BÒRD NA GÀIDHLIG

	Coinneamh a' Bhùird-stiùiridh	Board Meeting	
	Diardaoin 09/03/2023 09.30-13.00	Thursday 09/03/2023 09.30-13.00	
	AL3 Lecture Theatre (Rm 110), An Lòchran	AL3 Lecture Theatre (Rm 110), An Lòchran	
	CLÀR-GNOTHAICH	AGENDA	
1.0	SEISEAN FOSGAILTE	OPEN SESSION	09.30
1.1	Fàilte bhon Chathraiche	Welcome	
1.2	Leisgeulan	Apologies	
1.3	A' nochdadh chom-pàirtean	Declarations of interest	
	Bu chòir do Bhuill com-pàirt ionmhasail no neo-	Members should declare any financial and non-	
		financial interest they have in the items of	
	a' beachdachadh a chlàradh, le bhith a' comharrachadh	business for consideration, identifying the relevant	
	na puinge buntainnich agus an t-seòrsa com-pàirt a th'	agenda item, and the nature of their interest	
2.0	aca	FINANCE	
2.0	IONMHAS Airson Fiosrachadh*	FINANCE For Information*	d. 4
2.1	Aithisg Ionmhais gu 31/12/2022	Finance Report to 31/12/2022	u. 4
	PT1 Aithisg Ionmhas	PT1 Finance Report	d. 7
	Nicola Pearson, Ceann an Ionmhais & Chùisean Corporra	•	u. 7
2.2	Ri Aontachadh	For Decision	d. 8
	larrtasan Taic-airgid £100,000+	Funding Applications £100,000+	4.0
	Steven Kellow, Oifigear Maoineachaidh is Pròiseactan	Steven Kellow, Funding & Projects Officer	
3.0	PLANA CORPORRA IS COILEANADH	CORPORATE PLAN AND PERFORMANCE	
3.1	Airson Fiosrachadh*	For Information*	d. 10
	PCCan 2022/23 - Sgrùdadh	KPIs 2022/23 – Monitoring	u. 10
	Iain Mac a' Mhaoilein, Stiùiriche Leasachaidh	Iain MacMillan, Director of Development	
3.2	Airson Fiosrachadh*	For Information*	
	Plana Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig 2023-28	National Gaelic Language Plan 2023-28	d. 14
	Shona NicIllinnein, Ceannard	Shona MacLennan, Ceannard	
	Iain Mac a' Mhaoilein, Stiùiriche Leasachaidh	lain MacMillan, Director of Development	
3.3	Airson Fiosrachadh*	For Information*	d. 17
	Adhartas nas Luaithe	Faster Rate of Progress	
	PT1 Aithisg air Trusadh is Glèidheadh Thidsearan	PT1 Report on Recruitment and Retention of Teachers	d. 20
	PT2 Fiosrachadh a bharrachd airson Buidheann Obrach	PT2 Additional Information for Working Group on	d. 27
	air Cothroman Eaconomach is Sòisealta	Economic and Social Opportunities for Gaelic	
	PT3 Dòighean-obrach gus fàs a thoirt air an	PT3 Place-based approaches to growing the	d. 31
	eaconamaidh stèidhichte air àite	economy	
4.0	Jennifer NicHarrie, Stiùiriche Foghlaim	Jennifer McHarrie, Director of Education	
4.0 4.1	RIANACHD MHÌ-CHINNTEAN Ri Aontachadh	RISK MANAGEMENT For Decision	d. 34
4.1	Clàr mhì-chinntean Ro-innleachdail	Strategic Risk Register	u. 54
	PT1 Clàr mhì-chinntean ro-innleachdail	PT1 Strategic risk register	d. 37
	Nicola Pearson, Ceann an Ionmhais is Chùisean Corporra		u. 57
	Weda Fearson, Ceann an Iominiais is chaisean corporta	Affairs	
5.0	PLANA OBRACH A' BHÙIRD-STIÙIRIDH	BOARD WORK PLAN	
5.1	Ri Aontachadh	For Decision	d. 38
	Plana-obrach a' Bhùird-stiùiridh	Board Workplan	
	PT1 Plana-obrach a' Bhùird-stiùiridh 23/24	PT1 Board workplan 23/24	d. 40
	Shona NicIllinnein, Ceannard	Shona MacLennan, Ceannard	
6.0	GISBE	AOCB	
	Ceann-latha na h-ath coinneimh 22/06/2023	Date of next meeting 22/06/2023	

Pàipearan Fiosrachaidh

- Tha pàipearan 'Airson Fiosrachadh' airson toirt-fa-near agus chan eil ùine deasbaid no còmhraidh air a chur mun coinneamh sa chlàrghnothaich.
- Far a bheil cothrom ann deasbad is còmhradh a chumail air pàipearan 'Airson Fiosrachadh', bidh na pàipearan sin air an comharrachadh le rionnag * air a chlàr-gnothaich.
- Bidh cothrom aig Buill deasbad iarraidh air pàipearan 'Airson Fiosrachadh' air nach eil rionnag * le bhith a' leigeil fios do Chathraiche a' Bhùird-stiùiridh co-dhiù latha ron choinneimh.
- Far a bheil ceistean aig Buill co-cheangailte ri leithid clàr-ghnìomhan, poileasaidhean, planaichean no cùisean ionmhais a th' anns na pàipearan, thathar gam brosnachadh gus na ceistean sin a chur air post-d gu oifis@gaidhlig.scot co-dhiù dà latha obrach ron choinneimh. Cuiridh an sgioba rianachd a' cheist sin air adhart chun an oifigeir iomchaidh airson freagairt, agus airson a bhith cothromach thèid an fhreagairt a' sgaoileadh air na Buill gu lèir gus am bi an aon thuigse an uair sin aig a h-uile neach.

For Information Papers

- 'For Information' papers are for noting and time for debate or discussion is not allocated in the agenda.
- Where there is an opportunity to debate and discuss 'For Information' papers, these papers will be marked with an asterisk * on the agenda.
- Members will have the opportunity to request a discussion on unstarred 'For Information' papers * by notifying the Chair of the Board at least one day in advance of the meeting.
- Where Members have questions related to items such as agendas, policies, plans, or financial matters contained in the papers, they are encouraged to email these questions to oifis@gaidhlig.scot at least two working days in advance of the meeting. The administrative team will forward that question to the appropriate officer for an answer, and in the interests of fairness, the answer will be circulated to all Members so that everyone has the same understanding

Seisean Fosgailte : Open Session Cuspair 2.1



For	Board Meeting
Date of Meeting	09/03/2023
Location:	An Lòchran, Inverness
Item on Agenda	2.1

Paper	Title	Finance Re	Finance Report to 3st December 2022		
Recon	nmendation	For Inform	For Information *		
Spoke	sperson	Nicola Pea	rson, Head of	Finance and Corporate Affairs	
Gover	nance Route	Date of M	eeting	Decision	
Policy	and Resources Committee	24/01/202		For information	
Sgioba	Stiuiridh	12/01/202	23	For information	
Appen	dices:	PT1 – Fina	nce Report		
1.0	Purpose				
1.1	To give information to the	Board on the finan	cial position as	s at 31st December 2022.	
	The paper is in English as it	is presented by th	e Head of Fina	nce and Corporate Affairs	
2.0	Background	. is presented by th		noe and corporate mans.	
2.1	Bòrd na Gàidhlig has a tot	al budget of £5.779	k for the finan	icial year 2022/23	
	This is the baseline Grant in £100k for Commun name Part The adjusted high level income: Grant-in-aid Other income (CnaP) Total Expenditure: Development Running Costs Total	arant from the Corr	a Foundation.		
	Total	3.779			
3.0	Main Points				
3.1	At the end of the third quarter, total spend was £156k behind budget. This was as a result of a £163k underspend in running costs offset by a development over spend of £7k. The majority of the running costs underspend is against the budget for salaries. This is due to a				
		•	-	e filled part of the way through the	

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	Looking towards the end of the financial year, we are projecting an overspend against budget of £72k but once we include the approved carry forward from 21/22 and reclaimed funding we are forecasting a cash underspend of around £93k.
	We requested, and were granted permission to carry forward a cash underspend of £90k into 2023/24. This will allow BnG to maintain the fixed term positions which we due to conclude in the first half of next year until the end of March 2024.
4.0	Recommendation
4.1	Members are requested to consider the report and note the information.
5.0	Main Strategic Impacts
5.1	Impact on Finance
	As described above.
5.2	Impact on Staff
	With the agreed carry forward of projected underspend, fixed term posts will continue until 31 st March 2024.
5.3	Impact on Training
	n/a
5.4	Links to Strategic and Corporate Aims
	This paper supports the Board in fulfilling the aims for the year.
5.5	Ceanglaichean ri Frèam-obrach Coileanaidh Nàiseanta/ Links to the National Performance
	Framework
	n/a
5.6	Buaidhean air Cliù/Impacts on Reputation
	It is important the BnG continues to demonstrate effective management of its finances.
5.7	Buaidhean air Slàinte is Sàbhailteachd/Impacts on Health and Safety
	n/a
5.8	Buaidhean Laghail/Legal Impacts
	n/a
5.9	Buaidhean air Co-ionannas/Impacts on Equality
	n/a
5.10	Buaidhean air Àrainneachd/Impacts on the Environment
	n/a

Finance report (against strategic priorities and full year forecast) – 31st December 2022

21 Da		TO END Q.1 TO END Q.2		YTD	FULL YEAR FORECAST			
31 De	cember 2022	BUDGET ACTUAL VAR	BUDGET ACTUAL VAR VAR %	BUDGET ACTUAL VAR VAR %	BUDGET YTD COMMITTED EAU TOTAL VAR VAR %			
	Opening Available Budget	0 154,877 (154,877)	0 154,877 (154,877)	0 154,877 (154,877)	0 154,877 0 0 154,877 (154,877)			
FUNDING	Grant In Aid Funding From External Bodies Reclaimed Funding	1,389,000 1,389,000 0 25,000 25,000 0 0 11,000 (11,000)	2,629,000 2,629,000 0 50,000 50,000 0 0 23,000 (23,000)	4,489,000 4,489,000 0 75,000 75,000 0 0 35,000 (35,000)	5,679,000 4,489,000 0 0 5,679,000 0 100,000 75,000 0 0 75,000 25,000 0 35,000 0 0 35,000 (35,000)			
	AVAILABLE BUDGET	1,414,000 1,579,877 165,877	2,679,000 2,856,877 177,877	4,564,000 4,753,877 189,877	5,779,000 4,753,877 0 0 5,943,877 164,877			
	Using Gaelic Learning Gaelic Promoting Gaelic	377,000 619,000 242,000 64% 324,000 237,000 (87,000) -27% 145,000 127,000 (18,000) -12%	670,275 970,358 300,083 45% 758,928 587,449 (171,479) -23% 201,891 197,154 (4,737) -2%	1,386,599 1,493,011 106,411 8% 1,206,300 1,151,965 (54,335) -5% 319,316 274,206 (45,110) -14%	1,839,180 1,493,011 328,518 336,560 2,158,089 318,909 17% 1,665,320 1,151,965 332,675 55,454 1,540,094 (125,226) -8% 340,500 274,206 50,480 34,329 359,015 18,515 5%			
TURE	DEVELOPMENT SPEND	846,000 983,000 137,000 16%	1,631,094 1,754,962 123,867 8%	2,912,215 2,919,181 6,966 0%	3,845,000 2,919,181 711,673 426,343 4,057,198 212,198 6%			
EXPENDITURE	Salaries Other Costs	371,064 285,824 (85,240) -23% 90,800 94,176 3,376 4%	733,626 584,933 (148,693) -20% 194,713 200,930 6,217 3%	1,100,439 951,984 (148,455) -13% 344,624 330,331 (14,293) -4%	1,467,247 951,984 339,553 0 1,291,537 (175,710) -12% 466,753 330,331 43,235 128,318 501,884 35,131 8%			
	RUNNING COSTS	461,864 380,000 (81,864) -18%	928,339 785,863 (142,476) -15%	1,445,063 1,282,315 (162,748) -11%	1,934,000 1,282,315 382,787 128,318 1,793,421 (140,579) -7%			
	TOTAL SPEND	1,307,864 1,363,000 55,136 4%	2,559,433 2,540,825 (18,608) -1%	4,357,278 4,201,497 (155,782) -4%	5,779,000 4,201,497 1,094,460 554,661 5,850,619 71,619 1%			
	BUDGET CARRIED FORWARD	106,136 216,877 110,741	119,567 316,052 196,485	206,722 552,380 345,659	projected cash underspend (93,258)			

^{*}Committed funds are those that have had approval, purchase order raised and contract sent to client.

