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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the **MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & THE ISLANDS AREA COMMITTEE** will be held by **MICROSOFT TEAMS** on **WEDNESDAY, 2 MARCH 2022** at **10:00 AM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry
Executive Director

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Mid Argyll, Kintyre & the Islands Area Committee

Councillor John Armour

Councillor Robin Currie

Councillor Donald Kelly

Councillor Douglas Philand

Councillor Sandy Taylor

Councillor Rory Colville (Chair)

Councillor Anne Horn

Councillor Donald MacMillan BEM (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Alastair Redman

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**MINUTES of MEETING of MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & THE ISLANDS AREA COMMITTEE held by
MICROSOFT TEAMS
on WEDNESDAY, 1 DECEMBER 2021**

Present: Councillor Rory Colville (Chair)

Councillor John Armour	Councillor Donald MacMillan BEM
Councillor Robin Currie	Councillor Douglas Philand
Councillor Anne Horn	Councillor Alastair Redman
Councillor Donald Kelly	Councillor Sandy Taylor

Attending: Jim Smith, Head of Roads and Infrastructure Services
Shona Barton, Committee Manager
Douglas Grierson, Sustainable Transport Coordinator
Anna Watkiss, Senior Planning Development Officer
Stephen Harrison, Head Teacher – Islay High School
Neil McKnight, Head Teacher – Tarbert Academy
Ann Devine, Head Teacher – Lochgilphead High School
Samantha Stewart, Acting Head Teacher – Campbeltown Grammar School
Alastair MacGregor, Chief Executive - Argyll Community Housing Association
Stephen Whiston, Head of Strategic Planning, Performance and Technology –
Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership

1. APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

There were no apologies for absence intimated.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES

(a) Minute of the Meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee held on Wednesday, 1st September 2021

The Minute of the Meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee, held on Wednesday 1st September 2021, was approved as a correct record.

4. PUBLIC AND COUNCILLORS QUESTION TIME

Cathy Cameron, Time for Change Argyll and Bute, submitted the following question to the Committee:

“Time for Change would like to thank the Council for supporting several of its climate change activities, including the opportunity to present at the Climate Education Summit and for giving us the opportunity to engage directly with the Council. We would also like to thank those who took part in Time for Change's Climate Change Summit on 20th September and for welcoming at Kilmory those Mid-Argyll schoolchildren who took part in

the climate march on 5th November. In addition, we wish to commend ACHA for the work that they have undertaken on energy efficiency retrofitting.

We would like to enquire about how the Carbon Literacy Training roll-out for managers, elected officials and general staff is proceeding.

Following discussions with the Council it was agreed that Climate Change would be included in Implications on papers and we would like to ask when this might happen.”

The Committee Manager confirmed that implications on climate change would be included in Council reports for the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee on 9th December 2021 and in all meeting reports thereafter. The Committee Manager advised that the Head of Commercial Services, as the officer responsible for the Climate Literacy Training project, would provide a response to the query around training and this would be circulated to Ms Cameron and Members by e-mail following the meeting.

Councillor Horn requested clarification as to whether any further update had been provided from the Scottish Ambulance Service in relation to ongoing concerns around capacity and delays. Councillor Philand advised that a new Area Commander had been appointed for Argyll and Bute, noting that he would arrange to share the details of the new Area Commander with the Committee Manager following the meeting for onward dissemination to Members.

Councillor Kelly enquired as to whether Area Committee meetings were being recorded, and the Committee Manager confirmed that the meetings were not being recorded at this time. The Committee Manager advised that this would be looked at as part of the overall hybrid meetings project and agreed to progress discussions around this, with a view to having the next cycle of Area Committees recorded.

Councillor Kelly raised concerns around the time taken for an update report in relation to Traffic Management in Davaar and Meadows Housing Schemes to be brought to the Committee, noting that he understood that Covid-19 had impacted on the survey. Councillor Kelly expressed frustration around the lack of consultation with Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA), Fyne Homes, local residents and the local Community Council, and asked that appropriate consultation was undertaken and proposals investigated to alleviate the identified issues. Alastair MacGregor confirmed that ACHA would be happy to engage with any consultation around this.

Councillor Kelly highlighted his concerns that a MAKI Accessibility and Footway Survey was no longer being progressed, following a request from the Area Committee more than a year ago. Councillor Kelly advised that he would like to see appropriate action being taken to progress this.

Councillor Philand thanked the Committee for their previous support in relation to frustrations around the progress of the Autism Strategy, and advised that a productive meeting had since taken place with the Chief Officer of the Health and Social Care Partnership. Councillor Philand confirmed that he would keep Members up to date with any further progress updates in this regard.

