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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the **CLIMATE CHANGE ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION GROUP** will be held **BY SKYPE** on **MONDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2020** at **11:00 AM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry
Executive Director

BUSINESS

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The next meeting of the Climate Change Environmental Action Group is scheduled to

take place on Monday, 9 November 2020 at 2:00pm, venue to be confirmed.

Climate Change Environmental Action Group

Councillor Rory Colville (Vice-Chair)	Councillor Jim Findlay
Councillor Bobby Good	Councillor Kieron Green
Councillor Jim Lynch	Councillor Aileen Morton (Chair)

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**MINUTES of MEETING of CLIMATE CHANGE ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION GROUP held in the
COMMITTEE ROOM 1, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD
on TUESDAY, 10 MARCH 2020**

Present:

Councillor Aileen Morton (Chair)

Councillor Jim Findlay
Councillor Kieron Green

Councillor Jim Lynch

Attending:

Ross McLaughlin, Head of Commercial Service
Shona Barton, Committee Manager
Ruth Crosbie, Senior Communications Officer

1. APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and general introductions were made.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Rory Colville.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 16 JANUARY 2020

The minute of the previous meeting of the Climate Change Environmental Action Group was approved as a true record.

4. COUNCIL CARBON FOOTPRINT & OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Consideration was given to a report providing further information on the Council's carbon footprint in the context of other local authorities and outlining the specific actions being taken by departments within the Council to address sources of emissions.

Discussion was had in relation to the statistics compiled by the Scottish Sustainable Network (SSN) and its relevance in relation to other local authorities, specifically those with a similar footprint to Argyll and Bute; the need for clarity moving forward on the collation of information given the decision of the Scottish Government to cease funding SSN and the biggest contributing factors to our carbon footprint. Members noted that the treatment of Municipal Waste was the largest contributing factor to the carbon footprint of Argyll and Bute.

Decision:

The Climate Change Environmental Action Group agreed to:

1. note the 2019 Council carbon footprint in the context of other local authorities; and
2. note the operational activities identified by the Council's Climate Change Board to directly improve environmental performance and carbon footprint.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Commercial Services, dated 10 March 2020, submitted.)

5. CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES, GLASGOW - COP26

The group gave consideration to a report presenting a number of opportunities for ways in which the Council could engage with the UN Climate Change Conference COP26 in November 2020.

Discussion took place on a number of proposed engagement activities, particularly the possibility of showcasing and promoting projects and sites such as the Passivhaus Pavilion in Hermitage Park Helensburgh, Cruachan Power Station and the Blue Energy Project. Further discussion was had in relation to the need to ensure that while highlighting good work, the challenges of a diverse, rural area were also included.

Decision:

The Climate Change Environmental Action Group agreed:

1. to note the proposed actions to engage with the UN Climate Change Conference COP26, as outlined in Appendix 1 of the report; and
2. that reports will be brought back to future meetings of the group as proposals are developed.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Commercial Services, dated 10 March 2020, submitted.)

6. COMMUNICATION TO SUPPORT CLIMATE CHANGE

Consideration was given to a draft communication plan, intended to evidence the work the Council is doing to address climate change, and to support others in playing their part.

Discussion was had on the possibility of exploring opportunities to run road shows and the ongoing positive engagement with partners. It was noted that the plan would be developed further as opportunities arise.

Decision:

The Climate Change Environmental Action Group agreed the draft communication plan, as set out at Appendix 1 of the report.

(Ref: Report by Communications Manager, dated 10 March 2020, submitted.)

7. CLIMATE CHANGE INDICATORS AND WORKSHOP

The group gave consideration to a report providing the context for discussions at the workshop session following the meeting and the proposed draft indicators, as discussed at their previous meeting.

Decision:

The Climate Change Environmental Action Group agreed to note the proposed draft indicators and workshop agenda.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Commercial Services, dated 10 March 2020, submitted.)

8. CLIMATE CHANGE ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION GROUP - ACTIVITY PLAN

The group gave consideration to a report presenting the activity plan of the Climate Change Environmental Action Group.

Decision:

The Climate Change Environmental Action Group agreed to note the activity plan.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Commercial Services, dated 10 March 2020, submitted.)

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**Climate Change Environmental Action
Group****COMMERCIAL SERVICES****7th September 2020**

CLIMATE CHANGE & COVID19

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The impacts of the Covid19 pandemic have been extensive and global, touching on almost all aspects of human activity. The long term effects on social, economic and environmental systems will be wide ranging and have both direct and in-direct impacts on Climate Change. It was well publicised that certain cities across the world recorded some of the cleanest months in terms of air pollution due to reduced travel however in contrast certain areas recycling processes were suspended.
- 1.2 At a local level, our Council has responded to the pandemic with various changes to practice and emergency actions. There has been substantial disruption or amendments to services and operational activities reflective of the various stages of the outbreak. Any change has potential to impact on our ability to meet Climate Change target obligations and officers have been considering how the past 6 months have impacted on the Council's carbon emissions. Our Climate Change Board was suspended from April to June whilst Officers were deployed on other activities relating to Covid19. This report aims to highlight some of the short term impacts Covid19 has had on our Council in terms of Climate Change.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Group agrees to:-
1. Note and reflect on the identified short term impacts that responding to Covid19 has had on Council carbon emissions and associated activity;

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 The Climate Change Environmental Action Group (CCEAG) has considered various reports in the past highlighting that the Council's overall carbon footprint is made up from a number of different component factors such as waste, transport, fossil fuel consumption and business miles. During the Covid19 outbreak many services were ceased, suspended or revised to address the health emergency. This has had a

number of direct and indirect effects on the Council's overall carbon emissions. Officers from the Climate Change Board have been asked to reflect and comment upon the impacts. Where possible evidence has been provided and forecast for the longer term impacts on Climate Change.