^{**}EAU – expected additional utilisation – funds allocated to a specific project but approval, purchase order and contract not yet in place.



A' freagairt ri	Am Bòrd-stiùiridh
Ceann-latha na Coinneimh	09/03/2023
Àite:	Air-loidhne
Nì a' Chlàir-ghnothaich	2.2

Tiotal	a' Phàipeir	Iarrtasan taic-airgid							
	dh do Bhuill	Ri Aontachadh							
	n-labhairt:		ar Maoineachaidh is Phròiseact	tan					
Cùrsa	Riaghlachais	airson na h-Aithris	Ceann-latha na Coinneimh	Seòrsachadh na h-Aithris					
Sgioba	a-stiùiridh			Ri Aontachadh					
Pàipe	ar-taice air a	cheangal ris	Chan eil						
1.0	Adhbhar								
1.1	A' sireadh a £100k+.	A' sireadh aonta bhon Bhòrd-stiùiridh airson taic-airgid a thoirt do 1 iarrtas taic-airgid aig ìre £100k+.							
2.0	Cùl-fhiosrac	chadh							
2.1	Sabhal Mòr £396,000 th	Ostaig gus taic a chum	021 taic-airgid fad 3-bliadhna a ail ris an iomairt SpeakGaelic, is an-ionmhais (is £100,000 a bha eict).	s seo na phasgan luach					
2.2	leabhraiche	an a chruthachadh is fl	chadh don phròiseict sa Ghear noillseachadh a bheireadh taic c chd air na goireasan saor an-as	do luchd-ionnsachaidh air					
2.3		n bheachd gu bheil a' b n taic-airgid aca.	huidheann a' coileanadh nan d	leastanasan aca fo na h-					
3.0	Prìomh Aith	nris/Fiosrachadh							
3.1		ireadh aonta gus taic-a Ien phasgan taic-airgid	irgid a dhearbhadh do MG ALB do SpeakGaelic.	A mar phàirt den bliadhna mu					
3.2	phrògram, a	Ann an 2023/24 bidh obair a' leudachadh air cruthachadh susbaint airson ìrean B1 is B2 den phrògram, airson taic a chumail ri luchd-ionnsachaidh aig ìre nas adhartaiche san t-slighe aca gu fileantas sa Ghàidhlig.							
3.3	Tha an taic-airgid air a tabhann le Bhòrd na Gàidhlig gu sònraichte a' dol a dh'ionnsaigh taic a chumail ri ullachadh nan goireasan-teagaisg gus cùrsaichean SpeakGaelic a lìbhrigeadh.								
3.4	Thathar den bheachd gu bheil deagh adhartas air a bhith ann le SpeakGaelic gu ruige seo, is gum bi an obair a tha gu bhith air a crìochnachadh sa bhliadhna ri teachd a' cur gu mòr ri ionnsachadh na Gàidhlig san àm ri teachd.								
3.5			dhna le MG ALBA gus beachdar n-ath cheumannan den phròise	G					

4.0	Moladh						
	Thathar ag iarraidh air Bu	uill:					
4.1	Aontachadh gus £130,000 a thabhann do MG ALBA airson pròiseact SpeakGaelic (Goireasanteagaisg) airson na bliadhna-ionmhais 2023/24, leis na cumhaichean: • Gun tèid suaicheantas Bhòrd na Gàidhlig a chleachdadh air duilleag-aghaidh stuthan foillsichte sam bith aig SpeakGaelic • Gum faigh Bòrd na Gàidhlig aithneachadh mar bhuidheann-maoineachaidh de SpeakGaelic aig gach cothrom iomchaidh						
5.0		nnleachdach					
5.1	Buaidhean air Ionmhas						
5.1.1			chaidh beachdachadh ai	r na figearan seo mar			
	pàirt de phròiseas cruthachaidh a' bhuidseat.						
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5.2	Buaidhean air Luchd-obi	racn					
5.3	Chan eil gin ann. Buaidhean air Trèanadh						
5.3							
5.4	Chan eil gin ann. Ceanglaichean ri Amasa	a Po innlaachadh agus	Corporra				
5.4.1				a thaobh:			
5.4.1	 4.1 Tha seo a' cur ri gnìomhan sa Phlana Gnìomh Bòrd na Gàidhlig 2022/23 a thaobh: PCC-5 – "Bidh barrachd dhaoine ag aontachadh ris an abairt, "Tha mi air na sgilean 						
	Gàidhlig agam a thoirt air adhart."						
5.5	Ceanglaichean ri Frèam-		àiseanta				
	AR N-ADH			ACHAN			
	Fòcas air a bhith a' cruth	achadh dùthaich nas		a th' annainn a tha a'			
	soirbheachaile le cothro	man do dh'Alba air		caoimhneas, urram agus			
	fad soirbheachadh tro b	hith a' cur ri sunnd,	_	oirt spèis do riaghladh an			
	agus ri fàs eaconamach	seasmhach agus in-	lagha, agus a tha ag o	bair ann an dòigh a tha			
	ghabhalach		fosgailte agus follaiseac	h			
		AR LUACHAN BL	JILEAN NÀISEANTA				
	Còraichean daonna		Clann				
	Cultar	\boxtimes	Coimhearsnachdan	\boxtimes			
	Àrainneachd		Bochdainn				
	Slàinte		Eadar-Nàiseanta				
	Foghlam	\boxtimes	Eaconamaidh	\boxtimes			
		Gnothachasan soirbl	neachail is ùr-ghnàthach	\boxtimes			
5.6	Buaidhean air Cliù						
5.6.1			rd leis nach deach sgeam				
	fhoillseachadh mar a bhathar an dùil, is seo an dàrna turas a tha sinn air dàil a chur air sin.						
	Thathar den bheachd ge-tà, gu bheil e nas iomchaidh gu bheil sinn a' cur an cèill gu bheil sinn						
5.6.2	G	. •	•	•			
	biodh sin mar fhreagairt		ath Phlana Nàiseanta a cl	nur an gniomn is gum			
5.7	Buaidhean air Slàinte is						
3.7	Chan eil gin ann.	Sabilaliteacilu					
5.8	Buaidhean Laghail						
5.0	Chan eil gin ann.						
5.9	Buaidhean air Co-ionanr	nachd					
J. J	Chan eil gin ann.						
	Chan en gin ann.						

5.10	Buaidhean air an Àrainneachd
	Chan eil gin ann.



A' freagairt ri	Coinneamh a' Bhùird-stiùiridh		
Ceann-latha na Coinneimh	09/03/23		
Àite:	Air-loidhne		
Nì a' Chlàir-ghnothaich	3.1		

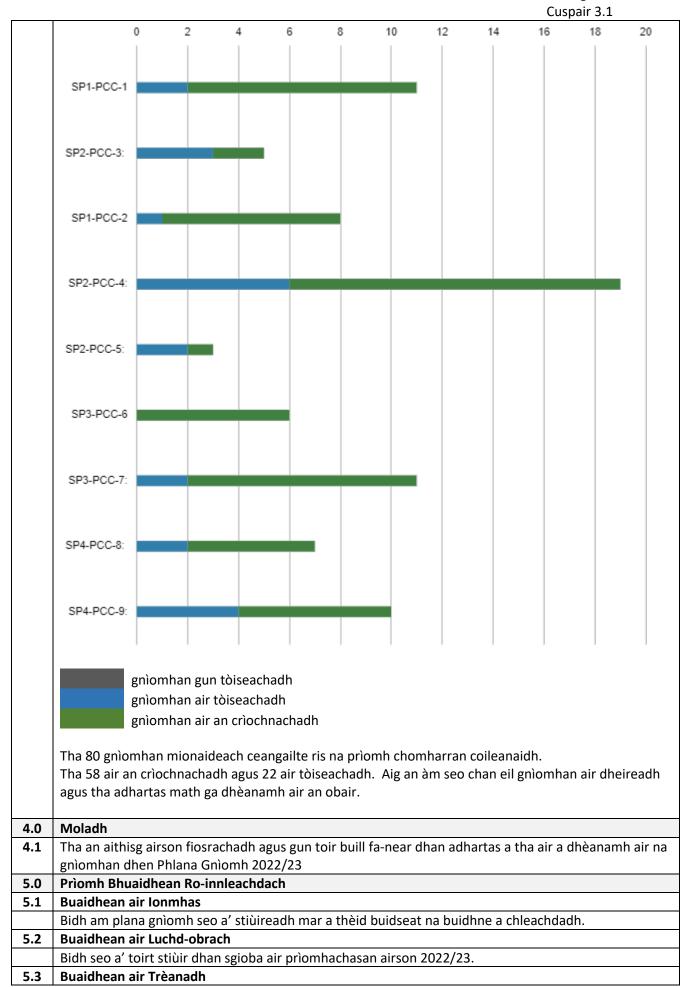
		Nì	a' Chlàir-ghnothai	ch	3.1		
Tiotal a' Phàipeir Prìomh Chomharr			Prìomh Chomharr	an Coileanaidh - Adhartas 2022/23			
Moladh do Bhuill Airson Fiosrachad		dh*					
Neach labhairt: lain Mac a' Mhac		ilein, St	iùiriche Leasachaidh				
Cùrsa	Riaghlachai	s ai	rson na h-Aithris	Ceann		eòrsachadh na h-Aithris	
Sgiob	a-stiùiridh				A	rson Aontachadh	
_		said	h is Ghoireasan		24/1/23 A	rson Fiosrachadh	
Pàipe	ar-taice air a	a ch	eangal ris	Chan e	eil		
1.0	Adhbhar						
1.1	Airson fios	rach	nadh air an adharta	s a tha	air a dhèanamh air na P	rìomh Chomharran Coilea	naidh a
	chaidh aon	tacl	hadh aig coinneam	h a' Bhù	uird-stiùiridh air 02/03/	2022 mar phàirt dhen Phla	na Gnìomh.
2.0	Cùl-fhiosra	cha	dh				
2.1	Aig coinneamh a' Bhùird-stiùiridh anns a' Mhàirt 2022 chaidh aontachadh ri dòigh-obrach ùr airson aire a' Bhùird-stiùiridh a chumail air adhartas air a' Phlana Gnìomh le fòcas nas ro-innleachdail air na Prìomh Chomharran Coileanaidh (PCC)						
3.0	Prìomh Ait	hris	/Fiosrachadh				
3.1	Tha naoi Prìomh Chomharran Coileanaidh (PCC) airson na buidhne sa phlana; tha iad uile co-cheangailte ris a' Phlana Chorporra airson 2018-2023 agus chaidh measadh a dhèanamh air adharta airson an t-seisein leis an sgioba san Dùbhlachd.						
	Iomradh	-	rìomh Chomharr	an	Na Prìomh Slatan-	Adhartas	
			oileanaidh (PCC)		tomhais		
	PCC - 1		arrachd chothrom		g obair le 70	Tha sinn ag obair an	
			o dhaoine na sgile		uidhnean poblach air	dràsta le 66	
			iàidhlig aca a		ruthachadh, a' cur an	Buidhnean le dùil gum	
		C	hleachdadh	_	nìomh agus a'	bi sinn air an àireamh	
					neasadh phlanaichean Gàidhlig	70 a ruigsinn ro dheireadh na bliadhna	
	DCC 2	_	معطله لمطموسيمط طله:	:	Number of the second	Chaidh Iàirmhean a	

