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Fraserburgh Primary Schools

Public Engagement
February 2017



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Introduction

Councillor Alison Evison



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Progress to Date

- **Meetings – Autumn 2014**
- **Options appraisals – 2015**
- **Further public engagement – Spring/Summer 2016**
- **Update leaflet – Autumn 2016**
- **Property investigative works – Autumn/Winter 2016**



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Objectives

- **All school buildings should be category A or B for condition and suitability**
- **Schools/services should not be on split sites**
- **Roll should be 80-85% of capacity across the network and catchment areas should be aligned to needs of the community**
- **Appropriate pre-school provision which meets the needs of 2, 3 and 4 year olds with flexibility to meet proposed Scottish Government changes**



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- **Improve provision for pupils with additional support needs and generally improve accessibility for all users of buildings**
- **Promote opportunities to provide integrated services for pupils and the wider community within Fraserburgh Network**
- **Ensure Council provide best value in use of capital and revenue funding**
- **Consider emerging aspirations of local community**



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Early Learning & Childcare



Scottish Government committed to expand entitlement for childcare from 600 hours to 1140 hours for 2020.

Work is still in progress across Scotland to identify how the increase in entitlement can be delivered. Each local authority is likely to have a different way of doing this that meets the needs of their communities. Some of these options could include:

- Extended opening hours (e.g. 8am -6pm)
- Funded childcare provision available during School Holiday period (48-50 week coverage).
- Options for parents to split hours between different locations.
- New delivery models such as outdoor based Nursery settings, childminders, private partner provision etc.
- Incentivise and support community groups to run sustainable playgroups.
- Provision of meals for children.

Aberdeenshire Council is currently reviewing all Early Learning & Childcare provision with a view to ensuring that it can meet the Scottish Government's commitment, whilst ensuring quality and range of experience for children.



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School Rolls

Town Schools	Capacity	2016/17	2021	% Capacity 2016/17	% Capacity 2021	Spare Pupil Spaces 2021
Fraserburgh North	198	150	102	76%	51%	96
Fraserburgh South Park	550	390	349	71%	63%	201
Lochpots	252	206	218	82%	86%	46
St Andrew's	362	341	364	94%	101%	-2
Totals	1,362	1,087	1,033	80%	76%	341

Rural Schools	Capacity	2016/17	2021	% Capacity 2016/17	% Capacity 2021	Spare Pupil Spaces 2021
Crimond	191	79	92	41%	48%	99
Inverallochy	214	107	120	50%	56%	94
Rathen	71	73	59	103%	83%	12
Rosehearty	198	149	129	75%	65%	69
Sandhaven	96	84	74	88%	78%	22
St Combs	96	41	68	43%	71%	28
Tyrie	71	48	34	68%	47%	37
Totals	937	581	576	62%	61%	361