Waste Services

- 3.2 As reported in previous papers to the CCEAG the carbon emissions stemming from activities dealing with municipal waste account for over half of the Council's overall carbon footprint.
- 3.3 During the height of the Covid-19 emergency (i.e. from 24th March until 31st May), all 11 Household Waste Recycling Centres (also known as Civic Amenity Sites) were closed in Argyll and Bute as were all such sites throughout Scotland. This was mainly because public travel to such facilities was not deemed 'essential' plus social distancing and traffic management would have to be carefully planned at each facility prior to any re-opening. The sites re-opened on 1st June however only general waste and garden wastes were initially accepted to try and ease the backlog, then all the usual recycling items and materials were accepted from mid-June onwards.
- 3.4 Council kerbside recycling collections were also suspended on 24th March and remained so until late June when most of recycling collections recommenced. During this period as recycling collections were suspended, the general waste collection frequency was increased from 3 weekly to fortnightly. From late April, monthly kerbside collections were carried out in Kintyre by Kintyre Recycling which then moved to fortnightly when the Council returned to the normal 3 weekly general waste frequency near the end of June. Food waste collection in Helensburgh and the household glass collections on Mull and Tiree have now all re-started during August.
- 3.5 As a result of the temporary service changes the overall recycling, composting and recovery rate for the April – June 2020 quarter was 31.8% compared to 45.5% during the same quarter in the previous year. While there was a significant fall in recycling tonnages collected i.e. a reduction of circa 1,300 tonnes, there was also a slight fall in biodegradable tonnes to landfill of circa 400 tonnes compared to the same quarter in the previous year.
- 3.6 Residents with recycling were asked, if possible to store recycling at home or use public recycling banks where available although they were allowed to present recycling with mixed waste if neither of these options were possible. The reduction in recycling during the quarter was to be expected with the suspension of most recycling services although the marginal reduction in landfill tonnages was slightly unexpected.

- 3.7 The main reasons suggested for the slight landfill reduction are as follows:
- Many residents stored recycling at home until such time as Council kerbside recycling collections commenced and civic amenity sites re-opened.
 - There was a significant fall in commercial waste collected due to the fact that most businesses were closed during the April – June quarter.
 - With few visitors to the area during the quarter, this also had an impact on waste tonnages especially in the normally busy tourist areas of Argyll and Bute.
- 3.8 In summary, while the temporary changes undoubtedly had a negative impact on recycling with much reduced recycling tonnages, landfill tonnages dropped slightly, mainly due to a large reduction in commercial waste collected during the quarter which appears to have offset additional landfill from residents 'bin' waste and fewer tourist deposits.
- 3.9 With the majority of waste services having returned to 'normal' from July and more businesses have re-opened, the July – September quarterly figures will add further information to the overall impact on waste and recycling tonnages during the Pandemic

Buildings

- 3.10 During the Covid19 pandemic Property Services have played a key role in assisting services safely lockdown, manage/monitor and return from lockdown 'mothballed' buildings. This includes schools, offices, swimming pools, gyms and other facilities both on a temporary and prolonged exceptional basis. Closure of particular buildings for periods of time has contributed to a reduction in fossil fuel consumption. It is difficult to forecast the extent of the reduction given a continually evolving situation, but an estimated cost saving of 8% against annual budgets for electricity, gas, heating oil and water/waste water is currently being reported to COSLA.
- 3.11 The combination of lockdown restrictions and alternate priorities to address COVID risks has impacted on planned work-streams – in particular, the construction industry has largely shut down, excepting for essential works, and site visits to develop project solutions have been curtailed.
- 3.12 Impact on carbon footprint in the short term has been beneficial given reduced utility usage in 'mothballed buildings' during lockdown. Utility usage will however revert to normal as each additional building emerges from lockdown. A positive outcome associated with lockdown has been

the opportunity presented by continued home working solutions, which improves scope to rationalise buildings and benefit from reduced utility usage.

- 3.13 Whilst the COVID pandemic has resulted in delay to certain work-streams, it has not impacted the ability to deliver projects etc over a slightly longer time-frame, with potential for some capital slippage:
- 80no water efficiency surveys have been delayed since March 2020 but are expected to proceed during September 2020, with remediation works arising delivered within the current financial year.
 - the strategic renewables opportunity assessment of the whole Council estate, Renewable Sourcing Strategy (RSS2), was expected to start in August 2020, but is now not expected to commence till procurement solutions are concluded in October 2020.
 - A potential cluster of solar pv projects have remained at the feasibility stage since April 2020 although site visits are now being scoped for September 2020;
 - The Non-Domestic Energy Efficiency Framework (NDEEF) project for ten buildings is currently at tender stage. Expectation had been to issue the tender at the start of the financial year but framework providers are now only returning from furlough.
 - The Aqualibrium heat from sewer project has re-commenced on site following lockdown and is currently expected to be operational in 2-3 months.

Transport & Fleet

- 3.14 Business mileage by Council staff has significantly reduced by around 90% due to suspension of non-essential travel and homeworking or digital meeting culture. This situation has eased in recent weeks with site visits now sanctioned again and a limited amount of staff returning to office working. The vast majority of staff still work at home and most are still keen to continue with this arrangement at least in part. However, new sources of mileage from activities like Community Food project delivering food parcels and also additional vehicles to ensure social distancing is complied with for refuse collections. Carbon emissions from Council business miles makes up around 3% of total Carbon footprint.
- 3.15 Economic Growth team applied for Spaces for People funding to help provide alternatives to the car and enable more space for pedestrians and cyclists. They received £315k and have consulted with the public and now intend to implement a series of schemes for some of the main towns. Team also secured funding as part of the £315k for 15 cycle repair stations.

- 3.16 Fleet replacement policy has faltered slightly as majority of manufacturers were closed down. Council managed to speed up the delivery of 20 Hybrid vehicles through the Government funding scheme and these vehicles were deployed into the Community Food Delivery service. Home working has been a success with the office staff and proven that Fleet can still work efficiently out with an office environment. Vehicle manufacturers are keener to do business now as less people are buying vehicles.