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		Ghàidhlig		
PCC – 4	Barrachd chothroman	Stiùireadh Reachdail	Bidh seo ga thoirt air	
	do dhaoine na sgilean	airson Foghlam	adhart as a Mhairt	
	Gàidhlig aca a thoirt	Gàidhlig air ùrachadh		
	air adhart			
PCC – 5	Bidh barrachd dhaoine	Goireasan B1 agus B2	Tha MG ALBA agus	
	ag aontachadh ris an	SpeakGaelic air	SMO air tòiseachadh	
	abairt, "Tha mi air na	ullachadh	air na goireasan seo	
	sgilean Gàidhlig agam		ullachadh le dùil a	
	a thoirt air adhart."		bhith deiseil	
			Samhradh 2023.	
PCC – 6	A' dèanamh cinnteach	Plana Nàiseanta ùr air	Tha am Bòrd-stiùiridh	
	gu bheil barrachd àite	aontachadh ro 31 Am	air am Plana	
	aig a' Ghàidhlig ann an	Màrt 2023	aontachadh agus a	
	aithne nàiseanta na h-		chur air adhart chun	
	Alba, aithne-dùthcha		an Riaghaltais	
	fhosgailte le iomadh			
	taobh is cultar			
PCC – 7	Bidh barrachd dhaoine	Aithisg 'Thuirt sibh,	Tha dreach dhen	
	ag aontachadh ris an	rinn sinne' air	aithisg seo deiseil ach	
	abairt, "Tha a'	fhoillseachadh às a'	cha bhi cothrom a	
	Ghàidhlig cudromach	cho-chomhairleachadh	foillseachadh gus am	
	do dh'Alba."	air PCN#4	bi am Plana Nàiseanta	
			air aontachadh leis a'	
			Riaghaltas.	
PCC – 8	Bidh barrachd den	Plana Corporra ùr air a	Leis a' Phlana	
	luchd-obrach againn ag	chruthachadh le	Nàiseanta air	
	aontachadh ris an	ceangal dìreach ri	aontachadh leis a'	
	abairt, "Tha an obair	Plana Nàiseanta na	Bhòrd-stiùiridh agus	
	agam aig Bòrd na	Gàidhlig#4 ri planadh	air a dhol gu	
	Gàidhlig a' còrdadh	agus gnìomhachd	Ministearan bidh an	
	rium agus tha i a'	Bhòrd na Gàidhlig agus	obair a tha seo a	
	dèanamh diofar."	ris an luchd-obrach	tòiseachadh agus	
		aige	dreach a Phlana air	
			aontachadh	
PCC - 9	Bidh barrachd de ar	cruthaichidh sinn ro-	Tha an obair a tha seo	
	luchd-ùidhe ag	innleachd luchd-ùidh le	air tòiseachadh le dùil	
	aontachadh ris an	plana gnìomh a tha	gum bi e	
	abairt, "Tha Bòrd na	soilleir agus a ghabhas	crìochnaichte ro	
	Gàidhlig a' coileanadh	tomhas	deireadh na bliadhna.	
	a dhleastanasan gu h-		Bha a cheud dreach	
	èifeachdach agus tha e		crìochnaichte san	
	a' cur taic ris an obair		Dùbhlachd.	
	a cui taic iis aii obaii		Dubiliacilu.	

3.3

Tha adhartas math air a bhith ann cuideachd air na gnìomhan mionaideach a tha ceangailte ris a' Phlana Gnìomh aig ìre luchd-obrach agus tha an t-adhartas ri fhaicinn anns a' chlàr gu h-ìosal:

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	Bidh trèanadh is leasachadh a dhìth a thaobh siostaman is pròiseactan gus am bi sinn comasach air an obair a lìbhrigeadh.					
5.4	Ceanglaichean ri Amasan Ro-innleachail agus Corporra					
	Tha am plana seo co-chear	ngailte ris na 4 prìomhac	hasan corporra aig BnG	ì.		
5.5	Ceanglaichean ri Frèam-obrach Coileanaidh Nàiseanta					
	AR N-ADF	LUACHAN				
	Fòcas air a bhith a' cruthach	adh dùthaich nas	'S e comann-sòisealta			
	soirbheachaile le cothromar			le caoimhneas, urram agus co-		
	soirbheachadh tro bhith a' c	. •		t spèis do riaghladh an lagha,		
	eaconamach seasmhach agu	us in-ghabhalach	agus a tha ag obair ann an dòigh a tha fosgailte agus follaiseach			
		AR LUACHAN BU	ILEAN NÀISEANTA			
	Còraichean daonna		Clann	\boxtimes		
	Cultar	\boxtimes	Coimhearsnachdan	\boxtimes		
	Àrainneachd	\boxtimes	Bochdainn			
	Slàinte	\boxtimes	Eadar-Nàiseanta	\boxtimes		
	Foghlam	\boxtimes	Eaconamaidh	\boxtimes		
	Gnothachasa	nn soirbheachail is ùr-gh	nàthach	\boxtimes		
5.6	Buaidhean air Cliù					
	Bidh e nas fhasa a bhith a' cliù na buidhne.	mìneachadh nan targaid	lean aig BnG leis an sto	idhle seo is bidh sin a' cur ri		
5.7	Buaidhean air Slàinte is Sà	bhailteachd				
	Cha bhi buaidh air slàinte is	s sàbhailteachd.				
5.8	Buaidhean Laghail					
	Cha bhi buaidh laghail ann.					
5.9	Buaidhean air Co-ionanna	s				
	Cha bhi buaidh air co-ionar	nnas.				
5.10	Buaidhean air an àrainnea	chd				
	Cha bhi buaidh air an àrain	neachd.				

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	Cuspan 3.2
A' freagairt ri	Am Bòrd-stiùiridh
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Nì a' chlàr-ghnothaich	3.2

Tiotal	otal a' Phàipeir Plana Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig 2023-28				
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	dh do Bhuill Airson fiosrachadh* n-labhairt: Shona NicIllinnein, Ceannard				
	Riaghlaidh airson na h-Aith				
	a-stiùiridh		27/02/2023 Airson fiosrachadh		
	ar-taice air a cheangal ris		Chan eil		
1	Adhbhar				
1.1		thoi	rt do na Buill air adhartas le Pl	ana Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig	
	2023-28.				
2.	Cùl-fhiosrachadh	. \ 2.2	OF the distance 1 BY 1	CYMPIC Block MY	
	Gàidhlig (PNG) fhoillseach	Fo Achd na Gàidhlig (Alba) 2005, tha dleastanas air Bòrd na Gàidhlig Plana Nàiseanta na Gàidhlig (PNG) fhoillseachadh co-dhiù gach 5-bliadhna. Chaidh am fear a th' ann an-dràsta fhoillseachadh anns a' Mhàrt 2018 agus feumar an ath fhear fhoillseachadh tràth sa bhliadhna 2023.			
2.2	Feumaidh Bòrd na Gàidhlig am PNG a sgrìobhadh agus an uair sin a chur gu Ministearan na h-Alba airson aonta.				
2.3	Chaidh a' chiad dreachd air beulaibh a' Bhùird-stiùiridh air 15 Dùbhlachd 2021 agus chaidh aontachadh airson a dhol a-mach gu co-chomhairleachadh poblach.				
2.4	Às dèidh co-chomhairleachadh air leth soirbheachail a ruith, thàinig barrachd is 250 freagairtean a-steach. Am measg nan coinneamhan a chaidh a chumail, bha an Cathraiche, an Stiùiriche Foghlaim is an Stiùiriche Leasachaidh aig Comataidh Foghlam, Clann is Òigridh Pàrlamaid na h-Alba. Choilean seo dleastanas fo Achd na Gàidhlig (Alba) 2005, earann 2 (3) (a). Bha a' mhòr-chuid a' moladh an dreachd, is chaidh brath-naidheachd fhoillseachadh leis				
	na toraidhean tòiseachail.				
3.	Prìomh Aithris/Fiosracha				
3.1	Chaidh an dreachd mu dheireadh gu coinneamh a' Bhùird-stiùiridh air 22.09.2022 far an do dh'aontaich am Bòrd-stiùiridh ris, le molaidhean nach robh susbainteach air an cur ris agus chaidh e air adhart do Mhinistearan na h-Alba ro dheireadh na Sultain 2022.				
3.2			am-bliadhna gun tèid aithisg 'T onta ann air a' Phlana. A bhar		

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	aithisg air Measadh Buaidh Coimhearsnac Ionannachd fhoillseachadh.	chdan Eileanach agus Measadh Buaidh Co-		
3.3	San fhreagairt air co-chomhairleachadh Riaghaltas na h-Alba air a' Ghàidhlig is Albais, rinn BnG moladh nach tèid stad a chur air siostam plana nàiseanta airson na Gàidhlig leis gu bheil e a' toirt seachad stiùireadh agus ro-innleachd, gu sònraichte do bhuidhnean poblach air na tha a dhìth gus àireamhan luchd-labhairt agus cleachdadh na Gàidhlig a leudachadh.			
3.4	Cuideachd, bha moladh ann gum biodh ar a chumail le Bòrd na Gàidhlig.	n dleastanas airson Plana Nàiseanta ullachadh air		
3.5		nlana Nàiseanta a rèir co-dhùnaidhean gun tèid plana ùr fhoillseachadh as t-Earrach choinnicheas am Bòrd-stiùiridh air 09/03/2023,		
4.	Moladh			
4.1	Gum bi Buill a' Bhùird-stiùiridh a' toirt fa-	near dhan fhiosrachadh anns a' phàipear seo.		
5.	Prìomh Bhuaidhean Ro-innleachdach			
5.1	Buaidhean air Ionmhas			
	Tha na cosgaisean airson na h-obrach seo	uile taobh a-staigh buidseat na bliadhna.		
5.2	Buaidhean air Luchd-obrach			
		he a th' air Bòrd na Gàidhlig a bhith a' sgrìobhadh		
		gearan air a bhith ag obair air seo is bidh airson		
. .	nam mìosan a tha romhainn.			
5.3	Buaidhean air Trèanadh	h aver hi tu'a e dh aver dha e acidh a farra bh ail air.		
	a dhìth tron phròiseas seo.	h gum bi trèanadh ann dhan sgioba far a bheil sin		
5.4	Ceanglaichean ri Amasan Ro-innleachdai	Lagus Cornorra		
3.4		a Gàidhlig fo sgèith Achd na Gàidhlig (Alba) 2005,		
	's e pròiseact deatamach a th' ann gus an			
		a' cantainn gur e fear de na prìomh dhleastanasan		
	air Bòrd na Gàidhlig a bhith "Ag ullachadh	a' Phlana Cànain Nàiseanta Ghàidhlig agus a' co-		
	òrdanachadh coileanadh a' Phlana sin."			
		a 2023-28 ullachadh, le ceanglaichean làidir ri PNG		
		n a' cur a' Phlana Nàiseanta ùir an gnìomh.		
5.5	Ceanglaichean ris an Fhrèam-obrach Coil	eanaidh Nàiseanta		
	AR N-ADHBHAR	AR LUACHAN		
Fòcas	air a bhith a' cruthachadh dùthaich nas	'S e comann-sòisealta a th' annainn a tha a'		
	heachaile le cothroman do dh'Alba air fad	dèiligeadh ri ar sluagh le caoimhneas, urram		
	heachadh tro bhith a' cur ri sunnd, agus ri	agus co-fhaireachdainn, a' toirt spèis do		
fàs	eaconamach seasmhach agus in-	riaghladh an lagha, agus a tha ag obair ann an		
gnabi	abhalach dòigh a tha fosgailte agus follaiseach			

