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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the **MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP** will be held by **MICROSOFT TEAMS** on **TUESDAY, 24 AUGUST 2021** at **10:00 AM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry
Executive Director

BUSINESS

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Update by We Are With You

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Update by Argyll College UHI

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6. COMMUNITY FOCUS

- (a) Shopper Aide (Pages 43 - 46)

Presentation by Joan Stewart, Shopper Aide

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Presentation by Lucy Sumsion, National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS)

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- (a) Climate Change Working Group - Involvement of Area Community Planning Groups (Pages 47 - 50)

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(b) Local Climate Change Initiatives Update (Pages 51 - 52)

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11. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP (Pages 57 - 58)

Report by Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 3rd of November 2021.

Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group

Ian Brodie (Chair)

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MINUTES of MEETING of MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP held by SKYPE on WEDNESDAY, 28 APRIL 2021

Present: Ian Brodie, East Kintyre Community Council (Chair)
 Rachel Whyte, Islay Community Council
 Shona Barton, Committee Manager, Argyll & Bute Council
 Samantha Somers, Community Planning Officer, Argyll & Bute Council
 Rhona Grant, Community Learning Team Leader, Argyll & Bute Council
 Councillor John Armour
 Councillor Anne Horn
 Councillor Donald MacMillan BEM
 Inspector Mo Boyle, Police Scotland
 Inspector Paul Collins, Police Scotland
 PC Laura Evans, Police Scotland
 James Sullivan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
 Jan Haining, Department for Work and Pensions
 Neil MacFarlane, Transport Scotland
 Teresa Robertson, Fyne Homes
 Dhonna McCallum, Argyll College UHI
 Eric Spence, South Kintyre Development Trust
 Elaine Whyte, Clyde Fishermen's Association
 Valerie Nimmo, Campbeltown Community Council
 Phil Dickinson, Craignish Community Council
 Hazel Fuller, Dunadd Community Council
 Lynda Syed, Furnace Community Council
 Sandra MacIntyre, We Are With You and Islay and Jura Living Well Co-Ordinator

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. The Committee Manager outlined the procedure for the meeting.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of:

Antonia Baird, Community Development Officer, Argyll and Bute Council
 Catherine Anne MacAulay, Campbeltown Community Council
 Lucy Sumsion, NFU Scotland
 Emma Clark, Argyll and the Isles Tourism Cooperative
 Tracy Preece, Argyll and Bute HSCP
 Jane Cowen, Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust
 Robert Judge, Live Argyll
 Nicola Hackett, Live Argyll
 Susan MacRae, Skills Development Scotland

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

3. MINUTES

(a) **Meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning**

Group held on Wednesday, 3rd of February 2021

The Minute of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group meeting held on Wednesday, 3rd of February 2021 was approved as a correct record.

4. PARTNERS UPDATES

(a) Police Scotland Update

The Group considered an update from Police Scotland, providing details of the appointment of Inspector Paul Collins for the Lochgilphead and Campbeltown Police areas. The report also provided information in relation to the continued response to Covid-19; livestock attacks; future planning; fraud prevention; and frontline support packs.

Inspector Collins introduced himself to the Group and outlined measures taken and preparations being made by Police Scotland for the gradual easing of lockdown restrictions. Discussion took place around the Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill and it was agreed that Inspector Collins would ask that the issue of dog owners allowing dogs to foul in fields without picking it up was highlighted alongside ongoing social media campaigns.

Following a query raised by Phil Dickinson around high powered motorbikes causing concern in the area, it was agreed that Inspector Collins would discuss this further with Phil following the meeting. Neil MacFarlane advised that a noise survey was being planned for Cairndow and noted that he may be a good point of contact for Inspector Collins in relation to any issues on the A83, A82 and A85 trunk roads.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Inspector Paul Collins, Police Scotland, submitted)

(b) Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands FQ4 2020/21 Update

The Group considered a report highlighting the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's (SFRS) FQ4 review of local performance across Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands for 2020-21.

James Sullivan confirmed that home visits to those at high risk had now recommenced in line with the easing of lockdown restrictions.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the contents of the report.

(Reference: Report by James Sullivan, Watch Commander/Local Authority Liaison Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, submitted)

(c) **Department for Work and Pensions Update**

The Group considered an update from the Department for Works and Pensions (DWP) which detailed statistical information in relation to Universal Credit claimants and customers searching for work in the Argyll & Bute area, as well as information on the Kickstart scheme; Virtual Youth Hubs, local Job Centres; benefits; the Universal Credit benefits checker; Post Office card accounts; and Help to Save saving accounts.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Update by Jan Haining, Senior Customer Service Leader, Department for Work and Pensions, dated March 2021, submitted)

(d) **Argyll College UHI Update**

The Group considered an update from Argyll College UHI which detailed the impact of Covid-19 on learning centres; work carried out throughout the Covid-19 pandemic; the provision of IT equipment for staff and students; available support for staff and students; and preparations for the future.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Update by Dhonna MacCallum, Centre Manager, Argyll College UHI, submitted)

(e) **We Are With You Update**

The Group considered an update from We Are With You which provided background information in relation to the organisation, as well as information on available resources and services and adaptations made to these in light of the Covid-19 pandemic.

In response to a query around the age of those who could access services, Sandra MacIntyre confirmed that We Are With You provide assistance to those over 16 who require support and that other services were available to provide support to those under 16, such as the Mid Argyll Youth Service and other services who work alongside local schools to provide assistance and education to young people.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Update by Sandra MacIntyre, Team Leader, We Are With You, submitted)

(f) **Argyll and Bute Council Community Learning Service Update**

The Group considered an update from Argyll and Bute Council's Community Learning Service which detailed information around the Scottish Youth Parliament Elections 2021; the Scottish Youth Parliament Awards 2021; the Argyll and Bute Community Learning and Development Plan 2021-2024; and preparations for coming out of lockdown restrictions. The Group noted that Cameron Garrett from Ardrishaig had been recognised as MSYP of the year 2021 for his commitment to the inspirational work of the Scottish Youth Parliament.

Rhona Grant also provided details to the Group of the planned transfer of the Community Learning and Development Team to Live Argyll, scheduled for the beginning of July 2021.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Update by Community Learning Team Leader, Argyll and Bute Council, submitted)

(g) **Campbeltown Community Council Update**

The Group considered an update from Campbeltown Community Council, detailing concerns around Kintyre Recycling Ltd; the condition of roads in Campbeltown; and building conditions at Dalintober Primary School. The update also provided information in relation to a potential cycle route from Campbeltown to Machrihanish; the Robert Black Memorial Helipad; Campbeltown Cross; the SURF award naming Campbeltown as the Most Improved Town in Scotland; Campbeltown Community Windfarm Trust; and the Community Action Plan.

Discussion took place around the concerns raised by Campbeltown Community Council in relation to Kintyre Recycling Ltd and the plan for recycling in the area to be undertaken by Argyll and Bute Council in future. It was noted that this was a decision taken at an Argyll and Bute Council budget meeting in February 2021.

Valerie advised that Argyll and Bute Council's decision to include Ralston Road in planned resurfacing works was welcomed, noting displeasure at the quality of repair which had been carried out on the Esplanade. Valerie also expressed concerns around new windfarm developers coming into the Kintyre area and not providing any community benefit or options for community shared ownership.

Valerie provided details of the local Community Action Plan development, noting that the assistance of the Kickstart scheme had enabled the employment of additional individuals to assist with the project.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Valerie Nimmo, Campbeltown Community Council,

submitted)

(h) **Dunadd Community Council Update**

The Group considered an update from Dunadd Community Council detailing their response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The update also provided information around the setting up of a steering group to create an Emergency and Disaster Planning document; work with the Road Policing unit; requests for no parking signs in relevant areas; and a Community Council response to the Cnoc na h-Eilde consultation.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Hazel Fuller, Dunadd Community Council, submitted)

(i) **Furnace Community Council Update**

The Group considered an update from Furnace Community Council detailing their activities and response to the Covid-19 pandemic between April 2020 and March 2021. The update also provided information on communication channels utilised by the Community Council; concerns around Furnace Surgery; regular conversations with Breedon representatives in relation to Furnace Quarry; speeding mitigation measures; concerns around littering; and Community Council responses to consultations and planning applications.

Discussion took place around ongoing concerns in relation to Furnace Surgery and it was agreed that Lynda Syed would e-mail Shona Barton details of concerns to be raised at the next meeting of the Community Planning Partnership Management Committee.