Councillor Redman advised that constituents had raised concerns with him around the Education Change Programme and the level of consultation in relation to same. The Chair confirmed that an update in relation to the consultation which was taking place had been shared with Members. The Committee Manager also confirmed that an update on the

consultation would be considered by the Community Services Committee later in December. Councillor Redman requested confirmation around the costs of this consultation, and the Chair advised that any requests around this could be directed to the Executive Director with responsibility for Education.

Councillor Philand advised that, following concerns raised at a local Community Council meeting, he had submitted a request for the views of professionals and unions to be included as part of the information being collated for consideration by the Community Services Committee. The Committee Manager confirmed that a report would be submitted to the next meeting of the Community Services Committee which would confirm the consultation arrangements.

5. ARGYLL COMMUNITY HOUSING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL UPDATE

The Committee gave consideration to an annual update presentation for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands area by the Chief Executive, Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA). The presentation included details of the investment programme in the area; day-to-day repairs and cyclical maintenance programmes; work being carried out in conjunction with the Warm Homes Fund to install Air Source Heat Pump heating systems; the BEIS – Whole House Retrofit Programme; the Exemplar Estates initiative; improvements to the Duncholgan Travelling Persons Site; new homes being built in the area; pipeline projects; the work of the welfare rights service; plans for the re-opening of offices; a trial hybrid working model for staff; statistics around the re-let of properties since 30th October 2020; the progress of planned work in Dalintober, Campbeltown; ACHA's 10 10 Initiative; and ACHA's success at the recent Scottish Energy Efficiency Awards.

The Chief Executive, ACHA, advised that the ACHA Community Action Fund was currently undersubscribed and asked Members to get in touch with him if they were aware of any groups who may benefit from this funding.

Following confirmation that this would be Mr McGregor's last presentation to the Area Committee, the Committee members thanked him for his support over the years and wished him well for the future.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee noted the contents of the presentation and information provided.

(Reference: Presentation by Chief Executive, Argyll Community Housing Association, dated 1st December 2021, submitted)

6. SECONDARY SCHOOL REPORTS

(a) Islay High School Report

The Committee gave consideration to a progress report providing information in relation to wider achievement; SQA performance; pupil and staff wellbeing; blended and home learning; contingency planning; school successes; the school roll; clothing and footwear grants; free school meals; and attendance, absence and exclusions.

Decision:

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee noted the contents of the

report and information provided.

(Reference: Report by Head Teacher, Islay High School, dated December 2021, submitted)

(b) **Tarbert Academy Report**

The Committee gave consideration to a progress report providing information in relation to wider achievement; SQA performance; pupil and staff wellbeing; blended and home learning; contingency planning; school successes; the school roll; clothing and footwear grants; free school meals; and attendance, absence and exclusions.

Decision:

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee noted the contents of the report and information provided.

(Reference: Report by Head Teacher, Tarbert Academy, dated December 2021, submitted)

(c) **Lochgilphead High School Report**

The Committee gave consideration to a progress report providing information in relation to the curriculum; pupil equity funding; wider achievement; SQA results and performance; pupil and staff wellbeing; blended and home learning; contingency planning; school successes; the school roll; clothing and footwear grants; free school meals; and attendance, absence and exclusions.

Having noted that this would be Ms Devine's last report to the Area Committee, the Committee members thanked her for her service over the years and wished her well for the future.

Decision:

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee noted the contents of the report and information provided.

(Reference: Report by Head Teacher, Lochgilphead High School, dated December 2021, submitted)

(d) **Campbeltown Grammar School Report**

The Committee gave consideration to a progress report providing information in relation to the curriculum model and learner pathways; Pupil Equity Funding; a scheduled visit from Education Scotland in early December; wider achievement; SQA performance; pupil and staff wellbeing; blended and home learning; contingency planning; school successes; the school roll; clothing and footwear grants; free school meals; and attendance, absence and exclusions.

Decision:

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee noted the contents of the report and information provided.

(Reference: Report by Acting Head Teacher, Campbeltown Grammar School, dated December 2021, submitted)

7. ARGYLL AND BUTE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2020/21

The Committee gave consideration to the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) Annual Performance Report for 2020/21.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee:

1. considered the Annual Performance Report for the Health and Social Care Partnership for the year 2020/21; and
2. noted the Annual Performance Report for the Health and Social Care Partnership for the year 2020/21.

(Reference: Report by Head of Strategic Planning, Performance and Technology, Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership, dated 1st December 2021, submitted)

8. ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES UPDATE

The Committee gave consideration to a report which provided an update on the recent activities of Roads and Infrastructure Services and highlighted works being undertaken which were of relevance to the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands area.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee considered and noted the contents of the report.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services, dated November 2021, submitted)

At 1:30pm, the Chair ruled, and the Committee agreed, to adjourn for a comfort break and to reconvene at 1.35pm.

The Committee reconvened at 1:35pm, with all Members present as per the sederunt.