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Seisean Fosgailte : Open Session Cuspair 3.2

Còra	aichean daonna 🗵		Clann	\boxtimes	
Culta	Cultar 🗵		Coimhearsnachdan	\boxtimes	
Àrair	nneachd	\boxtimes	Bochdainn	\boxtimes	
Slàin	te	\boxtimes	Eadar-nàiseanta	\boxtimes	
Fogh	lam	\boxtimes	Eaconamaidh		
Gnothachasan soirbheachail is ùr-ghnàthach					
5.6	Buaidhean air Cliù				
	Mar fhear de na prìomh dhleastanasan air Bòrd na Gàidhlig fo sgèith Achd na Gàidhlig (Alba)				
	2005 tha e cudromach airson cliù na buidhne gun ullaich sinn PNG 2023-28 a tha a' gabhail				
	a-steach nam prìomhachasan aig luchd-labhairt na Gàidhlig agus a bhios a' toirt stiùir soilleir				
	do leasachadh a	n' chànain thairis air na	bliadhnaichean ri thigh	inn. Tha e cudromach	
	cuideachd gum b	i sinn a' coileanadh an dl	eastanais seo a rèir a' chl	àir-ama a tha stèidhichte	
	anns an Achd.				
5.7	Buaidhean air Sl	àinte is Sàbhailteachd			
1	Chan eil gin ann.				
5.8	Buaidhean Laghail				
	Tha dleastanas reachdail air Bòrd na Gàidhlig fo sgèith Achd na Gàidhlig (Alba) 2005 gus				
	Tha dleastanas r		idhlig fo sgèith Achd na	Gàidhlig (Alba) 2005 gus	
			idhlig fo sgèith Achd na	Gàidhlig (Alba) 2005 gus	
5.9		eachdail air Bòrd na Gài na Gàidhlig ullachadh.	idhlig fo sgèith Achd na	Gàidhlig (Alba) 2005 gus	
5.9	Plana Nàiseanta Buaidhean air Co	eachdail air Bòrd na Gài na Gàidhlig ullachadh. D-ionannachd		Gàidhlig (Alba) 2005 gus	
5.9	Plana Nàiseanta Buaidhean air Co	eachdail air Bòrd na Gài na Gàidhlig ullachadh. D-ionannachd			
5.9	Plana Nàiseanta Buaidhean air Co Chaidh measadh	eachdail air Bòrd na Gài na Gàidhlig ullachadh. D-ionannachd a dhèanamh air a' bhuaid			

Cha bhi buaidh air an àrainneachd.



A' freagairt ri	Am Bòrd-stiùiridh
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Nì a' chlàr-ghnothaich	3.3

Tiotal	Adhartas nas Luaithe				
Molad	oladh do Bhuill Airson fiosrachadh *				
Neach	Neach-labhairt: Jennifer McHarrie, Stiùiriche Foghlam na Gàidhlig			nlam na Gàidhlig	
Air ullachadh le: Jennifer McHarrie, Stiùiriche Foghlam na Gàidhlig			nlam na Gàidhlig		
	Shona NicIllinnein, Ceannard				
Cùrsa	Cùrsa Riaghlaidh airson na h-Aithris Ceann-latha na Coinneimh Seòrsachadh na h-Aithris			Seòrsachadh na h-Aithris	
Sgioba	Sgioba-stiùiridh 27/02/2023 Airson fiosrachadh			Airson fiosrachadh	
Pàipe	Pàipear-taice air a cheangal ris PT1 – Aithisg air Trusadh is Glèidheadh Thidsearan PT 2 - Fiosrachadh a bharrachd airson Buidheann Obracl Cothroman Eaconamach is Sòisealta PT3 - Dòighean-obrach gus fàs a thoirt air an eaconama stèidhichte air àite		d airson Buidheann Obrach air òisealta		
1	Adhbhar				
1.1	Airson am fiosrachadh as ùire a thoirt do Bhuill a' Bhùird-stiùiridh mu dheidhinn na h-iomairt Adhartas nas Luaithe.				
2.	Cùl-fhiosrachadh				
2.1	Chaidh an iomairt Adhartas nas Luaithe a stèidheachadh aig Riaghaltas na h-Alba, gus na prìomhachasan ann am Plana Cànain Nàiseanta Gàidhlig 2018-23 a thoirt air adhart.				
	Tha am pìos seo ann am Plana Cànain Nàiseanta Gàidhlig 2018-23:-				
	"Fàs nas luaithe is buaidh nas fharsainge Tha sinn riaraichte gu bheil prìomhachasan a' Phlana seo freagarrach airson fàs a thoirt air a' Ghàidhlig aig ìre nas luaithe ann an Alba."				
2.2	Bha a' chiad choinneamh "Adhartas nas Luaithe" ann am Battleby, faisg air Peairt anns an Lùnastal 2018, le riochdairean bho còrr is 20 ùghdarras poblach an làthair agus le Iain Swinney, Leas-phrìomh Mhinistear na h-Alba sa chathair. Bha coinneamh Adhartas nas Luaithe eile anns an Lùnastal 2019 agus ceithir eile air-loidhne on uair sin.				
2.3	Tha na buidhnean a tha an sàs sna sruthan-obrach a' coinneachadh eadar nan coinneamhan leis a' Mhinistear gus an obair a thoirt air adhart.				
2.4	A bharrachd air co-obrachadh eadar diofar ùghdarrasan poblach, tha co-obrachadh taobh-a-staigh na buidhne a' dol air adhart cuideachd, le fòcas air na 6 sruthan-obrach seo.				
2.5	Highlands and Islands) ar	nns a	a' Mhàirt 2021 gum bi iad a'	an Eilean (<u>Convention of the</u> cumail sùil air leasachadh na nothaich aca, mar eisimpleir	

taigheadas is leasachaidhean eaconamach. Aig a' choinneimh aca air a' mhìos seo (27/03/2023), bidh pàipear air am beulaibh air na cothroman agus na dùbhlain a tha ann a thaobh na Gàidhlig.

2.6 Sa Mhàrt 2022, stèidhich Rùnaire na h-Eaconamaidh Buidheann Obrach Geàrr-bheatha air Cothroman Eaconamach is Sòisealta don Ghàidhlig gus cuideachadh le lìbhrigeadh mhiannan na Ro-innleachd Nàiseanta 10 bliadhna ùire son Cruth-atharrachadh Eaconamach. Tha a' bhuidheann ann gus molaidhean a dhèanamh air cothroman eaconamach a chuidicheas neartachadh choimhearsnachdan Gàidhlig air feadh na h-Alba. Choinnich Cathraiche is Ceannard Bhòrd na Gàidhlig ris a' bhuidhinn san Ògmhios an-uiridh agus a-rithist o chionn beagan sheachdainean. Thug BnG tri pàipearan dhan Bhuidhinn — PT1 — Aithisg air trusadh is Glèidheadh Thidsearan, PT2 Fiosrachadh a bharrachd airson Buidheann Obrach air Cothroman Eaconamach is Sòisealta agus PT3 Dòighean-obrach gus fàs a thoirt air an eaconamaidh stèidhichte air àite. Tha sinn a' dèanamh fiughair ris an aithisg agus na molaidhean fhaicinn.

3 Prìomh Aithris/Fiosrachadh

3.1 Tha obair Adhartas nas Luaithe a' dol air adhart le diofar bhuidhnean a' gabhail uallach airson sruthan-obrach. Aig a' choinneimh san t-Sultain, chaidh aontachadh gum biodh beagan atharrachaidhean air na sruthan-obrach a bh' ann agus fear ùr air a chur riutha. Tha iad a-nise mar a leanas:

Trusadh agus glèidheadh Thidsearan	Comhairle Choitcheann Teagaisg na h-Alba (GTCS) agus Comhairle Maoineachaidh na h-Alba (SFC)
Ionnsachadh is Cleachdadh (air an robh Ionnsachadh didseatach agus meadhanan roimhe)	MG ALBA is Comhairle nan Eilean Siar (CnES)
Eaconamaidh agus margaid-obrach	Leasachadh Sgilean na h-Alba (SDS) is Iomairt na Gàidhealtachd is nan Eilean (HIE)
Ceanglaichean coimhearsnachd	Comhairle nan Eilean Siar (CnES)
Com-pàirteachadh agus tionnsgalachd sna Meadhanan Didseatach	MG ALBA
Turasachd is Cultar	VisitScotland le Alba Chruthachail is Àrainneachd Eachdraidheil na h-Alba

3.2 'S e meadhan air leth chudromach a th' ann an Adhartas nas Luaithe gus amasan a' Phlana Nàiseanta a choileanadh agus bidh aithris labhairteach ann air na tha a' dol aig a' choinneimh.

4. Moladh

4.1 Gum bi Buill a' Bhùird-stiùiridh a' gabhail fa-near dhan fhiosrachadh anns a' phàipear seo.

5. Prìomh Bhuaidhean Ro-innleachdach

5.1 **Buaidhean air Ionmhas**

Chan eil gin ann.