Following concerns raised around issues with wild camping in the area, it was agreed that Inspector Collins would further discuss this issue with Lynda following the meeting. It was noted that potential solutions could be additional patrols by Police Scotland to inform people visiting the area of their responsibilities, with James Sullivan advising that he would also be happy to provide assistance to Police Scotland with education around campfires if required.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group:

1. considered and noted the information provided; and
2. agreed that concerns raised by Furnace Community Council around Furnace Surgery would be raised at the next meeting of the Community Planning Partnership Management Committee.

(Reference: Report by Lynda Syed, Furnace Community Council, submitted)

(j) **Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust Update**

The Group considered an update from Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust

detailing their continued response to Covid-19 and work being carried out around active travel.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group:

1. considered and noted the information provided; and
2. noted that in the absence of a representative from Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust the Committee Manager would take back any questions to Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust and circulate any responses to the Group.

(Reference: Report by Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust, dated 14th April 2021, submitted)

(k) Opportunity for verbal updates by Community Planning Partners

Neil MacFarlane, Transport Scotland

Neil MacFarlane provided information around upcoming BEAR Scotland works on the A83 and A82 Loch Lomondside for the Group's consideration, as detailed below:

A82

- Clearway signing improvements

A83

- Double yellow line and single yellow line installed through Arrochar
- Rest and Be Thankful – car park resurfaced, slope stabilisation, drainage improvements, catch pit construction
- Kinglas bunds
- Diversion signage
- Cairndow lining and signing initiative
- South of Inverneill until 5th May overnight resurfacing
- Argyll Adventure – 9th to 11th May overnight resurfacing
- Tarbet Tea Rooms – 12th to 13th May overnight resurfacing
- Tarbert Road Campbeltown footway reconstruction – 3rd May to 23rd May
- Tarbert Road Campbeltown carriageway reconstruction – 24th May to 14th June
- Hall St Campbeltown footway reconstruction – 24th May to 14th June
- Hall St Campbeltown carriageway reconstruction – 15th June to 24th June

Neil also provided an update on concerns previously raised in relation to drainage at Tayinloan which had been investigated, repaired and relevant information passed to Argyll and Bute Council for their consideration. Neil also noted that the poor road surface near Bellochantuy Caravan Park would be actioned as part of a 3 year rolling construction programme and that relevant BEAR Scotland officers had been reminded of the noisy manhole cover issue at one of the roundabouts in Lochgilphead.

Following a query from Councillor Armour, Neil confirmed that plans for a puffin crossing at Kinloch Road, Campbeltown, were progressing to the design stage in 2021 and it was likely that implementation would not be until at least 2022. Neil noted that Transport Scotland hoped to look at Kinloch Road in its entirety, as opposed to only the section where a puffin crossing would be placed, to ensure better sustainability and accessibility for pedestrians and cyclists.

Rachel Whyte, Islay Community Council

Rachel Whyte provided the below update from Islay Community Council (ICC):

“Dr MacTaggart composed a summary of how to access Covid-19 testing/healthcare and requested the help of Explore Islay and IJMG to distribute this to accommodation providers.

Dr MacTaggart reported that they continue to make excellent progress with the completion of phase 1 of the Covid-19 vaccination programme, with the majority of appointments so far in April providing 2nd vaccine doses to those patients most at risk of severe Covid-19 disease. They have also been providing a small number of 1st vaccine doses to those who have self-identified as carers or are household contacts of patients who have been shielding. As has been widely publicised, short term issues with vaccine supply have resulted in the commencement of phase 2 of the vaccination programme (all those aged 18-49 not otherwise eligible during phase 1) being delayed. They await further information from the Scottish Government regarding vaccine supply and, as such, do not yet have a confirmed date for when they can begin offering first doses to patients eligible during phase 2. They will proactively contact patients, beginning with those aged 45-49, as soon as they are given the go ahead and thanked people for their patience and understanding. Further information on the Covid-19 vaccination programme, including a helpful guide to the very rare side effects associated with the Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine, can be found at www.nhsinform.scot/covid-19-vaccine.

Alan Beresford from Islay Medical Services recently met with Islay Resilience Group where discussions took place regarding setting up a patient forum.

Kilchoman Distillery are looking to reopen the Visitor Centre on 17th May – they are unsure what will be on offer (tours, tastings etc) as it will depend upon restrictions at the time but they will be opening. Bunnahabhain Distillery are looking at re-opening as a shop only under the relevant guidelines on either 26th or 28th April. Current thinking is that they will remain shop-only throughout May (again, this will be subject to review as guidelines are reviewed). Laphroaig Distillery Plans remain the same right now at Laphroaig with shop open and only by appointment. Ardnahoe Distillery re-opened on Monday 26th April in line with government restrictions. Physical Distance Based Capacity (PDBC) will become a “buzz phrase”. The café will be open to serve lunches and fresh home baking. No alcohol is being sold except via the shop in sealed containers i.e. Off Sales. Tours are restricted to maximum four persons from two households, with no tastings. They will possibly be able to resume tastings on the 17th of May, depending on restrictions. Bruichladdich Distillery Shop is being refitted and the retail site will hopefully re-open in early June, there are no tours at present.

Gill Chasemore of Islay Resilience Group reported that the group have facilitated

four drop ins for locals across the island for people to meet and socialise in a safe and welcoming environment. Approximately 40 people have accessed this. The free tea and home baking is funded through the Covid Fund. Vaccination transport is being well utilised and clients are now requesting transport for their second jags using the Community bus and occasionally volunteers' cars. IRG have received funding through Islay Energy Trust to continue to print our popular newsletter until December.

Mairi MacCuaig reported Islay High school pupils have returned to full time education on 19th April 2021 with High school pupils continuing to be offered Covid-19 self-testing kits. Applications are open for September 2021 for all Colleges and Universities. SDS are continuing with remote support, engaging with school leavers, employers, training providers, and local partners.

The Youth Initiative continues to deliver fully subscribed clubs. The Islay Youth Forum, supported by The Youth Initiative and Youth Scotland, meet weekly at Kilarrow. Various clubs and dance groups around the island are starting to open.

ICC eagerly look forward to proposed liaison with Argyll & Bute Council regarding Islay roads which are now, and have been for a long time, not fit for purpose. Thousands of pounds of damage to vehicles have been reported to ICC.

Islay re-opened for tourism on Monday 26th April 2021 in line with Scottish Government guidelines. There have been very positive comments made in relation to Explore Islay and IJMG information sharing.

Islay Airport reported that Loganair have indicated that the evening schedule to Glasgow will resume on the 3rd of May. The aircraft used for this will be a Twin Otter aircraft and it will be combined with Campbeltown at the same time as previous flights. The airport opening hours will be adjusted back to pre-Covid hours and the airport will be open throughout the day. Due to the volume of mail, the morning schedule to Glasgow will continue to be operated with the larger Saab 340 aircraft. The essential nature of travel for General Aviation was relaxed on the 26th April in line with Government guidance.

David Gillies announced Dunlossit Estate are working with Argyll and Bute Council to create a waste facility and informal motor home site for motor homes in Ballygrant.

Jim Porteous of the ICC Ferry committee reported that the normal Summer ferry timetable will now apply from 28th April. There will be a continuation of 1m social distancing, which reduces passenger capacity by around 70% compared with 2019. (CalMac's booking site includes a request on behalf of Argyll & Bute Council that Campervans/Motorhomes should secure a pitch for their vehicle on the island prior to travel. There is also a 'pop up' when making a ferry booking). There are ongoing discussions with CalMac regarding the next Winter (21/22) timetable (initial Calmac proposals were rejected by ICCFC and a revised version is being examined). CalMac has reported a recent increase in car and passenger numbers but say that current capacity is coping.

Paul Cairns reported that the Quakers are excited about holding physical meetings again and agreed to start meeting in-person again in Bowmore Church on Sunday

25th April. The Church of Scotland advised that all is going well at churches despite low numbers, although they are remaining consistent, and reduced income due to the lower attendance. Islay Baptist Church continues to do well during the pandemic. They are making the effort to keep in contact with all those connected to the church and to offer them support. They are looking forward to the coming reduction in restrictions as it means some of our midweek activities can restart, many of which provide social interaction to vulnerable members of the community. The Catholic and Episcopalian communities share St Columba's. Father Tony Wood, who will return on May 9th to celebrate mass."

Councillor Donald MacMillan BEM

Councillor MacMillan provided an update on the work which was being carried out in Colchester Square and Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, noting that the work being carried out would make the area safer for pedestrians and drivers. Councillor MacMillan advised that 16 shops had been awarded small grants for painting the shop fronts. Councillor MacMillan noted that further developments would continue on Lochgilphead Front Green from June 2021 and encouraged anyone passing through Lochgilphead to take the time to look at the great work which had been carried out so far.

