

# **EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**CABINET 21 MAY 2008**

## **SCHOOL HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS 2009/2010**

### **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 2009/2010 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 and 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 45 responses, Appendix I attracted a majority of favourable responses (24), and 21 were in favour of Appendix II.

- 2.3** It is therefore proposed that Appendix I be adopted as the school holidays for session 2009/2010. An indication of how the school holiday proposals for 2009/2010 align with North Ayrshire, South Ayrshire and Glasgow City Councils is given in Appendix III.

#### **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) Agree that Appendix I is accepted as the proposed school holiday arrangements for school session 2009/2010; and
- (ii) Otherwise note the contents of the report

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Executive Director of Educational and Social Services

JS/MC  
6 May 2008

### **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**Nil**

Members wishing further information should contact Andrew Sutherland, Head of Service: Schools, telephone (01563) 576126 or Janice Shaw, Personnel Manager (Schools), telephone (01563) 578114.

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**SCHOOL HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS : 2009/2010**

TERM	BREAK	DATES	HOLIDAY TOTAL	LOCAL HOLIDAY	WORKING DAYS (TEACHER)	IN SERVICE DAYS
		In-Service Day/ Teachers return				1
		Pupils return	Fri	14 Aug 2009		
			Mon	17 Aug 2009		
	<b>Local ** Holiday</b>	<b>Close</b>	Thur	17 Sep 2009		
			Frid	18 Sep 2009		
			Mon	21 Sep 2009	2	
		Re-open	Tues	22 Sep 2009		
<b>First</b>	Mid-Term	<b>Close</b>	Frid	9 Oct 2009		
		Re-open/ In-Service Day	Mon	19 Oct 2009	5	1
		<b>Close</b>	Tues	22 Dec 2009		86
		Re-open	Wed	06 Jan 2010	15	
<b>Second</b>	Mid-Term <b>Local</b>	<b>Close Holiday</b>	Thur	11 Feb 2010		
			Fri	12 Feb 2010	1	
			Mon	15 Feb 2010	16	
		Re-open/ In-Service Day	Tue	16 Feb 2010		2
		In-Service Day	Wed	17 Feb 2010		
	Easter	<b>Close</b>	Thur	01 Apr 2010		146
		Re-open/ In-Service Day	Mon	19 Apr 2010	27	1
<b>Third</b>	May Day		Mon	03 May 2010	28	
		<b>Close</b>	Thur	27 May 2010		
			Frid	28 May 2010		
	<b>Local Holiday</b>		Mon	31 May 2010	2	
		Re-open	Tues	01 June 2010		
		<b>Close</b>	Tues	29 June 2010		195
		Teachers return	Mon	16 Aug 2010		
					61	5
					195*	5

**NB:** Good Friday: 2 April 2010

\* Pupil Attendance will be 190 days after deducting 5 In-Service days.

\*\* Ayr Gold Cup Weekend (**provisional**)

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		In-Service Day/ Teachers return				1
		Pupils return				
	<b>Local ** Holiday</b>	<b>Close</b>				
		Thu 17 Sep 2009				
		Fri 18 Sep 2009				
		Mon 21 Sep 2009			2	
		Re-open				
		Tue 22 Sep 2009				
<b>First</b>	Mid-Term	<b>Close</b>				
		Frid 09 Oct 2009				
		Re-open/ In-Service Day				
		Mon 19 Oct 2009	5			1
		<b>Close</b>				
		Tue 22 Dec 2009			86	
		Re-open				
		Tue 05 Jan 2010	14			
<b>Second</b>	Mid-Term <b>Local Holiday</b>	<b>Close</b>				
		Fri 12 Feb 2010				
		Mon 15 Feb 2010			1	
		Re-open/ In-Service Day				
		Tue 16 Feb 2010				2
		In-Service Day				
		Wed 17 Feb 2010				
	Easter	<b>Close</b>				
		Thu 01 Apr 2010			148	
		Re-open/ In-Service Day				
		Mon 19 Apr 2010	25			1
<b>Third</b>	May Day <b>Local Holiday</b>	<b>Close</b>				
		Mon 03 May 2010	26			
		Thu 27 May 2010				
		Fri 28 May 2010				
		Mon 31 May 2010			2	
		Re-open				
		Tue 01 June 2010				
		<b>Close</b>				
		Fri 25 June 2010			195	
		Teachers return				
		Mon 16 Aug 2010	61	5	195*	5

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Good Friday: 10 April 2009

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**MAIN SCHOOL HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS 2009/2010**  
**FOR NEIGHBOURING COUNCILS**

	<b>Schools Open August 2009</b>	<b>October Week 2009</b>	<b>Christmas Holidays 2009</b>	<b>Easter Holidays 2010</b>	<b>Schools Close June 2010</b>
<b><i>South Ayrshire Council</i></b>	<b>14 August (Teachers) 18 August (Pupils)</b>	<b>12 – 16 October</b>	<b>24 December – 7 January</b>	<b>2 – 16 April</b>	<b>25 June</b>
<b><i>North Ayrshire Council</i></b>	<b>14 August (Teachers) 17 August (Pupils)</b>	<b>12 – 16 October</b>	<b>23 December – 5 January</b>	<b>2 – 16 April</b>	<b>29 June</b>
<b><i>Glasgow City Council</i></b>	<b>13 August (Teachers) 17 August (Pupils)</b>	<b>12-16 October</b>	<b>23 December - 4 January</b>	<b>2-16 April</b>	<b>25 June</b>

**\*All dates inclusive**