Flood Schemes

- 3.17 Delays to one flood scheme due to COVID 19: For the Campbeltown Flood Protection Scheme, the ground investigation contract was stalled for four months however this has now resumed and been completed. The knock on effect is to the detailed design phase of the project which has delayed the site works – now expected to start late 2021.
- 3.18 The COVID 19 delays have also affected SEPA and their consultants in prioritisation of all the flood studies that local authorities submitted prior to the end of 2019. We should have had feedback by now advising if any additional work was required and also which flood schemes would feature in cycle 2 of the national flood strategy. So far we have received nothing.

Economic Growth, Projects & Renewables

- 3.19 In terms of renewables All Energy conference was cancelled - this is a great annual opportunity for the council and HIE to promote Argyll and Bute as a location for renewables
- 3.20 Renewable projects in construction phase were impacted, Beinn an Tuirc 3 has recommenced on site although there was a lot of nervousness amongst the community to an outside contractor coming into the area. Scotwind Launch happened during Covid lockdown and there has still been a lot of interest in regard to the W1 site off the west coast of Islay from potential developers and meetings have been held on line as opposed to in person.
- 3.21 Annual meeting of ABRA planned for sept but likely to be virtual meeting if it takes place.
- 3.22 Islay local energy project (one of Rural Growth Deal projects) moving forward to options appraisal and Wood group just appointed. Key issue is stakeholder engagement and particularly holding of community events but this can be held virtually and this is probably best given sensitivities on the islands just now.
- 3.23 Shop local campaign – secured funding for this from Scotland's Town

partnership – may not be directly relevant but will look to develop bespoke shop local marketing for a number of our towns. Currently in the process of procuring consultants.

- 3.24 Team as a whole been working from home so reduced individual carbon footprint and online training and meetings have allowed them to take part without having to travel.
- 3.25 Main impact for team has been on project delivery and effect on costs and timelines.

Housing

- 3.26 Council suspended all site based works across housing during lockdown albeit these works have now all re-started following national restrictions being lifted. A key area of work that had to be suspended was Home Energy Efficiency Programme (HEEPS) which enables insulation improvements to existing buildings. Again this work has restarted with the Government providing additional funding to expand this work working with ACHA. Essentially the programme has expanded from circa £3m to a £6m programme targeted at affordable homes and mainstream houses and managed by the Council.
- 3.27 Around £900k worth of HEEPS was put on hold and Approx. 80 working days were lost, between March and July. Programme has now resumed, with four teams back at work at a faster rate than previously. There is an aim to recover lost work by November but it is too early to tell as progress is heavily weather dependent.
- 3.28 ACHA had committed to spending £1million in the HEEPS scheme (separate to the above but still administered by the Council). By the end of June, this was for works to 135 private owners in mixed tenure blocks. This programme is in the very early phase of restarting.

Procurement

- 3.29 From a procurement perspective, as with other Services home working has increased and travel decreased during this time.
- 3.30 In addition, tendering is ongoing just now in line with the Covid guidance from the Scottish Government, which involves more Quick Quotes rather than open tenders. On that basis, as well as other tendering activity and the scope of what we are procuring, we have a high percentage of local spend over the past few months (38.4% over April-July) – this all impacts on the environment.

Education

- 3.31 A big proportion of school buildings have been closed. Hubs have run from a number of schools delivering childcare/ food distribution and the continuity of the free school meal entitlement. Hugely reduced travel (car, bus, train, ferry and plane) for pupils, staff and related services. Online digital home learning – not all - some paper based due to connectivity challenges and lack of access to IT hardware. However there will have been a significant reduction in paper and photocopying.
- 3.32 CPD for teachers and staff has had no travel. Peripatetic teaching either went online or halted – PE/ ASN Support/ Active Schools Work/ Instrumental teaching/ Arts projects amongst others.
- 3.33 Travel emissions around school locations have been limited, the good weather is helping this now too. Many families have made lifestyle changes and are walking and cycling to school, although it's unknown if this lifestyle change will be sustained.
- 3.34 Increased waste is accruing through the disposal of PPE equipment such as paper towels blue rolls, wipes and masks.
- 3.35 Many schools focused aspects of teaching and learning work on the environment and the impact of climate change during lockdown. Pupils thought about sourcing local foods, growing their own produce and repurposing household items.
- 3.36 Pupils felt that people were paying more attention to the environment and that food waste was reduced as they had time in the family to cook and think about what they were buying. They did not waste as much.

Marine Operations

- 3.37 Council Ferry Services – From April to July we operated a much-reduced ferry service. Sailings were down to 49% of normal for the 1st quarter. So, approximately 50% less fuel used. However, due to 2 m physical distancing rules, services are operating at a greater frequency than normal to ensure we can meet increased demand – figures still being collated. But, currently, fuel usage will now be greater than 100% of normal for this time of year.

Argyll & the Isles Countryside Trust (ACT)

- 3.38 ACT reduced commuting and business mileage – reduced from average 2006 miles per month (from mid-December to mid –March) for business and commuting travel, to zero miles for the 3-month period mid-March to mid-June. Based on the conversion factor of 0.26775 for CO₂e impact of medium diesel vehicles (source: UK government 2020 GHG conversion factors) they have reduced their CO₂e impact - albeit temporarily - by 1.61 tCO₂e over that period.

- 3.39 Project 'ACT Now' launched mid lockdown building on positive community networks 'one less journey' looks to embed the practice of a car journey meeting the needs of more than one household in collecting prescriptions, food, and essential goods. This scheme has been adapted from the Act Now Car Share project to promote, coordinate, and evidence change in car use behaviors.
- 3.40 However, ACT Now- physical delivery of sustainability workshops delayed. These workshops include textile repair, seasonal food preservation, upcycling, and composting, for example. Car Share scheme also delayed until circumstances around social distancing permit

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Policy:	None
4.2 Financial:	None at present
4.3 Legal:	None at present
4.4 HR:	None at present
4.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:	None at present
4.6 Equalities – protected Characteristics:	None at present
4.7 Socio-economic Duty:	None at present.
4.8 Islands	None at present
4.9 Risk:	None at present
4.10 Customer Service:	None at present.