Phil Dickinson, Craignish Community Council

Phil Dickinson confirmed that Craignish Community Council were still managing the Community Recovery Fund, alongside managing the volunteer network assisting vulnerable people. Phil noted that Craignish Community had recently held their second Zoom meeting, and advised that people were generally split between being feeling somewhat fearful of things opening up again or looking forward to a return to some sense of normality. Phil advised that he felt it was very useful to listen to other Community Councils to get a sense of what was going on in other areas.

Ian Brodie, East Kintyre Community Council

Ian Brodie advised that Carradale Community Trust had purchased the Post Office and were in the process of refitting the building as a shop and Post Office. Ian noted that the local café was under new ownership and was planned to re-open in Mid-May, possibly under a new name. Ian advised that the Covid-19 response in the village was winding down slowly, with many people now having their own arrangements in place for the provision of food and other services.

5. POLICE SCOTLAND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TEAM

The Group considered a verbal update from Inspector Mo Boyle, Police Scotland, in relation to the work of the Police Scotland Community Engagement Team.

Inspector Boyle advised that the Police Scotland Community Engagement Team had been created following a restructuring of the West Dunbartonshire division to create two new teams – a Community Engagement Team and a Problem Solving Team. This had allowed additional resource as both teams could also be deployed across the Argyll and Bute area.

Inspector Boyle outlined the specialist roles and officers involved with the team and advised that the Team would be looking for opportunities to add value to partnership

activities; create new partnerships; and work on delivering police plan priorities which aligned closely with Argyll and Bute's Outcome Improvement Plan priorities. Inspector Boyle provided an update on the work which had been carried out by the Team so far and encouraged partners to attend an online fraud awareness event being hosted by Argyll TSI on the 18th of May 2021 at 2:30pm, details of which had been circulated to partners via Basecamp.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

6. COMMUNITY FOCUS

(a) South Kintyre Development Trust and their role as lead organisation in the Kintyre Community Resilience and Recovery response

The Group considered a presentation from Eric Spence, South Kintyre Development Trust, which provided information around the work of Kintyre Community Resilience Group, their response to the Covid-19 pandemic and future plans.

Rachel Whyte advised that Islay Community Council had found the provision of hand sanitiser units at local bus stops to be very useful and suggested that this could also be of benefit in Kintyre, if it was not already in place. Eric confirmed that he thought this could be a good idea and agreed to raise it at the next meeting of the Resilience Group.

Councillors Horn expressed her thanks to Eric and the Kintyre Community Resilience Group for their assistance with the local food bank.

Councillor Armour applauded Eric for his co-ordination of the Kintyre Community Resilience Group's activities and advised that the work carried out had been phenomenal and he had been glad to be a part of it, noting that he had had been particularly heartened to see so many people come together in difficult times to assist those in need.

Sandra MacIntyre expressed her thanks to Eric and the Kintyre Community Resilience Group for their assistance to We Are With You service users in Campbeltown throughout the pandemic.

The Chair thanked Eric for a very good presentation.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided in the presentation.

(Reference: Presentation by Eric Spence, South Kintyre Development Trust, dated 28th April 2021, submitted)

7. UK WITHDRAWAL FROM THE EU

(a) UK-EU Post Transition

The Group considered a report setting out the considerations of the EU Withdrawal Tactical Group with regard to identifying and assessing any risks relative to Argyll and Bute, following the UK exiting the EU and entering into a new agreement from 1st January 2021.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group agreed to be assured that the Council and the HSCP are as well prepared as they can be with regards to having exited the EU and are actively engaged with partners through the local and national resilience frameworks.

(Reference: Report by Chief Executive, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 7th April 2021, submitted)

(b) Clyde Fishermen's Association Update

The Group considered a presentation from Elaine Whyte, Clyde Fishermen's Association, which provided information around Clyde Fishermen's Association, the fishing industry in Argyll and Bute and the impact of Brexit and Covid-19 on it.

In response to a query from Rachel Whyte, Elaine confirmed that the prospect of community owned boats and local apprenticeships was something which was being considered. Elaine provided an outline of different methods which were being looked at to manage the situation locally and empower local communities and further discussion took place around the benefits of buying seafood locally and the methods which were being looked at to encourage this.

The Chair thanked Elaine for a very informative presentation.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided in the presentation.

(Reference: Presentation by Elaine Whyte, Clyde Fishermen's Association, submitted)

(c) Opportunity for updates from Area Community Planning Group Partners in relation to the impact of the UK's Withdrawal from the EU

There were no further updates from Area Community Planning Group partners in relation to the impact of the UK's Withdrawal from the EU.

8. CAMPERVAN, MOTORHOME AND STAYCATION ACTIVITY

The Group considered a report which provided a brief update on campervan, motorhome and staycation activity in Argyll and Bute.

A number of partners in attendance expressed concerns that there was no officer in attendance to speak to the report and answer any questions, particularly in light of the recent easing of lockdown restrictions.

Councillor Armour suggested that it could be beneficial for the Council to encourage those with campervans to use recognised camp sites with facilities, as opposed to setting up standalone sites, for at least one night of their stay.

Rachel Whyte expressed concerns around the effectiveness of the planned use of enforcement wardens on the islands. Councillor Horn reiterated this concern due to the amount of time spent travelling likely resulting in a very limited working day on the islands for required enforcement. Councillor Horn also noted concerns around human waste and litter being left indiscriminately by some of those using motorhomes and wild camping.

Hazel Fuller requested clarification as to whether campervans or motorhomes using passing places to park in would be in breach of the law. Discussion took place around this and Inspector Collins confirmed that he would believe this to be the case and that this could be reported to the Police

It was suggested that it would be beneficial if the Council were to prepare a strategy which could be used as a point of reference for both the Council and other organisations.

Rachel advised that it may be useful for Enforcement Wardens to utilise their time when travelling on ferries to provide education to those travelling to the island around available facilities and behaviour expected when visiting the island. Rachel also noted that it may be beneficial to have some literature detailing this information available on the local ferries.

Councillor Armour suggested that it may be helpful for Islay Community Council to produce some form of leaflet which could be placed on the ferries or handed out to campervans when they arrived on the island, Rachel agreed to raise this with the rest of the Islay Community Councillors as a possible action.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group agreed:

1. to note the contents of the paper and progress to date;
2. that partners would continue to collaborate to try and address the challenges faced due to increased informal camping activity; and
3. that the Committee Manager would feedback queries and comments raised to the Head of Development and Economic Growth and circulate any responses to the Group.

(Reference: Report by Head of Development and Economic Growth, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 28th April 2021, submitted)

9. COVID INFECTION RATES AND VACCINATION

The Group considered a briefing note which provided information around the current Covid infection rates in Argyll and Bute and also provided some information on the uptake of Covid vaccinations.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the briefing note.

(Reference: Report by Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 28th April 2021, submitted)

10. PARTNER ATTENDANCE SURVEY RESULTS

The Group considered a report which provided the results of a Partner Attendance Survey carried out following agreement at the February meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group.

Shona Barton outlined the key findings of the survey and discussion took place around the ways in which this information could be used to maximise partner attendance. It was noted that attendance at this meeting of the Group had been very good, with many interesting reports and presentations from various partners.

Further discussion took place around the benefits and disadvantages of holding meetings at a central location with the option of attending virtually, with it being noted that the majority of respondents were happy with this suggestion. It was agreed that in order for the meetings to continue to move to different locations across the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area when meetings were able to return to a face-to-face setting, there would need to be sufficient IT facilities and connectivity available at any desired location to allow people to join the meetings virtually.

In light of feedback from partners that meetings and agendas could often be too long, it was agreed that cognisance of this would be taken going forward when setting out the agendas for meetings. Following a number of respondents indicating that afternoons may be a suitable time for them to attend meetings, it was agreed that it may be beneficial to hold 1 meeting out of every 4 in the afternoon, with the November 2021 meeting of the Group to be held in the afternoon on a trial basis to ascertain whether this could assist in improving the attendance of partners.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group:

1. noted the results of the survey; and
2. considered and discussed the ways in which the results of the survey could be used to best facilitate increased partner attendance at Group meetings going forward.

(Reference: Report by Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 28th April 2021, submitted)

11. AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING ACTION PLAN UPDATE

The Group considered a verbal update from Samantha Somers, Community Planning Officer, Argyll and Bute Council, in relation to the Area Community Planning Action Plan Update.

Samantha advised that an updated Area Community Planning Action Plan had been delayed due to Covid-19, however a new timescale was now in place with a view to having the updated Plan agreed and in place by April 2022. Samantha noted that the Plan would take into account the results of the Place Standard Community Engagement exercise; information available from the Building Back Better work stream; and information from planned online workshops. Samantha confirmed that dates for online workshops

would be available by mid-May 2021 and encouraged as many partners as possible to get involved with these.