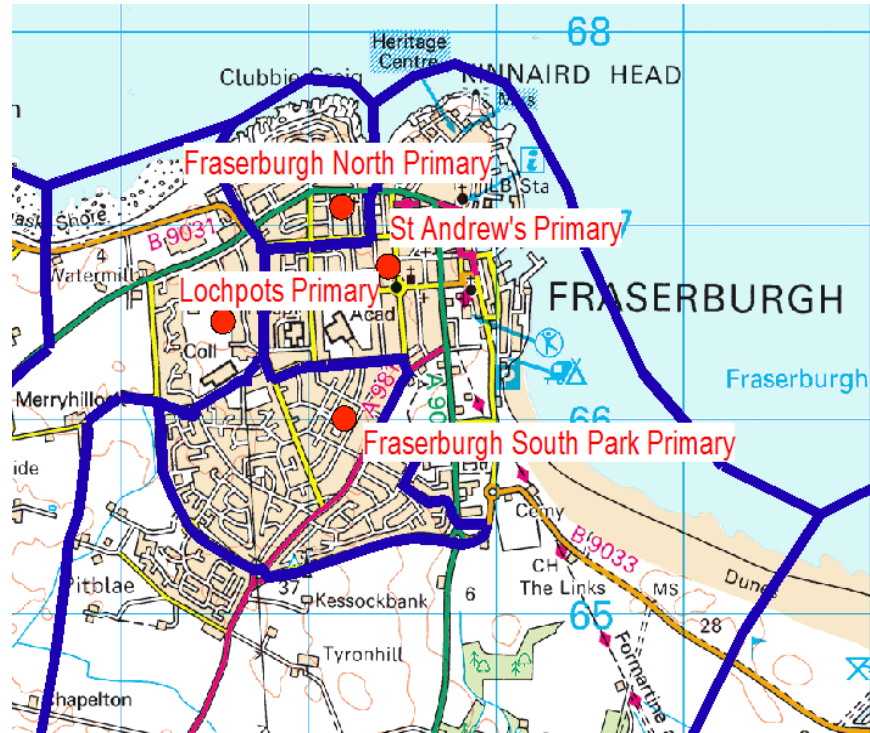


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Condition and Suitability

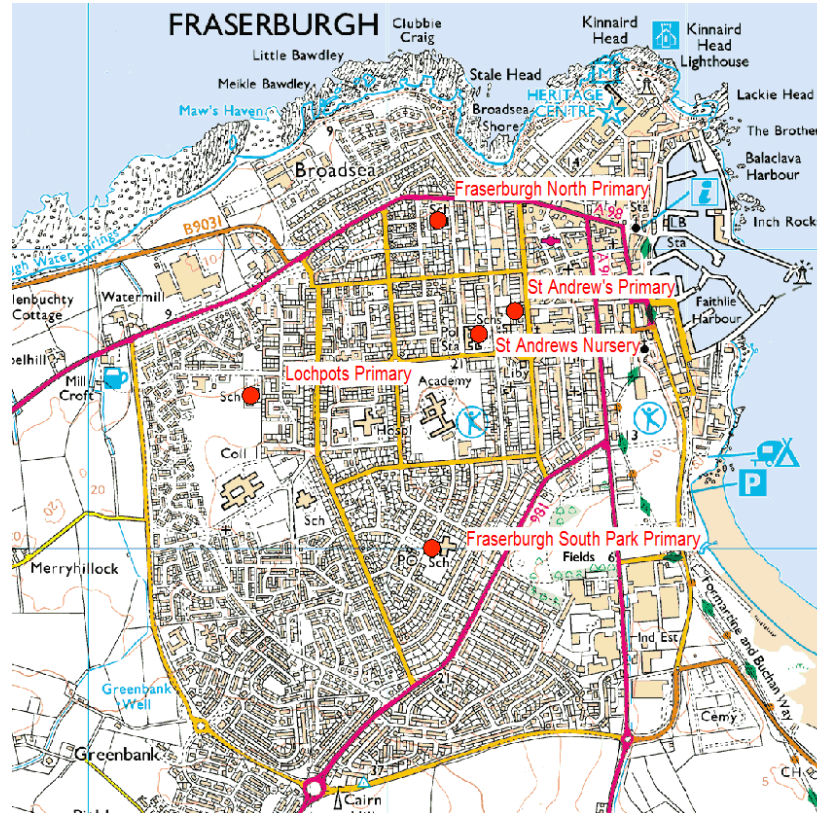
School	Capacity	Condition	Suitability
St Andrews	362	B	B
Fraserburgh North	198	B	C
Fraserburgh South Park	550	B	B
Lochpots	252	B	B

Previous Options – No Change to catchments with refurbishment of Fraserburgh North and St Andrews



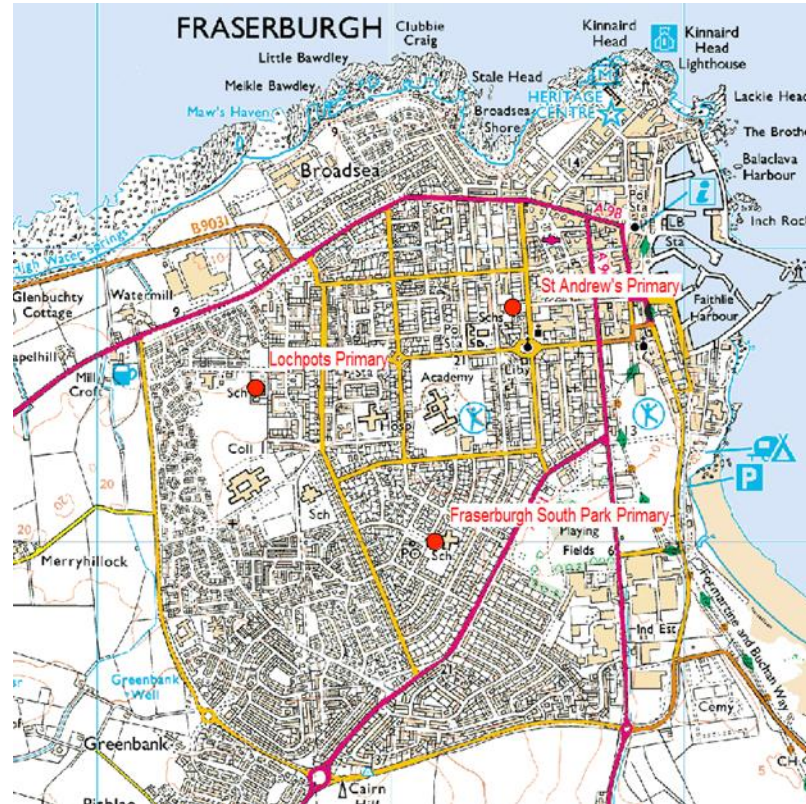
No longer an option to be considered. Works required would be extensive, disruptive, and more expensive than a new build. This would not be sustainable or deliver the required educational benefits.