9. CHARITABLE TRUSTS, BEQUESTS AND TRUST FUNDS

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing information on proposals relating to the ongoing management and distribution of the 19 Charitable Trusts, Bequests and Trust Funds for which the Mid Argyll, Kintyre Area Committee are Trustees.

Councillor Armour advised that references to the 'Hutcheson Memorial Trust' throughout the report should be amended to the 'Hutcheon Memorial Trust'. The Committee Manager confirmed that she would arrange for this information to be amended in the relevant records.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee:

1. noted the financial position of the Charitable Trusts, Bequests and Trust Funds as of July 2021;
2. agreed that a moratorium be placed on awards being made from the following funds, Latimer McInnes Trust, Macalister Trust, Kilmory Lochgilphead Churchyard, Kilmartin New Burial Ground Bequest, Kilmartin War Memorial Fund, and Kilkerran Cemetery;
3. agreed that the Hutcheon Memorial Trust and May Paterson Trust prizes be limited to £30;
4. agreed that all other charities and trust funds, that have historically been awarded to Council Departments and Allied partners, are awarded on the basis outlined in paragraph 5.5 of the report and as outlined in appendix 1 of the report; and
5. noted that officers are in ongoing dialogue with representatives from the Lord Advocates office to establish appropriate methods of distributing those funds that have no established distribution arrangements.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support, dated October 2021, submitted)

10. AREA SCORECARD FQ2 2021/22

The Committee considered the Area Scorecard report for Financial Quarter 2 of 2021-2022 (July to September 2021), which illustrated the agreed performance measures.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee;

1. noted and considered the performance and supporting commentary as presented in the report;
2. noted that upon receipt of the Quarterly Performance Report the Area Committee Members could contact either the Responsible Named Officer or the Performance Improvement Officer with any queries; and
3. noted that work was ongoing and to respond to the Performance Improvement Officer with requests or comments regarding the layout and format of the Performance Report and Scorecard.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Customer Support Services, dated 1 December 2021, submitted)

11. MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS AREA COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

The Committee considered the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee Workplan as at December 2021.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee agreed:

1. to note the contents of the Workplan;
2. that the MAKI Accessibility and Footway Survey should remain on the agenda, with the Chair undertaking investigations as to how this could be progressed;

3. that further enquiries should be carried out around whether some of the items regularly presented to the December cycle of meetings could be moved to avoid meetings being considerably longer than usual;
4. to continue to seek an update on the Patient Transport Policy to be reported to Members; and
5. to request that an update report on Flooding Issues in MAKI be brought to a future meeting.

(Reference: Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee Workplan, submitted)

* **12. NOTICE OF MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER 13**

The following Notice of Motion Under Standing Order 13 was before the Committee for consideration:-

Motion

That the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and The Islands Area Committee request:

1. the Community Services committee who exercise the functions of the Council as Education Authority, to request the Executive Director with Responsibility for Education to prepare a report in respect to the potential for a proposal, in terms of the School (Consultation) (Sc) Act 2010 for a new Campbeltown Primary School which would replace the existing primaries of Dalintober and Castlehill; and
2. that the completed report is presented to a meeting of the Community Service committee for deliberation in early 2022.

Moved by Councillor Donald Kelly, seconded by Councillor Dougie Philand.

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee unanimously agreed the terms of the motion.

* **13. TARBERT AND LOCHGILPHEAD REGENERATION FUND - ARDRISHAIG NORTH PUBLIC REALM FULL BUSINESS CASE**

The Committee gave consideration to a report updating Members on the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund project Ardrishaig North Public Realm (LA13).

The Committee Manager advised of a correction to the third sentence at paragraph 6.2. of the report, which should read: "The maximum cost to the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund for the Ardrishaig North Public Realm project is £330,000 (to include all fees and charges) and current cost estimates indicate that the proposed scheme can be delivered within the budget."

Decision

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee agreed to note the progress made with the project and to recommend to the Policy and Resources Committee that:

1. the draft Full Business Case for Adrishaig North Public Realm is approved and that Council funding of up to £330,000 is confirmed for the Ardrishaig North Public Realm Project from the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund;
2. approval of the final Full Business Case for Adrishaig North Public Realm is delegated to the Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Infrastructure Services, subject to it being demonstrated that this is within the approved budget prior to implementation; and
3. delegated authority be afforded to the Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Infrastructure Services for the delivery of the project.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth, dated 11th November 2021, submitted)

Scottish Water Update February 2022

Scottish Water has had a busy period of investment in the Mid Argyll, Kintyre, and the Islands area, with many projects completed and others in the pipeline.

I have presented some highlights below, looking back over the past year, and looking forward, with upcoming projects at various stages of planning and delivery. This is by no means an exhaustive list.

