

## EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET – 22 AUGUST 2007

### GALSTON PRIMARY, GLEBE ROAD, GALSTON AND GALSTON NURSERY SCHOOL, BREWLANDS STREET, GALSTON

#### Report by Executive Director of Educational and Social Services

#### 1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Cabinet of the position regarding the former Galston Primary and Nursery School and surrounding land situated at Glebe Road and Brewland Street Galston and to recommend appropriate action.

#### 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Galston Primary School and Galston Nursery School will relocate to new facilities during August 2008. The properties will therefore become surplus to Educational requirements at that time.

#### 3. PROPOSAL

- 3.1 It is proposed to declare the properties and land extending to 11.10 hectares, 3089 square metres and 3197 square metres respectively shown hatched black, cross hatched black and hatched black respectively on the attached plans surplus to educational requirements.
- 3.2 That this is effective from the date of relocation and in the interim to refer these to the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management for appropriate action and consultation prior to reallocation or marketing for lease or disposal in accordance with Council policy.
- 3.3 A surplus declaration at this stage will allow a full options analysis to be carried out and if appropriate a marketing exercise to be carried out prior to the date of relocation thus minimising any void period.

#### 4. POLICY / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The steps taken to declare the property surplus to educational requirements is in line with the Council's policy and procedures. Local elected members have been consulted by the Department of Educational and Social Services regarding this stage of the process and are in agreement with the proposals.

#### 5. COMMUNITY PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The new building for Galston Primary and Nursery is a further development of the Council's School Estate Management Strategy and a significant investment in the community of Galston and its children.

#### 6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Any security costs will remain with the Department of Educational and Social Services until the properties and land are reallocated, leased or disposed of.

**6.2** It is anticipated that the changing facilities currently situated on that part of the site at Galston Primary School extending to 11.10 hectares or thereby serving St. Mary's Holm Playing Fields will require to be relocated. Full consideration of this aspect of the proposal will form part of the options analysis to be carried out by the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management as provided for in 3.1 above.

## **7. RISK IMPLICATIONS**

**7.1** The availability of these sites provides opportunities for future developments. There are no significant risk implications at this time.

## **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

**8.1** The Members of the Cabinet are requested to agree:

- (i) that the property and lands occupied by Galston Primary School are declared surplus to the requirements of the Department of Educational and Social Services with effect from the date of relocation;
- (ii) the property and lands occupied by Galston Nursery School are declared surplus to the requirements of the Department of Educational and Social Services with effect from the date of relocation ;
- (iii) that the properties and land be immediately referred to the Executive Head of Finance and Asset Management for re-allocation, marketing for lease or disposal in accordance with Council policy: and
- (iv) otherwise to note the contents of this report.

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**31 July 2007**

### **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**Nil**

Members requiring further information should contact Robin Gourlay, Head of Facilities Management (01563 576089)

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**Title:** GALSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Area shown hatched BLACK amounts to 11.10 Hectares or thereby.

Area shown cross-hatched BLACK amounts to 3089 square metres or thereby.

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MAP REFERENCE: NS5036SW

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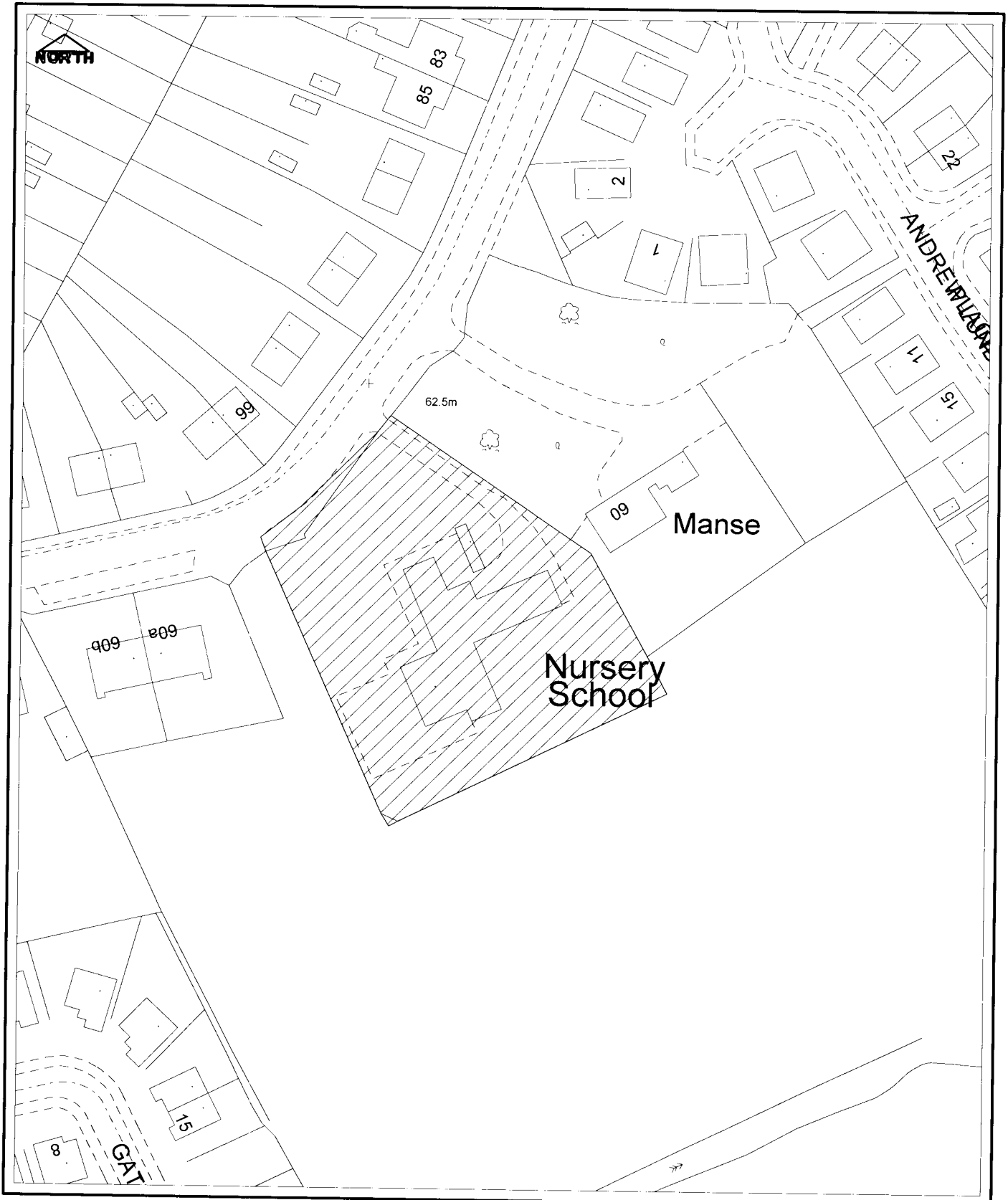
**Title:** Galston Nursery School

Area shown hatched black amounts to  
3197 square metres (0.79 acres) or thereby

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