5.2 **Buaidhean air Luchd-obrach**

5.3	Tha e follaiseach gu bheil buaidh aig seo air obair taobh a-staigh na buidhne, le fòcas às ùr air na sruthan-obrach a' dèanamh diofar agus gu bheil seo a' còrdadh ri daoine. Tha dlùth cheangal eadar an obair seo agus a bhith a' cur phlanaichean reachdail aig na h-ùghdarrasan poblach an gnìomh, agus tha Adhartas nas Luaithe a' cruthachadh cothrom an ceangal eadar leasachadh na Gàidhlig agus planaichean reachdail a neartachadh am measg an sgioba. Buaidhean air Trèanadh			
	Chan eil gin ann.			
5.4	Ceanglaichean ri Amasan Ro-innleachdail agus Corporra			
	Tha am fiosrachadh seo a' cur ri: Amas 1. Gum bi barrachd dhaoine a' cleachdadh Gàidhlig agus a' faotainn bhuannachdan bhon chànan nan obair, aig an taigh agus sna coimhearsnachdan aca Amas 2. Gum bi barrachd chothroman ann do dhaoine aig aois sam bith na sgilean Gàidhlig aca a thoirt air adhart agus gum bi e nas fhasa dhaibh na cothroman sin a ghabhail Amas 3. Gum bi barrachd dhaoine ann an Alba taiceil is bàidheil do chànan is cultar na			
5.5	Gàidhlig. Ceanglaichean r	is an Fhrèam-obrach Coil	leanaidh Nàiseanta	
	-5 Ceanglaichean ris an Fhrèam-obrach Coileanaidh Nàiseanta AR N-ADHBHAR AR LUACHAN			
Fòcas air a bhith a' cruthachadh dùthaich nas soirbheachaile le cothroman do dh'Alba air fad soirbheachadh tro bhith a' cur ri sunnd, agus ri fàs eaconamach seasmhach agus in-ghabhalach dèiligeadh ri ar sluagh le caoimhneas, agus co-fhaireachdainn, a' toirt spè riaghladh an lagha, agus a tha ag obair a dòigh a tha fosgailte agus follaiseach			le caoimhneas, urram n, a' toirt spèis do s a tha ag obair ann an	
		AR LUACHAN BUI	LEAN NÀISEANTA	
Còraic	hean daonna		Clann agus Òigridh	\boxtimes
Cultar		\boxtimes	Coimhearsnachdan	\boxtimes
Àrainn	ieachd		Bochdainn	\boxtimes
Slàinte	9		Eadar-nàiseanta	\boxtimes
Foghla	ım	\boxtimes	Eaconamaidh	\boxtimes
Gnot	thachasan soirbhe	achail is ùr-ghnàthach	\boxtimes	
5.6	Buaidhean air C			
	Tha e cudromach gum bi Bòrd na Gàidhlig ag obair le sruthan-obrach Adhartas nas Luaithe agus buidhnean ro-innleachdail eile. Bidh seo a' neartachadh cliù na buidhne.			
5.7	Buaidhean air Slàinte is Sàbhailteachd			
	Chan eil gin ann.			
5.8	Buaidhean Lagh	ail		
	Chan eil gin ann.			
5.9	Buaidhean air C	o-ionannachd		
	Chan eil gin ann.			
5.10	Buaidhean air a			
	Chan eil gin ann.			



Aithris - Luchd-teagaisg

Introduction

Bòrd na Gàidhlig provides professional advice and support to Local Authorities relating to the development of Gaelic-medium Education (GME) and Gaelic Learners' Education (GLE). This includes financial support around developing the workforce for GME and GLE. Bòrd na Gàidhlig has a dedicated officer whose remit is the promotion of teaching careers in GME. In addition the Early Years remitted officer supports career development in GME Early Years provision across the country.

It has been apparent that there are specific challenges in Gaelic education workforce recruitment within Highland, Argyll and Bute and the City of Aberdeen. The underlying factors include the following:

- Rural nature of Highland and Argyll and Bute
- the distance from existing Initial Teacher Education (ITE) providers for all three Local Authorities
- Relative scarcity of school placement uptake in ITE courses
- Concomitant factors such as housing challenges, connectivity, transport.

It is recognised that specific challenges are also impacting on GME and GLE development in other parts of the country including in large urban authorities. Some of the major issues relating to these contexts will be noted in Section Two.

In discussion with colleagues in the Gaelic and Scots Division at Scottish Government it was agreed that the Director of Gaelic Education at Bòrd na Gàidhlig would provide a paper detailing challenges and offering potential solutions. Remitted officers in all three Local Authorities have provided information and proposals for this paper. It is in two sections as follows:

Section One – issues specifically relating to Highland, Argyll and Bute and Aberdeen City Councils

Section Two – wider issues relating to national contexts and proposals for further action.

Section One: Highland, Argyll and Bute and Aberdeen City.

Context.

- All three Local Authorities have GME Early Years, Primary and Secondary provision and GLE Primary and Secondary as part of the 1+2 Programme (L2 and L3).
- ➤ All three authorities continue to have a range of vacancies across Early Years, Primary and Secondary GME provision including Class Teacher, Promoted Posts, Maternity Cover and Pupil Support Assistant vacancies.
- ➤ Highland has been unable to develop a new GME Primary service in Applecross (initiated under the Statutory Guidance for Gaelic Education) due to inability to recruit a GME teacher for the new provision.
- Aberdeen City has experienced challenges in recruiting GME teachers to both Primary and Secondary provision.
- ➤ Highland has a range of GME Primary provision and standalone schools.



- There are very limited promotion structures in Argyll and Bute and Aberdeen, although the latter has recently expanded, and no standalone GME Primary provision.
- Aberdeen has begun developing a promotion structure with the advertising of a GME Principal Teacher post in October 2022.
- There are significant challenges relating to maternity cover, short-term contracts, part-time contracts and GME supply cover.
- Factors relating to rural communities and perceived remoteness impact particularly on Highland and Argyll and Bute (housing, connectivity, transport, challenges for island communities, depopulation etc.). In addition the relatively high cost of housing impacts on Aberdeen City.
- School placements as part of ITE are not always as readily available in the three Local Authorities.
- Probationer teachers do not always access probationer placements in the 3 Local Authorities.
- Uptake of the Bord na Gaidhlig Immersion Support programme has been relatively low across all three Local Authorities (see proposals)

Some Potential Developments (compiled in liaison with Local Authority Officers):

- 1. Incentivising GME (and potentially GLE) posts more effectively. There exists currently a relocation package within Highland (see proposals).
- 2. ITE providers receive additional support from the Scottish Funding Council (SFC) to provide student teacher placements in the 3 Local Authorities. This would include additional support for tutor visits, accommodation for student teachers and tutors etc. (see proposals).
- 3. The provision of Probationer placements would be reviewed. This would include potential incentives and the selection of Highland or Argyll and Bute being more specific to particular areas (whilst this may not improve uptake in particular parts of these local authorities it has the potential to reduce the challenges in the Inverness or Oban areas, for example).
- 4. Although an immersion option is provided at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig which is within Highland this has not attracted significant uptake by the Local Authority. The potential for online delivery and further face-to-face delivery should be reviewed (see proposals).
- 5. In addition a wide range of other proposals which are included in Section 2 which although national in nature will have the potential to impact positively on provision in Highland / Argyll and Bute and Aberdeen City.
- 6. Bòrd na Gàidhlig and the three Local Authorities will provide written responses to all relevant national consultations on issues relating to, for example, housing, connectivity, National Islands Plan etc. Wherever possible Bòrd na Gàidhlig will alert the Gaelic Officers in the three local authorities where public consultations may impact on these issues.



Section Two: Wider National Issues and Proposals from Bord na Gàidhlig

Wider Issues:

- 1. It is important to acknowledge that simplistic or "quick fix" solutions for complex issues will not be successful. Therefore simply providing more spaces in ITE courses will not impact significantly as there is no evidence that there is a large pool of prospective ITE students who have been unable to access places or that ITE providers lack funding. The Scottish Funding Council has, for example, provided potentially 25 places for Strathclyde University for the session 22-23 with only 5 places being filled. UHI overall has been provided with funding for approximately 200 places with a minimal uptake for GME ITE. It would be helpful if UHI were to evaluate the success of their ITE offer relating to GME and to then implement actions to improve impact on the sector.
 - Progress will be dependent on carefully considered, planned interventions, which are packaged, together and synchronised with any new Gaelic Education Strategy (resulting from the Scottish Government Consultation on Gaelic and Scots).
- National Statistics compiled by the Scottish Government indicate that a deployment factor is potentially an issue, with approximately one third of teachers who are able to teach in GME currently not doing so. <u>Current statistics</u> indicate the following: GME Primary – 370 teachers able to teach in GME with 244 employed in the sector GME Secondary – 170 teachers able to teach in GME with 112 currently employed in the sector.
 - In addition evidence from the recent GTCS Survey of Scottish Teachers indicated a range of interest in Gaelic Education across the country (see proposals).

Proposals:

1. A National Working Group be set up and led by Bord na Gaidhlig to review current issues and advise on next steps. The Group would feed into the Teacher Recruitment Work stream within Faster Rate of Progress and would have high-level representation from the following:

Bòrd na Gàidhlig Scottish Government Gaelic and Scots Team Local Authority Representation GTCS SFC ITE Provider Representation

The National Working Group would consequently report to the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills through the Faster Rate of Progress initiative and be conducted within existing resources. A clear timeline for interim and concluding reports would be established from the onset and activity synchronised with the National Plan for Gaelic 2023-28 and the outcomes of the Scottish Government Consultation on Gaelic and Scots (2022).

2. In addition, the <u>Teacher Workforce Planning Advisory Group</u> would have a clear remit to consider GME Teacher provision and include specific information and recommendations relating to GME in all its publications. It is recommended that the Group includes expertise



relating to Gaelic Education and that a review of outputs takes place so that the Advisory Group impacts on GME and GLE provision. Currently none of the outputs from the Advisory Group appear to reflect the principle that Scotland provides education through either Gaelic or English. Bòrd na Gàidhlig can provide professional support and advice for the Advisory Group (again this can be delivered using existing resource).

3. A national statistical package using Scottish Government Data relating to GME and GLE data would be compiled annually which can be used to monitor and track development (e.g. percentages of teachers able to teach in GME currently doing so etc.)

Where additional research might be beneficial, Bòrd na Gàidhlig would commission this as appropriate (e.g. perceived barriers amongst fluent speakers transferring to GME from English-medium, perceived barriers relating to applying for immersion courses etc.)

- 4. The National Working Group would review Incentive Packages with a specific focus on the 3 Local Authorities. Evidence of impact would be assessed and monitored with Incentive Packages being promoted across all vacancies. Additional incentives would be considered. Bord na Gàidhlig has proposed in our submission to the Consultation on Gaelic and Scots that the STEM Programme is extended to Gaelic Teacher Education (becoming STEM+G). Currently STEM supports both English and Gaelic-medium candidates for STEM subjects. Gaelic-medium and Gaelic language candidates should be included in the STEM programme. Additional support and professional advice for the STEM team can be provided by the Bord na Gàidhlig Education Team.
- 5. Language Assistant teams within Local Authorities providing GME could be systematically developed with support from the Specific Grant Scheme. This will provide the following benefits:
 - GME teaching becomes more attractive and staffing immersion delivery becomes more effective.
 - Where supply and maternity cover remain challenging, English-medium supply will be augmented by Gaelic-language delivery in the classroom from Language Assistants ensuring there is bilingual delivery.
 - Language Assistants would be provided with clear pathways into GME teaching. This may not be suitable for all Language Assistants but would be available and monitored over a period of time. Regular events and training opportunities for Language Assistants would highlight the pathways. As this workforce begins to grow Bòrd na Gàidhlig would provide focused opportunities for Language Assistants to find out more about GME teaching and devise an additional online promotional resource similar to DèanDiofar (the English resource https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/train-to-be-a-teacher is also a possible reference point for the creation of new promotion materials).
 - 6. The National Working Group would review probationer allocations and ITE school placements in Highland, Argyll and Bute and Aberdeen City and devise improvements which will impact on the following:
 - i) New structures and support for ITE providers and student teachers to improve the uptake of ITE school placements in the three local authorities.
 - ii) Review of probationer allocations including potential incentives and the ability to select specified areas for probation within Argyll and Bute and Highland.