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**Climate Change Environmental Action
Group****COMMERCIAL SERVICES****7th September 2020**

Climate Change Environmental Action Group – Activity Plan Update

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 At the first meeting of the Climate Change & Environmental Action Group (CCEAG) an Activity Plan was agreed and at subsequent meetings it had been updated following discussion with the group. The plan was also approved at the December 2019 Policy & Resources Committee.
- 1.2 As outlined in previous agenda item – a paper titled '*Impact of Covid19 on climate change*' – the Council has had to respond to the global emergency and resource has been redirected from delivering items on the original Activity Plan. Indeed, for several months the Climate Change Board and CCEAG had been suspended and resources focused on addressing critical pandemic matters. This is the first calling of the CCEAG since the Covid19 response and lockdown and it is therefore important to review and reset the workplan based on current situation and resources available. This report aims to record what has been achieved thus far in the Activity Plan, to stimulate discussion about achievable priorities and also map out future workstreams that can be delivered within timescale.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Group agrees to:-
 1. Discuss and agree the revised Activity Plan for Climate Change Environmental Action Group (CCEAG) contained within **Appendix 1**;

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 An Activity Plan for CCEAG has been in place since late 2019 and reviewed at each meeting. A number of workstreams have been completed – mainly those scheduled up until March 2020 – however the Covid19 pandemic has had significant effect on delivery and timescales of this plan. Notably, the timescales since March to achieve milestones has been compromised due to resources being redirected. Resource pressure is still ongoing in certain departments as key officers are still working to amended duties or procedures which mean activities require

to be reviewed or original target date for completion has already passed.

- 3.2 As discussed at previous CCEAG there is also a recognised importance of involving other stakeholders – such as businesses, community groups, third sector, professional bodies and other public sector organisations in our Climate journey. The Council cannot address climate change in isolation. There were planned workshops and engagement with such groups however given social distancing and restrictions on movements its relevant to consider online or technology to communicate rather than face to face. This may also bring new or improved opportunities for interaction with groups.
- 3.3 Notwithstanding this, the Covid19 situation has also meant that the Council needs to re-set its own priorities and commitments to climate change and it is considered timely by officers that a new de-carbonisation plan should form the basis of this (Agenda item 4 specifically refers to this). Such a plan would allow solid foundations and consistent vision for our own business activities and underpin the Council's Recovery Planning.
- 3.4 Members are asked to review and agree the updated Activity Plan outlined at **Appendix 1**.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Policy:	Commitment to activities as outlined in plan.
5.2 Financial:	None at present beyond officer resource.
5.3 Legal:	None at present
5.4 HR:	None at present
5.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:	None at present
5.6 Equalities – protected Characteristics:	None at present
5.7 Socio-economic Duty:	None at present.
5.8 Islands	None at present
5.6 Risk:	None at present
5.7 Customer Service:	None at present.

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PROPOSED SLWG ACTIVITY PLAN - 7th September 2020

ACTION	RESOURCE	ORIGINAL TIMEFRAME	REVIEW COMMENT
Council Policy			
1. Collate existing Council policy and corporate policy approach to address climate change matters for Members to note and consider;	All members of Climate Change Board including Economic Development, Procurement, Planning Department, Roads & Infrastructure, Property Services	January 2020	Complete to original timeframe
2. Consider the implications/opportunities of Government policy and legislation in relation to addressing Climate Change; a. Respond to SG Consultation	Climate Change Board	Ongoing Feedback from SG Consultation = January 2020	Complete to original timeframe. Scottish Government has now pushed their update on monitoring & evaluation timeframe back to May 2021 due to Covid19. Some guidance has been produced such as consultation responses & Just Transition Commission: Advice on Green Recovery
3. Note and consider the Council's annual climate change submission to Scottish Government and other performance indicators in compliance with the Climate Change Act;	Climate Change Board Specific briefing notes on:- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Waste / BMW Carbon Impacts;• Renewable Energy Strategy & Windfarms	January 2020	Completed to original timeframe
4. Hold informal workshop with wider range of officers to facilitate	Officers from Climate Change Board	March 2020	Completed to original timeframe

ACTION	RESOURCE	ORIGINAL TIMEFRAME	REVIEW COMMENT
discussion around policy & indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning • Flood Risk • Transport • Waste • Building Operations • Procurement • Education 		
Council Business			
5. Review the Action Plan and activities of the Climate Change Board;	Climate Change Board	March 2020	Completed to original timeframe
6. Consider the establishment of a climate change fund for innovation or development.	Climate Change Board	June 2020	June meeting did not take place to discuss. Covid has created budget pressures across a number of services and will need to be considered November onwards as part of wider Budget.
7. Endorse a new renewable energy sourcing strategy for Council assets (RSS2).	Property Services	August 2020	October 2020
Climate Change Champion			
8. Promote and champion the mitigation and adaption to the negative impacts of climate change, green investment in our region, sustainable development and resource efficiency for the Council & the communities we serve.	SLWG	Ongoing	<p>Merge items 8 & 9.</p> <p>Community Planning Partnership held 2 meeting specific to Climate Change</p>

ACTION	RESOURCE	ORIGINAL TIMEFRAME	REVIEW COMMENT
9. Encourage effective partnership working across all community planning partners in relation to the impacts of climate change;	SLWG and Community Planning	Item on agenda for discussion at December 2020 CPP management committee meeting then ongoing	<p>and further workshop scheduled. New mapping exercise of climate change activities and groups to be mapped by 31st December 2020 – undertaken by Community Development Team + ACT.</p> <p>In 2021 seek further engagement (virtually and face to face depending on social distancing)</p>
10. Promote Argyll and Bute as a low carbon area and to develop and seek additional investment for green infrastructure including renewables, environmental and biodiversity business to develop;	Climate Change Board / Economic Development	May 2020	Not completed via Group but this forms key theme of Council's Covid19 Recovery Plan.

