEIVED

2.1 Five quotations were received by the due date of 27 April 2012 and opened at 9.55pm on 30 April 2012 in accordance with Standing Order 11 relating to contracts.

2.2 The quotation process ranged from £2,325.00 to £6,750.00.

2.3 The lowest quotation was that received from McGregor McMahon & Associates, 2 Castle Court, Carnegie Campus, Dunfermline, KY11 8PB in the sum of £2,325.00

2.4 The quotation can be contained within the Housing Investment 3 Year Programme 2011-2014.

2.5 Following the evaluation, this quotation is considered to demonstrate best value.

3. ACTION TAKEN

Members note that in accordance with Standing Order 6.2(i), I have accepted the quotation submitted by McGregor McMahon & Associates, 2 Castle Court, Carnegie Campus, Dunfermline, KY11 8PB in the sum of £2,325.00 in respect of consulting civil engineering services for proposed new build housing at Denny Police Station, Broad Street, Denny.

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Director of Development Services
30/04/2012

Contact Officer: J Hamilton

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. *Quotation documents
2. *Quotation Report

*Item not for publication on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in 'paragraph 8' of Part 1 of Schedule 7a of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION UNDER £10,000 IN VALUE CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR PROPOSED NEW BUILD HOUSING AT GLENFUIR NURSERY SITE, CAMELON (CAM- 7092 CE)
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Five companies were invited to submit quotations, using the Public Contracts Scotland Portal online quotation facility, in respect of consulting civil engineering services for proposed new build housing at Glenfuir Nursery Site, Camelon, in accordance with Standing Order 8.3 relating to contracts.

2. QUOTATIONS RECEIVED

2.1 Five quotations were received by the due date of 27 April 2012 and opened at 9.45pm on 30 April 2012 in accordance with Standing Order 11 relating to contracts.

2.2 The quotation process ranged from £3,950.00 to £7,500.00.

2.3 The lowest quotation was that received from Cameron and Ross Ltd, 4 Lansdowne Crescent, Glasgow, G20 6NQ in the sum of £3,9500.00.

2.4 The quotation can be contained within the Housing Investment 3 Year Programme 2011-2014.

2.5 Following the evaluation, this quotation is considered to demonstrate best value.

3. ACTION TAKEN

Members note that in accordance with Standing Order 6.2(i), I have accepted the quotation submitted by Cameron and Ross Ltd, 4 Lansdowne Crescent, Glasgow, G20 6NQ in the sum of £3,950.00 in respect of consulting civil engineering services for proposed new build housing at Glenfuir Nursery Site, Camelon.

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Director of Development Services
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FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION UNDER £10,000 IN VALUE CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR PROPOSED NEW BUILD HOUSING AT SEABEGS ROAD, BONNYBRIDGE (BON- 7091 CE)
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Five companies were invited to submit quotations, using the Public Contracts Scotland Portal online quotation facility, in respect of consulting civil engineering services for proposed new build housing at Seabegs Road, Bonnybridge, in accordance with Standing Order 8.3 relating to contracts.

2. QUOTATIONS RECEIVED

2.1 Five quotations were received by the due date of 27 April 2012 and opened at 9.30pm on 30 April 2012 in accordance with Standing Order 11 relating to contracts.

2.2 The quotation process ranged from £5,100.00 to £19,000.00.

2.3 The lowest quotation was that received from URS Infrastructure & Environment UK Ltd, Citypoint 2, 25 Tyndrum Street, Glasgow, G4 0JY in the sum of £5,100.00.

2.4 The quotation can be contained within the Housing Investment 3 Year Programme 2011-2014.

2.5 Following the evaluation, this quotation is considered to demonstrate best value.

3. ACTION TAKEN

Members note that in accordance with Standing Order 6.2(i), I have accepted the quotation submitted by URS Infrastructure & Environment UK Ltd, Citypoint 2, 25 Tyndrum Street, Glasgow, G4 0JY in the sum of £5,100.00 in respect of consulting civil engineering services for proposed new build housing at Seabegs Road, Bonnybridge.