Ongoing Investment

Low & High Askomil

An £800K mains rehabilitation project to install 1.5 miles of new pipes commenced in August. The works, being delivered by local firm McFadyens, were affected by a Covid 19 outbreak which caused a short delay. It is due for completion by the end of February. This project was delivered following the successful delivery of a £950K upgrade to the water network in Machrihanish.

Islay

A number of projects were completed, with further works ongoing, as part of a multi-million water and waste water investment on Islay.

Bowmore

A £3m project to upgrade the water network in the town commenced in October 2021. The work is expected to last 18 months.

As part of our community engagement, we trialled our virtual platform to improve the way we communicate with customers during lockdown. This has proved a hugely successful way of communicating with our more remote communities, while reducing our carbon footprint. You can access the platform [here](#) and unique registration is with an email address. We were also pleased to take part in a radio podcast for This is Islay to discuss the project. You can access the podcast at www.thisisislay.co.uk.

Torra TTU

This £2.5m investment is now onstream after a marathon journey across land and sea and months of on-site testing.

The Transportable Treatment Unit – TTU – is now connected to the network supplying nearly 2000 customers in the Bowmore and Port Ellen areas.

The new unit is supplying an additional 70,000 litres of clear, fresh drinking water a day.

This work is just part of our ongoing programme of works for Islay to provide capacity for future housing developments but also resilience and improvements to the existing network.

More information can be found [here](#)

The following projects on Islay were also completed in 2021, delivered by local contractor McFadyens: **School Street, Port Ellen; Emerivale & Shore Street, Port Ellen; Daal Terrace, Port Charlotte.**

Isle of Luing

A £1.2m investment to upgrade the water network on the Isle of Luing, started in October 2021.

We are replacing 2.8km of water main in the village of Cullipool, to improve the resilience of water supplies, following a history of bursts in this location.

Our team are staying on the island, and this has enabled good communications with local residents on the ground, around required interruptions to water supply, to enable the works.

More information can be found [here](#)

Planned Investment

Tayvallich

An approx. £850K investment to upgrade the water network in Tayvallich was due to commence last year.

However, it has been discovered that the mains is in a challenging position which would require a full road closure. Given the restrictions this would put on the local community for a period of around six months, we are now in active discussions with roads authority to establish the best way to proceed to allow us to deliver the work, while minimising the impact on residents.

We have recently learned lessons, working with a community on a project in a similar location of Innellan.

Ballygrant, Islay

We are at the early stages of planning for a project to replace a stretch of water main in the woods adjacent to Port Askaig. It is expected to be carried out later this year. No further details are available at present.

Bengullion Road WWPS, Campbeltown

We are in the early stages of planning for the refurbishment of the existing pumping station on Bengullion Road. There are no timescales for this at present.

Campbeltown WWTW

We have submitted a planning application for the replacement of an existing sludge holding tank within the existing WWTW at Campbeltown. No further details are available at this time.

Clachan

We are at the very early stages of planning for a water mains upgrade just south of the village of Clachan, halfway between Campbeltown and Tarbert in Kintyre.

Burn Brae CSO, Inveraray

Plans are underway for sewer relining and flap valve installation at 2 CSOs in Inveraray. We are currently in active discussions with a contractor, and we are keen to ensure this work is carried out, outwith the tourist season.

Sea Wall Repairs, Campbeltown

A project to take down and rebuild a damaged section of sea wall is awaiting the approval of a Marine Licence to carry out this work. A contractor is in place to deliver this. Following detailed designs last year, it was discovered that the damage was more extensive than initially thought. A new application had to be submitted for an extended licence. The application takes a minimum of 14 weeks to be processed. Our current estimate to deliver this work is June, licence dependent.

Other News

We issued the first digital newsletter to our elected stakeholders, which you will have received in September, and invited feedback on the new format. We will shortly be issuing the next update, with lots of exciting news and campaigns you make wish to get involved in.

You can see September 21 issue here:



Scottish Water News September 2021

Welcome to the new look Scottish Water Newsletter - we're going digital to help reach our Net Zero by 2040 target!

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

**MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND
THE ISLANDS – AREA COMMITTEE**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S UNIT

02 MARCH 2022

SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES FUND 2022/23

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to decide on the allocation of the council's Supporting Communities Fund (SCF) for Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands.
- 1.2 The total Supporting Communities Fund budget made available by the Council for allocation in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands for distribution in 2022/23 is £24,619.59.
- 1.3 It is recommended that 12 applicants are awarded funding.
- 1.4 Applicants awarded funds from the council's Supporting Communities Fund have 18 months in which to spend the funds.

