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Dear Denise

Reprofiling of Learning Estate Capital Allocations

I am writing to provide you with further information following consideration by Cabinet of the East Ayrshire Performs report on 2 September 2026, which included an update on the review and reprofiling of Learning Estate capital allocations.

The review of the Learning Estate allocations was undertaken following the decision of Cabinet on 1 July 2026, as part of the Learning Estate Management Plan report, to delegate authority to the Strategic Oversight Group to review and, where necessary in response to emerging service needs, reprioritise projects within the overall approved Capital Investment Programme funding allocation for the Learning Estate. As a result, a new budget allocation of £1.500m has been included for Ochiltree Primary School.

A range of priority works have been identified at the school which require to be undertaken over the next five years, including essential upgrading of building fabric components such as roofs, walls, windows and doors along with heating and electrical systems and internal refurbishment.

Unfortunately it will not be possible to undertake all of these works whilst maintaining an operational school and as such consideration is being given to a period temporary decant. Officers will work closely with you and your management team and other stakeholders to scope the extent of these works and develop a phased delivery programme including requirements for decant which we would seek to minimise as much as possible.

I would be grateful if you could share this information with your Parent Council and wider parents/carers. I would also be happy to attend a future Parent Council meeting to discuss the proposed works in more detail and to answer any questions that members may have.

I hope this clarifies the current position and provides reassurance of the Council's continued commitment to investment at Ochiltree Primary School.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Bell', is written over a horizontal line.

Simon Bell
Strategic Lead: Asset Investment