

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET - 19 AUGUST 2009

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS 2010/2011

Report by Executive Director of Educational and Social Services

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1** To inform Cabinet of the consultation exercise carried out regarding school holiday arrangements for school session 2010/2011 and to seek agreement of Cabinet to implement the preferred school holiday option.

2. BACKGROUND - PROPOSAL

- 2.1** Consultation on proposed school holiday arrangements has taken place with educational establishments, Parent Councils, the Teachers' Unions, local Chambers of Commerce, Trades Council and with the local Churches.

The response rate to the consultation process has been poor in recent years and it is generally unusual to gain consensus from all parties. Members will also recall that the Scottish Ministers have expressed a wish that holidays should be co-ordinated across Authorities.

- 2.2** The result of the consultation exercise is as follows. (A copy of the Appendices is attached). Of the 30 responses, Appendix II attracted the majority of responses (22), and 8 were in favour of Appendix I.
- 2.3** It is therefore proposed that Appendix II be adopted as the school holidays for session 2010/2011. An indication of how the school holiday proposals for 2010/2011 align with North Ayrshire, South Ayrshire and Glasgow City Councils is given in Appendix III.
- 2.4** Consultation also took place on moving one of the local school holidays to St Andrew's Day. The result of this consultation was that 8 were in favour of moving the local holiday, 12 were against and 10 had no preference.
- 2.5** It is therefore proposed that St Andrew's Day is not adopted as a local holiday. This takes account of guidance issued by the Scottish Government.

3. FINANCIAL/LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1** Nil

4. COMMUNITY PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1** Nil

5 RISK IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Nil

6 RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 It is recommended that Cabinet:

- (i) accept appendix II as the proposed school holiday arrangements for school session 2010/2011;
- (ii) Otherwise, note the contents of the report

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Executive Director of Educational and Social Services

JS/MC
30 July 2009

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil

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East Ayrshire Council
Department of Educational and Social Services
School Holidays and In-Service Dates 2010/2011

Term	Dates	Main Holidays	Local Holidays	Working Days (Teachers)	In-Service Days	
First	Teachers return	Monday 16 August 2010			1	
	Pupils return	Tuesday 17 August 2010				
	Local Holiday	Friday 17 September 2010		2		
	Local Holiday	Monday 20 September 2010				
	October Holiday	Monday 11 October 2010 to Friday 15 October 2010	5			
	In-Service Day Curriculum for Excellence	Tuesday 19 October 2010			2	
	Pupils Return	Wednesday 20 October 2010				
	Christmas/ New Year Holiday	Wednesday 22 December 2010 to Tuesday 4 January 2011	10		85	
	Second	Teachers/ pupils return	Wednesday 5 January 2011			
		Holiday	Friday 11 February 2011	1		
Local Holiday		Monday 14 February 2011		1		
In-Service Day		Tuesday 15 February 2011			2	
In-Service Day		Wednesday 16 February 2011				
Pupils Return		Thursday 17 February 2011				
Easter Holiday		Monday 4 April 2011 to Friday 15 April 2011	10		61	
Third	In-Service Day	Monday 18 April 2011			1	
	Pupils Return	Tuesday 19 April 2011				
	Easter Weekend	Friday 22 April 2011	2			
		Monday 25 April 2011				
	May Day	Monday 2 May 2011	1			
	Local Holiday	Friday 27 May 2011		2		
	Local Holiday	Monday 30 May 2011				
2011/2012	Schools Close (1.00pm)	Thursday 30 June 2011 to				
	Teachers return	Tuesday 16 August 2011	32	49		
	Pupils return	Wednesday 17 August 2011				
		61	5	195*	6	

NB

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2. Ayr Gold Cup 18 September 2010 (provisional date).
3. Good Friday: 22 April 2011.
4. *Pupil attendance will be 189 days after deducting 6 in-service days.

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	In-Service Day Curriculum for	Monday 18 October 2010			
	Excellence In- Service Day	Tuesday 19 October 2010			2
	Pupils Return	Wednesday 20 October 2010			
	Christmas/ New Year Holiday	Thursday 23 December 2010 to Tuesday 4 January 2011	9		86
	Second	Teachers/ pupils return	Wednesday 5 January 2011		
Local Holiday		Monday 14 February 2011			
Holiday		Tuesday 15 February 2011	2	1	
Holiday		Wednesday 16 February 2011			
In-Service Day		Thursday 17 February 2011			
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Pupils Return		Monday 21 February 2011			
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9. Curriculum for Excellence In-Service Day 19 October 2010.

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MAIN SCHOOL HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS 2010/2011
FOR NEIGHBOURING COUNCILS

	Schools Open August 2010	October Week 2010	Christmas Holidays 2010	Spring Holidays 2011	Schools Close June 2011
<i>East Ayrshire Council</i>	16 August (Teachers) 17 August (Pupils)	11 – 15 October	23 December – 4 January	4 – 15 April	30 June
<i>South Ayrshire Council</i>	16 August (Teachers) 18 August (Pupils)	11 – 15 October	23 December – 6 January	4 – 15 April	30 June
<i>North Ayrshire Council</i>	16 August (Teachers) 17 August (Pupils)	11 – 15 October	22 December – 4 January	4 – 15 April	30 June
<i>Glasgow City Council</i>	13 August (Teachers) 17 August (Pupils)	11-15 October	24 December - 4 January	4-15 April	24 June

*All dates inclusive