Samantha highlighted that anyone requiring support from the Community Development team, in the absence of the local Community Development Officer, could contact them for assistance at communitydevelopment@argyll-bute.gov.uk.

Decision

The Miid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

12. BASECAMP TRIAL UPDATE

The Group considered a verbal update from Samantha Somers, Community Planning Officer, Argyll and Bute Council, in relation to the trial of Basecamp.

Samantha advised that all partners should hopefully have received an invitation to join Basecamp and noted that, although there was not a large amount of discussion on the Basecamp site for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area, the platform had been used by various partners to promote initiatives and events.

Decision

The Miid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

13. COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Group considered a briefing note which provided information around matters discussed during a virtual meeting of the Community Planning Partnership Management Committee, held on 10th March 2021.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the briefing note.

(Reference: Report by Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 28th April 2021, submitted)

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Group noted that the next meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group would take place on Tuesday, 24th of August 2021.



Be inspired, be you!

Community Learning Service update

Community Learning Services have now transferred over to LiveArgyll. The Community Learning Service will continue to work alongside communities and partners to ensure individuals, families and communities reach their potential through lifelong learning, mutual self-help and strong community organisations. If you would like to get in touch with the Community Learning team, please contact cld@liveargyll.co.uk

Health and Wellbeing Project: Has been able to re-start and move forward as restrictions lift and some schools have already completed their Outdoor Learning days and young people are working through SQA Health and Wellbeing units. Other schools will start after the summer break the programme is around supporting young people struggling to reengage with Education after lockdown. Funded by through [Youth work Education Recovery Fund.](#)

ESP (Enhanced Summer Programme)

Local authorities across Scotland have been provided with funding to help improve the wellbeing of children and young people over the summer period. Local authorities will be able to work with local and national partners to coordinate and deliver holiday activities and experiences, integrating food and wider family support where needed, and targeted at low income families, children and young people particularly adversely affected by the impacts of the pandemic.

Community Learning Services are involved throughout July and August in both delivery across Argyll and Bute and the Co-Ordinating of the Programme of Activities in Cowal and Bute alongside their colleagues in Active Schools who are also involved in delivery and Co-Ordinating the Programme of Activities in other areas across the Authority. The programme will run throughout the Summer school holidays and covers P1s – to S6 (Primary and Secondary School ages).

New CLD Plan 21-24

Ongoing/Update: A wide range of statutory and voluntary organisations are involved in delivering Community Learning and Development (CLD) services to young people, adults, families and communities across Argyll and Bute. As previously stated The Community Learning & Development (Scotland) Regulations 2013 place a statutory requirement on local authorities to publish a plan every 3 years' outlining how it will co-ordinate and secure "adequate and efficient" Community Learning & Development (CLD) provision with other sector partners. The current plan can be found here [Argyll and Bute CLD Plan 2018-21.](#) Work is underway and continuing on the development of the next CLD Plan for 21-24, which has to be completed by September 2021. A number of local consultation exercises have now already taken place along with the new CLD Plan Partnership having met and also regular meetings being held with the CLD Plan Working Group.

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Update from Sandra MacIntyre, We Are With You

Obviously my main area is in Alcohol and Drugs; the stats for the last year make grim reading, Scotland and in fact all of the UK have the highest ever drug deaths for this year 20-21.

Throughout, Argyll and Bute and in Mid-Argyll, Kintyre and Islands. We are still concerned with the high level of cocaine use especially among young people under 23's. This addictive and non-reversible drug is going to cause future health issues if it doesn't kill the user outright through stroke and heart problems. With Alcohol issues, we are facing a high level of people displaying chronic liver disease and mental health problems. So, there is still ongoing work to do. The membership can help by promoting We Are With You website where we have web chat on www.wearewithyou.org.uk or Argyll and Bute project generic email can send them a referral form on argyllandbute@wearewithyou.org.uk or giving people out our Freephone number 0800 206 1460. Thanks.

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Argyll College UHI

(Campbeltown, Islay & Lochgilphead Centres)

New

- The college is still awaiting final guidelines from Scottish Government to establish what the start of term will look like.
- Online applications for full-time courses starting in September are coming in steadily and we are still accepting applications for most courses.
- Students with practical elements to their course were able to access centres, following government guidelines, to complete their qualification.
- Following on from the successful online leisure courses, we hope to continue to develop and offer over them again over the coming academic year.
- Skill for work interviews were completed and we have our new cohort ready to start w/c 16th August 2021.
- CITB CSCS tests have been re-instated in Dunoon and Campbeltown and are in high demand.
- We were not able to hold a formal graduation. However, we still presented local student awards. These awards will be celebrated on our website and social media platforms.
- Dunoon student, John Frace received a Herald Higher Education Award. He won in the Outstanding Contribution from a University Student category for creating and maintaining his Scotland coronavirus tracker website [Scotland Coronavirus Tracker \(travellingtabby.com\)](https://travellingtabby.com).
- It has been a difficult and challenging year for all staff. Most have managed to take time off during the summer for a well-earned break and are looking forward to welcoming students to the new academic year.

CONTINUING

- Learning Centre staff continue to offer and provide support to students and member's staff.
- All learning centres continue to work closely with local organisations and community groups i.e. Skills Direct Scotland, Job Centre Plus, Schools etc.
- Learning Centre staff continue to be available Monday to Friday during office hours by email (addresses available on the Argyll College UHI website) & by phoning local learning centres.

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Police Scotland - MAKI Area Community Planning Partnership Update for meeting on 24/08/21**Fraud Prevention:**

Police Scotland in partnership with Argyll and Bute Council have successfully secured funding from the “Flexible Fund” to purchase more call blocker devices given the increase in telephone scams since the start of the pandemic and the success of the initial funding bid.

During 2021, Police Scotland and Argyll and Bute Trading Standards have installed 66 call blocker devices onto landlines of vulnerable people who were being hassled by nuisance telephone calls. Initial analysis has shown that 33% of calls received were nuisance or scam calls and that over the 4 year lifetime of these units they will have blocked 64,833 nuisance calls. Over this same 4 year projection, these units will have prevented 105 scams, saved vulnerable households £309,736, led to a reduction of £287,702 in NHS, social care & police costs, and an increase in wellbeing & quality of life valued at £303,641 - total benefits of £901,080.

A number of devices have been installed in Dalmally, Lochgilphead, Inveraray, Islay and Gigha.

If you are being pestered by nuisance calls or you know a family member or friend that could benefit from having a call blocker please contact Argyll and Bute Trading Standards on 01546 605 519 or tradingstandards.office@argyll-bute.gov.uk to apply for a funded device. Priority will be given to those who are vulnerable.

Online Child Sexual Exploitation:

The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF), in partnership with age verification platform Yoti, have developed the Report Remove tool to support young people to remove sexual images of themselves online.

Report Remove can support a young person in reporting sexual images or videos shared online and helps the young person to get the image removed if it is illegal. The NSPCC’s Childline service ensures that the young person is safeguarded throughout the process.

Young people aged under 18 who are worried a sexual image or video of them may have been shared online can use Childline and IWF’s Report Remove tool at <https://www.childline.org.uk/Remove>

This helps children and young people to report an image or video shared online, to see if it is possible to get it removed. Once the report has been made, it keeps the young person informed at each stage and provides support and feedback where necessary.

Keep Safe in MAKI:

On 13th May 2021, Shopper-Aide in Campbeltown became the latest “Keep Safe” place in Argyll and Bute. Keep Safe is an award winning initiative developed in partnership between Police Scotland and community charity I Am Me Scotland which creates a national network of safe places across Scotland that anyone who feels vulnerable can use to seek assistance, if required, while out in the community.

Thanks to funding received from the Community Justice Partnership we have more business packs available and can train more places throughout MAKI if we can establish who may be interested in this. If you would like more information on Keep Safe please visit www.iammescotland.co.uk/about-keep-safe and if you know any businesses that would like to be trained to support this please contact PC Laura Evans, Partnership Liaison Officer laura.evans@scotland.pnn.police.uk.

Partnership working between Police Scotland and HSCP staff

In June Catriona Watt Area Manager for Mid Argyll Hospital and Nicola Gillespie, Service Manager for Mental Health met with Inspector Collins and Sgt Shaw from Lochgilphead Police Office.

This was an introductory meeting whereby both Police Scotland and the Health and Social Care Partnership want to build on relationships. This will be to improve partnership working and communications between both organisations. It was agreed at this initial meeting that a monthly meeting will be arranged and over the coming months this will be used as a platform for both agencies to find ways to assist each other to provide the best possible service for those in the wider community.

