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Our ref CF/AG/NF

Dear Parent, Carer or Guardian

**Proposal to build a new Non-Denominational Secondary School to replace Castlebrae High School and Implement Minor Catchment Change to Formalise and Align Catchment Boundaries**

I am writing to let you know that a report to the Education, Children and Families Committee on 15 August 2017 approved that a statutory consultation paper proposing a replacement for Castlebrae High School on a site identified in Craigmillar Town Centre should be prepared for consideration by the Education, Children and Families Committee in October 2017.

Accordingly, a draft consultation paper will be considered as part of the “Statutory Consultation - A replacement for Castlebrae High School” report to Committee on 10 October 2017. In addition to proposing a replacement for Castlebrae High School on a site identified in Craigmillar Town Centre, the draft consultation paper also proposes very minor catchment changes.

At this stage no decisions have been taken and, if the Committee approves the recommendations in the report, a full statutory consultation would take place with the Castlebrae High School community including affected primary schools. The statutory consultation would start on 13 November 2017, with a final decision regarding any proposed changes taken at a Council meeting in May 2018.

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A copy of the Committee report with the Draft consultation paper as an Appendix can be found on the Council website at [www.edinburgh.gov.uk/cpol](http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/cpol) and select Education, Children and Families Committee.

I will write to you again in advance of any consultation paper being published to ensure you have every opportunity to be fully involved in the statutory consultation process.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alistair Gaw'.

Alistair Gaw  
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