



Proposal Document

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**Statutory Consultation Period
Monday 25 August to Friday 10 October, 2014 (inclusive)**

**All submissions expressing views on the proposals detailed in this document
should be made in writing or by email
by 5.00pm on Friday 10 October, 2014.**

**It is intended to respond to issues raised from correspondence
within a report presented to the Education, Culture and Sport Committee at a future date in 2015**

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ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL – EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORT

STATUTORY CONSULTATION

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Local Development Plan 2012 for Aberdeen City Council identified a development opportunity in the Grandhome Estate. This developed will result in up to 7,000 new houses being constructed between 2015 and 2030. This area is highlighted as OP12 in the map attached at Appendix 1 of this Proposal Document.
- 1.2 The impact of this development on the existing primary school estate was considered by the Education, Culture and Sport Committee at its meeting of 7 February 2013. One of the decisions of this meeting was that officers should review the zones of Brimmond School and Middleton Park School and consult on the proposal to rezone elements of each school's zone to a new zone which will be created to serve primary education in the Grandhome development.
- 1.3 The forecasted rolls of Middleton Park School are detailed within the table below.

Table 1: Actual and Projected Pupil Rolls¹

	Actual	Forecast Pupil Numbers						
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Middleton Park School (including Grandhome area)	169	171	188	216	270	328	394	463
Middleton Park School (excluding Grandhome area)	169	171	179	182	193	190	186	186

¹ Projected pupil rolls take account of birth rates, new housing developments and placing requests to and from a school. This data is a best estimate based on the available information at the time of calculation.

- 1.4 There are presently no children attending Middleton Park School from the area which is proposed to be rezoned into Grandhome. It is therefore reasonable to comment that there will be no impact on the current or future pupil roll of Middleton Park School, should the rezoning proposal be accepted following this consultation process.
- 1.5 From information available, the table above assumes that 6,300 houses within the Grandhome development would be zoned to Middleton Park School, with 900 of these being constructed by the end of 2020 and the remainder being constructed between 2021 and 2030. Therefore, the impact of the development would have a significant impact on the increasing roll at Middleton Park School, with estimates projecting an additional 315 pupils being zoned to the school by 2020.
- 1.6 The map attached at Appendix 2 of this Proposal Document details the current school zones, while the map at Appendix 3 details the proposed school zones.
- 1.7 Should the proposal be approved by the Education, Culture and Sport Committee following this public consultation it is recommended that prior to the opening of the first primary school in the Grandhome development children of nursery and primary school age will be educated in Danestone School until such time as there are sufficient pupil numbers to warrant a new school.
- 1.8 In addition to this consultation, a similar exercise is being undertaken to rezone ground which is in currently within the Brimmond School zone to the zone to be created to serve the Grandhome development. If this proposal and the Brimmond School rezoning proposal are agreed following consultation, the ground in question in both consultations will be amalgamated to create one initial primary school zone for the Grandhome development. This new zone will be subject to on-going review with regard to the number of pupils generated by the development and determine whether additional schools are required.

2. EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS

- 2.1 The proposal to rezone ground within the Middleton Park School zone which lies to the west and north of the current limit of the built up area of Middleton Park to a new zone to be created to serve primary education provision in the Grandhome development, with effect from August 2015 will have the following benefits:
 - This proposal will assist in reducing long term over capacity problems which will arise within Middleton Park School arising from the Grandhome development in the years to 2020;
 - Ensure that pupils living in the Grandhome development will attend primary school with peers from their community;

- Both Middleton Park School and the new Grandhome School(s) will have sustainable and viable pupil rolls which allows for the delivery of the full breadth of Curriculum for Excellence;
- A sustainable roll ensures that effective teacher staffing levels are maintained and led by a range of promoted teaching staff. Effective year group classification will be maintained and children will be able to learn within a variety of peer group opportunities, both formally and informally;
- The proposal will ensure that both schools have a clear and distinct association with their local communities which should promote and further develop the already strong links with local communities. Middleton Park School serves the Middleton Park community and attracts no pupils from the area which is proposed to be rezoned to Grandhome. This proposal will allow the new community of Grandhome to be served by school(s) from within their own community;
- If implemented, this proposal will assist Aberdeen City Council in delivering a city wide primary education provision which is delivered in schools with sustainable pupil rolls and in a way which ensures that all pupils are educated in buildings that are not over crowded.
- The above benefits will therefore ensure that the implementation of this proposal will maximise the educational benefits for pupils attending Middleton Park School and the new school(s) to be constructed in the Grandhome development.

