



11<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Mr Jim Savege  
The Chief Executive  
Aberdeenshire Council  
Woodhill House  
Westburn Road  
Aberdeen  
AB16 5GE

Dear Sir

**Marketplace School**

I write in support of the Garioch Partnership application to retain Marketplace School under a community asset transfer, as a hub for the third sector serving Inverurie and the local community.

Whilst the building may not be suitable for modern educational purposes, there is a substantial granite building which, correctly refurbished and maintained, will continue to be an excellent asset to the community.

The thought of losing this merely for car parking, when there is an adjoining playing field available, no longer required as part of the school and much cheaper to develop, would appear to be extremely poor value for the "tax payer".

