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Please provide information on what consideration has been given to obligations under equality law in relation to the decisions to provide for only two primary 4 classes and to cap the overall intake of children into this year group, in academic year 2025/26 at Wardie Primary School. If an equalities impact assessment was prepared please provide the final document and any previous drafts.

In summary: the decision for reducing the number of classes required has been reversed given that there is a catchment child on the waiting list. Therefore, the P4 arrangement for August will return to 3 classes.

For context, the funding local authorities receive from the Scottish Government is linked to pupil numbers and class size legislation, so class organisations need to be efficient. Class organisations are agreed in January each year and, where possible, schools will reserve one place per class for incoming catchment pupils, although it is not unusual for a class(es) to be at capacity. Numbers are then kept under review up to the September census.

When looking at the class organisation for Wardie PS, the P3 roll was 67, so it was borderline as to whether 2 classes or 3 classes would be required for August 2025. As such, the headteacher was notified that if the number dropped to 66 pupils, a two-class arrangement would be put in place. This is always a consideration where numbers are borderline and could drop. We understand that the numbers dropped to 66 and, therefore, the headteacher moved to a 2 class arrangement for August. Head Teachers are asked to share their class organisations with parents and carers and pupil numbers remain under review.

Given that we are now aware of a catchment child on the waiting list, a 3 class arrangement for P4 will be in place for August. However, as numbers do still remain borderline at 67, as with all schools, numbers will continue to be kept under review until the September census and should the number of pupils fall again, the organisations may need to be reconsidered.