3 OPTIONS FOR CONSULTATION

The options under consideration and for which the Council seeks comment from interested stakeholders are:

- (i) To retain the status quo and maintain the area of ground concerned within the Middleton Park School zone; or
- (ii) To rezone ground within the Middleton Park School zone which lies to the west and north of the current limit of the built up area of Middleton Park to a new zone to be created to serve primary education provision in the Grandhome development, with effect from August 2015.

4 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 4.1 To assist stakeholders in accessing relevant information, a dedicated area of Aberdeen City Council website has been populated with all information within this consultation document and further detail on the consultation process and data relating to the proposal.

The relevant web pages can be accessed at:

- www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/grandhome_middletonpark

Please contact us on the telephone number below if you want this document in Braille, large print or on an audio CD, or if you want the document translated into another language.

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A copy of this statutory consultation document will be available for public consultation during the period of consultation at the following venues:

- Marischal College
- Central Library
- Bridge of Don Library
- Middleton Park School
- Oldmachar Academy
- The Shepherd's Nursery
- Danestone Community Centre
- Oldmachar Playgroup
- Whitestripes Playgroup
- Danestone School (Nursery)
- Forehill School (Nursery)
- Glashieburn School (Nursery)

5 PUBLIC MEETING

- 5.1 A Public Meeting will take place on **Wednesday 24 September 2014 from 7.00 to 8.30pm at Middleton Park School.**

6 SUBMISSION OF VIEWS

- 6.1 Any interested stakeholders may respond to the consultation by writing to:

Grandhome – Middleton Park Consultation
Education, Culture and Sport
Aberdeen City Council
Business Hub 13
Second Floor North
Marischal College
Broad Street
ABERDEEN
AB10 1AB

or by email to:

schoolestate@aberdeencity.gov.uk

or by completing the attached Comment Form

All responses should be submitted before 5.00pm on Friday 10 October, 2014.

