MINUTES of MEETING of ARGYLL AND BUTE HARBOUR BOARD held by SKYPE on THURSDAY, 3 DECEMBER 2020

Present: Councillor Rory Colville (Chair)

Councillor Robin Currie
Councillor John Armour
Councillor Jim Lynch
Councillor Alan Reid
Councillor Richard Trail
Councillor Jim Lynch
Councillor Andrew Vennard

Councillor Alastair Redman

Also Present: Councillor Mary-Jean Devon Councillor Elaine Robertson

Attending: Kirsty Flanagan, Executive Director – Development and Infrastructure

Jim Smith, Head of Roads and Infrastructure Services

Stewart Clark, Marine Operations Manager

Stuart McLean, Committee Manager

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence intimated.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

* 3. PIERS & HARBOURS - ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN / FEES AND CHARGES - 2021/22

The Board gave consideration to a report which allowed them to review the current version of the 10 year asset management plan and consider increases in fees and charges for the financial year 2021/22 in order to meet borrowing requirements for the plan.

Decision

The Argyll and Bute Harbour Board;

- 1. recommended to Council that when setting fees and charges for 2021/22 it approves an increase to piers and harbours fees and charges, over and above any inflationary increase, of 5% to generate sufficient income to develop the Council's marine infrastructure:
- noted that the increase will be in-step with the motion passed at the Harbour Board meeting in January 2018 that agreed to set charges that meet both the asset sustainability costs and future improvement costs associated with the piers and harbours which the Council has a responsibility for; and
- agreed that the asset management plan will continue to be updated on a 10 year rolling basis.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure dated 10 November 2020, submitted)

4. PIERS AND HARBOURS - CRAIGNURE PIER

The Board gave consideration to a report which provided an update on the work carried out to date on Outline Business Cases to determine the future of Craignure Pier.

Decision

The Argyll and Bute Harbour Board granted approval of the outcomes of both the interim and long term Outline Business Cases to be circulated as part of the public consultation.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated 17 November 2020, submitted)