ACTION	RESOURCE	ORIGINAL TIMEFRAME	REVIEW COMMENT
11. Identify, acknowledge and champion positive climate change projects carried out by (A) the Council (B) our CPP partners, (C) our communities (D) our businesses and others	Climate Change Board	June 2020	Delay until 2021 and completion of De-carbonisation plan (item 15) and Mapping Exercise (item 8 &9)
12. Development of a communications and engagement strategy around the impacts of climate change and how we intend to mitigate and adapt	Communications Team	March - August 2020	Ongoing and under separate paper.
13. Recommended actions from the group are to be reported back to Full Council by August 2020	SLWG	August 2020	Report to full Council on 26 th November
14. Members Seminar on Climate Change - 15 th June	SLWG	June 2020	Hold Members Seminar focused on De-carbonisation Plan + Actions from CCEAG on 16 th November
15. Development of 'Our Council's Commitments – De-carbonisation Plan'	Climate Change Board	New Action	Complete draft for 9 th November CCEAG, Members Seminar on 16 th November & Full Council 26 th November.

ACTION	RESOURCE	ORIGINAL TIMEFRAME	REVIEW COMMENT
16. Governance – Once updated Activity Plan has been agreed report back to Policy & Resources Committee, Business Continuity Committee or Full Council in October	Committee Services	New Action	To approve amended timescales

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**Climate Change Environmental Action
Group****COMMERCIAL SERVICES****7 September 2020**

Council Climate Change Indicator Update

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 At the 16th January 2020 meeting of the Climate Change Environmental Action Group (CCEAG) Members considered a number of proposed climate change indicators to assist the Council monitor its performance in relation to emissions, carbon footprint and climate change related activity. The Members agreed to the draft list of indicators but also sought further discussion on them and a greater understanding of operational activities, plans, programmes and actions that officers of the Council are currently working on.

- 1.2 From the discussion it was apparent that a corporate, strategic and overarching approach should be taken and Members specifically requested to host a:-

‘...informal workshop, involving a wider range of officers, to facilitate further discussion’.

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- 1.3 The Officer workshop was well attended with all Councillors invited – not only those who sit on the CCEAG. It took place on 10th March (week before Covid19 impact) so there was no immediate follow up and this has been first opportunity to report back to the group. Minutes were recorded and discussions took place around each indicator or climate theme. The attendance list and minutes from the workshop are attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 1.4 Based on the feedback and discussion at the workshop a new draft list of climate change indicators is outlined at **Appendix 2**.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**2.1 The Group:-**

1. Note the update and agree minute from officer / Councillor workshop – Appendix 1;
2. Agree the updated indicators at Appendix 2 for development and inclusion in Council corporate performance monitoring and inclusion within the proposed De-carbonisation plan.

3.0 IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Policy:	None at present.
3.2 Financial:	None at present
3.3 Legal:	None at present
3.4 HR:	None at present
3.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:	None at present
3.6 Equalities – protected Characteristics:	None at present
3.7 Socio-economic Duty:	None at present.
3.8 Islands	None at present
3.9 Risk:	None at present
3.10 Customer Service:	None at present.

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Appendix 1 – Climate Change Workshop – Officers & Councillors

Climate Change Workshop – 10th March 2020 at 11.30am within Committee Room 1,
Kilmory, Lochgilphead

Present:- Councillor Aileen Morton (Chair)
Councillor Kieron Green
Councillor Jim Findlay
Councillor Jim Lynch
Ross McLaughlin, Head of Commercial Services
Louise Connor, Head of Education: Teaching and Learning
Shona Barton, Committee Manager
Paul Gillies, Energy & Building Services Performance Manager
Audrey Martin, Projects & Regeneration Manager
Peter Leckie, Project Manager
Sandra Black, Performance Manager (Fleet)
Arthur McCulloch, Principal Engineer
Ruth Crosbie, Senior Communications Officer
Paul Convery, Planning Officer
Aileen Semple, Housing Officer
Samantha Somers, Community Planning Officer
Julie Young, ACT Development Manager

1.	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES The Chair welcomed everyone to the workshop session and general introductions were made.
2.	APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Rory Colville and Yvonne McNeilly.
3.	OVERVIEW OF CLIMATE CHANGE BOARD TO CLIMATE CHANGE ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION GROUP The Head of Commercial Services provided an overview of the role and objectives of both the Climate Change Board and the Climate Change Environmental Action Group. He set the context for discussion by outlining the actions required due to the implementation of the Climate Change (Emissions, Reductions, Targets) (Scotland) Act 2019 and explained that he hoped the workshop would assist in information gathering and stimulate further discussion on the plans and activities within each of the services. Ross introduced Julie Young of Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust (ACT). Julie gave a brief outline of the work of ACT and of a number of projects they are currently involved in. She advised that ACT would be happy to work in partnership with the Council, particularly both the Climate Change Board and the Action Group.
4.	CONSIDERATION OF INDICATORS LINE BY LINE 1. <u>Emissions of the Council (Overall Carbon Footprint)</u>

Ross advised that this indicator was defined by SSN and provides something that can analyse a baseline/trend going forward. He further advised that it has been used for the last 4 years, but is liable to change, depending on Scottish Government guidance. Discussion took place in respect of being aware of the absolute target and also the need to be aware/clear of the meaning for emission of the Council. It was agreed that it was necessary for the communities that we serve to understand what it means and that it was comparable with others. Further discussion on how best to publish information to get community buy in and taking advice from those who work in the sector to give a steer on how they would record information was had. Ross advised that indicators 1-6 were already taken out of resource efficiency, and that he was happy from a Climate Board perspective to go away and have a look and review what should be an overall snapshot with a view to how we deliver over future years.