Previous Options – Rezone & Convert St Andrew's Infant Building into Nursery



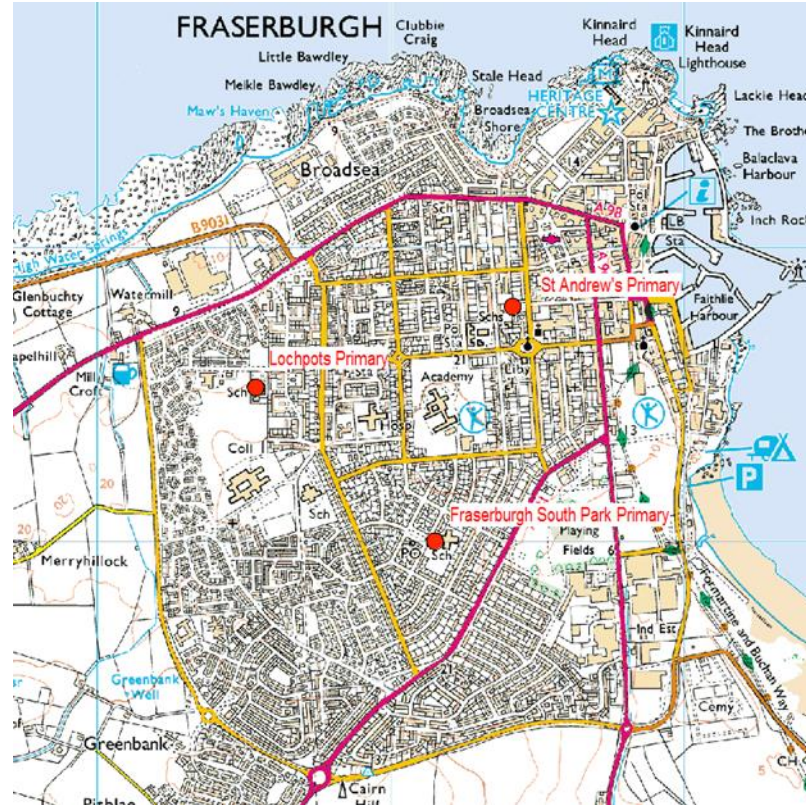
No longer an option to be considered. Works required would be extensive and disruptive. This would not be sustainable or deliver the required educational benefits.

Previous Options – Close Fraserburgh North School and Rezone



No longer an option to be considered. This would not improve the school estate in Fraserburgh or deliver the required educational benefits. There was no support from parents for this option.

Previous Options— Close Fraserburgh North School & Extend Lochpots School



No longer an option to be considered. This does not address the issues at St Andrew's School and is not sustainable. There was no support from parents for this option.

Previous Options– Close Fraserburgh North School, Extend Lochpots School & Convert St Andrews Infant building



No longer an option to be considered. Works required would be extensive, disruptive, and more expensive than a new build. This would not be sustainable or deliver the required educational benefits.

