

About Kibble

Kibble is a charity and social enterprise established in 1859. We provide services for at risk children and young people who may have experienced trauma.

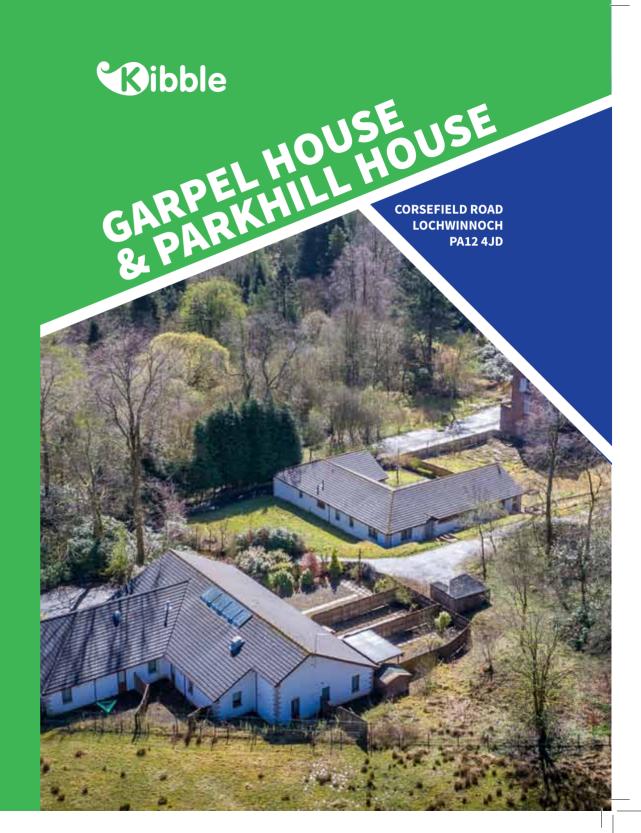
We work with children from the age of 5, delivering tailored support including residential care, intensive fostering services, education, outreach and rehabilitation services.

The needs of the young people are placed at the heart of everything we do. By providing a safe, stable and nurturing environment, and with the right support in place, we empower young people to move forward and lead healthy, fulfilled lives.

Find out more

Further information about the proposals can be viewed at www.kibble.org/early-years

Kibble Education and Care Centre Scottish Charity No. SC026917 Registered in Scotland No. 158220





COCHWINNOCH

Kibble Group is a charity that provides care and education to young people from across Scotland. We have proposals for the site of Parkhill House and Garpel House, Corsefield Road, Lochwinnoch, to set up a specialist education centre and residential accommodation.

The rural setting will be for primary aged children who have been affected by adversity in their early years. Kibble's skilled team would be supporting their needs in a safe and comfortable environment to transform their lives.

The existing buildings would be converted into a specialist education centre with residential accommodation and will prepare the children for moving into future care settings, including foster care. The campus will deliver a broad range of pioneering care techniques focussing on outdoor play and developing young people via a therapeutic approach to education.

Children attending the primary school would include pupils who live onsite and those who are there during the day for teaching. Pupils who are travelling may live in the nearby area.

As a charity we've worked with young people for over 160 years and we have a wide range of experience in developing similar community-based projects. Currently we provide care and education in Largs, Paisley and Garnock Valley. We are keen to engage with local residents and businesses throughout this process and welcome your thoughts. Please contact us at communications@kibble.org

FAQs

How many pupils will be attending the school and what are their ages?

The building is designed for a maximum capacity of 30 pupils. All children will be of primary age.

What types of activities will be on the curriculum?

We have been involved in an extensive research process which has seen us visit similar campuses across the world. Our model of therapeutic education places great emphasis on outdoor learning, blended with National Curriculum classroom-based learning as well.

What are the benefits of this type of model?

Outdoor learning helps children build critical skills such as trust, self-esteem, empathy, emotional regulation, and responsibility over time. Horticulture activities support social, academic, psychological and physical wellbeing. This environmental immersion supports improved levels of concentration and mood regulation.

Are you making any modifications to the building?

Part of the site was formerly St. Joseph's Nursing Home, so refurbishment of the interior and minor improvements to the exterior will be necessary. There are currently no proposals to structurally extend the building.

What are the arrangements for traffic?

There may be a moderate increase in traffic movements to transport children to and from the centre each morning and afternoon. As part of any proposal, we will be expected to produce a traffic management plan, including modelling the effects of any development. Whilst we do not anticipate any problems arising from this, we are happy to explore concerns that residents may have and to help ameliorate anticipated issues.