ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

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ADULT SUPPORT AND PROTECTION

20 DECEMBER 2012

BIENNIAL REPORT 2012

1.0 SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Act 2007 set up multi-agency Adult Protection Committees (APCs) in each council area. Each APC has an independent chair whose responsibilities include the submission of a biennial report to the Scottish Government.
- 1.2 The chair of the Argyll and Bute APC prepared the second Biennial Report in conjunction with staff from Social Work, and it was formally agreed by the APC on 1st November 2012 before submission to the Scottish Government.
- 1.3 As directed by the Act, the Biennial Report provides general information on the exercise of the APC's functions over the last two years. It follows a format agreed by a working group of independent chairs and is populated with local data covering all aspects of adult protection work in this area.
- 1.4 The report also includes an introduction by the independent chair, Bill Brackenridge, and details of an improvement plan to take this work forward.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Council is asked to note this report.

3.0 CONCLUSION

3.1 The Biennial Report is a summary of work undertaken by a number of key agencies within Argyll and Bute. The APC believes the report demonstrates that a good start has been made in implementing the Act and that robust plans are in place to continue to work together to identify, support and protect adults at risk of harm in Argyll and Bute.

4.0 APPENDICES

Argyll and Bute Adult Protection Committee Biennial Report 2012

Bill Brackenridge Independent Chair Argyll and Bute Adult Protection Committee 20 November 2012

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