Additional discounted option – Extend St Andrew's Infant building to replace Fraserburgh North



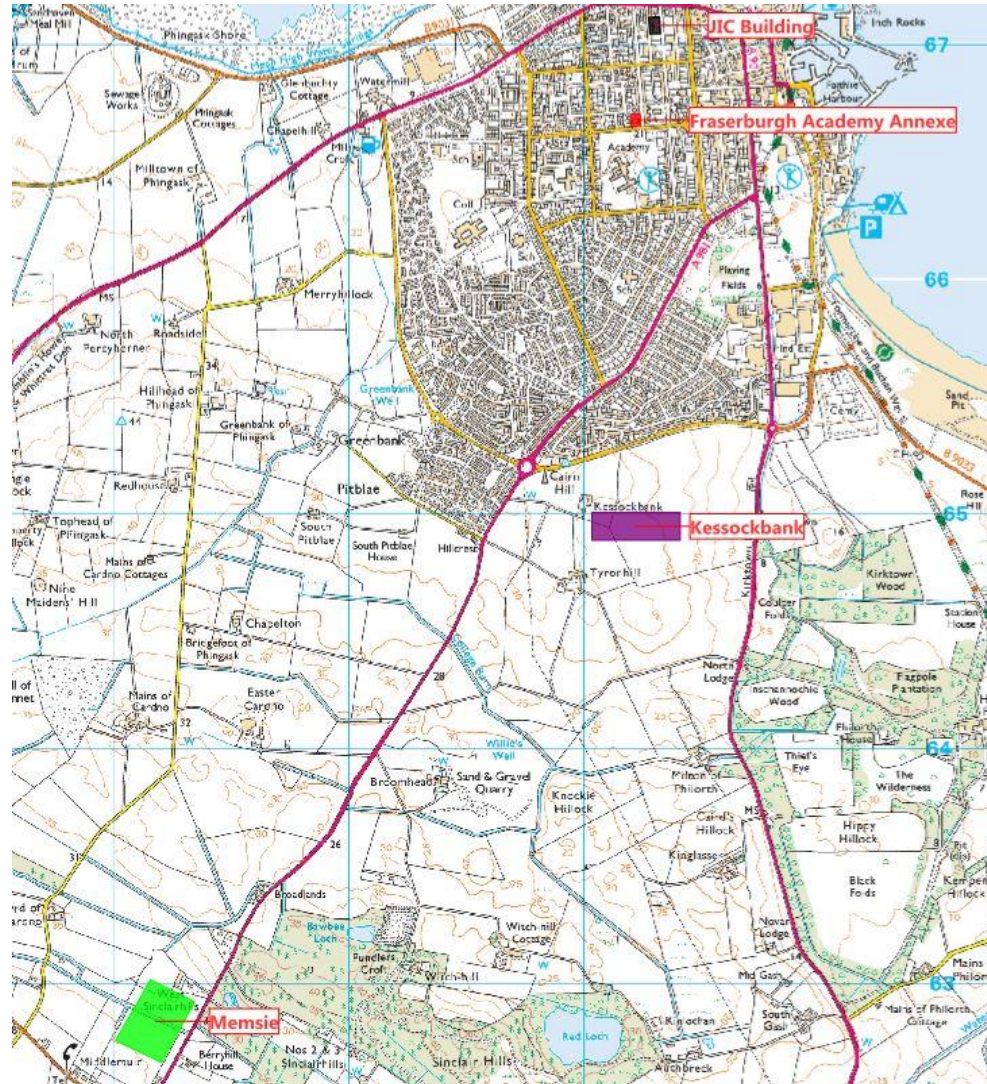
Works required would be extensive, disruptive, and more expensive than a new build. The available outdoor space at St Andrew's Infant building would be lost with the size of extension required. This would not be sustainable or deliver the required educational benefits.



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Discounted Sites for a New School



Option 1 – Merge Fraserburgh North & St Andrew's Schools – New Build School with Nursery on Academy Campus



