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<b>Report To:</b>	<b>Education &amp; Communities Committee</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>12 March 2013</b>
<b>Report By:</b>	<b>Corporate Director Education, Communities &amp; Organisational Development</b>	<b>Report No:</b>	<b>EDUCOM/37/AE</b>
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<b>Subject:</b>	<b>The naming of the new Mearns Centre</b>		

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### 1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is to request a decision from the Education & Communities Committee on a name for the Mearns Centre following the new build at the site of the old St Laurence's Primary school.

### 2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Mearns Centre is a joint education and social work provision for pupils with Additional Support Needs. It will move to a new location on the re-build/refurbishment of the old St Laurence's Primary school. This should be completed by April 2013.

- 2.2 The Mearns Centre management team has consulted the wider parent body, staff and pupils to consider possible names.

- 2.3 A subsequent ballot was held and the results are listed below:

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| • Kilcreggan Academy                     | 7%  |
| • Grianaig Academy (Gaelic for Greenock) | 8%  |
| • Lomond View Academy                    | 55% |
| • Kincaid Academy                        | 8%  |
| • Lochview Academy                       | 13% |
| • Wallace Academy                        | 9%  |

- 2.4 The name decided upon by the Education & Communities Committee will be the name applied to the new centre. The young people clearly stated that they wanted the centre to be known as a school and showed a particular preference for the "Academy" designation.

- 2.5 It may be worth considering the name "Lomond View School" as opposed to Academy given that the centre now caters for children of both primary and secondary ages

### 3.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 Education & Communities Committee members are asked to agree that Lomond View Academy or School becomes the name for the "new" Mearns Centre.

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