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Community life and leisure



One of the benefits of living in Argyll and Bute is the high quality of life enjoyed by residents and we are here to help make your life easier and more rewarding. Whether you want to get out and about and enjoy the countryside, learn a new skill, get active in one of the many sports and leisure centres or get involved with events and activities in your community, these pages will point you in the right direction.



[Sport and Leisure](#)
 Argyll and Bute has many fantastic sports and leisure facilities.



[Crime Prevention and Community Safety](#)
 including Anti Social Behaviour information



[Arts and Entertainment](#)
 Hundreds of major events and festivals take place throughout the year in Argyll and Bute.



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 Find out what our libraries and archives can offer you.



[Community Planning Partnership](#)
 A partnership organisation whose main focus is to improve the quality of life and physical environment for residents and visitors to the area.



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Community Planning Partnership



The Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership was set up in 2001 to coordinate the delivery of services and other activities in Argyll and Bute to improve the quality of life and physical environment for residents and visitors to the area.

The Partnership consists of a number of groups:

The Full Partnership – this is the body that provides the governance – the overall leadership and representation to ensure that the different groups and organisations that make up the Partnership are focused on the community's priorities. It is chaired by the Leader of the Council, the person with the clearest democratic authority in the area.

The Management Committee – this is the decision-making body for the Partnership. Partner organisations chair the Committee on a rotational basis. The Management Committee meets every two months and brings together the organisations with the most significant influence on service delivery in Argyll and Bute. The Management Committee ensures that the work of the Partnership has the leadership and capacity to do its job.

Thematic Groups – these groups coordinate the activities of relevant members of the Partnership to ensure that the action plan agreed by the Full partnership is delivered. The Groups mirror the themes of the community plan.

Local Area Community Planning Groups – these local partnerships are made up of local representatives of Community Planning Partners and local communities. There are four LACPGs representing the four administrative areas of Argyll and Bute.

Delivery through Partnership

The Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership is responsible for delivering the [Community Plan](#) and [Single Outcome Agreement \(SOA\)](#). These plans and their supporting plans are monitored through the Thematic Groups and by the Management Committee, making sure that the CPP delivers outcomes. Partner organisations are responsible for actions to support achievement of CPP goals. They have aligned their Business Plans to achieve the jointly agreed goals.

In Argyll and Bute the **Community Planning Partnership** has developed strategic and local structures that enable it to monitor the delivery and effectiveness of the Community Plan and SOA and to enable communities to influence the decisions that are made by the partnership.

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Thematic Groups

Community Planning Partnership Thematic Groups monitor the delivery of the Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement under three themes; Social Affairs, Economy and Environment. Each of these Thematic Groups has an associated scorecard enabling partners to see progress made against agreed actions, address problems and mitigate risk.



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Community Planning description



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Local Area Community Planning Groups

Within the Argyll and Bute CPP area there are 4 **Local Area Community Planning Groups (LACPGs)**. LACPGs are made up of local representatives of Community Planning Partners and local communities. These groups are responsible for developing and maintaining Local Community Plans within Community Plan outcomes and supporting effective collaboration between community based organisations. LACPGs are also responsible for giving effect to the Community Engagement Strategy at a local level.



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Find out what has been happening in Oban, Lorn and the Isles.



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Find out what has been happening in the Helensburgh and Lomond area.



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Our Area

Argyll and Bute is an area of outstanding beauty and enormous variety. With the second largest geographical area of any Scottish local authority, the 7,000 square kilometres of Argyll and Bute extends from Helensburgh west to the Atlantic islands of Tiree and Coll, and from the Mull of Kintyre north to the edge of Glencoe. We are a land of contrast and diversity with six towns, many remote rural communities and 25 inhabited islands.

Geography, a changing population of 92,000 people, the local economy and diverse communities, bring challenges as well as strengths. The natural environment is among the most unspoiled in the UK with a rich biodiversity. The west coast location and proximity to Scotland's main urban centres highlight the area's strategic importance for renewable energy on land and at sea.



The Council is working with partners to realise the area's potential - investing in new technology to overcome problems of distance and isolation and raising our profile in Scotland, Britain and Europe. We work to provide opportunities for our diverse communities to prosper and we protect our unique natural and cultural heritage through sensitive and sustainable development.