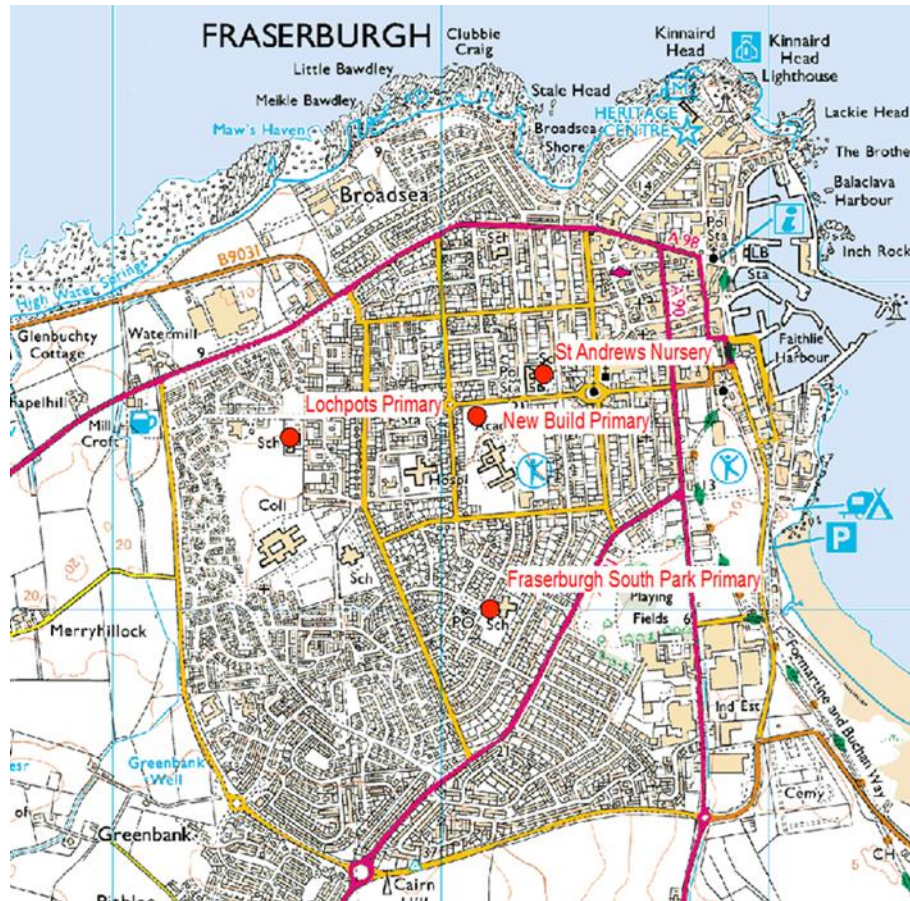
Benefits

- Improves the school estate with a new build
- Modern facilities for pupils & community, fully inclusive of ASN
- Close a school in poor condition
- Close three aging buildings with increasing maintenance costs
- Early years provision on one site

Disadvantages

- Early Years is not future proofed

Option 2 – Merge Fraserburgh North & St Andrew's Schools – New Build School on Academy Campus, with nursery provision at converted St Andrew's Infant building



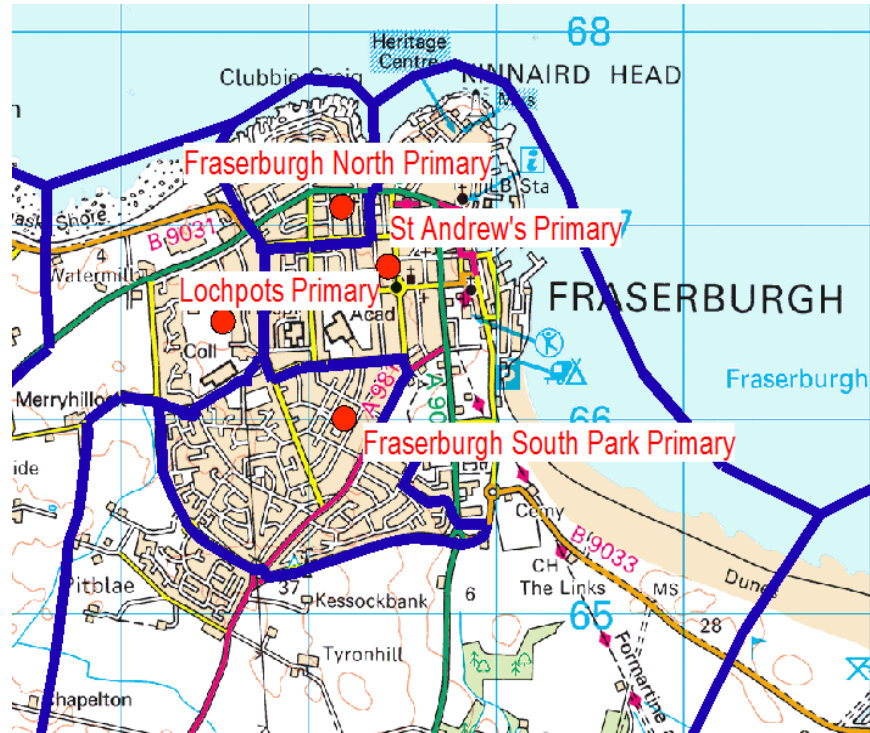
Benefits

- Improves the school estate with a new build
- Modern facilities for pupils & community fully inclusive of ASN
- Close a school in poor condition
- Fully refurbished building
- Early years provision on stand alone site with enhanced outdoor space
- Future proofing capacity for early years