Summer “Staycation” Visitor Management Additional Patrols

From the onset of the Covid-19 travel restrictions and subsequent phase one easing during 2020, there was a sustained increase in the use of campervans, caravans and ‘informal camping’ throughout the Argyll & Bute Local Authority Area caused predominantly by restrictions to travel outside of the UK. The majority of visitors to the Argyll & Bute region are touring guests who understand the associated social etiquette whilst residing temporarily in rural communities. Unfortunately there have been a number of non-compliant visitors linked to an increase of littering, noise and disorderly behaviour.

Joint working will be for the mutual benefit of the whole community, both residents and visitors alike. Officers and staff from both Police Scotland and Argyll and Bute Local Authority will benefit from, where appropriate and lawful, sharing their knowledge, experience and resources by working co-operatively together. A wider action plan has been formed by the Council’s Development and Economic Growth Department to address supporting infrastructure, amenities and associated issues affecting communities during the global Covid-19 Pandemic.

As a result of this new demand, the Council have introduced 4 new Community Warden posts to engage with tourists and local communities alike to promote the Outdoor Access Code and encourage responsible camping. These wardens will work alongside a Police Officer during these joint, co-ordinated patrols.

The plan was in place from early June and will continue up until the end of August and helps to achieve and support the tackling of anti-social behaviour within the Argyll & Bute Local Authority Area, and to reassure local communities and encourage positive visitor behaviour within the Argyll and Bute Council Area (outwith the designated National Park area).

Herbert Protocol

Argyll and West Dunbartonshire Policing Division and partner agencies across the Care Sector have launched the Herbert Protocol.

This is a well-established initiative that aims to assist in tracing vulnerable people who have Dementia, in the event of them being reported missing by family or carers.

The Hebert Protocol is a document that can be populated with vital information such as a recent photograph, contact details, medication required and significant locations relating to the individual. This information can be used by officers to save time in a responding to a missing person enquiry.

The form can be found and downloaded at <http://ow.ly/f7g550FJnJ0> and scroll to the Herbert Protocol section.

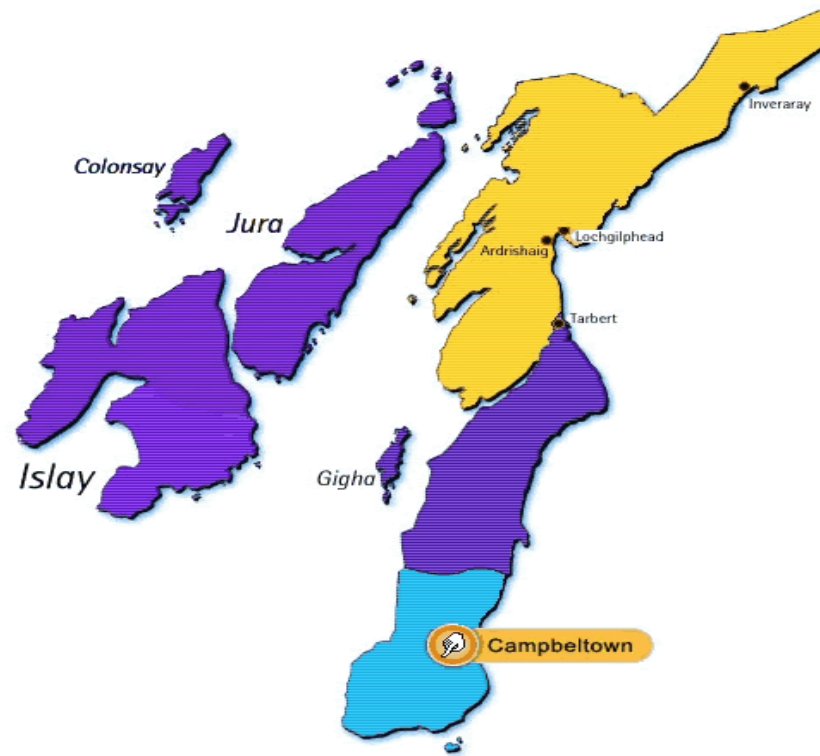
Wheelie Bin Speed Sticker Campaign

In recent months a new campaign by Police Scotland was introduced in Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig, which involved the circulation of stickers to be placed on Wheelie Bins outside of businesses and homes on the main A82 route, indicating the 30mph speed limit.

All local authorities have been contacted by the Police Scotland Safety Camera Unit, asking that local Community Councils make contact if interested in being part of the campaign, where they will be provided with the relevant lettering and stickers.



Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands 01/04/21 to 30/06/21



Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Incidents 01/04/21 to 30/06/2021

Incidents	MA 20/21	K&I 20/21	SK 20/21	Total 20/21	MA 21/22	K&I 21/22	SK 21/22	Total 21/22	=/-
Total	37	22	28	87	40	50	16	91	+4
Fire Fatalities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Fatal Fire Casualties	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accidental Dwelling Fires	2	0	0	2	0	0	3	3	+1
7KPI's									
Deliberate Fires	0	0	5	5	3	0	0	3	-2
Accidental Fire	7	5	5	17	7	17	3	27	+10
Fatal and Non-fatal fire casualties	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Domestic fires	1	0	2	3	1	3	0	4	+1
Special services incidents	4	2	1	7	5	4	1	10	+3
RTC Casualties	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	3	+2
False Alarms	26	15	17	58	25	29	12	66	+8

Incidents of Note

Primary Fires

CASTLEACRES, CAMPBELTOWN	18/06/2021	Dwelling Fire	Dwelling, House - single occupancy	Cooking - other cooking
OLD PORTALLOCH, KILMARTIN	06/06/2021	Other Building Fire	Non Residential, Private Garden Shed	Fault in equipment or appliance
BAYVIEW, MACHRIHANISH	01/06/2021	Dwelling Fire	Dwelling, House - single occupancy	Cooking - chip pan/deep fat fryer
PORT ELLEN MALTINGS, DIAGEO, BAY VIEW, PORT ELLEN, ISLAY	29/05/2021	Other Building Fire	Industrial Processing, Other	Overheating, unknown cause
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LAPHROIG DISTILLERY, A846, PORT ELLEN, ISLAY	26/05/2021	Other Building Fire	Industrial Manufacturing, Other	Accumulation of flammable material
GAELIC COLLEGE, BOWMORE, ISLAY	15/05/2021	Vehicle Fire	Car	Fault in equipment or appliance
DALARUAN ST, CAMPBELTOWN	07/05/2021	Dwelling Fire	Purpose Built Flat/Maisonette - multiple	Cooking - other cooking

			occupancy, Up to 3 storeys	
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Chimney Fires - NIL

Special Services

JOHN SMITH PLACE, KINTYRE ST, TARBERT	22/06/2021	Special Service - Assist other agencies	Assist other agencies > Assistance to other agencies	Purpose Built Flat/Maisonette - multiple occupancy, Up to 3 storeys
BRAE RD, ARDRISHAIG	21/06/2021	Special Service - Assist other agencies	Assist other agencies > Assistance to other agencies	Car
LOCHGILPHEAD JOINT CAMPUS SCHOOL, KILMORY CAMPUS, LOCHGILPHEAD	07/06/2021	Special Service - Lift Release	Lift Release > For able bodied person not in distress	Education, Secondary school
LADY MARY ROW, CAMPBELTOWN	05/06/2021	Special Service - No action (not false alarm)	No action (not false alarm) > Service not required	Dwelling, House - single occupancy
CRAIGHOUSE, ISLE OF JURA	03/06/2021	Special Service - Medical Incident - First responder	Medical Incident - First responder > Collapse	Other outdoors (including land), Highway/road surface/pavement
WILLOW BANK, BOWMORE, ISLAY	01/06/2021	Special Service - Assist other agencies	Assist other agencies > Other assistance to police/ambulance > Other	Dwelling, House - single occupancy

A83, INVERARAY	27/05/2021	Special Service - RTC	RTC > Extrication of person/s	Car
CHALMERS CRT, INVERARAY	17/05/2021	Special Service - Other rescue/release of persons	Other rescue/release of persons > Other	Dwelling, Self contained Sheltered Housing
GAELIC COLLEGE, BOWMORE, ISLE OF ISLAY	15/05/2021	Special Service - RTC	RTC > Stand by - no action	Car
A83, OUTSIDE LOCHGILPHEAD	08/04/2021	Special Service - RTC	RTC > Other	Car

Community Safety Activity

Home Fire Safety Visits 01/04/21 to 30/06/21			
Station	Home Fire Safety Visits	High Risk Visits	HFSV With Smoke Detection Fitted
Inveraray	1	1	4
Tarbert	4	4	0
Campbeltown	7	4	0
Bowmore	1	1	0
Jura	0	0	0
Port Ellen	4	1	1
Port Charlotte	0	0	0
Carradale	0	0	0
Gigha	0	0	0
Lochgilphead	10	8	2
Colonsay	0	0	0
TOTAL	27	19	7

Community Safety Activity

- Post Domestic Incident Response (PDIR) –9
- Fire Safety Talks – Summer/Water safety – Due to Covid-19 were unable to go into schools so we integrated our presentations into Education networks and remotely supported schools with the presentations
- Continue to deliver Fire Safety advice via telephone and provision of smoke detection where none is fitted. HFSV's are carried out where there is a threat of fire from criminal activity
- Represented on the MARAC for those affected by domestic Violence
- Continue to support “Make the Call” Campaign

Campbeltown CC Report for MAKI

Education

The Community Council (CC) is seriously concerned about the standard of learning and teaching in Campbeltown Grammar School following two failed inspection reports by Education Scotland and the school being placed 334th out of 340 schools in the league tables published in the press. The CC has been in dialogue with Executive Director, Mr Douglas Hendry and head of Education: Learning and Teaching, Louise Connor, of Argyll & Bute Council. They have given us assurances that steps have been taken to progress the areas highlighted by the inspection reports. We have asked to be updated on the strategies being employed in the Action Plan and for a further meeting in September.

