

6. VALIDATED SELF-EVALUATION: CALDERWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Education (Primary) bringing to their attention Calderwood Primary School's validated self-evaluation and identified areas for improvement for session 2021-2022. Sarah Burton, Head Teacher, was in attendance to provide an update on the school's progress and to answer questions from committee members.

Miss Burton's update explained that although primary pupils had not started in the school until September 2021 her Head Teacher post had commenced in May. This provided the opportunity to build relationships with families, through the use of media channels, in order to build confidence in the school prior to the pupils attending. Miss Burton also explained the transition process, which was personalised through contact with existing establishments in order to assist any pupils who may have required personalised supports.

The committee highlighted similarities between Calderwood and the new community developments in Winchburgh, querying how the community could be actively built. Miss Burton explained the school's continual engagement with families towards the development of the school and the support the school received from families in return. Due to the close proximity of Calderwood Country Park, the school could make use of their surroundings for outdoor learning with the community appreciating seeing pupils using the area to support their learning.

It was recommended that the committee note the contents of the report and the school's arrangements for continuing improvement.

Decision

To note the contents of the report and the update from the Head Teacher.