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Director of Development Services
30/04/2012

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FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION UNDER £10,000 IN VALUE CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING CIVIL AND STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PROPOSED RE-CLADDING, RE-ROOFING AND GROUND FLOOR ACCOMMODATION AT LEISHMAN TOWER, FALKIRK (FAL- 7025 C&S)
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Four companies were invited to submit quotations, using the Public Contracts Scotland Portal online quotation facility, in respect of consulting civil and structural engineering services for the proposed re-cladding, re-roofing and ground floor accommodation at Leishman Tower, Falkirk, in accordance with Standing Order 8.3 relating to contracts.

2. QUOTATIONS RECEIVED

2.1 Four quotations were received by the due date of 07 March 2012 and opened at 4.00pm on 07 March 2012 in accordance with Standing Order 11 relating to contracts.

2.2 The quotation prices ranged from £8,925.00 to £19,485.00.

2.3 The lowest quotation was that received from David R Murray and Associates, 20 Viewfield Terrace, Dunfermline, KY12 7HZ in the sum of £8,925.00.

2.4 The quotation can be contained within the Housing Investment 3 Year Programme 2011-2014.

2.5 Following the evaluation, this quotation is considered to demonstrate best value.

3. ACTION TAKEN

Members note that in accordance with Standing Order 6.2(i), I have accepted the quotation submitted by David R Murray and Associates, 20 Viewfield Terrace, Dunfermline, KY12 7HZ in the sum of £8,925.00 in respect of consulting civil and structural engineering services for the proposed re-cladding, re-roofing and ground floor accommodation at Leishman Tower, Falkirk.

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Director of Development Services
09/03/2012

Contact Officer: J Hamilton

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. *Quotation documents
2. *Quotation Report

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FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION UNDER £10,000 IN VALUE CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING MECHANICAL & ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PROPOSED RE-CLADDING, RE-ROOFING AND GROUND FLOOR ACCOMMODATION AT LEISHMAN TOWER, FALKIRK (FAL- 7025 M&E)
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Four companies were invited to submit quotations, using the Public Contracts Scotland Portal online quotation facility, in respect of consulting mechanical and electrical engineering services for the proposed re-cladding, re-roofing and ground floor accommodation at Leishman Tower, Falkirk, in accordance with Standing Order 8.3 relating to contracts.

2. QUOTATIONS RECEIVED

2.1 Three quotations were received by the due date of 07 March 2012 and opened at 4.00pm on 07 March 2012 in accordance with Standing Order 11 relating to contracts.

2.2 The quotation prices ranged from £9,839.00 to £20,995.00.

2.3 The lowest quotation was that received from E.D.P. Consulting Engineers Ltd, Munro House, Quarrywood Court, Livingston Village, Livingston, EH54 6AX in the sum of £9,839.00.

2.4 The quotation can be contained within the Housing Investment 3 Year Programme 2011-2014.

2.5 Following the evaluation, this quotation is considered to demonstrate best value.

3. ACTION TAKEN

Members note that in accordance with Standing Order 6.2(i), I have accepted the quotation submitted by E.D.P. Consulting Engineers Ltd, Munro House, Quarrywood Court, Livingston Village, Livingston, EH54 6AX in the sum of £9,839.00 in respect of consulting mechanical and electrical engineering services for the proposed re-cladding, re-roofing and ground floor accommodation at Leishman Tower, Falkirk.

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Director of Development Services
12/03/2012

Contact Officer: J Hamilton

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1. *Quotation documents
2. *Quotation Report

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FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION UNDER £30,000 IN VALUE CONTRACT FOR PLATFORM STAIR LIFT AT BO'NESS RECREATION CENTRE (DDA-6897I)
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Three companies were invited to submit quotations, using the Public Contracts Scotland Portal online quotation facility, in respect of platform stair lift at Bo'ness Recreation Centre, in accordance with Standing Order 8.3 relating to contracts.

2. QUOTATIONS RECEIVED

2.1 Three quotations were received by the due date of 11 April 2012 and opened at 14.05pm on 12 April 2012 in accordance with Standing Order 11 relating to contracts.

