

Aberdeenshire Council

Integrated Impact Assessment

Parental Support Budget Savings

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1. Overview

This document has been generated from information entered into the Integrated Impact Assessment system.

Reduction of funding to Parent Councils

Proposed to align funding allocations to actual spend for previous years.

£24,000

Description of budget £161,000 Mandatory

Education Support Officer: £81,900

Parental engagement: £600

Parent Council funding: £78,500

Under the Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Act Guidance (2006), local authorities are required to take account of the training and development needs of staff and others working with learners, parents and families in their Parental Engagement Strategy.

They also have duties to:

- prepare a strategy to involve parents in their child's and their own education and that provided by a school to its pupils
- provide support to Parent Councils to enable them to operate and carry out their functions effectively.

During screening 1 of 11 questions indicated that detailed assessments were required, the screening questions and their answers are listed in the next section. This led to 1 out of 5 detailed impact assessments being completed. The assessments required are:

- Equalities and Fairer Scotland Duty

In total there are 0 positive impacts as part of this activity. There are 0 negative impacts, all impacts have been mitigated.

A detailed action plan with 1 points has been provided.

This assessment has been approved by susan.smith7@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

The remainder of this document sets out the details of all completed impact assessments.

2. Screening

Could your activity / proposal / policy cause an impact in one (or more) of the identified town centres?	No
Would this activity / proposal / policy have consequences for the health and wellbeing of the population in the affected communities?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have the potential to affect greenhouse gas emissions (CO2e) in the Council or community and / or the procurement, use or disposal of physical resources?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have the potential to affect the resilience to extreme weather events and/or a changing climate of Aberdeenshire Council or community?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have the potential to affect the environment, wildlife or biodiversity?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have an impact on people and / or groups with protected characteristics?	No
Is this activity / proposal / policy of strategic importance for the council?	No
Does this activity / proposal / policy impact on inequality of outcome?	No
Does this activity / proposal / policy have an impact on children / young people's rights?	No
Does this activity / proposal / policy have an impact on children / young people's wellbeing?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy relate to budget proposals?	Yes

3. Impact Assessments

Children's Rights and Wellbeing	Not Required
Climate Change and Sustainability	Not Required
Equalities and Fairer Scotland Duty	No Negative Impacts Identified
Health Inequalities	Not Required
Town Centre's First	Not Required

4. Equalities and Fairer Scotland Duty Impact Assessment

4.1. Protected Groups

Indicator	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Unknown
Age (Younger)		Yes		
Age (Older)		Yes		
Disability		Yes		
Race		Yes		
Religion or Belief		Yes		
Sex		Yes		
Pregnancy and Maternity		Yes		
Sexual Orientation		Yes		
Gender Reassignment		Yes		
Marriage or Civil Partnership		Yes		

4.2. Socio-economic Groups

Indicator	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Unknown
Low income		Yes		
Low wealth		Yes		
Material deprivation		Yes		
Area deprivation		Yes		
Socioeconomic background		Yes		

4.3. Evidence

Type	Source	It says?	It Means?
Internal Data	Budget spend	Budget has an underspend of £24,000	Description of Saving Reduction of funding to Parent Councils Proposed to align funding allocations to actual spend for previous years.

4.4. Engagement with affected groups

No engagement has taken place with stakeholders.

4.5. Ensuring engagement with protected groups

No stakeholder engagement has taken place.

4.6. Evidence of engagement

No engagement has taken place for these proposed budget savings but they have been identified in previous years as an underspend.

4.7. Overall Outcome

No Negative Impacts Identified.

As the saving is an underspend there should be no negative impacts.

4.8. Improving Relations

No steps required. Support of parents will continue with no changes.

4.9. Opportunities of Equality

All Parent Councils will still be able to work to support the activity of their school and local community.

5. Action Plan

Planned Action	Details
<p>The Parental Engagement Strategy Group will continue to review and monitor the Aberdeenshire Parental Engagement Strategy and Action Plan 2023-2026 including supporting Parent Councils with advice, training and a small amount of funding.</p>	<p>Lead Officer Christine McLennan</p> <p>Repeating Activity No</p> <p>Planned Start Tuesday January 14, 2025</p> <p>Planned Finish Friday January 23, 2026</p> <p>Expected Outcome Improved Parental Engagement across Aberdeenshire</p> <p>Resource Implications no resource implications</p>