## ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE: Education, Culture and Sport

DATE: 18<sup>th</sup> February 2010

DIRECTOR: Annette Bruton

TITLE OF REPORT: Removal of Vacated Educational Property –

Former Carden (on Dyce Primary Campus) from

**Education, Culture and Sport Account.** 

REPORT NUMBER: ECS/10/23

### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To report on future need by Education, Culture and Sport of the property formerly occupied by Carden School.

# 2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended that the Committee:

- notes the contents of this report and
- declare the former Carden School building at Dyce Primary School campus surplus to requirements and confirm its removal of from Education, Culture and Sport Account.

## 3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications for the Council or any Services of the Council from this Report in itself. Transfer of the building from the Education, Culture and Sport Account will result in the removal of a financial burden in terms of maintenance of a building which is surplus to requirements in the view of officers.

# 4. SERVICE & COMMUNITY IMPACT

This report relates to the vision in the Community Plan to develop Aberdeen as a 'City of Learning'. This Report is contributes to Educational Priority 02 within *Vibrant Dynamic and Forward Looking* which aspires to ensure Aberdeen's pupils and teachers have school buildings fit for 21st century.

This Report fits within the proposed Service Plan Priority 'Fit for Purpose Schools/Learning Centres', whereby all learners will have access to high quality learning environments and facilities supporting them to achieve their full potential. This will include planning for an affordable and sustainable learning estate which makes best use of resources, ensuring focus on areas of greatest need and delivery of Learning Estate Strategy.

# 5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None

#### 6. REPORT

# **6.1 Introduction**

The former Carden School closed in session 2002/03 and the vacated building has had a number of uses since, including some Community use. It is now only used as a temporary store for equipment related to the 3Rs Project. This will be removed by the end of March 2010. The building is not in a good state of repair and there is some damage due to water penetration.

## 6.2 Main Considerations

The building currently does not have any proposed use by Education, Culture and Sport and is now considered surplus to requirements. Although the review of the Learning Estate is on-going, the condition of the property would not allow immediate use without significant expenditure to bring it up to a satisfactory standard.

# 6.3 Proposal

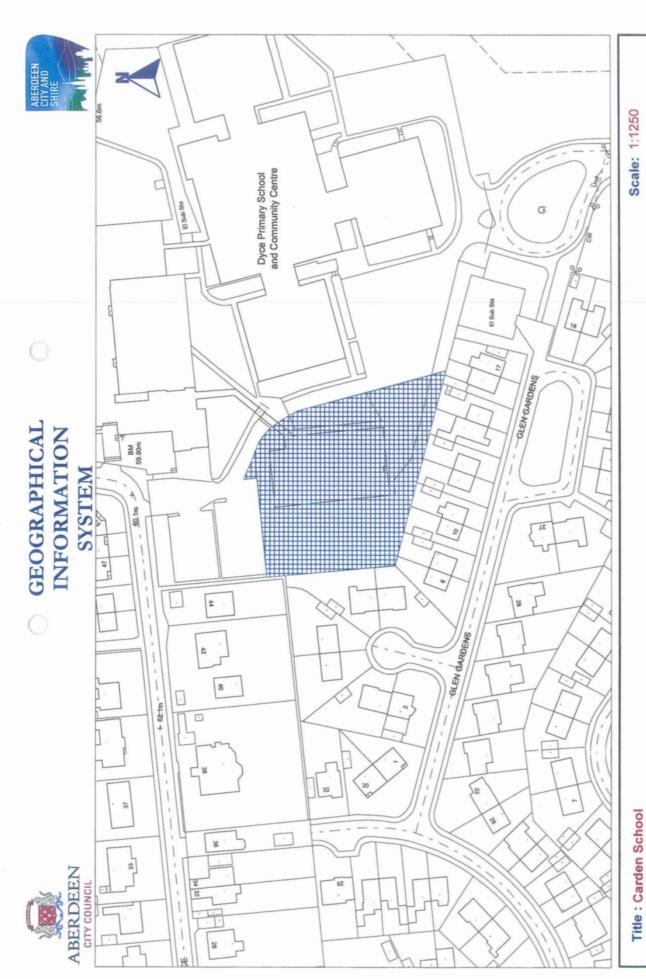
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## **6 REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS**

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## 7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

Plan of ex-Carden School, Dyce



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