The challenges and risks we face

There are a range of factors that create significant challenges for Argyll and Bute. The local acceptance of these characteristics as being a 'normal' part of life tends to underplay or hide the difficulties of living and working in the area. These include:

- the changing population
- the fact that people 'living on the fringe' can be excluded or experience deprivation that is not acknowledged in conventional measures
- the unique geography of the area
- vulnerabilities in the local economy

Changing population

Remote rural and island areas often act as an early warning for population changes that can affect other areas. Higher priced housing, lack of available property and an aging population act to drive young people

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Title	Ward	Role
Bruce Marshall JP	Cowal	Spokesperson for Environment
Alex McNaughton	Cowal	Depute Spokesperson for Third Sector and Communities
Ron Simon	Cowal	
Alistair McAlister	Dunoon	
James McQueen	Dunoon	
Dick Walsh	Dunoon	Leader of the Council and spokesperson for Leadership and Economy
Andrew Nisbet	Helensburgh and Lomond South	Spokesperson for Social Affairs
David Kinniburgh	Helensburgh and Lomond South	
Ellen Morton	Helensburgh and Lomond South	Depute Leader and spokesperson for Education and Lifelong Learning
Gary Mulvaney	Helensburgh Central	
Vivien Dance JP	Helensburgh Central	Deputy Spokesperson for Education and Lifelong Learning
Al Reay	Helensburgh Central	Depute Spokesperson for Transport and Infrastructure
James Robb	Helensburgh Central	
Len Scoullar	Isle of Bute	Depute Provost and Spokesperson for European Issues
Robert MacIntyre	Isle of Bute	
Isobel Strong	Isle of Bute	
Robin Currie	Kintyre and the Islands	Spokesperson for Rural and Island Affairs, Housing and Gaelic
John Mcalpine	Kintyre and the Islands	
Anne Horn	Kintyre and the Islands	

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Spokesperson:

Spokesperson for Environment

Chairmanships Held:

Chair of Bute and Cowal Area Committee

Chairman of Bute & Cowal Area Community Planning Group

Membership of Committees:

Bute and Cowal Area Committee

Protective Services and Licensing

Chairman of Argyll & Bute Local Biodiversity Partnership

Membership of Other Bodies:

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Dunoon BID	01/12/2010	01/06/2011	Other
Finalised Draft Core Path Plan	07/01/2011	04/04/2011	Argyll and Bute wide
BID4Oban Consultation	01/10/2010	31/03/2011	Other

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Dunoon BID

To develop a Business Improvement District initiative for Dunoon and Area.

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Dunoon and Cowal Business Association

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Email:

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Consultation dates:

01/12/2010 - 01/06/2011

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01/06/2012

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The Library is situated in West King Street, Helensburgh, two streets up from the waterfront. The library is home to the Anderson Trust Collection and these paintings display in the library during the months of January – June.

Opening Hours

Monday :		13:00 - 20:00
Tuesday :	9:30 - 13:00	14:00 - 17:00
Wednesday :	9:30 - 13:00	14:00 - 17:00
Thursday :		13:00 - 20:00
Friday :		13:00 - 17:00
Saturday :	9:30 - 13:00	14:00 - 17:00
Sunday :	Closed	

Facilities

There is a lift to the upper floor where there are:

- 8 Internet enabled computers
- An art gallery and exhibition floor space.

4 Internet enabled computers are located downstairs.

The library has an induction loop system.

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Mon 10:00 – 12:00

ECDL:

Mon/ Thurs evenings. Contact Library for details.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION:

Classes are run Mon-Sat in a training suite within the Library. Contact Community Education (01436 658740) or Helensburgh Library for details.

Contact us:

Email: helensburghlibrary@argyll-bute.gov.uk ✉

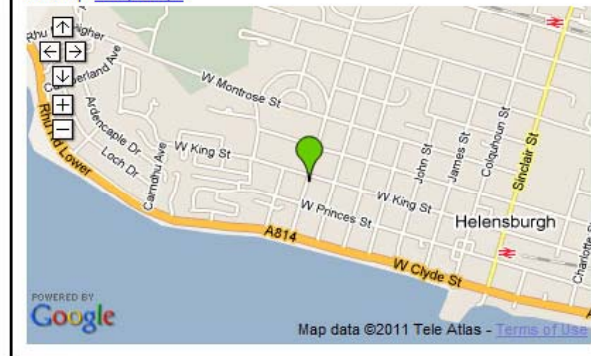
Tel: 01436 658833

Fax: 01436 679567

How to Find Us:

Helensburgh Library
West King Street
Helensburgh G84 8EB
United Kingdom

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