

<b>Committee</b>	Learning, Teaching & Research Committee
<b>Subject</b>	UHI NWH Gaelic Language Plan, Gaelic Strategy & Operational Plan (incl. costings)
<b>Action requested</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> For information only <input type="checkbox"/> For discussion <input type="checkbox"/> For recommendation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For endorsement <input type="checkbox"/> For approval
<b>Summary of the paper</b>	The paper provides summary of UHI NWH's Gaelic Plan 2023-28, UHI and NWH Gaelic Strategy 2023-28. Strategy, Plan, Operational Plan (incl. costings) also provided.
<b>Resource implications</b>	Yes. External funding streams will be sought.
<b>Risk implications</b>	If Strategy & Plan not progressed commitments made regarding Gaelic in merger business case may not be met.
<b>Date paper prepared</b>	29/01/24
<b>Date of Board / Committee meeting</b>	7/02/24
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<b>Link with strategy</b> Please highlight how the paper links to the Strategic Plan	This paper aligns both with the Gaelic commitments within the Merger Business Case, UHI Gaelic Language Plan, the Gaelic element within UHI's Strategic Plan and UHI North, West and Hebrides strategic aims.
<b>Island communities</b>	Decisions taken by UHI NWH may have an impact on the Outer Hebrides and other islands within the college region. As part of the merger process, the University will undertake an Island Communities Impact Assessment. UHI NWH have committed to undertake an Islands Impact Assessment within the first year of operations.
<b>Status</b> (e.g., confidential, non-confidential)	Non confidential
<b>Freedom of information</b>	Yes
<b>Consultation</b> How has consultation with partners been conducted?	Consultation has been carried out firstly through Curriculum Workstream and since April 2023 through the Gaelic Workstream (now ODG). The Gaelic Strategy has been circulated to all ODG leads for comment. An all-staff internal consultation was also carried out. A

	public consultation of the Plan will be progressed following committee endorsement.
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**Recommendation** – That committee members endorse the draft Gaelic strategy and draft Gaelic language plan (and associated supporting documents) for progress to public consultation.