

Save Our Schools want the council to listen

What exactly the council plan to do with the schools in west and south west Edinburgh is not entirely clear, and will only be a little clearer when the Education Committee meets this week.

The report before them will help them decide what to do – perhaps. This is the council officers' recommendation :

1. Recommendations

1. 1.1 It is recommended that the Committee:

2. 1.2 Agree determination of locations for new school infrastructure in west Edinburgh

(Kirkliston, Hillwood, Maybury and Cammo areas) is progressed through development of a West Edinburgh spatial strategy to be prepared as part of the new Local Development Plan process and that statutory consultations are progressed when the spatial framework has been completed.

1.3 Consider the further information in the report on the school infrastructure options for south west Edinburgh and agree which option should be taken forward to statutory consultation.

A decision was supposed to be made at the last meeting, but the council decided to delay. It looks to us as though they are deciding to backtrack or do very little right now. This is a complete U-turn is it not on the grand plans from the autumn of building new schools and amalgamating others in the south west and west of the city. They said then that it would be a more effective use of money to build new. But then they came up against the force of parents who don't want to lose the

school nearest to them.



There was a very vocal demonstration at the City Chambers yesterday. Here is what some of those who attended had to say :

Very loud demonstration at [@Edinburgh_CC](#) this afternoon by [#SaveOurSchools](#) who don't want new schools in West and southwest Edinburgh pic.twitter.com/elpjRTRTLA

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