

Responses received on proposed establishment of ASN provision at Troon P.S

Response Number	Date Response Received	Do you agree with the proposal to provide ASN provision at Troon P.S?	Comments
1	01/10/2024	Yes	This proposed learning facility is long overdue, children with additional support needs require much better learning environment than currently offered.
2	01/10/2024	Yes	This will be a great addition to Troon Primary School and very positive for ASN children and parents. My four year old has been diagnosed autistic this year and currently attend Troon EYC. This would be great for his transition to school.
3	01/10/2024	Yes	Long overdue essential learning facility
4	01/10/2024	Yes	I agree if at least one of the classrooms is used for Early Years Provision, as South Ayrshire are currently failing our Early Years Children & families by not having a dedicated Early Years provision for ASN.
5	01/10/2024	Yes	As grand parent to an autistic child this development seems long overdue. All children deserve an education in a suitable environment to enable them to be the best versions of themselves.
6	01/10/2024	Yes	While I understand the wish to have ASN pupils in mainstream I have seen the negative impact this can have on other young learners and think having a dedicated space where their needs can be better met does all children good
7	01/10/2024	Yes	South Ayrshire council need more schools and bases for children with asn. I am pleased they have put this idea forward and are hoping for an opening next summer great news
8	01/10/2024	Yes	Much required for the community as a whole.
9	01/10/2024	Yes	South Ayrshire Council really should be looking at building more special education schools within south Ayrshire with the growing rise in additional support needs in children alongside more ASN bases for children
10	01/10/2024	Yes	A much needed space/environment for many children in South Ayrshire
11	01/10/2024	Yes	N/A
12	01/10/2024	Yes	Extra provision really needed.
13	01/10/2024	Yes	I would fully welcome this move.
14	01/10/2024	Yes	This would be an amazing addition to the ASN provision within SAC and is a much needed addition to ensure we meet the needs of all our children and families. It would help parents north of Ayr who may find it difficult to take up a place further afield.
15	01/10/2024	Yes	There is a lot of ASN children out there just now who need this space They are correctly attending mainstream where it is not suitable for their learning needs, these children to flourish in an environment suitable for their needs and learning.
16	01/10/2024	Yes	ASN learning facility would be welcomed to allow schools in area to dip in and use to ensure meeting the needs of the kids and allow them space to be comfortable to learn
17	01/10/2024	Yes	It is hugely stressful as a parent of a autistic child at nursery, with the prospect of no ASN base in his primary school. This is a positive step, and with the increasing numbers of children with special support needs
18	01/10/2024	Yes	I think this is a great plan. There are not enough asn bases.
19	01/10/2024	Yes	I am in favour of any additional dedicated provision for ASN.
20	01/10/2024	Yes	N/A
21	01/10/2024	Yes	Daily transporting children via taxi for up to 45 minutes to and from school can be daunting/traumatic for children with ASN. The cost of transportation surely would be hugely reduced with more localised facilities.
22	01/10/2024	Yes	My 5 year old daughter currently attends the Communication Base at Doonfoot Primary School. She travels for 2 hours each day by taxi. A provision in her home town would be hugely beneficial.
23	01/10/2024	Yes	This would be of huge benefit to school staff and pupils across South Ayrshire who need it.
24	01/10/2024	Yes	N/A
25	01/10/2024	No	This will inevitably take staffing and budget resources away from the existing pupils. Two challenges have been created instead of dealing with one - rehoming the preexisting nursery away from the school and creating an ASN facility
26	02/10/2024	Yes	More support for children with ASN are desperately needed in South Ayrshire. Our children are not receiving the support that they need and deserve.
27	02/10/2024	Yes	My daughter attends Doonfoot primary base and takes a taxi everyday, having this provision at Troon would be greatly beneficial to us and our daughter.
28	02/10/2024	No	N/A
29	02/10/2024	Yes	Children with additional support needs require a dedicated but safe space to learn and grow. Troon is the correct place to allow children from the area to be supported close to home. Consternation needs to be given to making the area safe
30	03/10/2024	Yes	This will only tackle the needs of a small percentage of young people, with the majority, especially those with neurodivergent needs still being left struggling within the mainstream. Also, why is there no provision included for Early Years children?
31	03/10/2023	Yes	One main thing that concerns me is the additional traffic that will be generated by the centre, as you may be aware the Parent Council have been working with Ayrshire Road Alliance for a number of years.
32	04/10/2024	No	Extra parking issues, Supervision for children with specialist needs especially aggressive behaviour towards other children
33	04/10/2024	No	Concerns regarding children who are violent/use coarse language and their supervision. We are also concerned about parking provisions for so many extra families.
34	04/10/2024	Yes	I believe every school should have an ASN classroom or learning base as kids with asn are often overlooked and unsupported. By gaining the right support from the start, these kids will have a chance to excel academically and socially.
35	04/10/2024	Yes	My son currently attends troon EYC and was diagnosed with autism in March of this year. There are currently very few options for schooling for him and I feel this would be a great step for the school to take.
36	04/10/2024	No preference	Has St Patrick's Primary School been considered to provide this learning facility?
37	05-Oct	Yes	I think it is important to give children the support they need and given the closest ASN base is heathfield I think creating a space like that in troon has been needed for a long time.
