



**North Ayrshire Council**  
Comhairle Siorrachd Àir a Tuath

Meeting of the Council

Wednesday 2 November 2022

Responses to Supplementary Questions  
(Asked during the Meeting)

The following supplementary questions were asked at the Council meeting and the relevant Member undertook to provide the requested information:

### Supplementary Question

- (1) “As a supplementary question, Councillor Marshall asked whether the Cabinet Member could provide him with a copy of the extended curriculum which applied to schools in North Ayrshire.

Councillor Macaulay responded in the affirmative.

### Response

The extended curriculum referenced in previous answer extends to many wider achievement qualifications and opportunities. Within the last year, in addition to ‘core’ SQA qualifications such as English, Maths, Science, Social Subjects, Modern Languages etc , young people in North Ayrshire have the opportunity to study for qualifications in a range of wider subjects:

Sports Leaders	First Aid	Barista
Leadership	Personal Development	STEM Leadership
YASS	Duke of Edinburgh	Travel & Tourism
Engineering	Health & Beauty	Mechanics
Construction	Cyber Security	Software Development
Photography	Hospitality	Childcare
Criminology	Uniformed Services	Practical Cookery
Mental Health & Wellbeing	Sports Coaching	Politics
Bike Maintenance	Philosophy	Textiles
Music Technology	Sound Maintenance	Employability
Enterprise	Volunteering	Science Baccalaureate
ESOL	Laboratory Science	Psychology
Youth Work	Practical Cake Craft	Health & Social Care
Hairdressing	Games Development	Digital Media
Metalwork	Horticulture	Bee Keeping
Environmental	Tenancy & Citizenship	Languages Baccalaureate

### Supplementary Question

- (2) As a supplementary question, Councillor Montgomerie asked the Cabinet Member when the agreement made by Council at the last meeting to review parking rates would be considered by Cabinet and, further, that petitions submitted in opposition of charges would be presented to the Audit and Scrutiny Committee for due consideration.

### Response

“Petitions were submitted to the Audit and Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday 15 November 2022. A report is scheduled to be submitted to the Cabinet on Tuesday 24 January 2023.”

### Supplementary Question

- (4) As a supplementary question, Councillor McLean asked for information on how much of the £0.5m investment in the Early Year's extension (at Springside Primary School) had been used for (i) general refurbishment and (ii) longer-term improvements.

### Response

"Officers have reviewed the costs for the Springside project. It is not possible to exact value of internal refurbishment from the Bill of Quantities as a discrete package. However, using £1500/m<sup>2</sup> as a realistic gauge, the refurbishment of the existing area (45m<sup>2</sup>) is estimated to have cost approximately £67.5k.

In addition to the internal refurbishment, other elements which benefited the whole school were approximately:

- £97k, drainage improvements
- £30k, sewerage pump replacement
- £30k, car-park improvements"

### Supplementary Question

- (7) As a supplementary question, Councillor Gallacher asked whether progress on the matter could be kept under close review, with a view to supporting the club to ensure a replacement platform was in place for the start of the new season in March 2023.

### Response

The Executive Director (Place) will respond to Members directly to keep them informed at all stages, including arranging meetings for this purpose as and when required.

### Supplementary Question

- (8) The Depute Provost allowed a question of clarification from Councillor McLean on the number of users within the first cohort (of the Public Transport Travel Scheme) and Councillor Gurney confirmed he had the information and undertook to have this information made available to Members following the meeting.

### Response

"The numbers within the initial cohort were 11 in total with 7 receiving their travelcards on the day of the Council meeting (Wednesday 2 November) and a further 4 receiving their travelcards on Monday 7 November. Please note that the scheme has now been fully committed."

### **Supplementary Question**

- (13) As a supplementary question, Councillor T. Ferguson requested clarification on the likely timescale for the Information Commission's response. Councillor Davidson reiterated the commitment to advise Members as soon as the Information Commissioner's decision letter had been issued.

### **Response**

Members will be advised separately on this matter as soon as the information is available.