- 7. The National Working Group would review the provision of GME ITE and recommend improvements in the following areas:
 - Bòrd na Gàidhlig will continue to deliver a range of promotional activities across Scotland focusing on teacher recruitment and devise new ways to support ITE providers in their promotion of GME ITE courses.
 - The ITE immersion route into GME teaching for candidates without Gaelic, currently only available at the University of Edinburgh and currently accounting for 44% of all student teachers on GME ITE courses. The impact of this route into GME teaching cannot be over estimated. The National Working Party would devise new ways to promote this pathway and support other ITE providers to deliver similar courses. The current pathway at SMO (Cùrsa Comais in Year 1 with 4- year Degree course follow-up is currently being reflected on by the SMO team so that a clear 5 year pathway may be available). Discussions have also begun between Aberdeen University and Bòrd na Gàidhlig and a Liaison Meeting with Strathclyde University will take place in December 2022 (Bòrd Education Team and ITE team at Strathclyde). Please see additional information note *
- 8. Bord na Gàidhlig provides financial support for English-medium teachers to undertake immersion and transfer to an appropriate post in GME. This is available at the following:

University of Glasgow SMO UHI Innse Gall

The National Working Group would reflect on where additional immersion programmes can be encouraged and specifically whether a hybrid online / face-to-face immersion course can be provided. This will have the potential to address challenges cited by Highland Council relating to accessing immersion for English-medium teachers unable to relocate for a full education session. In addition the potential for the provision of an extended part-time immersion course would be assessed.

- 9. All Local Authorities providing GME would address the provision of career progression within GME. This will entail the following:
 - a) Extending the availability of Principal Teacher / Depute Head Teacher/ Faculty Head posts in dual language schools.
 - b) Extending the number of standalone GME schools so that GME headship posts are more frequently available (currently only available at Primary in Edinburgh, Glasgow and Highland and at Secondary level only in Glasgow).
 - Gaelic Language Plans and the Specific Grants Scheme can provide strategic direction and additional resource to support the delivery of career structures in GME.
- 10. All Local Authorities would review current delivery of GME Secondary in the following areas:
 - a) Conduct a review of the deployment of GME Secondary Teachers to ensure they are delivering a full timetable within GME.



- b) Contractual arrangements to ensure that all GME Secondary Teachers have clear remit to deliver GME with full timetable delivery and that GME staffing is calculated alongside the School Staffing Quotient (each school would have a GME and EME Staffing Quotient).
- c) Through Annual Development Planning and Standards and Quality Reporting, where GME teachers are not currently deployed fully in GME delivery, a clear timeline would be established for when each school will deliver this target.
- d) The national statistics which indicate that around a third of those able to teach in GME are currently not doing so would be used by each Local Authority to identify teachers within this category and devise a strategy to encourage the use of this staffing resource more effectively.
- 11. The following may strengthen the image of GME teaching and attracting applicants:
 - a) e-Sgoil has the potential to provide additional input, which would strengthen the image of GME Secondary education and extend the curriculum provision available through the medium of Gaelic and therefore attracting people into the sector. As noted in the submission to the Consultation on Gaelic and Scots the impact of e-Sgoil on the GME sector would be reviewed and further development agreed. The National Working Party would consider any materials relating to the impact of e-Sgoil and work with partners to develop this further.
 - b) The cultural richness of GME delivery may attract applicants and a review of cultural input and additional wider curriculum input from a range of additional sources such as Fèisean nan Gàidheal, Spòrs Gàidhlig, CNAG officer team would be conducted. This may be a task for Bòrd na Gàidhlig, which would then submit a review paper with recommendations to the National Working Party.
 - c) Bòrd na Gàidhlig has provided a detailed response to the GTCS Consultation on Teacher Registration with clear proposals relating to GME Registration. National recognition of GME teaching skills will enhance the professional image of the sector.
 - d) Bòrd na Gàidhlig has provided professional advice and support to SMO on piloting additional training relating to GME. This may include a national training module for English-speaking GME Leadership and a module for fluent-speakers considering Secondary Subject delivery through the medium of Gaelic. The National Working Party would specifically consider the training opportunities available to GME teachers and propose further development (this will include, for example, opportunities provided by Bòrd na Gàidhlig, Stòrlann Nàiseanta and Education Scotland). An improved national CLPL programme will also enhance the image of GME teaching.
- 12. The GTCS Survey of Scottish Teachers provides valuable evidence of interest in Gaelic Education across Scotland. The following tasks would be agreed:
 - a) The National Working Party will work directly with the GTCS to ensure all Local Authorities access the information on their workforce.
 - b) Local Authorities will be encouraged to evidence how they have used this information to deliver areas of work in their Gaelic Language Plans (in new editions and through annual monitoring reports).



- c) The GTCS with support from the Bòrd Education team and in liaison with GLAN, will devise an action plan using the survey results for sessions 23-24 and 24-25 and outline planning for a further survey and/or focused surveys on specific themes.
- * Ireland and Wales are able to demonstrate 2 routes into Welsh-medium and Irish-medium teaching through uptake from people from Welsh or Irish medium provision and from people who learn the languages in English-medium provision (Welsh or Irish as a Modern Language). Scotland has a very poor record in teaching Gaelic as a Modern Language within the English-medium sector:
- a) Gaelic accounts for less than 1% of all National 5 / Higher/ Advanced Higher certification in Modern Languages.
- b) Gaelic is rarely taught in the English-medium sector and extremely rarely by teachers who are not GME teachers (this can consequently negatively impact on the ability to expand GME as GME Teachers often provide Gaelic as a Modern Language courses)
- c) The ATQ Gaelic currently piloting at Strathclyde University and fully funded by Bòrd na Gàidhlig will be assessed at the beginning of 2024 following conclusion of the course for the current cohort. This will provide Modern Languages teachers with the ability to add Gaelic to their GTCS registration. Ensuring Gaelic is more widely available as a Modern Language has the potential to impact substantially on the GME workforce but this will take some time.
- d) In comparison with other Modern Languages, Gaelic is rarely an L2, as it is not available across a wide range of Secondary Schools. Encouraging greater provision of Gaelic, as an L3 is amongst the priorities for Bòrd na Gàidhlig in all new Gaelic Language Plans for Local Authorities. The Bòrd is working with all local authorities to ensure measureable targets are included in all local authority Gaelic Language Plans for provision of L3 (in 2022 appropriate percentage targets were agreed with North Lanarkshire, Argyll and Bute and Stirling for example).
- e) It should be noted that building immersion into an ITE course is far more cost-effective than providing immersion support for teachers who are currently employed in English-medium education (where annual supply costs are a significant spend from Bòrd na Gàidhlig resources 80% of supply cost for an education session and course fees etc. with local authorities contributing 20% of supply teacher replacement costs).
- f) The ITE route for applicants with little or no Gaelic and the SMO routes are essential elements in any strategy as they address the current deficit in the English-medium system. Extending the availability of this provision whilst building the provision of Gaelic as a Modern Language longer term in the English-medium sector are key priorities.





Additional Information for Working Group on Economic and Social Opportunities for Gaelic

1. Childcare

We touched on this area at our meeting on Monday 6th February 2023 and would like to return to it in more depth. The availability of GM childcare from 0-5 and also wraparound care for school-age young people is central to both language growth and economic growth.

There is anecdotal evidence that there is no private GM provision in the Western Isles and recent reports on lack of childcare by the West Highland Free Press reinforces this message.

Childcare not only enables parents (usually mothers) to increase their availability for employment but it also creates economic opportunities as a service business.

Recommendation: There needs to be increased focus on delivering childcare training for Gaelic speakers and business enterprise support to encourage more into the sector and to increase confidence to establish new businesses, either as private business or social enterprises.

The recent SG <u>Best Start: Strategic early learning and school age childcare plan for Scotland 2022-26</u> sets out its importance:

Delivering our vision of a high quality, affordable and accessible system of childcare is crucial to our national mission to tackle child poverty, to promote family wellbeing, drive greater gender equality and to #Keep The Promise to our care experienced children. This will also make a real difference to households, businesses and service providers across the country who are facing a costs crisis. (p.3)

However it does not explicitly reference or recognise GM provision within the document. Conversations have recently started between the SG team and BnG on the importance of including GM provision within this workstream.

Recommendation: The expansion of this plan to incorporate GM early learning and school age childcare would create a strategy that supports this development, from gifting the baby box which would be illustrated with Gaelic text and contain Gaelic materials through to the development of sustainable, diverse and thriving sector and profession.

Health and Social Care

Similarly, the Skills Development Scotland presentation to the Highlands & Islands Skills Leadership Forum highlighted the need to develop opportunities and provision for GM training and development in the Health and Social Care Sector. The Health and Social Care Sector has significant economic impact particularly in island and rural communities.

Information was provided on the following, all of which could and should incorporate a vision for delivery through Gaelic:

Development of evidence and insights: Sector Skills Assessments, RSAs

Strategic engagement with national organisations such as NHS Academy, the SSSC, Public Health

Scotland, Digital Health Innovation Centre

Career Information, Advice and Guidance

Development of school-based pathway for health





Skills for NHS Scotland Group (within Place and Wellbeing Programme)

Embed work-based learning opportunities

Improve the take up of existing apprenticeship frameworks across FA, MA and GA

Apprenticeship standards and framework development

Adult Social Care -skills response

Adult Social Care Recruitment Campaign

Support development of a strategic framework for Scotland's childcare workforce

Reviewing skills evidence base and priorities for the childcare sector

Scottish Childminding Partnership Pilot project

Mental Health Strategy and workforce plan

Engagement with Scottish Enterprise on Precision Medicine and wider Health and Wellbeing Programme

My World of Work Live -Engagement with NHS NES and other health boards on virtual reality and games development

Examples of regional engagement —GCR Healthy Working Lives, North East Regional Skills Fund and RGU, North East H&SC Regional Pathfinder, Moray Growth Deal, Edinburgh and South East Skills Gateway

2. Tourism

With reference to the paper on Place-based Approaches, some of the key factors to achieving the impact of the growth in interest in Gaelic language and culture relate to confidence in using the language and increased skills in deploying Gaelic as part of a business USP.

Recommendation: Increased knowledge and understanding by business advisers (eg Business Gateway, HIE, Local Authorities) on the potential for Gaelic and advice (webinars, support material, FAQs, awareness of the need to access quality translation services).

Recommendation: Support to increase co-ordination between businesses (private or social enterprises) and other groups which provide a Gaelic offer in specific localities (Western Isles, Skye, Argyll islands, and Glasgow and Edinburgh).

3. Educational Professionals – Teacher recruitment and retention

There are a number of opportunities to address some of the issues regarding teacher shortages in GME. The national census for teachers highlights one very obvious area:

2021 -

https://www.gov.scot/binaries/content/documents/govscot/publications/statistics/2019/07/teac her-census-supplementary-data/documents/teacher-census-supplementary-statistics-



2021/teacher-census-supplementary-statistics-				
2021/govscot%3Adocument/Teacher%2BCensus%2BSupplementary%2BStatistics%2B2021.xlsx				
Qualified to teach in	Teaching in GM	Number NOT teaching	% NOT teaching in	
GM Primary	Primary	in GM Primary	GM Primary	
370	244	126	34%	
Qualified to teach in	Teaching in GM	Number NOT teaching	% NOT teaching in	
GM Secondary Secondary in GM Secondary GM Secondary				
174	112	62	36%	

Recommendation: Local Authorities could identify which teachers are currently not working in GM; research what would encourage these teachers to move to GM roles and put in place a range of actions to reduce the number not working in GM. The benefit of this is that these are teachers already qualified and change could happen relatively quickly.