Community Action Plan (CAP)

The CC is working with Inspiralba and South Kintyre Development Trust (SKDT) to produce an Action Plan, which accurately reflects the needs of the local community. Three young people have been employed through Kickstart to develop a community survey, speak to focus groups, coordinate responses and write up a CAP. It is hoped this will be completed by late October.

Community Shared Ownership (CSO)

The CC is concerned that some of the windfarm developers in Kintyre are not adhering to the Scottish Government Good Practice Principles for Shared Ownership in Windfarms and failing to offer CSO. The CC has joined with other Kintyre Community Councils petitioning the Scottish Government to make CSO mandatory. Our communities are greatly impacted by these developments and CSO would permit us to benefit from them.

New inclusive play equipment at Jock's Boat

The CC has been working with local resident Iona Maclean and Councillor Donald Kelly to fundraise for new play equipment at the Quarry Green Park, commonly known as Jock's Boat. Fundraising has been successful and the equipment, which will allow access to the play equipment for all children.

Town Centre Maintenance Officer

Working with Keeping it Local to help maintain and keep tidy those areas of the town no longer cared for by A&B Council. The CC has funded materials and equipment, thanks to a donation from the Common Good Fund.

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Dunadd Community Council – update

Currently, Dunadd CC is involved in the following-

- Setting up a steering group to create a document for Emergency and Disaster Planning. The document will set out emergency procedures and hold local contact details. This is still in early stages.
- Working with the Road Policing unit to get traffic surveys carried out in Kilmartin to monitor the speed of traffic coming into the village after complaints of speeding. Outcome - slow down signs will be erected for traffic.
- C38 in Kilmichael - we continue to liaise with Argyll and Bute Council regarding the request to put “no parking” signs in the passing places and look at where passing places are situated as there are areas where there are none.
- We had a presentation from Stakraft on the Car Duibh Windfarm proposals and our Chair attended the Kilmartin Quarry extension meeting at the end of June.
- TSL the appointed contractors for the Kilmartin Museum project have given us unrestricted funding of £2500 – we are currently collating feedback from the Community on ways this can be spent.

Hazel Fuller

Secretary

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Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust Update

MAKI Area Community Planning Group 24/08/2021

- There have not been any requests for hardship support arising from Covid-19 over since the last meeting.
- As part of recovery Tarbert After School Care has delivered 2 weeks of summer fun over the holidays for children aged 3 to 11 and Tarbert Bowling Club is building an outdoor area for older and former players to join the club during their events.
The above have been funded through the Scottish Government Supporting Communities resilience fund managed by the Trust.
- The Trust has been successful in securing funding from the Crown Estate for a housing project worker. The Trust has appointed a worker over 40 weeks to work with local communities, elected representatives and statutory organisations, local voluntary and charitable groups, and all other stakeholders to highlight the urgent need to facilitate integrated and sustainable housing development in Tarbert & Skipness.
- A farm on the outskirts of Tarbert has become available and the Trust is progressing purchase of part of the area for potential future housing development.
- The annual public meeting to update Tarbert & Skipness Community Plan will be held in October, focussing on housing provision in Tarbert.
- The Trust has set up a pilot transport fund of £5,000 over a year to support groups wanting to travel to events or undertake minibus licence training.

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**Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands - Area Committee Planning Group Meeting
on 24th August 2021**

Covid-19 micro Grant Fund for Village Halls and Community Organisations

Purpose

- To highlight a new Council Covid-19 response fund for community groups

Recommendation

- Any organisation or partner is welcome to help promote the fund and the information to do this is within the details section below.

Background

- At Council on 24 June, it was agreed that an amount of £30,400 be available from the Flexible Fund to support impacts of Covid-19 on community groups and in particular village halls.
- The fund (details below) enables groups to apply for up to £500 to help community facilities to re-open safely and support community-led recovery activities.
- The fund was launched on 28th July and applications are being received. The deadline for applications is 31 August. Awards will be made by the Community Development Team from 1 October 2021.
- The fund is being promoted through social media, website (see links below) area community planning group Basecamp, Communities E-Bulletin from the Community Development Team, and the council's Funding Bulletin.

Details

Argyll and Bute Council is delighted to announce the launch of a new Covid-19 Micro Grants Fund for Village Halls and Community Organisations.

The micro grant fund is open to not for profit community organisations to apply for **up to £500** to enable community facilities to re-open safely and support community-led recovery activities.

Projects must be related to recovery from the pandemic, examples of the types of activities the fund aims to support include the provision of cleaning materials or Personal Protective Equipment, training of staff and volunteers, and the delivery of events to bring the community together.

Please note that all activities must be within the current Scottish Government guidelines. Detail of eligibility criteria can be found in the guidance notes within the application form and [the FAQ's on our website](#).

Please find the application form attached, [this can also be downloaded from our website](#) along with the scoring matrix that will be used for assessment.

If you have any questions, require assistance or would like to request a paper copy of the application form, please contact the Community Development Team on 01436 657647 or email communitydevelopment@argyll-bute.gov.uk.

The closing date for applications is 31st August 2021.

Officer contact details:

Ailie Law, Community Development Officer. 07880 051520. Ailie.Law@argyll-bute.gov.uk (providing temporary cover for Antonia Baird until 31/10/2021)

Shopper-Aide Ltd

Some statistics 23rd March 2020 to 22nd March 2021:

- We spent £210,940.45 on shopping within the local economy for clients
- We shopped for 5,031 clients in 10,478 shops (includes couples)
- Our 19 volunteer Phone Buddies (31 clients) and 8 staff (25 clients) made over 5,000 calls to clients during the period
- We delivered 2160 virtual afternoon teas to all clients including those on the island of Gigha
- We arranged for 570 jigsaws to be delivered anyone aged over 60 – not counting those who called at the door for one
- We delivered glasses from the optician
- We delivered hearing aid batteries from the health board to clients
- We bought several white and other goods e.g. fridge, microwave, tumble dryer, television, iron, cutlery and many more for clients

All of the above are just some of what we carried out and have continued to do to make a difference to older peoples' lives in Kintyre. However, we have also lost clients (not to Covid) but continue to have new referrals – either self or from other statutory and voluntary agencies. We have restarted the housekeeping service and Garry's Gang (a men only weekly outing with 3-4 vehicles where volunteers and clients enjoy a time out) and other sessions using our wheelchair accessible vehicle. Until we can set up larger groups we have been mainly concentrating on those who have been alone over the last 18 months and need to engage with the outside world again.

Little Stories

Perhaps more than anything the events of this year has shown how important we have become to the community. We have illustrated that as an organisation, we have been able to adapt very quickly to provide services for older people especially for those who needed to be shielded as well as others who had to change their lives just because of their age. Our rurality as well as the loss of social activities changed many people's lives and they now had to rely on others. We became a conduit for access to services, information and the world. Even now many are afraid to go out while others are desperate for company.

Below are some of our stories we have gathered to illustrate how we have helped and where problems arise.

