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Report on the 11th November 2015 Island School Council meeting

ESF Strategic Plan

The Council discussed the 32 actions under the ESF's plan. There are too many items to report here but two of note:

- *'Develop and deliver a coherent curriculum'*: This includes the extent to which Y7 to 11 curriculum will be aligned between schools. Specifically whether the focus will be on GCSE, IB-MYP or an ESF-developed programme. It was noted that it would be helpful if parents and students provide input on which questions should be answered when considering this issue.
- *'Develop and implement a single brand architecture structure that ensures alignment across our schools and recognition of the ESF brand'*: Where should the balance be between our 'ESF identity' and our Island School's individual identity. The Island School website will have both logos.' For sports uniforms the Island School branding will be the main item with an ESF logo. For school stationary the ESF branding will be more prominent.

Island School redevelopment

In 2013 the Education Bureau committed to apply to the Legco Finance Committee for a funding for the rebuild equal to the cost of constructing a standard-design public sector school for its student population.

The Government runs a central capital allocation process in October each year to decide which projects should go on to Legco approval. They did not include the Island School project this year. It will be submitted again next year and approval then will allow us to go ahead with starting the rebuild the rebuild as planned in summer 2017. We do, however, need to prepare the Decant schools before the Legco Finance Committee can approve the funding. ESF is talking to the Education Bureau about how this might be done.

New school website and Communications & Events Manager

Island School is about to launch an upgraded website. Once it is up if you have any comments on it do spend them to our new Communications & Events Manager Vicky Hill vicky.hill@online.island.edu.hk.

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