2. Emissions of Refuse Municipal Waste

As a starting point it was agreed that this had to be top of the list. Peter Leckie advised that the Councils Waste Strategy had been accepted. He suggested that future carbon reporting should include a further breakdown of what municipal waste is and also all associations to it, for example haulage, through a waste hierarchy. He advised that ultimately the ambition would be to change people's behaviours, and suggested that emissions from municipal waste should be forefront of things on the web as there will always be a requirement to resource this service. Peter outlined the current reporting mechanism and suggested that going forward it would be useful to keep reporting in terms of the 3 distinct waste models, which would allow for comparison and could form the basis of discussions with the Scottish Government. Discussion was had on the educational aspects, with Louise highlighting the target of Rhu Primary School to become the first carbon neutral school and Aileen's advising of the Change Works Argyll project running at Arrochar Primary School. Samantha spoke of the works of the CPP and its short life working group on Climate Change, which was set up in December 2019. She spoke of initiatives and ways of sharing them through the partnership.

Further discussion was had in relation to pilot schemes being run and the possibility of running schemes in areas where there are a large number of houses with front and back doors, in an attempt to get buy in from those who don't have front and back doors. It was noted that ongoing discussions were taking place with Planning regarding new properties and available bin storage. Also discussed was the possibility of incorporating a food waste collection as another means of educating behavioural change.

3. Emissions from use of fossil fuel in Council buildings (Natural Gas, Oil, LPG)
4. Emissions from electricity use in Council buildings and street lights (Grid, Electricity & Street Lighting)

Both indicators 3 & 4 were discussed together with Paul providing a brief overview of the projects currently being taken forward by his team, including augmenting solutions to come up with something on low carbon

energy use; the audits commissioned in an effort to ensure water efficiencies; oil sites and renewable energy incentives. Ross advised that they are currently moving to core actions with specific actions starting to form the narrative of these indicators. He advised that behavioural changes are required and this would see relatively low actions forming part of the bigger picture for example staff switching off lights. He further advised that electricity coming from the grid is decarbonising by virtue of the number of windfarm installations.

Discussion took place in respect of the use of biomass and the need to be clear on where the point is that shows that we are substantially reducing our emissions.

5. All Council fleet and business miles consumption of fossil fuels (bin lorries, cars, all vehicles)

Sandra Black advised of a number of different types of electric and hybrid vehicles being introduced to the Council's fleet, totalling 40, as a result of a successful funding bid. She advised that they were to be introduced into the school runs etc to encourage the education of children. She spoke of an electric bin lorry that is currently being trialled in Glasgow and advised that Argyll and Bute are currently on the waiting list for one. She advised of the need to choose wisely which run it should be added to due to the range it will be able to travel – she advised more would be known on this once the trial in Glasgow was complete. Sandra spoke of a continuous in-house training programme for mechanics and advised that she was looking at working with partners, such as ACHA, to offer a wider service. Sandra spoke of a number of other incentives currently being looked into by the Fleet team and advised that the outcome of discussions would be advised in due course. Discussion took place on the emissions of older vehicles within the fleet and the need to move around the current fleet for efficiency reasons.

6. Generation of renewable energy
 (a) Electricity (Solar, Wind, Hydro)
 (b) Heat (Biomass, Air Source pumping)

Paul Gillies spoke of the renewable Sources review. He advised that the whole estate had been looked at and a list of potential lower risk projects such as biomass, wind, hydro and solar was compiled. To date over 30 projects have been delivered and were generating renewable energy for possible distribution into the grid where there is a business reason to do so. Peter suggested building in a storage element to reporting mechanisms going forward.

7. Sustainable procurement, policy and landuse

Discussion took place in respect of the need to monitor and record the climate change narrative, specific to the internal documentation. It was agreed that there was a need to look into what is considered the Councils remit and what isn't. Paul Convery spoke of the Councils staff base and addressed the need to change people's behaviour. He gave an example of the need to reduce travel as a way to reduce emissions and advised that certain documents such as the development plan can feed into this. Ross

	<p>advised that the Climate Change Board haven't as yet bottomed out what they need/want to gather from internal documentation, but said that it was about gathering all corporate policy and deciding how best to record against it. Further discussion on the possibility of including a Climate Change section within the implications section of reports that go to Council and Committee meetings was had. Ross advised that this indicator would continue to be developed.</p> <p>8. <u>Education & Publicity to affect behavioural Change – Key Messages</u></p> <p>Ross advised that this indicator would predominantly be led by the Communications team. Discussion was had in relation to the education of people specifically in relation to changing behaviours. Louise suggested that we could look at the percentage of eco-schools. She advised that there were more primary than high schools with this award and suggested that this be looked into. She also suggested that specific information in this regard could be incorporated into the annual Primary School reports that are presented to Area Committee. Audrey advised of the education available as part of the CARS projects and spoke of opportunities to link into this as did Julie Young from ACT who suggested that there may be an opportunity to link into their 2 year project.</p> <p>It was agreed that the title of this indicator should be changed to Community Education and publicity to affect behavioural change.</p> <p>9. <u>Budget aligned to adaptation for Climate Change</u></p> <p>Arthur spoke of the Flood (Scotland) Act 2009 and gave a brief overview of a number of studies being carried out in Argyll and Bute. Discussion took place in respect of the risk of flooding and the need to align budgets, using the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration fund as an example given the importance of the works about to commence on the front green in Lochgilphead and the flooding issues it has had during the recent spate of storms. Ross advised that the measure for this indicator was around the budget as it is quantifiable.</p> <p>10. <u>CO2 Per Capita – Regional Performance</u></p> <p>The group agreed that this measure was self-explanatory.</p> <p>11. <u>Climate Change Offsetting & Carbon Capture</u></p> <p>It was agreed that it would be interesting to hear what ACT were doing in this regard.</p> <p>Ross advised that he would take the comments made in regard to the indicators to the Climate Change Board for their consideration.</p>
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5.	CONSIDERATION OF NEW INDICATORS OR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR PARTICIPANTS Councillor Morton suggested that it would be good to find out to what extent the corporate indicators sit within the outcome improvement plan.
6.	CONSIDER COMMUNICATIONS PLAN Ross advised that the plan was heading in the right direction. He advised that this would be brought back to a future meeting of the Climate Change Environmental Action Group. Councillor Jim Findlay took the opportunity to commend the officers in attendance on their wealth of knowledge on the subject.

