

South Ayrshire Council – 12 October 2023

Formal Questions

Received from:	Councillor Duncan Townson
Response to be provided by:	Mike Newall, Depute Chief Executive and Director of Housing, Operations and Development

	<i>Question</i>	<i>Response</i>
1.	<p>Since the turn of the century, successive Council administrations of South Ayrshire have done fantastic work on modernising our Schools with new schools, at Primary and Secondary Schools. However, due to the increase of concerns with RAAC, is South Ayrshire Council officers aware of concerns within our existing building stock that could be at risk to degrading RAAC, and if so what measures have been undertaken to make these buildings safe as well as what preventative measure do South Ayrshire currently employ to check for any building safety issues, and what powers do officers have to take immediate action?</p>	<p>The Council carried out an inspection of all properties, schools and public buildings and only found RAAC in relation to one of our buildings, the Walker Hall in Troon. RAAC has been used in a section of the roof. The building has already undergone a structural inspection and there are no major concerns. The Walker Hall will undergo some minor repair works and will then be inspected on an annual basis. The Walker Hall remains open. All operational properties have a dedicated Property officer who inspects the property on a regular basis and liaises with the Duty holders. The Asset Management team can take immediate action to ensure the building is safe</p>