

Any Other Business

Email from Dora re Council Budget proposals and school instrumental teaching:

Hi all,

Maybe something the community council can support and write a letter to the council? Deadline for response is the 17th of December.

If you think it's a good idea I can email the parent council at JGHS and see if they are happy to get a support letter submitted from us?

I am affected as my daughter avails of the free piano classes but am sure that other local people with children at JGHS at the moment or the future would also

Benefit of the council did not in fact go ahead with this.

Best,
Dora

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Subject: Budget consultation

Importance: High

The following message is sent to you on behalf of our Parent Council.

You may be aware that the Council is currently running a consultation on its future budget. We are very concerned at proposals to **cut school business managers and thus add to the administrative burden on senior teachers, and to cut music instrumental teaching by 75%**, amongst other proposals. Please review our draft response <http://jghscouncil.btck.co.uk/News> and let us know any comments or changes. Please also send your own individual comments by filling in the Council's online survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VJL6J5G> **before 17th December**. It will only take you a few minutes and this is very important for our school. If possible, please also send copies of your responses to your local councillors. You can find out who they are, and their email addresses, at this link: <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/councillors/search>

Many thanks, The Parent Council.

Redesign of Music Instructor Service

Proposals: CF/SP4

Themes: **Empowered communities; Focused on Customers**

Summary: This package proposes exploring the potential to create a social enterprise model for the provision of music tuition and instruction. This would develop a sustainable music service through transfer of staff to the new model. In this proposal, 25% of the current budget would be retained to support children in families who do not have the resources to access the new model and consideration would be given for those following SQA courses. The proposal will create a service where the quality of provision will be maintained, with a contribution for music tuition based on the ability to pay.

Savings: This proposal provides a total cumulative saving of **£1.668m**.