

Closure of Kinneff School Statutory Consultation Pupil Engagement – Catterline School

Pupils at Catterline School took part in the consultation in groups of lower stages (P1 to P4) and upper stages (P5 to P7). The lower stages answered handwritten questionnaires in small year groups on large A3 paper and the upper stages each completed individual A4 questionnaires. The summary of the answers and comments have been displayed below.

Q. If Kinneff School closes permanently, which school catchment area do you think Kinneff School should be included in?

School	Number of pupils who voted
Catterline School	46
Bervie School	1
Don't know	1

Summary of reasons for choosing Catterline School:

More fuel to Bervie causing pollution, longer journey time, less traffic to Catterline, If it goes to Bervie there would more money for transport and it would be bad for planet, shorter time to get to Catterline so we can play with our friends for longer, can cycle to Catterline for bikeability which would be unsafe on main road to Bervie, shorter journey time to Catterline so more time to do homework, pupils are already here, make new friends, attract as many people as possible to Catterline School, it won't feel like Catterline as we are all friends and Kinneff are part of Catterline's community now. Kinneff pupils know some of the staff and I feel part of Catterline. Bervie has lots of kids which will add additional pressure. Kinneff already feels part of our community so children in the future will be welcomed. I can't imagine our school without them. I would miss them a lot if they went to Bervie. We are all friends here and we won't be split if we all go to Catterline. Another small school in the community, not everyone wants a big school.

Summary of reasons for choosing Bervie:

It is a school with a nursery.

Q. Do you think Kinneff School should be closed permanently?

Answer	Number of pupils who voted
Yes	31
No	17

Summary of reasons it should close:

Can be something else, could be a shop, after school club, coffee shop, swimming pool, church, hall, pub, local park, Kinneff children are already settled here, Kinneff pupils have already made friends with Catterline pupils, lots of money to repair the building, all pupils can get the bus, Kinneff school is old, the chance of pupils attending is very low, it would not be the

same without the same teacher, Pupils are settled in and working so would be sad for them to leave and Catterline needs the pupils more. Catterline is like Kinneffs' new school now. We would have more friends to play with. It will cost too much and it will be damp. It has been there for a long time.

Summary of reasons it should not close:

Children should be able to go to school in their community, could be a shop or day care, If more people are living in Kinneff they can open it up again. Longer travel means pollution. Some kids will be sad. It was the best school but I like Catterline School too. Children and staff should get a choice. Kinneff people would have to drive further. People like Kinneff School, it should stay the way it is.