Disadvantages

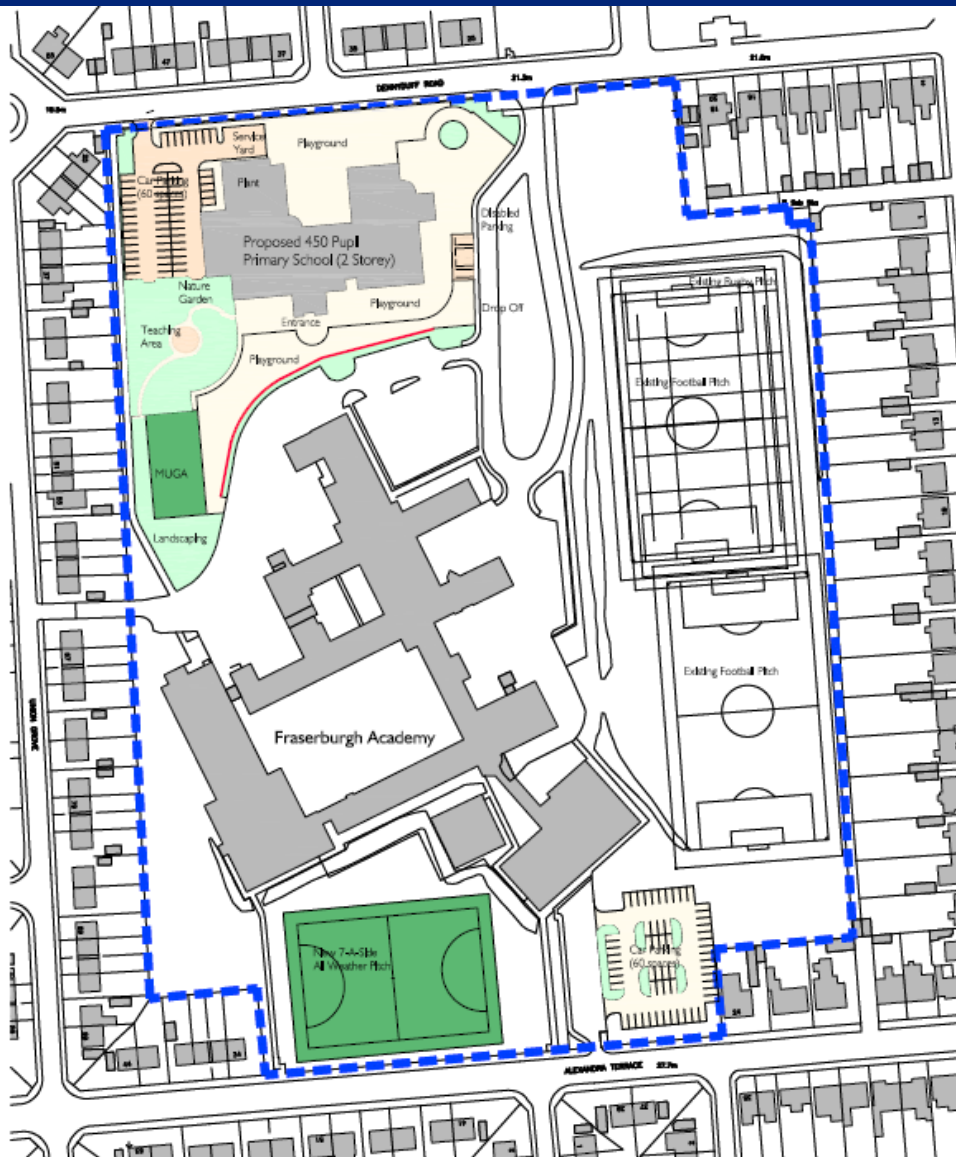
- Increased cost to deliver new build and conversion.

Option 3 -Status Quo



This would not be sustainable or deliver the required educational benefits in the long term. This will also be reliant upon year to year budgets for ongoing maintenance.