4. Secondary Phase Curriculum

The lack of subject choice in secondary was raised at the meeting on 6 February and has been a consistent complaint from parents. The <u>draft National Gaelic Language Plan 23-28</u> included the following:

All GME secondary provision should provide annual improvement planning and a report on progress as part of their standards and quality process. The national inspection programme should clearly identify where progress is being made and where additional development is required. Each GME secondary provision should articulate a clear and attractive GME Curriculum Offer and link annual improvements to the annual school improvement planning for GME. (pp 29&30)

A similar recommendation was made in our response to the consultation on the Scottish Languages

Linking this improvement planning and reporting with the Scheme for Specific Grants may create an environment which encourages increased curriculum development in secondary.

5. Bòrd na Gàidhlig's functions

There are three recommendations in particular in our response to the Scottish Languages Bill which may be useful for the Working Group in considering Gaelic language planning in the traditional communities.

- m) The legislative framework should be strengthened by transferring, from the Statutory Guidance on Plans into legislation, the following: "In those geographical locations in which the percentages or numbers of Gaelic speakers is greater, the scope of the Gaelic Language Plan of the public authority will be wider and the level of commitments in it will be stronger". This would support the mechanisms which recognise the importance of communities with higher percentages of Gaelic speakers (see 2.1).
- n) Requiring there to be Inter-agency Gaelic Language Plans within defined geographical boundaries





should be included within the statutory powers of Bòrd na Gàidhlig. This could be linked to community planning partnerships and the current review of Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015₃₂ could include developments to support Gaelic communities. (See 2.10.) o) A similar statutory power for BnG should be the ability to require public authorities to create collaborative sector-specific Gaelic language plans, thereby increasing effective use of resources and creating greater efficiencies of scale. Where these are created, there would not be a requirement to develop and implement a GLP on an individual authority basis.

Our full response is found here.

6. Housing and land issues

Again, in our response to the Scottish Languages Bill we highlighted three specific areas being developed which are important to Gaelic (p29:

4.2.9 Community Empowerment Act Review

As referenced above (2.10 and 3.3.d) there are opportunities in this review of legislation to ensure that Gaelic language planning is normalised within the community planning partnership approach established by the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015. A regional approach to language planning could be one of the approaches which supports the concept of creating Gàidhealtachdan in Scotland.

4.2.10 Land Reform Bill

As per BnG's response to the consultation³³, the link between land, language and people has been recognised as important over centuries. The opportunities for ensuring Gaelic and re-peopling are taken forward in this important piece of legislation are significant and if enacted, would strengthen the position of Gaelic in future land reform implementation.

4.2.11 Remote, Rural and Island Housing Action Plan

The challenges facing traditional Gaelic communities have been highlighted by BnG and a wide range of public and community organisations particularly in the last five years, with increasing evidence of a growing impact of the lack of available and affordable housing on island and rural communities. The inclusion of the needs of Gaelic language communities within solutions to address these challenges is critical to the maintenance and growth of Gaelic as a community language in Scotland.



Place-based approaches to growing the economy

Gaelic is still in regular regular use in some communities in the Western Isles, Skye and some other islands in the west of Scotland. For it to continue as such and to grow in use and visibility, it is in need of greater recognition and support.

However its use is limited, its visibility is low and confidence and skills need grown: The number of businesses and service providers that use the language on a daily basis are limited and in many cases, language use would not be obvious to non-Gaelic speakers or people from outwith the immediate community.

There has been a phenomenal growth in the learning of Gaelic and interest in learning and experiencing the language:

- SpeakGaelic¹ 400k learners since launch in October 2021; Calum MacLean, one of the two lead presenters recognised as Scottish TikTok influencer of the year
- Duolingo Scottish Gaelic² 1.5million in 3 years with 36% based in the USA and 29% in the UK;
 c.400k actively learning (33% in the USA and 32% in UK)
- VisitScotland research From 2018 to 2021, there was a 72% increase in the number of VisitScotland.com users visiting Gaelic-related content – with a peak in page views occurring during the 2020 lockdown.
- Overseas tourism weak pound might equal potential for increased visitors

Public attitudes in Scotland to Gaelic are growing more positive and young people particularly support, want to learn, and increase their use of Gaelic.

- Scottish Social Attitudes Survey 2021³
 - Younger people resounding feel that Gaelic is important to Scotland's cultural heritage, 90% of those aged 18-29 feel the language is very or fairly important in this way, compared to 60% of those aged over 70.
 - Younger people are more supportive of Gaelic being taught in schools. 64% of those aged 18-29 feel that Gaelic should be taught in schools for an hour or two a week.
 - Younger people show more signs of wanting to learn and improve their Gaelic than older age groups. 59% of those aged 18-29 who cannot speak the language fluently want to speak Gaelic better than they do now.
- YoungScot surveys⁴
 - 59% of young people who took part said that they wanted to learn Gaelic (10% increase on 2021)
 - 2/3 who are learning Gaelic are doing so because they believe it's an important part of Scotland's culture and heritage
 - o Fluent speakers want more online resources in culture, history and news.

¹ Appendix 1 – data on LearnGaelic/SpeakGaelic for 12 months to Jan 2023

² Appendix 1 – analysis of Duolingo learners

³ https://whatscotlandthinks.org/2022/12/does-the-future-of-gaelic-lie-in-young-peoples-hands/

⁴ https://youngscot.net/news-database/ysgaelic-survey-2022



What's the Opportunity?

- Strengthening community confidence in themselves and the worth of Gaelic language and identity
- Increasing the use of Gaelic by fluent speakers and learners
- Increasing the sense of place, identity and uniqueness of these communities
- Increasing economic growth in island and rural communities through educational tourism and placebased products and services
- Uist and Skye and Raasay developing community Gaelic language plans, and these linking to Uist Repopulation Zone and Skye and Raasay Futures respectively

What's needed?

- Public bodies to ensure that they regularly promote Gaelic as part of the work that they do (eg, asking
 about opportunities for Gaelic in community surveys; ensuring that funding in the islands and rural
 communities specifically supports Gaelic as part of any development)
- Public bodies ensuring that staff recruitment recognises Gaelic as a desirable skill regardless of the role
- Funding streams from Scottish Government to include a requirement to address Gaelic needs and
 opportunities as was delivered by Natural and Cultural Heritage Fund. This could be developed in eg
 Scottish Futures Trust funding, Levelling Up Funds, Islands Deals, or other future development funds.
- Dedicated officer(s) who work with businesses (private and third-sector) to develop increased use of
 Gaelic through increasing confidence, providing good practice examples, building networks plus access
 to specialist advice on how to develop products which use the language in authentic and high-quality
 ways
- Creating routes to purchase products and/or services for those engaged in learning Gaelic



Appendix 1

LearnGaelic/SpeakGaelic

Users for 12 months to January 2023 - 494,674 (excluding LearnGaelic dictionary users - 353,672)

Duolingo Scottish Gaelic

TOTAL ALL TIME		1,480,975
Other	14.9%	220,665
Ireland	0.9%	13,329
Brazil	0.9%	13,329
Spain	0.9%	13,329
New Zealand	1.0%	14,810
Netherlands	1.3%	19,253
France	1.6%	23,696
India	2.2%	32,581
Germany	2.8%	41,467
Australia	3.3%	48,872
Canada	5.7%	84,416
UK	28.5%	422,078
USA	35.9%	531,670

UK	28.5%	422,078
Wales*	0.9%	13,329
England*	2.1%	31,100
Scotland*	25.5%	377,649
*Estimate only		

USA	33.4%	151,636
UK	31.9%	144,826
Canada	5.5%	24,970
Australia	3.3%	14,982
Germany	3.0%	13,620
France	1.6%	7,264
Netherlands	1.4%	6,356
India	1.4%	6,356
New Zealand	1.2%	5,448
Spain	1.1%	4,994
Ireland	0.9%	4,086
Brazil	0.7%	3,178
Other	14.6%	66,284
TOTAL ACTIVE	•	454,000

UK	31.9%	144,826
Wales*	0.9%	4,086
England*	2.0%	9,534
Scotland*	29.0%	131,660
*Estimate only		

Seisean Fosgailte | Open Session Cuspair 4.1



For	Board Meeting
Date of Meeting	09/03/2023
Location:	An Lòchran, Inverness
Item on Agenda	4.1

Title		Risk Management						
Request		For Decision						
Spokespe	erson	Nicola Pearson, He	ead of Finance and Corporate Affairs					
Governar	nce route	for the report	Date	Type of Treatment				
Audit & A	ssurance	Committee	07/02/2023	For Approval				
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Appendic			PT1 – Strategic Risk Regis	ster				
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Seisean Fosgailte | Open Session Cuspair 4.1

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4.0	Recommendation						
4.1	The Board is requested to:						
	 Discuss the register 						
	 Make recommendation 	ns for ch	anges as viewed appropriate; aı	nd			
	- Approve the register.						
5.0	Key Strategic Impacts						
5.1	Impact on Finance						
	No direct impact but ensures that	financial	risks are considered by the orga	anisation.			
5.2	Impact on Staff						
		The strategic risk register has an impact on the work that staff deliver in terms of					
	ameliorating risks to the organisat	ion or ut	ilising opportunities.				
5.3	Impact on Training		16 111 1 10				
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	country with opportunities for al		people with kindness, dignity and				
	Scotland to flourish through incre		compassion, respects the rule of law,				
	wellbeing, and sustainable and i		and acts in an open and transp	-			
	economic growth		·	,			
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	Human Rights		Children & Young People				
	Culture		Communities				
	Environment		Poverty				
	Health		International				
	Learning		Economy				
	Successful innovative	\boxtimes					
	businesses						
5.6	Impact on Reputation						
	Managing risk has a significant im	oact on th	ne organisation. The regular rev	iew of the			
	strategic risk registers ensure the	organisat	ion focuses on this.				
5.7	Impact on Health and Safety						
	n/a						
5.8	Legal Impact						
	n/a						
5.9	Impact on Equality						
	n/a						
5.10	Impact on Environment						
	n/a						

