

MAKI Local Area Community Planning Group

1. SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to advise members of the outcome of a meeting of the Islay Community Council (ICC) on May 8 regarding the Argyll & Bute Community Planning Partnership (CPP). The MAKI Community Development Officer (CDO) had been invited by the Chair of the ICC to attend the meeting to give a presentation on the purpose and structures of the CPP, in particular the MAKI LACPG, as well as the Mid Argyll Partnership (MAP) and Kintyre Initiative Working Group (KIWG).

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That members note the contents of this report.

3. DETAIL

3.1 Some preliminary consideration was given at the ICC meeting on May 8 regarding the possibility of initiating a MAP/KIWG-style Islands Forum.

3.2 The MAKI CDO has been asked to provide further information on the detail of the CPP and to meet with the chair and other ICC councillors to discuss opportunities for a greater role and profile for Islay (and Jura and Colonsay) and island issues within the CPP.

3.3 The CDO will contact Jura and Colonsay Community Council Chairs to offer to attend one of their meetings to repeat the CPP presentation given to the ICC.

3.4 The Chair of the ICC has asked the CDO to attend a future meeting of the ICC to update the community council following discussions with the Jura and Colonsay CCs.

3.5 The CDO will approach the Chairs of the MAP and KIWG meetings to ask if they would be willing extend invitations to the ICC (and Jura and Colonsay CCs) to send an observer to attend a future MAP or KIWG meeting. Attendance at a MAP/KIWG meeting could help the ICC to better understand the nature and functions

of those meetings and encourage them to adapt the MAP/KIWG meeting formats to establish a suitable Islands forum.

3.5 MAP and KIWG are both supported by the Council. The offer of a comparable level of governance and administrative support by the Council may assist any potential islands forum, particularly during the setting up and bedding in of the forum.

4. IMPLICATIONS

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| 5.1 | Policy | None |
| 5.2 | Financial | None |
| 5.3 | Personnel | Currently KIWG and MAP are both supported by the Council, which provides administrative and governance services. |
| 5.4 | Equalities Impact Assessment | None |
| 5.5 | Legal | None |

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