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND
THE ISLANDS – AREA COMMITTEE

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S UNIT

02 MARCH 2022

SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES FUND 2022/23

2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The report details recommendations for the award of the Council's Supporting Communities Fund (SCF). The total Supporting Communities Fund budget made available by the Council for allocation in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands for 2022/23 is £22,500. In addition, there are unspent funds from the financial period 2018/19 of £1,639.30. A further sum of £480.29 remaining from the Covid-19 Micro Grants Fund has been allocated to the MAKI Supporting Communities Fund for distribution in 2022/2023. The total available for allocation is £24,619.59.
- 2.2 Organisations applying to the fund were able to request up to £2,500 and the period of spend is 18 months.
- 2.3 The SCF is a popular fund and has attracted 16 applications from the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands area, requesting a total of £34,005.32 in funding.
- 2.4 Applications are scored against criteria set out in the guidance (<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-and-government/third-sector-grants>)
- 2.5 Where an organisation has been recommended for an award and received funds in 2021/22, the award recommended within this report is either for a different project or where the original award has been spent and an End of Project Monitoring Form received.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 Members are asked to agree that 12 applications are awarded funding from the Supporting Communities Fund budget totalling £24,619.59. These are listed in order of assessment score in Appendix 1 and details of the projects are noted in the same order in Appendix 2.

4.0 DETAIL

4.1 The SCF is marked through a robust process which involves financial checks and contact with the applicant to verify any information where required. All applicants need to provide satisfactory essential information on governance and finance to be eligible for further assessment. The scoring is based on a set of criteria outlined in the guidance and made available on the council's website: ([Guidance for applicants](#)). Applications to the fund in January 2022 must meet one or more of the criteria:

- Fairer Communities – tackling poverty by sharing opportunities.
- Resilient Communities – rebuilding and repairing from a pandemic; noting that this is only in the case of the group being unable to access other specific funds for this, e.g. Scottish Government funding.
- Greener, cleaner communities – climate change mitigation
- Creative Communities – creativity for health and wellbeing

4.2 Of the 16 eligible applications (requesting a total of £34,005.32), 7 organisations have not applied to the fund in the previous two years. Applications to the fund are listed in assessment score order, in Appendix 1.

4.3 Of the eligible applications to the SCF, 12 are recommended to be awarded funding from the total available of £24,619.59. One of these is an island based project. The applications recommended for funding are indicated in the recommendation column with 'Award' and are highlighted green in Appendix 1. The detail of the projects is in Appendix 2.

4.4 Unsuccessful applicants are marked as 'No Award' and highlighted in red in Appendix 1. These applicants will be offered support from the Community Development team and provided with information on alternative sources of funding.

4.5 Successful projects funded have to complete a report at the end to evidence the impact of the spending of the money. The results of this are brought to Area Committee in March 2024, if not before depending on project duration.

4.6 Remaining funds from the Covid-19 Micro Grants Fund of £480.29 have been allocated to the MAKI Supporting Communities Fund for distribution in

2022/2023. These funds are ring fenced to the highest scoring project under the 'Resilient Communities' criteria.

5.0 CONCLUSION

- 5.1 The Supporting Communities Fund application and assessment process has been completed as set out within its guidance. (<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-and-government/third-sector-grants>).
- 5.2 The recommendations made fully allocate the funding available for financial year 2022/2023.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Policy: N/A
- 6.2 Financial: Recommendations in the report are limited to the budget allocation available in 2022/23 for the Supporting Communities Fund in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands.
- 6.3 Legal: Applications are initially assessed to ensure that groups are constituted with managed accounts.
- 6.4 HR: N/A
- 6.5 Fairer Scotland Duty: The Supporting Communities Fund supports community groups in tackling poverty, reducing inequality and building a fairer and more inclusive Scotland.
- 6.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics: Applicants are given the options of receiving the application in large print and other languages.
- 6.5.2 Socio-economic Duty: None known
- 6.5.3 Islands: 3 of the applicant projects are island based. 1 of these is being recommended funding.
- 6.6 Climate Change: One of the four criteria within the process is specific to mitigating climate change.
- 6.7 Risk: risk to the public pound is managed through the assessment and scoring, and through end of project monitoring process.
- 6.8 Customer Service: None

Pippa Milne

Chief Executive

Policy Lead Cllr Mary Jean Devon

31 January 2022

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1- Assessment Score and Recommendations

