

**EXTRACT OF BUTE AND COWAL AREA COMMITTEE
HELD ON 7 OCTOBER 2014**

4. PUBLIC AND COUNCILLOR QUESTION TIME

The Area Governance Manager submitted a question from a member of the public which related to the councils flag flying policy and clarification surrounding it.

This was responded to by the Executive Director of Customer Services, who addressed the committee with the following points:

- Argyll and Bute Council follow the Flag Flying Policy document that was put in place in 2004, and which has not been changed since that date.
- The Executive Director of Customer Services in consultation with the Provost made the decision to fly the Commonwealth Flag on designated flag poles during the Commonwealth Games, and then revert to the adopted flag flying policy.
- Until such time as the policy may be changed, flags will be flown in accordance with the policy, ie the current default position is that no flags will be flown on designated flag poles except those flags prescribed to be flown on designated days.

Decision

The Area Committee unanimously agreed to recommend to Council that a full and urgent review of the adopted Flag Flying Policy is carried out, and the review should include the provision for Area Committees to identify designated dates for specific flags to be flown within their areas.