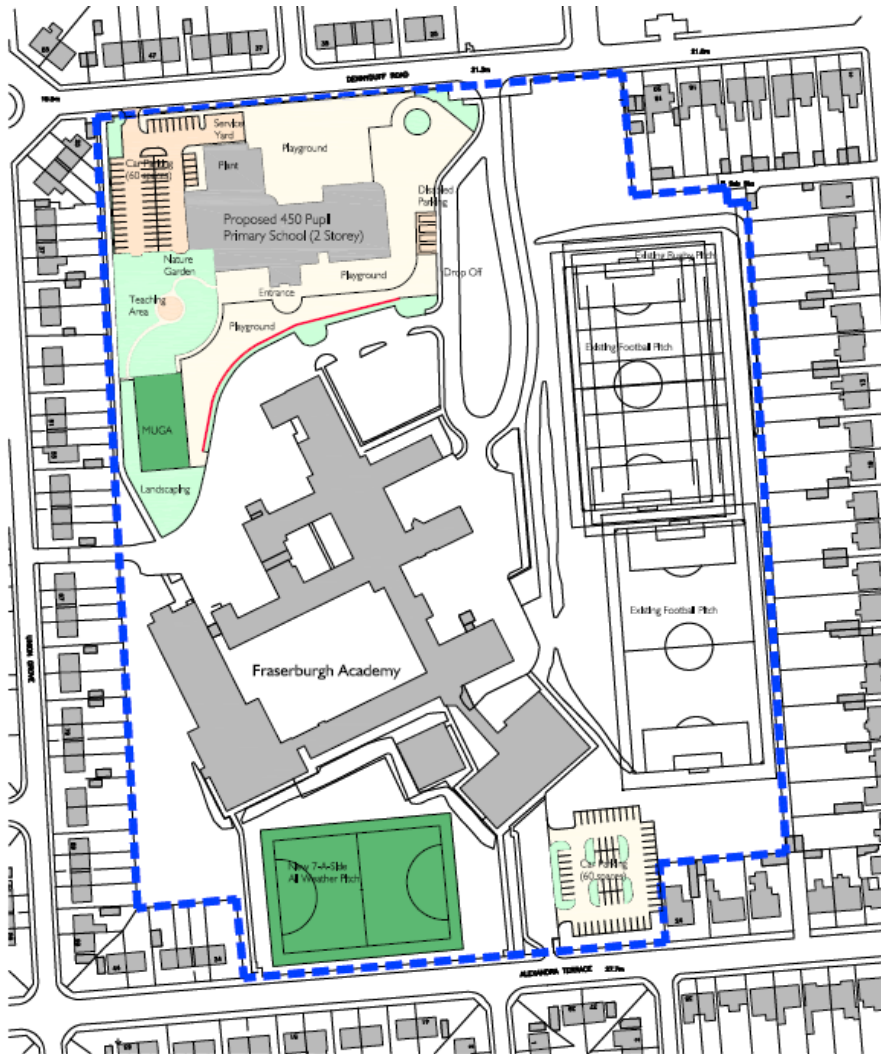
Footprint for new school on Academy Campus with nursery



This will provide improvements for the whole campus therefore benefitting all pupils.

A new build primary will not prevent a replacement Academy in due course.

Footprint for new school on Academy Campus without nursery



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A new build primary will not prevent a replacement Academy in due course.



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St Andrew's Infant Building Refurbishment





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St Andrew's Infant **Aberdeenshire** Building Refurbishment **COUNCIL**



Refurbishment of existing St. Andrews Infant Building to become a standalone Nursery provision.