Appendix 2 – Project Summary Sheets

Appendix 1 – Assessment Score and Recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Recommendation	Assessment Score	Value of Project	Amount Requested	Recommended Award 2022/23	Cumulative total
1	Islay & Jura Community Enterprises Limited *	Award	7.2	11,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
2	Kintyre Seasports	Award	7.2	14,680.00	2,432.40	2,432.40	4,932.40
3	Argyll and Bute Befrienders	Award	7.1	2,500.00	602.00	602.00	5,534.40
4	Dochas Carers' Centre	Award	7.0	5,810.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	8,034.40
5	Craignish Village Hall - Arts Programme	Award	6.9	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	10,534.40
6	Heart of Argyll Wildlife Organisation	Award	6.8	1,275.92	640.92	640.92	11,175.32
7	Shopper-Aide Ltd	Award	6.7	3,450.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	13,675.32
8	Achnamara Village Hall	Award	6.5	4,885.00	2,365.00	2,365.00	16,040.32
9	Kintyre Link Club	Award	6.1	10,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	18,540.32
10	Tarbert & Skipness Community Trust	Award	5.8	3,100.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	21,040.32
11	19th Argyll Scout Group	Award	5.8	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	23,440.32
12	Kintyre Alcohol and Drug Advisory Service	Award (part-fund)	5.6	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,179.27	24,619.59
13	Jura Development Trust	No Award	5.4	15,000.00	2,500.00	0.00	24,619.59
14	The Community Bureau	No Award	5.3	2,800.00	2,440.00	0.00	24,619.59
15	Dunaverty Hall	No Award	4.9	2,000.00	1,500.00	0.00	24,619.59
16	The Museum of Islay Life	No Award	4.9	2,625.00	2,125.00	0.00	24,619.59
	TOTAL			89,025.92	34,005.32	24,619.59	

* Project recommended to receive the remaining £480.29 from the Covid-19 Micro Grants Fund.

Appendix 2 – Project Summary Sheets

Applications Received (in order of scoring by Community Development Officer)

For submission to Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee for final decision (maximum value £2,500).

* Project recommended to receive the remaining £480.29 from the Covid-19 Micro Grants Fund.

Ref:	1
Applicant: Islay & Jura Community Enterprises Limited*	
Recommended Award: £2,500.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 7.2
Project Summary:	
To provide 45-minute Aquacare warm water therapy sessions for up to 30 mentally and physically disabled adults per week on Islay & Jura. Sessions will be held between April 2022 and March 2023 and include free transportation support on request. The project will improve mental and physical health by increasing access to services that have been closed or very limited during the pandemic, and offers linked respite and social opportunities to users and families/carers. Funding is requested as a contribution to overall project costs of £11,500.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	2
Applicant: Kintyre Seasports	
Recommended Award: £2,432.40	Assessment Score (out of 10): 7.2
Project Summary:	
To support a programme of training and skills development for young people to work towards sailing instructor qualifications. Building on try-out sessions (already funded) for up to 72 people, 12 will be selected to complete basic sailing skills (5-day course, May-June 2022) of which 6 will continue to a Powerboat Level 2 course (2 days, September/October 2022) and continuing after school club. Partnership with Campbeltown High School will ensure recruitment is targeted at low-income or academically-disengaged individuals. The programme will create a pipeline for qualified seasports staff, increasing employment opportunities.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	3
Applicant: Argyll and Bute Befrienders	
Recommended Award: £602.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 7.1
Project Summary:	
To fund therapeutic and personal development activities for young people affected by childhood adversity, where families are unable to afford the associated costs. Activity selection and co-ordination is supported by a volunteer befriender or support worker. Funds are requested to cover the fees of activity and workshop	

providers and entry fees for sporting and cultural activities between April 2022 and March 2023. (32 sessions planned for 12 beneficiaries in MAKI region - £602).	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	4
Applicant: Dochas Carer Centre	
Recommended Award: £2,500.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 7.0
Project Summary:	
To support an established befriending service for 35-40 unpaid carers in Kintyre, including recruitment and provision of training for additional volunteers. Funding is requested as a contribution towards staff costs (manager/financial admin), social event costs for befriendees, first aid training and volunteer mileage expenses between April 2022 and January 2023.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	5
Applicant: Craignish Village Hall - Arts Programme	
Recommended Award: £2,500.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 6.9
Project Summary:	
To fund a series of cultural events as part of Scotland's Year of Stories, to help local young people recover from negative effects of lockdown. Themed around Scottish and Polish myths, the programme aims to improving confidence, mental health and skills and building capacity within the community. Funding is requested to cover materials, tutor fees and publicity for a series of 7 lantern-making workshop and community parade and a storytelling workshop.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	6
Applicant: Heart of Argyll Wildlife Organisation	
Recommended Award: £640.92	Assessment Score (out of 10): 6.8
Project Summary:	
To support a feasibility study on Otter road casualty remediation between April and December 2022. Led by community concerns, the collaborative study will build local skills in surveying and involvement in planning processes, and will identify targets to combat concerning increases in otter mortality driven by climate-change. Funding is requested as a contribution towards equipment costs, staff time and travel expenses and a community engagement event.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	7
Applicant: Shopper-Aide Ltd	
Recommended Award: £2,500.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 6.7

