

SERVICE DESCRIPTION FORM

Department: EDUCATION & SOCIAL CARE	
Service: INSTRUMENTAL INSTRUCTION SERVICE	
Income	(£000s)
Fees/Charges	133
Description: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• This service provides instruction to pupils from P3 up to S6 on a variety of musical instruments: strings, brass, woodwind, percussion. Currently numbers 820+ pupils (total school population from P3-S6 is circa 10,000)• All children are offered an opportunity to put their names forward for selection which is undertaken by instructors, in conjunction with head teachers in primary and music staff in secondary.• There is, and always has been, much more demand than can be met. For violin there is sufficient demand to double or even treble the current numbers. For woodwind and brass there is at least a further 50% unmet demand. For instruments that we do not offer the unmet demand is easily 1000+ pupils. This leads to regular requests from parents, pupils and school staff for more provision in the current instruments and for instruction on a wider range of instruments including guitar, rock drumming, electronic keyboards, bagpipes etc. <p>Lessons are delivered to individuals and small groups of children by the instructors who visit schools for periods of time each week.</p>	
Outcomes / impacts: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• This service is highly valued both by schools and parents.• The quality of instruction is of a very high standard, delivered by highly qualified and accomplished musicians.• There is significant evidence across the country of a strong correlation between success in playing a musical instrument and success in other areas of the curriculum, as well as good evidence of such young people being “responsible citizens” and “effective contributors.”• Schools rely heavily on this service to teach and train children and young people who then participate in and contribute to the wider life of school through music. The service also supports very heavily the Moray Music Festival which is held every two years. <p>Finally, The Moray Music Centre Orchestras (Saturday mornings) and Moray Concert</p>	

Brass (Thursday evenings) form part of the overall service. This brings together 250+ children and young people from across Moray to play in these groups/ensembles which are renowned within and outwith Moray for their quality.