- At the start of lockdown when there was a rush for toilet paper, this was a problem for many clients as they usually bought a pack of 4 every other week and as shoppers we had trouble getting it. However, as cafes, hotels and the schools shut down many gifted us any they had and if we couldn't buy any for a client we gave from this supply. This was just one of the ways we had help for our clients from the general public and businesses.
- Mrs J is in her mid to late 60's and has many health problems which limit her mobility. Due to her health status this client is self-isolating. Her only contact is from a few family members and our team on the telephone and when dropping her Shopping at her door. She is suffering with the early outset of dementia and finding the lack of social interaction difficult to deal with. We check on her every day to make sure she is okay and see if any of our services or others can help with any new issues that arise. Mrs J is using Shopper-Aides shopping and delivery service, but can't always remember what to buy; to make this easier we have kept a record of all her regular shopped for items, so we can prompt her when collecting her list on the telephone. She has access to a local sessional worker whom she can contact anytime when she wants to talk. This lady often does call the worker who can reassure her when she feels confused.
- Mrs E wanted to buy some items for the house, but hadn't purchased over the web before. Our sessional worker in East Kintyre spent some time on the phone talking through how to do so on the clients iPad and they were able to purchase the items they needed.
- Mr G used to be very involved with groups within the village, but doesn't get out much now due to becoming wheelchair bound. Our sessional worker in East Kintyre was able to help him over the telephone to navigate his iPad to the correct website to access the minutes of the groups he used to attend so he could read them. This made the client really happy, as he had previously been an active member and didn't feel connected or up to date with what was happening.
- MS J McN is in her 80's and lives in sheltered accommodation, we normally took Ms J out twice a week for shopping and befriending but stopped due to lockdown rules. She has no family in Scotland and hasn't heard from her daughter in America for some time. We call her 3 times a week to check on how she's doing and to get her shopping lists. Since lockdown Ms J had trouble paying her bills and as a result her phone was cut off, (this was her only means of contact with anyone) we contacted BT to make them aware that she is vulnerable and they put her phone back on so we could help her pay the bill over the phone. She recently found pictures of her wedding day and wanted a nice photo album to put them in, we

purchased one for her and she had fun putting it altogether. Her photos are very important to her. She has now deteriorated mentally and is currently in hospital since we found her collapsed on the floor when calling in.

- We have been very encouraged with all the support we have received not only from our Funders but the public in general. Our clients have also been doing their bit to help out during these difficult times. Tony and Enid became clients for shopping when they had to isolate but that did not stop them helping others. Tony gifted us tomato plants that he had grown and we were able to disseminate them to clients all over the peninsula. Watching a plant growing on your own windowsill allows us all to use our nurturing tendencies even when living alone.
- Maisie, was our longest client and is now 95, has progressively gone blind and during lockdown lost her sight completely. Her family live 160 miles away and she relied very much on us and her Phone Buddie. She had no help from statutory services prior to lockdown and as she became more upset we managed to get her extra help and continued to support her with shopping, phone calls and her Phone Buddie has also taken her to hospital appointments. Her family eventually moved her away from the area to be near them but she has since died.



Mr D McA has dementia and has struggled with the fact he has carers going into his house to help him with keeping his house clean and bedding changed. Once we were able to take up housekeeping again we have managed to engage with him and he is happy to let our staff in. We keep his son, who does not live locally, informed about how he is doing as he has PoA and Guardianship of Mr McA which keeps him reassured. During lockdown to help keep Mr McA occupied we gave him a photograph album to sort and put in the photos of his army days and he has enjoyed reminiscing and has also shown them to his friends so they can chat about the old days. However, he has been getting steadily worse and is going into a nursing home.

- Linda was getting ready to go into hospital and to shield for 14 days but called in a panic as her kettle had broken and she had no way of getting a new one. She called us and we purchased one and took it to her house, leaving it outside to collect.
- At the start of lockdown we received a call from a woman living in London who was worried about her father who lived in Campbeltown and should have been shielding as he had had a kidney transplant but he was fairly new to the area and was

still going out shopping as he didn't know what else to do. We arranged to get shopping for him and set up a payment plan with his daughter. This was not the only time it happened as within the first month we had many situations like this as family living far away contacted us to arrange shopping for their older relatives. Some referrals came directly to us and some from Argyll and Bute Council once they had set up their system although when local social work services were contacted they quickly referred people to us.

- Mr B was worried that he had been scammed and money taken from his bank account and wanted to visit his bank himself so his Phone Buddie arranged to take him there to meet with bank staff and be reassured personally that there was no problem.
- Ms S, new to an area had been getting shopping via us due to her health conditions but due to a domestic incident has left on her own. She has struggled to cope and a volunteer has been supporting her with visits, phone calls and outings.

These are just some of the Stories we have – they and many others can be found on our Facebook page – Shopper-Aide and our website www.shopper-aide.org.uk

Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership

Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group

24 August 2021



Briefing Note: Climate Change Working Group – Involvement of Area Community Planning Groups

This briefing provides information on the Climate Change Working Group which has been formed by the CPP Management Committee, gives details on the aims of the Group and looks at how Area Community Planning Groups can be more involved.

Summary

A Short Life Working Group was formed by the CPP Management Committee following its meeting held in December 2019 and was initially co-chaired by the the MSYP's who were members of the Management Committee.

Following a break due to the pandemic, the Group has met recently and has a new Chair, Stan Phillips of NatureScot.

The Group is currently exploring its remit and what actions can be taken forward.

Membership of the Climate Change Working Group

The Group currently has members from across the CPP Management Committee. It is Chaired by Stan Phillips from NatureScot and has input from partners and Council officers – Willie Lynch, Chair of the Bute and Cowal ACPG is also a member.

At their last meeting the Working Group agreed that they would be keen to increase membership, to make sure relevant sectors/demographics were represented, including young people. It is therefore suggested that each Area Community Planning Group may want to appoint a representative (and a substitute if possible) who could attend the Working Group meetings and act as liaison with the ACPG.

Remit and aims of the Climate Change Working Group

When the Working Group was originally set up it looked to build on and promote the work being carried out by partners across Argyll and Bute. At the most recent meeting the Group agreed to look at the remit and aims and discussion within the Group noted the following:-

- To educate everyone in A&B about climate change and reducing our carbon footprint.

- Messaging.
- More awareness raising around industrial decarbonisation agenda.
- How businesses are supported/incentivised to just transition to net zero.
- To have a simple, short statement reflecting our purpose/mission statement.
- To identify risks for the area e.g. rising sea levels
- Adaptation planning
- To explore what our natural capital means and how we can best use this, particularly in relation to Community Wealth Building.
- Continue to update website with new material

Members of the Group were asked to think about the discussion and to bring forward ideas for refining the discussion into a set of meaningful actions. Any actions which are put forward need to be achievable and realistic given that there is no direct resource allocated to the Working Group.

Primarily, actions should be something that can make a difference.

Input from the Area Groups with any ideas for actions would be welcomed.

Climate Change actions across Argyll and Bute

Across Argyll and Bute there are many examples of good work and practice which relate to the climate change agenda. For example, the Council has a Climate Change Board which looks at how the Council can make a difference by implementing different ways of working or taking forward different practices which all contributes to the climate change agenda. There are many more examples across the partners of the Management Committee and in the wider community.

Members will be aware that the Climate Change Conference (COP 26) is being hosted in Glasgow in November of this year. This is a key opportunity in terms of the climate change agenda and there will be many activities taking place in local areas which will link into the conference, including an Education conference in October which is being taken forward by the Council.

The CPP Management Committee has created a dedicated climate change webpage which is hosted on the Council website, it has lots of useful links and information and can be accessed here [Community Planning Partnership - Climate Change \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/community-planning-partnership-climate-change).

ACT (Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust) are taking forward a project called Act Now and one part of this is the compilation of an interactive map which they hope will encourage greater levels of collaboration between organisations and promote engagement.

ACT Now is looking to add any not-for-profit organisation to the map which have a focus on climate change awareness, home energy efficiency, sustainable travel, local food production, health and wellbeing in the natural environment, environmental education, upcycling/recycling, improving biodiversity, promotion of natural heritage etc. You can view the map here [EConnect Map Argyll | Argyll and the Isles Coast and](https://www.ecconnectmap.org.uk/)

[Countryside Trust \(act-now.org.uk\)](http://act-now.org.uk) Any examples which the Group considers relevant can be collated and passed on to ACT Now.

Recommendations

The Area Community Planning Group is asked to:-

- (1) Discuss the information outlined in the briefing and provide suggestions for actions for the Climate Change Working Group;
- (2) Consider the nomination of a representative (and substitute) to represent the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands ACPG on the Working Group; and
- (3) Provide detail on any relevant project/organisation that could be put forward as an addition to the ACT interactive map.

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MAKI Area Community Planning Group – 24/08/2021

Update by Fergus Murray, Head of Development and Economic Growth, Argyll and Bute Council
Local Climate Change Initiatives

Argyll and the Isles Countryside Trust are undertaking a number of initiatives in Lochgilphead including the climate change pods, use of surplus food from the coop, cycle promotion and training and forest creation. ACT are also doing peat restoration on Islay and have the outdoor nursery at Kilmory emerging young people in the environment and helping to restore the gardens at Kilmory.