Project Summary:	
To support organisation and preparation of activity boxes for use by disabled and elderly citizens, supporting mental health following negative impacts of the pandemic. Funds are requested to support sessional worker (2h/wk) and admin support (1hr/wk) between April 22 and March 23), fuel costs for delivery of activities, and 2 tables for hall based activities.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	8
Applicant: Achnamara Village Hall	
Recommended Award: £2,365.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 6.5
Project Summary:	
A series of 26 community activities and training sessions between April 2022 and August 2023 to improve physical, mental and social health and wellbeing and to learn and share rowing and coxswaining skills. Funding is requested towards activity costs, tutor fees, and a skiff rowing/coxing course for two members.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	9
Applicant: Kintyre Link Club	
Recommended Award: £2,500.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 6.1
Project Summary:	
To support the recovery of members of Kintyre Link Club, a mental health club, from the effects of the pandemic through a regular programme of social, creative and walking activities. Activities will be provided 3 days per week for around 30 beneficiaries, for 13 weeks between April 2022 and March 2023. Funds are requested to cover the salary of a sessional worker for 10 hours per week, plus a small contribution towards materials.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	10
Applicant: Tarbert & Skipness Community Trust	
Recommended Award: £2,500.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 5.8
Project Summary:	
To sustain community support and engagement with the trust and local partners' work by employing a professional communicator. Costs are requested towards appointment of a part-time contractor for 8h/wk between April 2022 and September 2023, to inform, engage and consult the community about progress on various projects.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	11
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Applicant: 19th Argyll Scout Group	
Recommended Award: £2,400.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 5.8
Project Summary:	
Hire of specialist instructors for 128 hours to run a series of adventurous and outdoor activities for 86 children and young people. Delivered between April 2022 and March 2023, the activities will be free of charge, removing cost barriers for low income families and will have a positive impact on participants' personal development, mental health and confidence.	
Recommendation:	Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	12
Applicant: Kintyre Alcohol and Drug Advisory Service	
Recommended Award: £1,179.27 (part funding of request for £2,000.00)	Assessment Score (out of 10): 5.6
Project Summary:	
To provide ~40 weekly arts workshops (April 2022- April 2023) for up to 10 women with problems associated with drug and alcohol dependency. The project aims to aid recovery from the negative effects of the pandemic by increasing participants' confidence, mental health and network-building. Costs are requested for equipment and materials, and towards wages for two sessional workers (@1.5h/wk x 40 weeks). Part-funding would fund approximately 23 sessions.	
Recommendation:	Award [part fund]
Conditions:	None

Ref:	13
Applicant: Jura Development Trust	
Recommended Award: £0.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 5.4
Project Summary:	
To support Listening in the Landscape, a project to turn audio recordings of local stories into a listening trail and booklet, between April 2022 and September 2023. The resulting trail would engage locals and visitors with Jura's heritage and encourage walking. Funds are requested as a contribution towards staff costs, a community event, software and office supplies.	
Recommendation:	No Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	14
Applicant: The Community Bureau	
Recommended Award: £0.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 5.3
Project Summary:	
A series of 16 sessions across April-August 2022 to engage under-represented segments of the community in plans and consultations that impact their lives. The project would build participants' confidence and empower them to participate in	

influencing public services. Funding is requested to cover sessional staff time, venue hire and travel expenses for staff and volunteers.	
Recommendation:	No Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	15
Applicant: Dunaverty Hall	
Recommended Award: £0.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 4.9
Project Summary:	
To provide activities for use at home and regular Covid-safe events (25 x weekly events between April and September 2022), to promote safe socialising within the community for those combatting isolation and other problems. Funds are requested to cover the costs of refreshments, hall rental, hand gel and sanitiser, and a contribution towards games and music for use in the home.	
Recommendation:	No Award
Conditions:	None

Ref:	16
Applicant: The Museum of Islay Life	
Recommended Award: £0.00	Assessment Score (out of 10): 4.9
Project Summary:	
To produce a fully illustrated colour booklet detailing elements of Islay's history and places of interest by March 2023. Co-ordinated by museum staff with contributions from local school children and placement students (vulnerable school leavers), it aims to re-engage locals and visitors with the local environment and historic sites. Copies will be distributed free of charge to school children and care home residents, aiming to spark memories in those with dementia.	
Recommendation:	No Award
Conditions:	None

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

MID ARGYLL KINTYRE AND THE
ISLES AREA COMMITTEE

ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
SERVICES

2 MARCH 2022

ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES UPDATE

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report provides an update on Roads and Infrastructure Service activities in recent months.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Area Committee note and consider the contents of this report.

3.0 DETAIL

Continuing COVID precautions

- 3.1 Although we are seeing the easing of some COVID restrictions, we are continuing to see some staff absences as a result of COVID/self-isolation rules. We are continuing to operate our bin collection service with follow on vehicles where necessary to keep staff separate and hopefully reduce the likelihood of the virus spreading amongst our teams.

