

This constitutes a response to the DCMS consultation on the BBC Digital Curriculum project on behalf of Fas, the Gaelic campaign group.

We are broadly in favour of the establishment of a digital curriculum project as recommended by the BBC. We are concerned, however, that while the production of Welsh medium resources is an integral part of the proposal, no mention at all is made of Gaelic.

We feel strongly that Gaelic medium education should be provided for within the project. Gaelic medium education is a growing sector in Scotland and has been designated as a national priority by the Scottish Executive. In light of this fact and also in view of the BBC's status as a public service broadcaster and as an organisation which already makes considerable provision for Gaelic, we call upon the Government and the BBC to ensure that Gaelic medium education is fully catered for within the Digital Curriculum service.

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