

**Detailed Updates on Current Projects  
(August 21 – January 22)**

**Milestones**

Milestones are key tasks within a project plan which mark completion of a significant or critical phase of work or a decision point.

In terms of the following projects, the milestones have the following dates:

- The planned date is the original date planned for the project and does not change in the life of the project. These are generally aspirational dates based on a typical project;
- The actual date is the date the milestone is completed; and
- The forecast date is the date which is currently projected for completion.

## BLAIRGOWRIE RECREATION CENTRE - REPLACEMENT

### Overview

On 22 June 2016, Council approved a replacement Recreation Centre at Blairgowrie High School ([Report No. 16/277 refers](#)).

### Sources of Funding

The approved funding from the ECS Composite Capital Programme for this project is £24m.

### Progress Update

The first User Reference Group was held virtually by email during May 2020 with three subsequent meetings held in September 2020, November 2020 and May 2021.

The planning application has been submitted.

### Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
End of Consultation Period and Development of Brief	November 2018	November 2018	
Submit NPR	November 2018	June 2019	
HubCo Stage 1 Formal Commencement	September 2019	September 2019	
Stage 1 Agreed	November 2020	Apr 2021	
Planning Application Submitted	January 2021		December 2021
Planning Application Agreed	March 2022		TBC
Stage 2 Agreed	Sept 2021		July 2022
Financial Close	Oct 2021		August 2022
Site Start	Nov 2021		September 2022
Centre Operational	March 2023		TBC
Completion of External Works	June 2024		TBC

### Current Issues

There was a design issue in relation to drainage, in line with the requirements of Scottish Water, but a solution has now been agreed with Scottish Water to allow planning to be submitted. There is a significant risk of cost increase due to construction inflation.

## NORTH MUIRTON/BALHOUSIE PRIMARY SCHOOLS – NEW BUILD SCHOOL

### Overview

On 24 January 2018, as part of the School Estate Transformation Programme, Council approved funding from the Composite Capital Budget ([Report No. 18/15 refers](#)) for the construction of a new primary school on the playing field of the existing North Muirton Primary School site. This new building will accommodate pupils from both North Muirton Primary School and Balhousie Primary School.

### Sources of Funding

The approved funding from the ECS Composite Capital Programme for this project is £19.9m. A successful bid has been made to the Scottish Government for funding towards the project.

Cost options were provided to achieve energy efficiency and quality in line with the Perth and Kinross Council (PKC) Interim Climate Emergency Report and Action Plan ([Report No. 19/362 refers](#)). At Council on 30 September 2020 ([Report No. 20/175 refers](#)), approval was given to proceed on the basis of Passivhaus standard for energy efficiency and quality.

### Progress Update

A User Reference Group was held on 17 June 2021 and enablement works, including the demolition of the nursery, were undertaken in the 2021 summer and October holidays.

Full planning approval was granted in May 2021, Financial close was approved October 2021 and the construction works began on-site November 2021. A sod cutting event was held on 6 December 2021.

### Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Submit NPR	July 2019	July 2019	
HubCo Stage 1 Formal Commencement	Nov 2019	Nov 2019	
Stage 1 Agreed	May 2020	Nov 2020	
Planning Application Submitted	Jan 2021	Jan 2021	
Planning Application Agreed	May 2021	May 2021	
Stage 2 Agreed	July 2021	Oct 2021	
Financial Close	Aug 2021	Oct 2021	
Site Start	Sep 2021	Nov 2021	
School Operational	April 2023		April 2023
Completion of External Works	July 2023		

### Current Issues

The impact of COVID-19 and Brexit on the supply chain may cause challenges as the project progresses.

## PERTH ACADEMY – REFURBISHMENT

### Overview

Funding has been allocated to undertake a partial refurbishment of the existing school facilities to improve the condition and suitability. Due to the live school environment, ongoing works are being phased into manageable packages as part of a rolling programme.

### Sources of Funding

This project is funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. The budget allocated was £16.9m.

### Progress Update

A Phase 2 programme was developed to improve social space and undertake classroom refurbishments. These works were completed during the 2021 summer holidays. Upgrades to the sports hall were also undertaken with new automatic lighting in halls and foyer, a new high speed fibre link cable, and an upgrade of the changing area completed over the summer holidays. A further corridor social space was completed in the October 2021 holidays.