Appendix 2

Proposed Climate Change – Corporate Indicators

	Value	Benchmark	Target	Comments
1. Emissions of the Council (Overall Carbon Footprint)	34,738 tCO ₂ e	Other LA's	75% reduction 2030 / 100% by2045	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activity of Council including below indicators Need to publish / promote to understandable to staff + communities Key part of De-carbonisation plan is understanding contributors & targeting intervention
2. Emissions of Refuse Municipal Waste	17,645 tCO ₂ e	Other LA's	BMW ban	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Top priority given footprint Landfilled Municipal waste – includes business pick ups and household. Importance of publicising / promotion of reuse + recycling in our buildings, schools, communities
3. Emissions from use of fossil fuel in Council buildings (Natural Gas, Oil, LPG)	5,840 tCO ₂ e	Other LA's	tbc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical / Property works – boilers, efficient systems Actions of users of buildings – promoton & education
4. Emissions from electricity use in Council buildings and street lights (Grid Electricity + Streetlighting)	6,357 tCO ₂ e	Other LA's	tbc	As above
5. All Council fleet and business miles consumption of fossil fuels (bin lorries, cars, all vehicles)	4,246 tCO ₂ e	Other LA's	tbc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction in business miles post Covid19 & increased homeworking to be considered
6. Generation of renewable energy				
a. Electricity (Solar, Wind, Hydro)	1032843	Other LA's	tbc	
b. Heat (Biomass, Air source pump)	4691800	Other LA's	tbc	
7. Sustainable procurement, policy and landuse		tbc	tbc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Qualitative indicator - requires further development
8. Community Education and publicity to affect behavioral change	Plan to be put in place	tbc	Delivery of plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do we have communications strategy around key climate change messages – influence community behaviour
9. Budget aligned to Climate Change Activity	Financial figure	tbc	tbc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires further work with strategic finance Overall figure to include proactive activity (hybrd vehicles, flood mitigation, road re-alignment, waste investment, building improvements) & reactive (Road

				repairs, building repairs from storm damage, road realignment)
10. CO2 Per Capita – Regional Performance	0.3	5.3 national average	tbc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All activities within our region (not just Council)
11. Climate Change Offsetting & Carbon Capture				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Qualitative indicator - requires further development At this stage likely to be qualitative and largely developed by ACT as new and evolving sector – examples of carbon trading and tree planting on land and schools.

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**Climate Change Environmental Action
Group****COMMERCIAL SERVICES****7th September 2020**

Proposed Council De-carbonisation Plan 2021

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The impact and effects of the Covid19 pandemic have been far reaching and profound on many areas of social, economic and environmental activity in Argyll and Bute. A number of direct impacts on Climate Change Activity are outlined in previous agenda item – a paper titled '*Impact of Covid19 on climate change*'. Our Council has approved a Recovery Strategy and Framework based on a number of themes and notably in the context of climate change an Economic Recovery Plan that includes 'a low carbon economy' as a driver for growth, recovery and development.
- 1.2 The Council's Climate Change Board are assessed and monitored annually at a national level in relation to carbon emissions and environmental performance – these submissions have been provided to previous meetings of CCEAG. The Council has also produced Carbon Management Plans and more specific business cases relating to low carbon or environmentally conscious projects. However, given recent Covid19 events and re-focus of activities the Climate Change Board now feel that a new Council De-carbonisation Plan would be timely and a useful tool to assist with overall recovery. This new plan would aim to focus attention on reducing the Council's carbon footprint and be an easy to read document accessible to all. Given the disruption Covid19 has caused certain external engagements / interactions have also been postponed and therefore it's prudent to sure up our own priorities and positioning before going out to consult with others.
- 1.3 A new De-carbonisation Plan would have a short lead in period and aim to report to the 9th November CCEAG and then go on for approval at Council on the 26th November. The Plan would be largely based on existing work underway and our annual carbon reporting however it would be a concise and easy to read statement of intent and action plan that would be directly linked to our Economic Recovery Plan.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Group agrees to:-

1. Support the production of a new Council De-carbonisation plan for discussion in draft at 9th November CCEAG; and
2. Title the document 'Our Climate Change Commitments – Argyll and Bute Council's De-carbonisation Plan 2021.

3.0 DETAIL

Background & Scope

- 3.1 Covid19 has impacted upon the Council's Climate Change activities this year and it is considered a new de-carbonisation plan would now be timely to focus attention and align to the Council's recovery plan. It would also demonstrate commitment and ambition to the 'green economy' and environmental sustainability at a time of great change across many sectors. It would also form a basis for future dialogue and engagement with external partners, communities and businesses. The aim of the document would be to pull together all ongoing and future planned activities into an easy read and accessible format that could be branded accordingly. It would also develop upon our Carbon Management Plans, Climate Change Reporting Duties and business cases related to climate change. The document would aim to plan for 1 year initially. The production of such a plan would also align to ambition set out by Convention of Highlands and Islands (COHI) who our Council are a member.

External engagement & our Communities

- 3.2 We envisage the plan focusing solely on the internal activities of the Council at this stage as opportunities for external engagement have been limited this year and intention would be to use the document as a starting point to engage with our communities in 2021. Work had begun with our Community Planning Partnership in February 2020 to develop climate change activity and engagement workshops had been planned but this halted due to Covid19 and not yet rescheduled. Between now and Christmas 2020 our Community Planning Team intend to map and identify groups in our community that are already established in climate, environment or sustainability interest so this can be developed further in 2021. The Council would aim to support communities develop their own climate change plans & activities and where there is synergy partnership working would be encouraged.
- 3.3 An example of this partnership approach is the relationship the Council has developed with Argyll and Isles Countryside Trust (ACT) whereby a number of complementary climate change workstreams are being progressed or developed such as tree planting for natural capital and carbon storage.
- 3.4 The Council cannot address climate change in isolation so it is essential partnerships with external organisations, private sector, third sector and

our communities are developed in coming years to enhance future de-carbonisation plans.