There is also Scottish canals and restricted verge cutting to aide biodiversity.

The council is continuing with the regeneration of Lochgilphead Town Centre with the CARS project and shopfront grants aiding small businesses in a place where you can access them by public transport and active travel including the new cycle racks. We are looking at an extended active travel network linking Ardrishaig and Lochgilphead.

We are investing in the village centre of Bowmore public realm and shopfronts. We have funded through LEADER and Sustrans new active travel paths on Islay.

We are building energy efficient housing at Bowmore and Port Ellen and Tarbert with HEEPS funding being delivered across MAKI to make existing houses more energy efficient. Latest Government award £1.7m with additional funding going to ACHA including a unique UK Government award transforming difficult to heat houses with a major refurb.

We are looking to invest in Tarbert town centre working with the Skipness and Tarbert Trust. We have invested in shopfront grants for the village centre and are looking to install solar powered bollards to make sure the pavement at the harbour is not restricted. There is also the community growing garden and forest/orchards in Tarbert. We have also funded improvements to the white shore path. Tarbert Harbour Authority have installed 2 EV chargers. There is also a major investment by Scottish water to help stop sewage escaping into flood water

In Campbeltown we continue to invest in the shopfronts of the town and there is major flood scheme being progressed. In Kintyre 2 on shore wind farms are being repowered and a new one is being built.

We are undertaking a public realm investment in Ardrishaig making the town a better place to live. Ardrishaig Development trust have refurbished both halls in the village saving these important community assets.

We are investing in the Lochgilphead Front Green and raising the ground level (It is not a flood scheme but will mitigate impacts) and planting more trees. This will become an important events and community space adjacent to bus route and linked by a new active travel network.

The council is undertaking a series of building energy efficient measures and have leased more energy efficient cars and have re-joined a bike to work subsidy scheme for employees.

The major off shore wind farm off Islay is progressing with crown estates with the round 4 bidding round closing. This could be a 2 GW off shore wind farm fed directly into Mid Argyll and Kintyre linking into the major grid enhancement works that are ongoing.

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Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership**Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group****24 August 2021**

Briefing Note: Community Planning Partnership Management Committee Update

This briefing relates to the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee which was held on 30 June 2021. The briefing is for noting and relevant discussion.

Summary

The CPP Management Committee met on the 30th June 2021 with the meeting being held virtually given the restrictions in place in regard to public gatherings.

This update provides an overview of the discussion which took place.

Further information is available in the *meetings, minutes and agendas* section of: <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-and-government/community-planning-partnership>

HighlightsMatters Arising from Area Community Planning Groups

- An update was provided on the discussions which had taken place at all 4 Area Community Planning Groups which had been held in April/May 2021. The meetings had been well attended and there had been a variety of interesting presentations given.
- It was noted that the administrative arrangements for the Helensburgh and Lomond ACPG would now be undertaken by the Council's Governance Team which would provide a consistent approach across all 4 Groups.
- Discussion took place on how the Area Groups could contribute to the Climate Change Working Group as it had been highlighted that there are many examples of local good practice which could be shared – it was agreed that Stan Phillips would raise this with the Working Group at the next meeting and that there would be discussion at the Area Group meetings.
- Willie Lynch, Chair of Bute and Cowal ACPG advised that the Argyll Rally had went ahead despite the concerns around rising Covid cases and that it had went well. It was noted that there would be a review undertaken to discuss the event and look at any lessons which could be learned going forward.

Scottish Youth Parliament

Cameron Garrett, MSYP spoke about his work with the Scottish Youth Parliament including the work on the SQA exams appeal process. Cameron also spoke about the “bounce back campaign” and how it looks to take a human rights based approach to pandemic recovery and highlighted the work that is ongoing to encourage visitors to the area to take home litter and reduce waste wherever possible. He spoke of the importance of distance learning and university promotion to the youth in Argyll and Bute which provides avenues for young people who might not want to leave the area to study. A video was also shown and this is available to view on YouTube via this link - [video](#).

Cross Cutting Themes

- The Committee heard a presentation from Martin Turnbull and Ailsa Clark around digital inclusion. Ailsa spoke on the Digital Connection project which had started as a response to Covid in Kintyre with over 150 devices being donated by the community for redistribution. The project identified that there was a need for more devices and following engagement with the Council this led to increased donations and grant funding to purchase 220 more refurbished devices. The project ran over a period of 8 months and complimented the Connecting Scotland project. Martin spoke about the Connecting Scotland initiative which the Scottish Government set up with the aim of targeting 50,000 digitally excluded households by the end of 2021. He provided detail on the project and outlined the success of distributing devices to older people, disabled people, families and care leavers. The Education service also funded the purchase of 1356 new devices and 254 mifi connections.
- Discussion took place on the importance of digital connectivity and it was agreed that a short life working group would be set up to look at what partners can do in regard to digital inclusion across their organisations.
- Fergus Walker, Revenue and Benefits Manager advised that the Council was looking to procure a poverty awareness training programme.

Climate Change

- The Council has a new website which has a map linking to climate change projects across the area – [Climate website](#)
- In regard to the Climate Change Working Group it was noted that the group had recently met and had discussed the purpose of the group and they were looking to identify what projects to take forward. This will be explored further at the next meeting with it being noted that they were keen to welcome new members and diversify the membership particularly from young people.
- There are plans for an Education Climate Summit in October prior to COP 26 and plans for this are being worked on. It was noted that the Scotland Climate Assembly have compiled a report for the Scottish Government which tables 81 recommendations, you can view the report [here](#)
- The Committee was shown a video by Cowal Youth Forum which had been made as part of the Keep Scotland Beautiful competition and had received a

commendation. The video was well received and provided some great images and took on some key themes around the use of plastics and the impact of fires on beaches. The video can be viewed here [Video](#)

Outcome 3 – CLD Partnership

- Nicola Hackett provided an update on the work of Community Learning and Development (CLD) which has recently transferred to Live Argyll and a new strategic partnership has been formed. CLD covers areas such as adult learning and literacy, youth work, family based learning and the early intervention agenda and wider volunteering opportunities to build capacity in Community Learning.

Outcome 4 – Children and Young People

- Brian Reid, Interim Head of Service for Children, Families and Justice gave a presentation on “The Promise”. Following the Independent Care Review which had been commissioned by the First Minister to figure out how Scotland could love its most vulnerable children and give them the childhood they deserve “The Promise” was made – “We grow up, loved, safe and respected so that we realise our full potential”. A suite of documents have been created which apply to a wide variety of areas within which change will be driven to meet this Promise.
- The Promise Scotland Team who have been delivering the framework have now been commissioned by the Scottish Government to lead the implementation of the Promise and an initial Change Programme has now been published. It was acknowledged that the CPP has a governance role in overseeing the work to keep “The Promise”.

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Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership**Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group****24 August 2021**

Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group

Summary

The following report provides information relating to the appointment of a Chair and Vice-Chair for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group. It outlines the expected time commitment and also gives information on the roles. The Area Community Planning Group is asked to consider making an appointment to the position of Chair and Vice-Chair.

1. Purpose

1.1 This report asks the Area Community Planning Group to consider the appointment of a Chair and a Vice-Chair.

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Area Community Planning Group is asked to consider the appointment of a Chair and Vice-Chair.

3. Background

3.1 The current Chair, Ian Brodie has been in post since August 2019. In accordance with the Terms of Reference the Chair and Vice-Chair positions are for a period of 2 years. The Group is therefore required to nominate a member to take on the role of Chair.

3.2 Rachel Whyte who has served as Vice-Chair since 10 November 2020 has submitted her resignation effective from 9th August 2021. The Group is therefore required to nominate a member to take on the role of Vice-Chair.

4. Detail

4.1 According to the Terms of Reference the Chair or Vice-Chair, if elected, would serve for a term of 2 years with an option to be re-elected at the end of this time. However, no one person can serve for more than 2 consecutive terms.

4.2 In order to be considered as a candidate for the position of Chair or Vice-Chair the person must be a member of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands ACPG.

4.3 Some further information on the commitment required for both roles:-

- Attend meetings of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands ACPG;
- Attend meetings of the Community Planning Partnership Management Committee or the Full Partnership, in the case of the Vice-Chair to attend these meetings if the Chair is unable to attend;
- Time commitment of at least 4 CPG meetings per year in February, May, August and November and 4 pre-agenda meetings per year in January, April, August and October;
- To participate in any Short-Term Working Groups as required; and
- To engage with officers of the Council in terms of setting the Agenda for the CPG.

5. Conclusions

5.1 The ACPG is asked to consider the appointment of a Chair and a Vice-Chair.

6. SOA Outcomes

6.1 This report does not link to any specific Outcome as it relates to the administrative arrangements.

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