External consultants have been appointed and will be undertaking audio visual and Wi-Fi upgrade surveys and design work as part of an estate-wide upgrade of digital facilities.

While Phase 3 of the refurbishment programme is under development, a furniture replacement programme is also planned. Design work is also ongoing on a full electrical switchgear replacement.

### Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Phase 1 Refurbishment Works complete on site	June 2021	July 2021	
Phase 2 Refurbishment Works complete on site	August 2021	August 2021	
Phase 3 Refurbishment Works complete on site	TBC		

### Current Issues

None.

## PERTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL – REFURBISHMENT

### Overview

Funding is allocated to undertake major infrastructure upgrades to the existing school building. Additionally, approval was given for works to improve the entrance, reception and administration facilities, which were carried out. Due to the live school environment, ongoing works are being phased into manageable packages as part of a rolling programme.

### Sources of Funding

This project is funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. The budget allocated is £7.05m.

### Progress Update

Phase 3 of the toilet works started in July 2021 with completion in August 2021. Phase 4 toilet works were completed in October 2021. Detailed design works for Phase 1 of classroom refurbishments is underway and a programme is being developed.

### Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Phase 1 Toilet Refurbishment Works complete on site	April 2021	April 2021	
Phase 2 Toilet Refurbishment Works complete on site	July 2021	July 2021	
Phase 3 Toilet Refurbishment Works complete on site	August 2021	August 2021	
Phase 4 Toilet Refurbishment Works complete on site	September 2021	October 2021	
Phase 1 Class Refurbishment Works complete on site	TBC		

### Current Issues

None.

## PERTH HIGH SCHOOL – REPLACEMENT

### Overview

On 20 June 2018, Council approved the replacement of Perth High School ([Report No. 18/212 refers](#)). This project will involve the replacement of the existing school building on the playing field of the existing site.

### Sources of Funding

The approved funding from the ECS Composite Capital Programme for this project is £58.3m. A bid made to the Scottish Government Learning Estate Investment Programme – Phase 2 for funding of 50% towards the project was successful. The funding will be provided over a 25-year period based on the Council meeting specified targets.

### Progress Update

The Stage 1 submission has been received. Cost options were provided to achieve energy efficiency and quality in line with PKC's Interim Climate Emergency Report and Action Plan ([Report No. 19/362 refers](#)).

A User Reference Group meeting was held virtually on 23 March 2021.

The planning application was submitted in September 2021.

### Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Submit Final NPR	June 2019	June 2019	
HubCo Stage 1 Formal Commencement	July 2019	July 2019	
Stage 1 Agreed	May 2020	Feb 2021	
Planning Application Submitted	April 2021	Sept 2021	
Planning Application Agreed	August 2021		January 2022
Stage 2 Agreed	January 2022		
Financial Close	February 2022		
Site Start	March 2022		
Construction Works Complete	June 2024		
School Operational	August 2023		August 2024
Completion of External Works	August 2025		

### Current Issues

There is a significant risk of cost increase due to construction inflation.

# RATTRAY PRIMARY SCHOOL - NURSERY EXTENSION & REFURBISHMENT

## Overview

Lifelong Learning Committee approved Education and Children's Services Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) Expansion Plan on 22 September 2017 ([Report No. 17/314 refers](#)). As part of the plan, it is proposed that the capacity of the nursery at Rattray Primary School will be increased by 26.

## Sources of Funding

On 1 May 2018, the Scottish Government confirmed PKC's allocation of capital funding for the expansion of ELC. The budget is £4.325m.

## Progress Update

Construction of the nursery extension has been re-phased due to COVID-19 restrictions preventing works starting on the programmed date. Works have now commenced which include a new nursery extension, classroom refurbishments, new electric and heating infrastructure and new Wi-Fi, with updated audio/visual technology in teaching spaces.

All classrooms will have been completely refurbished as of January 2022. The staff room and general-purpose space will be refurbished following completion of the new nursery.

## Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Review of Feasibility Study	March 2018	March 2018	
Planning Application Submitted	November 2018	January 2019	
Planning Application Agreed	December 2018	May 2019	
Contract Cost Agreed	April 2020	January 2021	
Site Start	June 2020	June 2021	
Construction Works Complete	August 2021		August 2022
Nursery Provision Operational	August 2020		May 2022

## Current Issues

None.