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Education Department 211 Main Street Barrhead G78 1SY

To: Netherlee Nursery Class

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you about a proposed expansion of ASN provision in East Renfrewshire Council through the introduction of a Communication and Support Service with Carolside Primary School and an enhanced nurture classroom within Carlibar Communication Centre. This proposal has been developed as a result of the East Renfrewshire Review of Additional Support for Learning, where analysis of current and predicted future capacity highlighted the need to extend the current provision in order to meet future needs.

The Council is required to formally consult on a variation to the arrangements for the constitution of a special class in a school other than a special school. We are currently looking for your views as the Schools Consultation (Scotland) Act 2010 highlights who should participate in a consultation and includes:

'Parents/ carers of any child(ren)/ young person (people) expected to attend an affected setting within the next 2 school years'.

The current specialist Additional Support for Learning (ASL) Provision in East Renfrewshire Council consists of Isobel Mair School and Family Centre; Isobel Mair Satellite in Woodfarm High School; Williamwood Communication Support Service and Carlibar Communication Service.

Following a review of the East Renfrewshire school estate, Carolside Primary School has been selected as the best place to develop this additional ASN service due to the fact there is sufficient space in terms of rooms, communal spaces and outdoor areas to support the development of an additional Early Years and Primary and provision. CCC has been selected to develop an enhanced nurture provision due to the suitability of the building and the need for consistency of approaches when supporting the development of relationship and attachment based approaches in a safe environment for primary aged children.

It is not considered that there would be any adverse impacts on children attending Carolside Primary School or CCC by implementing the proposal due to the additional capacity, staffing and resources will be allocated to support these new services.

A public consultation went live on Wednesday 17 August and the consultation period will run till midnight on Friday 30 September 2022.

If you wish to find out more information and provide feedback, please click on the link below. https://getinvolved.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/education/additional-support-for-learning-provision/

Yours sincerely

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