Capacity = **120 - 140 children**

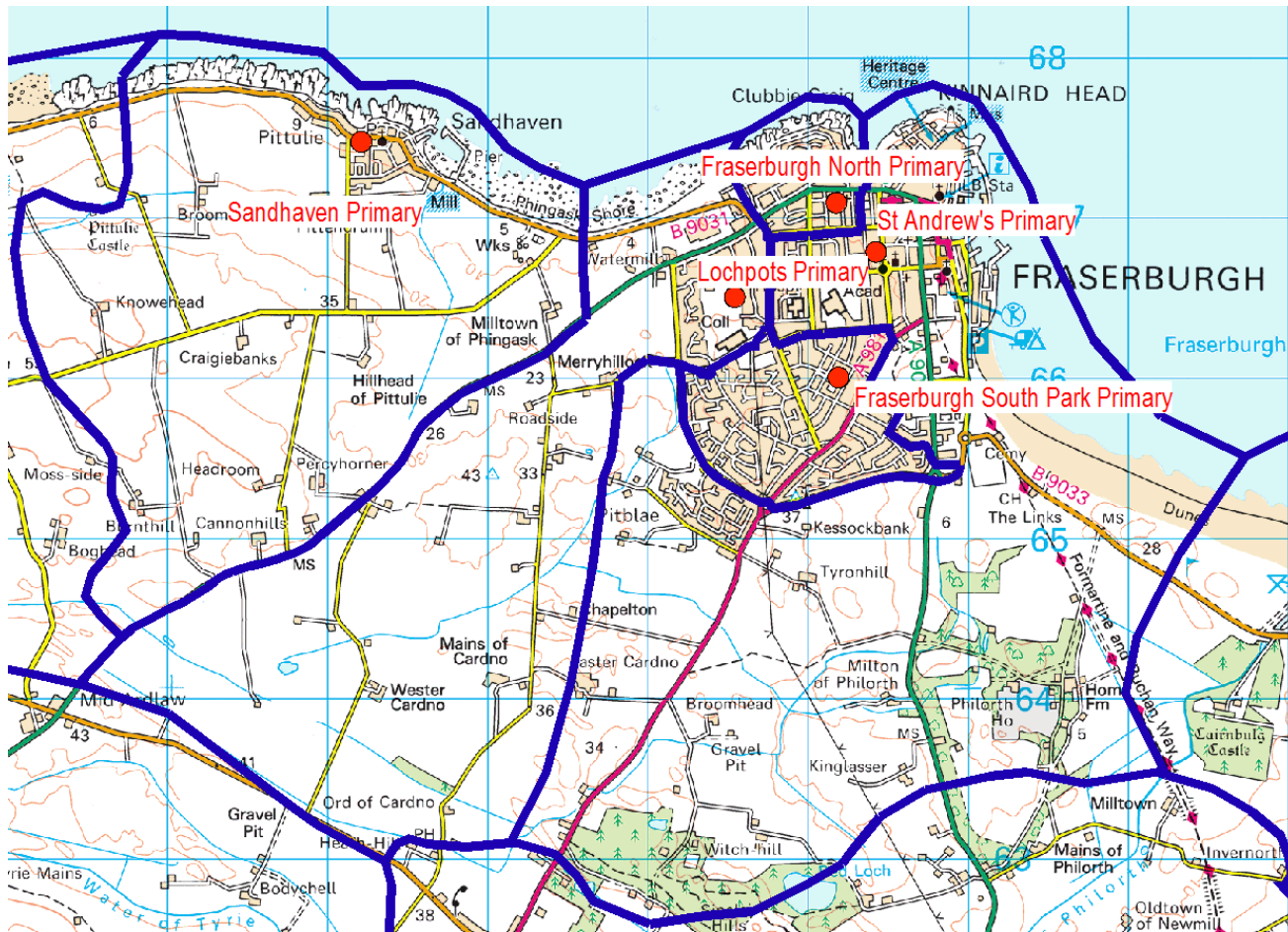
A standalone Nursery provision would be able to offer a range of facilities and opportunities for both parents and children locally. The design would include, amongst others:

- Modern, inclusive, open plan design Nursery provision.
- Direct access to secure outdoor classroom space (with shelter)
- A range of outdoor play opportunities both for outdoor play and learning.
- Sleep area for young children
- Sensory room and accessible facilities.
- Dedicated meeting rooms, buggy storage and waiting/reception area.
- Dining kitchen to provide lunch/meals
- General purpose (GP) space available for parent and community use.



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Current Catchment Zones





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Potential Catchment Area for New build School





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Your Views Count

- Visit the stations
- Opportunity to discuss the proposals
- Fill in comment cards
- Exit poll – tell us your preferred option



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Next Steps

- All comments will be considered by the Learning Estates Team and help identify preferred options/proposals
 - Email learningestates@aberdeenshire.gov.uk
 - Write to Learning Estates Team, Gordon House, Blackhall Road, Inverurie, AB51 3WA
 - Fill in a comments card before you leave
- Details of further meetings will be circulated via the schools



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Thank you