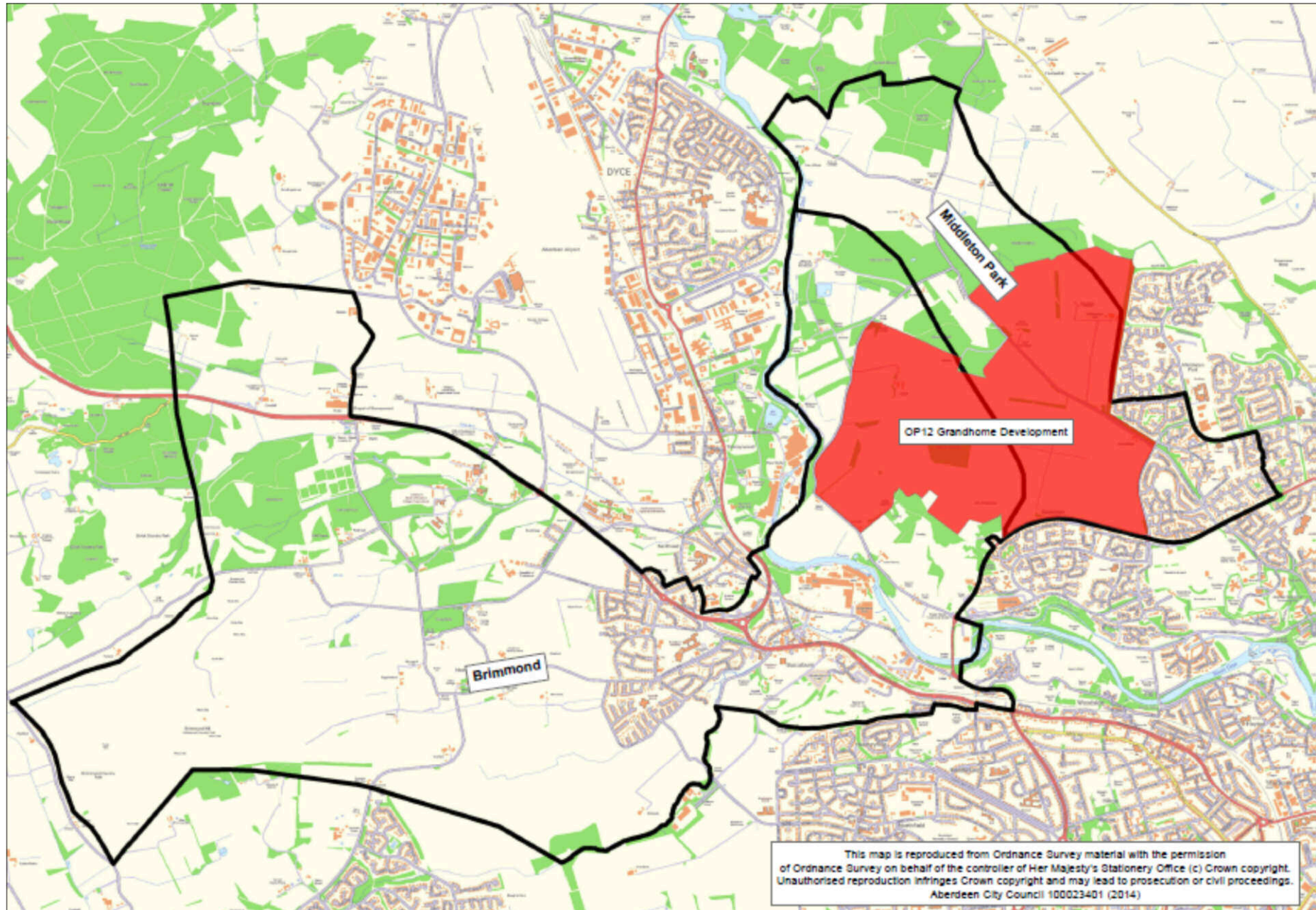
7 OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION

- 7.1 A summary of submissions will be published on the council website at

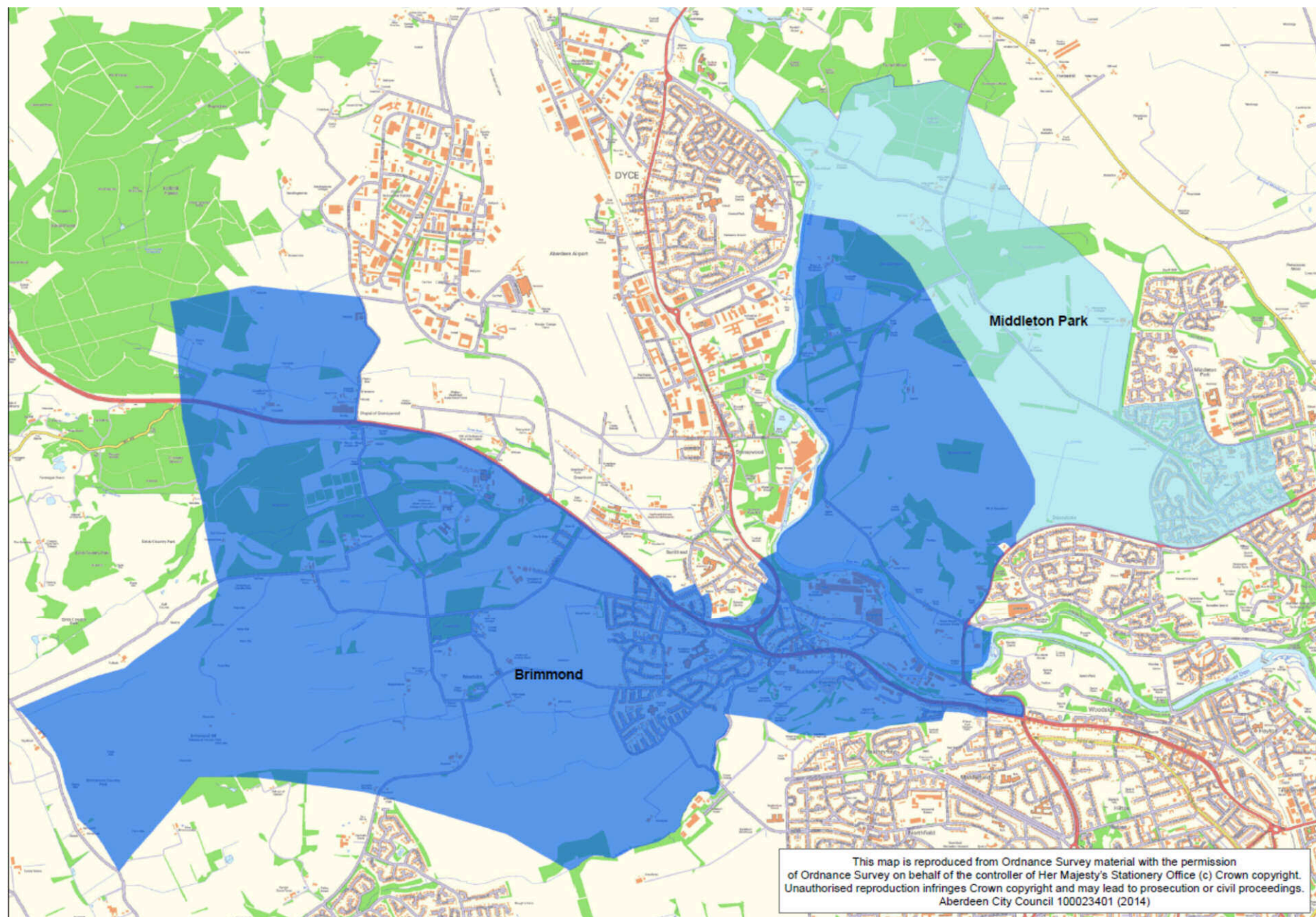
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- 7.2 A report on the consultation will be delivered to Education, Culture and Sport Committee at a future date in 2015. This will provide information for Elected Members to make a final decision on the proposal.