Proposed structure of de-carbonisation plan

- 3.5 The aim of the plan is to be easy read and accessible that outlines our Council's climate change ambition in the after effects of Covid19. We aim to keep to less than 15 pages and be branded appropriately. Contents likely to include:-

Our Climate Commitments – Argyll and Bute Council's De-carbonisation Plan

1. Foreword – Cllr Aileen Morton
2. Vision
 1. Deliver 75% carbon reduction by 2030 and net zero before 2045
 2. Support our low carbon economy
 3. Lead by example and develop practices & partnerships that inspire low carbon behaviors
 4. Make 'Climate Friendly Argyll and Bute' #doyourbit a recognised brand
3. Argyll and Bute Context – our population, our services, our estate, our fleet
4. Current carbon footprint & trend – successes + completed projects
5. Our Climate Commitments
 - Tackle waste in most sustainable way – municipal, food, schools;
 - Reduce resource consumption in our buildings – fossil, electricity, water, school & building behaviors;
 - Reduce travel & use of fossil fuel on the move – agile working, hybrids;
 - Prepare and adapt for impacts of climate change;
 - Offset our emissions through innovation;
 - Tell you about it and encourage community to #doyourbit #climatefriendlyABC
6. Waste Priority Action Plan
7. Resources in our buildings Priority Action Plan
8. Travel + Fleet Priority Action Plan
9. Prepare & Adapt Priority Action Plan
10. Offsetting Priority Action Plan
11. Communications Priority Action Plan
12. Future Engagement & Community Planning Mapping
13. Our future

Timescale

- 3.6 The intention is to develop the plan with a short lead in period to align with Economic Recovery Plan and consolidating previous Carbon Management Plans and climate change activity. It is the intention to

have a draft to discuss at the next CCEAG on 9th November and once approved take to an online Members Seminar on 16th November then Council on 26th November.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Policy:	Report aims to agree to develop a future activity plan and commitments for Climate Change.
4.2 Financial:	None at present
4.3 Legal:	None at present
4.4 HR:	None at present
4.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:	None at present
4.6 Equalities – protected Characteristics:	None at present
4.7 Socio-economic Duty:	None at present.
4.8 Islands	None at present
4.9 Risk:	None at present
4.10 Customer Service:	None at present.

Aileen Morton

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**Climate Change Environmental Action
Group****Customer Support Services****7 September 2020**

Communication to support climate change

1.0 HEADLINES

- 1.1 Leading by example, and showing others how they can get involved in making Argyll and Bute climate-friendly, will be key in achieving success for our environment.
- 1.2 The outline communication plan set out in Appendix 1 is intended to evidence the work the council is doing to address climate change, and to support others in playing their part.
- 1.3 This plan has been updated since it was first presented at the meeting on 10 March 2020 and will continue to be refreshed and developed as further opportunities arise.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Group consider and note the updates to the communication plan as set out at Appendix 1

3.0 CONCLUSION

- 3.1 Communication about climate change will focus on highlighting the ways in which we can all play the part we need to, to protect the environment on which we all depend.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

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| 4.1 Policy | None |
| 4.2 Financial | None. |
| 4.3 Legal | None |
| 4.4 HR/Equalities/Risk | None |
| 4.5 Customer Service | We will use a variety of communication channels to enable customers to play their part in protecting the environment |

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Appendix 1: Climate Change Communication Plan (actions will be added as they are identified)

CLIMATE-FRIENDLY ARGYLL AND BUTE				
WHO WE WILL REACH				
External communities		Employees		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Local communitiesNational and local partners		<ul style="list-style-type: none">80%+ of employees are residents		
WHAT WE WILL SAY				
External		Employees		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">We can all protect our environment – this is how and why; ‘I am protecting our environment by../ I am climate friendly, I [do this]We are making progress in Argyll and Bute by...		<ul style="list-style-type: none">We can all protect our environment – this is how and why; ‘I am protecting our environment by../ I am climate friendly, I.[do this]		
HOW WE WILL REACH PEOPLE				
Channels		Digital channels: social media, website, intranet,		
Content		Demonstrate achievable climate-friendly steps to take; evidence that many others are taking action.		
ACTIONS (to date)				
Action	date	Responsible (+ Julie Millar, Comms rep)	Status	Success measure
The council’s carbon footprint is 13% lower	March 2020		Dates to be rescheduled, to allow for COVID-19 response demands	Positive engagement with information published, to be measured via digital channels analytics.
Report to CPP Management Group setting out current climate change activity.	March 2020			
Renewable energy – great opportunities in Argyll and Bute to deliver this	April			
LED street lights success	May			
Green transport fleet – hybrid cars promotion	June		Complete	
Eco schools success – congratulations to all our pupils.	June		Complete	
Home insulation programme – promote	July		Complete	
Local youngsters do their bit for the environment	July		Complete	
‘Climate Friendly Argyll’ brand developed	August		Complete – on hybrid vehicles See example at end of this action plan	
Energy Efficient Scotland Area Based Scheme promotion and press release – save money by reducing fuel consumption and reducing your carbon footprint	August		In planning: Press release – w/b 31 August Facebook advertising – mid September Press advertising – from 31 August	
Restart recycling: CCEAG press release, thanks for holding recycling during COVID, it’s time to get going again. Here’s what we take and here’s where happens to it	September		Press release – by 7 September Info on website – by 7 September	
Helensburgh Waterfront – sustainable development	September			
Cook local – promote recipes using local products	October		In planning	
A&BC electric cars – unveil with branding	October			
Spaces for People – sustainable transport	October			
The journey of a can	October		In planning: how a can makes its way to recycling	

Positive carbon reduction with increased home working and decrease in business miles	November			
Promoting the council's Decarbonisation Plan	November			
Reuse options in your area	November		How to recycle household goods	
What to do with Christmas leftovers – paper, cards and food	December			
Sustainable School Meals – Green Christmas	December			
COP 26 Evidence climate-friendly Argyll and Bute – post information daily showing an employee/member of the public taking action			Rescheduled for 2021	

Example of branding



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