

Primary schools modernisation under review

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Parents, carers and head teachers across South Lanarkshire are aware of the huge financial challenges facing the council.

The council needs to consider all areas of expenditure and inevitably this includes considering how to deliver on the aim of ensuring all primary school children have access to modern accommodation. The council recently agreed to undertake a review of the primary schools modernisation programme for this purpose.

As part of the review agreed at the council's Executive Committee on May 26, it has been agreed that adjustments are made to the building programme, to allow the council to consider alternative proposals for as many schools as possible.

This will involve a **delay** in design or construction for specific schools and a progress report on the review is expected in **September** when proposals on formal consultation are likely. **These could include school mergers or closures**. Consultation will go ahead under the terms of the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010.

Schools at the design stage where work has been delayed pending the review are:

- **Bent Primary, Lesmahagow**
- **Blackwood Primary**

- Milton Primary, Lesmahagow

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