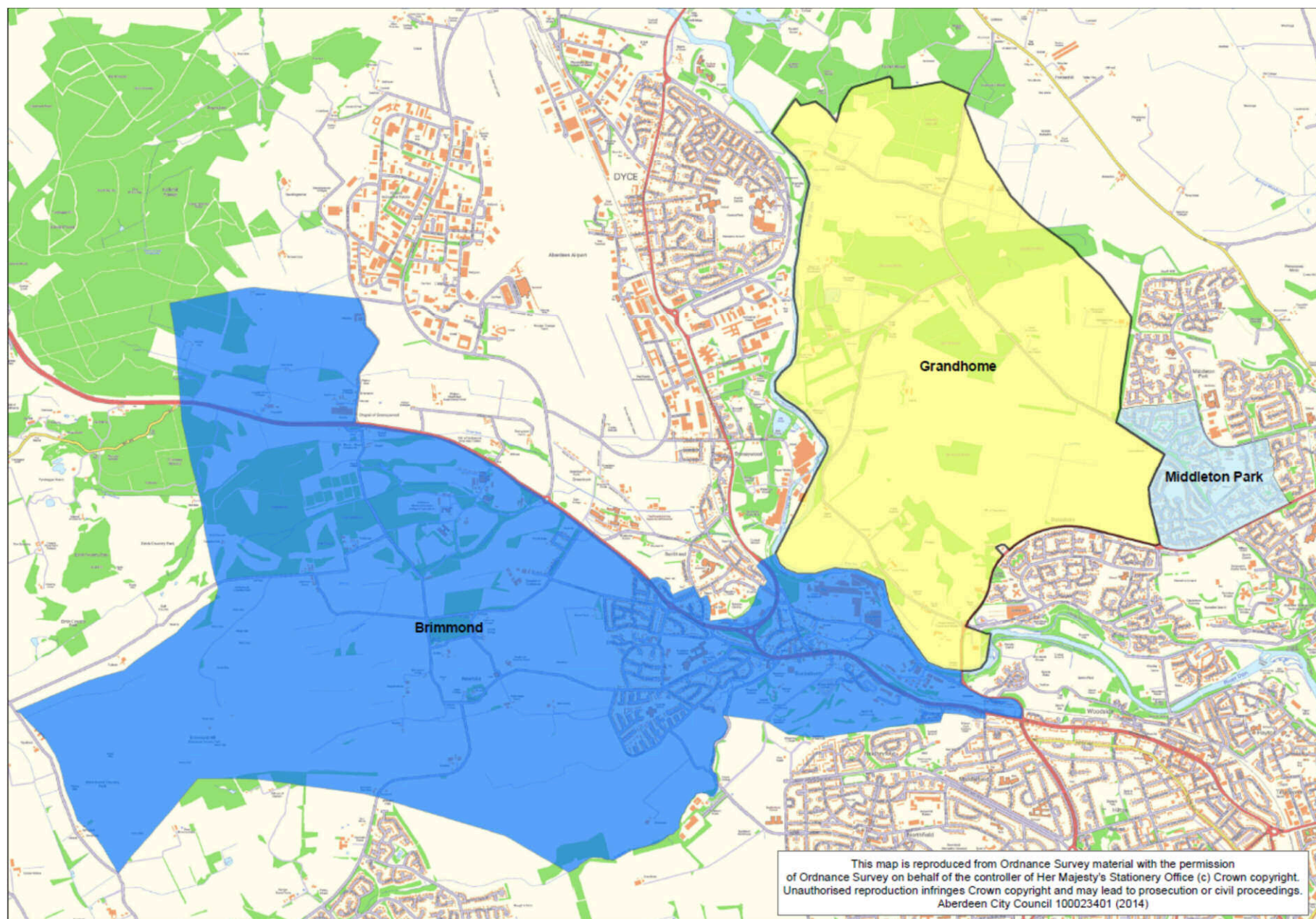
EXISTING SCHOOL ZONES WITH GRANDHOME DEVELOPMENT (OP12)



EXISTING BRIMMOND SCHOOL AND MIDDLETON PARK SCHOOL ZONES



REVISED BRIMMOND SCHOOL AND MIDDLETON PARK SCHOOL ZONES AND NEW GRANDHOME SCHOOL ZONE



Comment Form
Public Consultation



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All completed comment forms will be included in a final Consultation Report to the Education, Culture and Sport Committee.

Contact Information (Optional)

Provision of personal information is optional. Your personal details will not be published, nor will they be used for any purpose without your expressed consent.

First name(s):	
Last name:	
Address:	
Postal Code:	
Phone:	
Email:	
<p>I am a</p> <p>parent/carer of current primary pupil(s) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>parent/carer of current secondary pupil(s) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>parent/carer of future pupil(s) (pre 5 child) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>local resident <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>other <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If other, please describe:</p>	<p>Please tick (✓) all applicable boxes</p> <p>School name: _____</p> <p>School name: _____</p>

Please tick (✓) your response and provide comments in the spaces provided, if desired.

What is the most positive part of the proposal (if any)?

What is/are your main concern(s) about the proposal?

What would you like the Council to know about the proposal?

Overall, do you support the proposal? Yes ☐ No ☐

Any other comments?

Thank you for your comments.

Feedback can also be sent in writing to

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Further information about the consultation process, including a full list of all meetings, as well as the Consultation Document, is available from the Council website at www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/grandhome_middletonpark