2.2 The quotation prices ranged from £7,795.00 to £9,436.00.

2.3 The lowest quotation was that received from Pollock Lifts, Unit 1 Sloefield Drive, Carrickfergus, County Antrim, BT38 8GX in the sum of £7,795.00.

2.4 The quotation can be contained within the Disabled Access Programme 2012.

2.5 Following the evaluation, this quotation is considered to demonstrate best value.

3. ACTION TAKEN

Members note that in accordance with Standing Order 6.2(i), I have accepted the quotation submitted by Pollock Lifts, Unit 1 Sloefield Drive, Carrickfergus, County Antrim, BT38 8GX in the sum of £7,795.00 in respect of Platform Stair Lift at Bo'ness Recreation Centre.

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Director of Development Services
17/04/2012

Contact Officer: J Hamilton

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. *Quotation documents

2. *Quotation Report

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FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION UNDER £30,000 IN VALUE CONTRACT FOR THE PROPOSED ALTERATIONS TO KINNEIL MUSEUM, BO'NESS (BNS-7002)
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20TH JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Six companies were invited to submit quotations, using the Public Contracts Scotland Portal online quotation facility, in respect of the proposed alterations to Kinneil Museum, Bo'ness, in accordance with Standing Order 8.3 relating to contracts.

2. QUOTATIONS RECEIVED

2.1 Five quotations were received by the due date of Friday, 27th January 2012 and opened at 3.10pm on Monday, 30th January 2012 in accordance with Standing Order 11 relating to contracts.

2.2 The quotation prices ranged from £27,369.52 to £37,719.14.

2.3 The lowest quotation was that received from Murdoch Smith & Co. Ltd, Crownest Loan, Stenhousemuir, Stirlingshire, FK5 3BU in the sum of £27,369.52.

2.4 The lowest quotation can be contained within the Falkirk Community Trust's Culture and Leisure Capital and Revenue budgets for 2011/2012.

2.5 Following the evaluation of all quotations, this quotation is considered to demonstrate best value.

3. ACTION TAKEN

Members note that in accordance with Standing Order 6.2(i), I have accepted the quotation submitted by Murdoch Smith & Co. Ltd, Crownest Loan, Stenhousemuir, Stirlingshire, FK5 3BU in the sum of £27,369.52 in respect of the proposed alterations to Kinneil Museum, Bo'ness.

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Director of Development Services
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Contact Officer: Louisa Shuttleworth

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1. *Quotation documents
2. *Quotation Report

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FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION UNDER £30,000 IN VALUE CONTRACT FOR PROPOSED ACOUSTIC WORKS TO MAIN HALL AT MADDISTON PRIMARY SCHOOL (MAD-7088)
Meeting: INFORMATION BULLETIN
Date: 20 JUNE 2012
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Three companies were invited to submit quotations, using the Public Contracts Scotland Portal online quotation facility, in respect of the proposed acoustic works to the main hall at Maddiston Primary School, in accordance with Standing Order 8.3 relating to contracts.

2. QUOTATIONS RECEIVED

2.1 Two quotations were received by the due date of the tenth of April 2012 and opened at 3:50pm on the tenth of April 2012 in accordance with Standing Order 11 relating to contracts.

2.2 The quotation prices ranged from £15,529.04 to £15,999.52.

2.3 The lowest quotation was that received from Pegasus Fire Protection Company Ltd., 25a Bankhead Drive, Edinburgh in the sum of £15,529.04.

2.4 The lowest quotation can be contained within 2012/2013 budgets as identified by Education Services.

2.5 Following the evaluation of all quotations, this quotation is considered to demonstrate best value.

3. ACTION TAKEN

Members note that in accordance with Standing Order 6.2(i), I have accepted the quotation submitted by Pegasus Fire Protection Company Ltd. in the sum of £15,529.04 in respect of proposed acoustic works to the main hall at Maddiston Primary School.

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Director of Development Services
19th April 2012

Contact Officer: Jack Aitken

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1. *Quotation documents

2. *Quotation Report

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