38	05/10/2024	Yes	Do it
39	06/10/2024	Yes	There is a great gap in provision for ASN children. I hope they will not just be stuck with a classroom assistant
40	06/10/2024	Yes	More ASN basis are needed within the authority. Having these classes help reach the needs of ASN children who currently struggling in the environments of mainstream schools.
41	06/10/2024	Yes	Much needed to create for places in ASN provision
42	06/10/2024	Yes	Although I agree that this proposal is needed within the area for local kids needing to access ASN learning I worry that the funds used to upgrade the school may take funds that could have been used to help and upgrade the current school and fund needed resources. I also worry that mainstream children's learning could be compromised if senior staff spend more time addressing ASN learners needs.
43	06/10/2024	Yes	We need more ASN provision within education services. Pupil needs are not currently being met by the lack of provision and this also affects pupils in mainstream who have many dysregulated pupils in their environment.
44	06/10/2024	Other	Will hopefully help fill a gap in ASN accommodation in South Ayrshire.
45	06/10/2024	Yes	ASN bases are sorely needed. A close family member of ours (6 years old) currently has to take an almost 30-minute taxi journey to school daily, and the strain this puts on her and her family is immense. Being able to send your child to school in the town you live in should be a right for all families, regardless of support needs.
46	06/10/2024	Yes	I teach ASN in East Ayrshire and can see the amount of parents moving to our area just to access ASN provision. If there was more schools available for pupils they wouldn't have to move or have such lengthy transport journeys. I definitely see a need for this and would suggest that 1 school gaining this valuable resource is not enough. I would love to move back to teaching in South Ayrshire.
47	07/10/2024	Yes	I work as an early years practitioner in South Ayrshire and have seen the challenges facing all levels of education at one time in another in my career and home life I believe that it will be a huge benefit adding ASN classes to Troon Primary. Many of our ASN pupils go straight from early years settings, where for the most part they receive identified support to be included as we have lower child to adult ratios, into mainstream classes with one teacher and 25 pupils. This is not always appropriate or inclusive and we are definitely not getting it right for ever child and their rights are not being met. By providing more spaces identified for ASN we can as an education system support these children to reach their full potential with the 4 capacities in mind, giving these children the targeted individual support the need while taking the pressures off the larger classrooms to also enable the teachers in the mainstream classes to get it right for all 25+ of their children.
48	09/10/2024	Yes	Provision for ASN children is a disgrace at the moment. The lack of funding for specialist teachers and support staff is bringing schools and teachers to breaking point. Any addition for ASN children can only be a positive
49	16/10/2024	Yes	As a staff member of a SAC primary school, I can whole heartedly say there is not near enough provision for ASN children in school. Inclusion is great in theory, but teachers can not possibly meet the needs of every child when so many children have ASN within mainstream school. This is by no means going to solve all the ASN issues but would be a very small step in the right direction.
50	16/10/2024	Yes	Provided there is no adverse effect on the existing staff and children within the mainstream provision within Troon primary I support the creation of additional ASN classrooms.
51	16/10/2024	Yes	N/A
52	16/10/2024	Yes	N/A
53	17/10/2024	Yes	This would be amazing for troon
54	21/10/2024	Yes	The provision of an ASN learning base in the north of the county will support families and alleviate pressure on young people reducing travel times to school, allowing them to be supported closer to home.
55	21/10/2024	Yes	My granddaughter who lives in Troon is autistic and attends Doonfoot Primary School communication base. While the provision within the communication base is excellent, the travelling distance is excessive. I would hope that the proposed new facility although smaller would replicate the facilities in Doonfoot and that whilst it is currently not proposed to relocate pupils that this is something which might be considered in the long term.
56	22/10/2024	Yes	My son is autistic and is due to start primary school next year there is talks about him going to a special needs school but I feel like this is exactly what Troon parents off kids with asn need. I personally would like my child to be going to mainstream school but still having the support there for his needs and this is such a good idea!
57	22/10/2024	Yes	This will bring much needed dedicated local support to young children with additional support needs. As well as it allowing those living in the area to access this closer to home than they can currently, it will provide additional places for such young people. Supported dedicated education is key to maximise the opportunities for these young people. From my own experience as a parent with a child with ASN, it is imperative to have the appropriate support as close by as is feasibly possible to give these young people the best start in life and the same appropriate chances as any other more able young person.
58	23/10/2024	Yes	It will also help to ease the burden on an over stretched transport for school children with ASN process.
59	24/10/2024	Yes	My friend has a child with autism and I think this would be perfect to have in Troon to help him have a normal education at a school in the town they live with the extra help that he needs

60	31/10/2024	Yes	There is a massive need for more ASN provisions and if there is capacity to do this withing Troon it would be a great provision to allow children to attend school closer to home
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