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25 AUGUST 2022

SCHOOLS (CONSULTATION) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010 LUING PRIMARY SCHOOL

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report provides details of the Options Appraisal for Luing Primary School, carried out in accordance with the preliminary requirements set out in Section 12A of the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010, as amended.
- 1.2 It is recommended that the Community Services Committee:
 - a. Note the outcome of this consideration of the preliminary requirements; and,
 - b. Agree that officers now formulate a draft proposal that will come back to the June 2023 meeting of the Committee for approval by members which would subsequently trigger the formal consultation process under the *Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act* 2010.

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2.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 When considering the future of a rural school the Education Authority must first satisfy the preliminary requirements as set out in Section 12A the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010,

4.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 This report provides details of the Options Appraisal, carried out in accordance with the preliminary requirements of the *Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act* 2010, as amended (the 2010 Act), in respect of Luing Primary School.
- 4.2 The Options Appraisal for Luing Primary School is attached as **Appendix 1**
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considered. Following this assessment, closing Luing Primary School and realigning the catchment area of Easdale Primary School to include the current catchment area for Luing Primary School is considered to be the most reasonable options to address the underlying reasons for the possible proposal. Officers are now in a position to formulate a draft proposal that will come back to a future meeting of the Committee for approval by members which would subsequently trigger the formal consultation process under the 2010 Act.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Policy - An authority that is considering formulating a rural school closure proposal must first satisfy the preliminary requirements set out in Section 12A of the *Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act* 2010, as amended.

6.2 Financial -