

Blindwells Consultation FAQs

Q: Why are we not building a new secondary school?

A: While the Council has safeguarded land to the east of the current Blindwells allocation (Local Development Plan reference: BW1, map reference "A") as a potential Blindwells Expansion Area (Local Development Plan reference: BW2), an appropriate comprehensive solution for a larger Blindwells settlement has not yet been found. If the Blindwells settlement is unable to grow beyond its current allocation (of circa 1,600) then it is not feasible to provide an on-site permanent secondary facility at Blindwells in the medium to longer term. This is because the projected secondary pupil numbers that will arise from the planned housing in the Blindwells new settlement (BW1) will not be enough to create a sustainable secondary school roll.

Q: Will Preston Lodge High School be extended?

A: Yes, Preston Lodge High School will require additional phased permanent extension to accommodate the projected pupil numbers that will arise from the planned and committed housing in the Prestonpans Cluster area including the Blindwells new settlement site (Local Development Plan reference: BW1, map reference "A").