Seisean Foagilte - Cuspair 4.1 PT1

	Ref	Description	Consequence	Mitigation	Unmitigated risk rating	Actions: tolerate/ treat/ transfer/ terminate/ take the opportunity	Movement	Current rating	Risk owner	Date reviewed
ng from Gaelic at work, home	1.1	Insufficient support to address decline of Gaelic in Island and rural areas	Opportunities for intergenerational transmission and usage are lost	Ensuring that BnG advises Ministers and other stakeholders on how to address this issue	20	Treat: *Include Gaelic language in development of policies and contribute to public consultations. Take the Opportunity: *Support initiatives aimed at retaining and attracting people to Gaelic speaking communities inluding encourage organisations to see current homeworking as an opportunity for young people to live in the islands. *Use existing consultations and particularly for NGLP#4 to engage further with traditional communities. *Continue to emphasise the messages of the current National Plan on the impact of socioeconomic issues. *Support communities which want to develop area-wide community language plans.	←→	16	Ceannard	Jan-23
More people using and benefitting from Gaelic	1.2	Economic conditions	Reduced funding for public bodies will result in less spending on Gaelic	Cooperating with public bodies to encourage maintainance of support for Gaelic	20	Treat: *Make the case for Gaelic as an economic asset. *Develop Gaelic Plans which progress essential priorities. *Use Gaelic Plans to encourage public bodies to normalise Gaelic spending in key areas such as education Take the Opportunity: *Continue to make the case that was made at CoHI that Gaelic be part of its work. *Continue working on the Faster Rate of Progress delivery and explore expansion opportunities. *Use positive results from SSAS and number of adult learners to emphasise support and demand for Gaelic. *Maximise the positive messages on adult learning and the economy. *Contribute to short-life working group on economy and Gaelic.		16	Ceannard	Jan-23
more accessible	2.1	As consequence of budgetary pressures-LAs do not prioritise extending Gaelic Education.	Number of children with Gaelic skills is insufficient to maintain speaker numbers	Ensuring that there is enough people and financial resources to meet demand	25	Transfer: *Working with local authorities to support their work to ensure that staff are available where they are needed. *Working with colleges, universities, and training providers to ensure that their courses are delivering enough staff to meet demand. *Providing professional advice and support for the teacher recruitment workstream in Faster Rate of Progress. Treat: *Continuing support for LAs on Gaelic Plan commitments and through engagement with national networks (GLAN, ADES etc.) Take the Opportunity: *Use the work underway to review the implementation of the Statutory Guidance to increase understanding of it and its use. *Provide advice for the development of the SG Programme for Government commitments for education.		16	Director of Gaelic Education	Jan-23
develop Gaelic skills at any age increased and	2.2	Local authorities unwilling to grow Gaelic Education		Making the case (financial, economic and educational) for Gaelic education.	20	Treat: *Working with Scottish Government and local authorities to ensure there is robust supporting information for a strong case. *Continuing support for LAs on Gaelic Plan commitments and through engagement with national networks (GLAN, ADES etc.) and the developing work with the Gaelic teacher recruitment officer e.g. projects such as Dèandiofar. *In addition, working with a variety of LAs on developing GME services using Statutory Guidance. Take the opportunity: *Continue to promote the positive news about research into bilingualism. *Continue to promote the needs and opportunities of GME within ongoing education reform consultations.	←	12	Director of Gaelic Education	Jan-23
Opportunities to develop Ga	2.3			Ensuring that Gaelic education remains a choice. Ensuring that all children starting Gaelic education can follow it through to secondary level. Ensuring that all adults who aim to develop their Gaelic skills have the opportunity to do so.	15	Transfer: *Continuing support for LAs on Gaelic Plan commitments and through engagement with national networks (GLAN, ADES, GLAD etc.) Education team have agreed education priorities with planning team which are now impacting upon development of plans. *Continuing partnership work with LearnGaelic, SpeakGaelic and national organisations such as Education Scotland and the SQA. *Dialogue with local authorities to ensure that as many young people as possible who learn Gaelic at primary school can continue this at secondary school. *Maximise the opportunities for GME in Professor Muir report. *Ensure that there is strategic lead to ensure that learning resources are in place to fulfil needs and ambitions. Take the Opportunity: *Work with all partners to promote access to online resources for all stages and types of learning needs and support resource expansion to ensure continued growth on online learning for all types of learning needs, particularly SpeakGaelic. *Make use of data provided by LearnGaelic and SpeakGaelic.		12	Director of Gaelic Education	Jan-23

STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER

Seisean Fosgailte - Cuspair 4.1

	Ref	Description	Consequence	Mitigation	Unmitigated risk rating	Actions: tolerate/ treat/ transfer/ terminate/ take an opportunity	Movement	Current rating	Risk owner	Date reviewed
More people in Scotland positive about Gaelic	3.1	Gaelic does not maintain a positive image	People less inclined to be involved with or learn the language	Promote widely the positive messages from Scottish Social Attitudes Survey. Ensuring the success of Gaelic in Scotland's towns and cities is highlighted. Highlighting the value of the language to traditional Gaelic-speaking communities. Countering negative messages and misinformation.	12	Treat: *Having an active communication strategy to publicise the successes and counter misinformation. Transfer: *Encourage others to maximise good news stories about Gaelic Take the Opportunity: *Continue to promote the statistics from SpeakGaelic, Duolingo, LearnGaelic and online activities. *Provide leadership on the interdependence of all Gaelic communities and the importance of collaboration and mutual support.	***	9	Ceannard	Jan-23
ople in Scotland	3.2	Politicisation of the language	More difficult to maintain support for the language at national and particularly local authority levels	Continuing dialogue with all political parties on a non-partisan basis.	16	Take the Opportunity: *Continue communication with MSPs who are involved with and supportive of Gaelic to support national developments using SSAS results and growth in learning.	\longleftrightarrow	12	Ceannard	Jan-23
More per	3.3	Gaelic not seen as important	Public and political support for Gaelic eroded	Normalising Gaelic within Scottish life	16	Treat: *Emphasise the social and economic worth of Gaelic to the whole of Scotland. Take the Opportunity: *Use the very positive results from the Scottish Social Attitudes Survey and YoungScot's survey to strengthen Gaelic's positive image.	←→	12	Ceannard	Jan-23
	4.1	need for financial interventions leading to static or reduced public	Reduction in the level of Gaelic activity being undertaken leading to a decline in its use, learning and visibility	Programme of awareness raising and messaging that in order to achieve ambitions for Gaelic,a positive outcome from the Strategic Spending Review is critical to growth of Gaelic.	20	Take the opportunity: *Provide key messages on the opportunities and challenges for Gaelic and support SG to deliver its Programme for Government commitments for Gaelic; including normalising Gaelic within other commitments. Continue to contribute to working groups and policy consultations to ensure opportunities for Gaelic are normalised within other bodies' delivery.		16	Ceannard	Jan-23
g how BnaG v	4.2		Bòrd na Gàidhlig is unable to fulfil its commitments and staff morale and productivity is reduced.	Increased number of posts established and filled	20	Treat: *Continue to make a business case to Scottish Government. *Attention given in the workforce plan to ensure that enough staff resource is in place to successfully deliver GLPs and policy functions in the short and long term. *Review organisational priorities and/or identify alternative routes to delivering functions. *Ensure wellbeing is a priority for staff and board.		16	Ceannard	Jan-23
Developin	4.3		Negative aspects of reputation affect Bòrd na Gàidhlig's ability to deliver its role due to need to counter inaccurate information.	Communications Strategy to highlight Bòrd na Gàidhlig's role in promoting and funding Gaelic development	12	Treat: * Ensuring organisations which receive funding publicly acknowledge BnG's contribution. *Continue to publish internal and external audit reports demonstrating effective governance. Take the Opportunity: *Use the results of stakeholder survey and new stakeholder strategy to strengthen positive reputation. Ensure publication on the next corporate plan clearly articulates BnG's ambitions, responsibilities and relationships.	←→	8	Ceannard	Jan-23

Very High	Risk Score 20-25	Unacceptable level of risk exposure that requires immediate mitigating action and monthly monitoring
High	Risk Score 12-19	Unacceptable level of risk which requires controls to be put in place to reduce exposure and monthly monitoring
Medium	Risk Score 6-11	Controls can be put in place or the risk accepted. Subjected to quarterly monitoring.
Low	Risk Score 1-5	Acceptable level of risk subject to six monthly monitoring

Once a risk has been assessed it is necessary to determine the most appropriate response to managing it. There are five potential ways to manage risks. These are:

Tolerate - Accept the consequences of the risk should it occur. If the risk is tolerated no control measures require to be implemented and therefore the risk only requires to be monitored on quarterly basis.

Treat - Take action to reduce the probability and/or impact of the risk.

Transfer - Remove part of the risk to someone else

Terminate - Cease the action/activity that is causing the risk to occur if this is appropriate

Take an opportunity - Share the risk with a partner involved in the area of work.

Seisean Fosgailte : Open Session Cuspair 5.1



A' freagairt ri	Am Bòrd-stiùiridh
Ceann-latha na Coinneimh	09/03/2023
Àite:	Inbhir Nis
Nì a' Chlàir-ghnothaich	5.1

Tiotal a' P	hàipeir	Plana Obrac	ch a' Bhùird-stiùiridh				
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Neach-lab	hairt:	Shona NicIII	linnein				
Cùrsa Riag h-Aithris	hlachais	airson na	Ceann-latha na Coinn	eimh	Seòrsachadh na h-Aithris		
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3.0	Prìomh	Aithris/Fios	rachadh				
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5.2	Buaidh	ean air Luch	d-obrach				
	Chan e	il buaidh dhìr	reach sam bith aig an ai	thisg seo a	air trèanadh.		
5.3	Buaidh	ean air Trèai	nadh				
	Chan e	il buaidh dhì	reach sam bith aig an a	ithisg seo	air trèanadh.		
5.4			nasan Ro-innleachadh				
					asachadh nan dòighean-obrach		
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5.5	Ceangl	aichean ri Fr	èama-obrach Coileanai	dh Nàisea	nta		
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	Àrainneachd		Bochdainn			
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	Foghlam		Eaconamaidh			
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5.8	Buaidhean Laghail					
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5.9	Buaidhean air Co-ionnanachd Chan eil buaidh dhìreach sam bith aig	an ai	thisg seo.			
5.10	Buaidhean air an Àrainneachd					
	Chan eil buaidh dhìreach sam bith aig an aithisg seo					

Plana Obrach a' Bhùird-s	stiùiridh 2023/24	Ògmhios 22/06/2023	Damhair 05/10/2023	Dùbhlachd 14/12/2023	Màrt 07/03/2024
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	Geàrr-chunntas	٧	٧	٧	٧
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	Aithisg Ionmhas	٧	٧	٧	V
	Clàr Mì-chìnntean	V	٧	٧	٧
	Geàrr-chunntasan nan Comataidhean	٧	٧	٧	٧
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	Aithisg a' Cheannard	V	٧	٧	٧
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Puingean Cunbhalach Bliadhnail	Plana Gnìomh	٧	-	-	٧
	Buidseat na Bliadhna	-	-	-	٧
	Plana Ionmhas Meadhan-teirm	-	٧	-	-
	Aithisg Bhliadhnail na Comataidh Sgrùdaidh is Dearbhachd	٧	-	-	-
	Aithisg Bhliadhnail na Comataidh Poileasaidh is Ghoireasan	٧	-	-	-
	Aithisg Bhliadhnail is Cunntasan	-	٧	-	-
	Aithisg an Luchd-sgrùdaidh on Taobh a-muigh	-	٧	-	-
	Aithisg Luchd-obrach	٧	-	-	-
	Aithisg Slàinte is Sàbhailteachd	٧	-	-	-
	Èifeachdas is Trèanadh a' Bhùird-stiùiridh	-	٧	-	-
	Plana Feachd-obrach	٧	-	-	٧
	Plana Trèanaidh	٧	-	-	-
	Gnàth-Riaghailtean	٧	-	-	-
	Prògram coinneamhan a' Bhùird-stiùiridh	-	-	٧	=
	Maoineachadh nam Buidhnean Gàidhlig	-	=	٧	V
	Suirbhidh Luchd-ùidh	=	٧		
	Aithisg air Planaichean Gàidhlig	V	-	-	-
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