Capital Roads Reconstruction Programme

- 3.2 This year Roads and Infrastructure Services are delivering one of the largest capital programmes in roads reconstruction which includes £10M worth of capital investment announced as part of the budget process in February, £1.29M of Strategic Timber Transport Funding and £900k of active travel and footway improvement schemes. Please see the full programme and details on progress here: [Roads Capital Programme \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](https://argyll-bute.gov.uk/roads-capital-programme) In summary, the carriageway works are largely complete and works are ongoing with the footway programme. Information on the progress of footway schemes is also available online at: [Footways Capital Funding Programme \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](https://argyll-bute.gov.uk/footways-capital-funding-programme)

Waste Strategy

- 3.3 Work continues on the Council's Waste Strategy which is taking into consideration the BMW ban which comes into place at the end of 2025, the 25 year PPP contract with Renewi which ends in September 2026, the Deposit Return Scheme and the Household Waste Recycling Charter. Discussions continue with civil servants from Scottish Government regarding the above and discussion continue with neighbouring local authorities with a view to maximising collaboration opportunities.

Winter Policy Update

- 3.4 Winter maintenance standby rotas commenced on Friday 29 October. This follows the current in season policy agreed at the September meeting of the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee. The first three months of the winter standby period saw 34 equivalent full fleet runs against an annual budget allowance for 62 full fleet runs. This equates to a commitment of 55% and now gives a direct correlation in statistical activity, in 55% of the standby duration to date. The salt tonnage used as at end of January was 5,528 tonnes, equal to the lowest volume recorded as used in the first 3 months of any season, since weekly recording of activity began in 2009-10, Salt stocks remained steady at around 8,600 tonnes.
- 3.5 Members will be very much aware of the national shortage of HGV drivers. Whilst we have not lost a significant number of drivers, this does have an impact on recruitment of HGV drivers. This is being compounded by some absence being experienced through Covid.

Public Transport

- 3.6 Officers are currently liaising with West Coast Motors on roll out and implementation of Pingo app-bookable bus service. The Pingo app funding is provided by HITRANS for up to a year's trial, however, the app is being tested on two Council contracted demand responsive services - Cowal DAB and Kintyre Ring n Ride. Subject to a satisfactory trial, this system is likely to be rolled out more widely. One of the key considerations for the potential future of this service is how Members and users can be consulted in terms of the review of the pilot and the possible next steps. Certainly we will try where possible to provide Members with updates on any changes to bus services which need to be made for operational reasons. Members will note from the recent briefing note on public transport though, that services can change on an almost daily basis across the 80 different services managed by our small public transport team, so it may not always be possible to provide real-time updates. Further information on Pingo was provided to all Members in a recent briefing note.

Bridge Inspections and Capital Works

- 3.7 The Infrastructure Design team continue to carry out bridge inspections to all approx 900 structures on a rolling programme across Argyll and Bute to ensure they are safe and fit for purpose. This inspection regime identifies remedial

works which are programmed for delivery.

- 3.8 The team were also successful in a highly competitive bidding process for bridge funds totaling £5,5million. We are currently in the process of putting a capital programme in place to utilise this welcome funding. The fund will be used to undertake proportionate works on bridges in need of repair, identified through our inspection programme/records and in line with the bid process.

White lining

- 3.9 In response to recent enquires from local members a proactive briefing note on road marking work was issued to all members which provided answers to various FAQs. In particular there have been a number of enquiries about the reason for delays, and these can be summarised as follows:

- There are a multitude of reasons that can result in delays being experienced for road markings being laid. These include but are not limited to:
 - availability of the lining contractor along with availability of their accommodation, availability of ferries (this has been a particular issue for us for Islay and Mull this year),
 - weather conditions (road markings are dependent on dry and salt free road surfaces). The increase in staycation this year has been an added pressure for contractors trying to complete work in the area with less accommodation availability.

There also needs to be a certain period of time following surface dressing to allow the new surface to bed in before lining can be applied – this will vary on the specification of surface dressing and the volume of traffic. Essentially what this means is that the stone chips need to be fully embedded prior to the lining being applied, on roads with limited traffic volumes, this embedment will take longer than on roads with higher volumes of traffic. Some notable progress has been made in MAKI in recent weeks despite challenging weather conditions. Of course, like any other area of work, schemes are prioritised in accordance with the road hierarchy and roads asset management plan, so outstanding lining schemes on high speed strategic routes will be prioritised ahead of refreshing give way markings in quiet residential streets, for example.

B8001 Skipness Road

- 3.10 Works are now scheduled to start on site in late Spring/Summer for repairs to this lifeline section of road in 2022. The road surface has been badly damaged by the landslip which has 'ripped' the road's surface and caused a level difference due to ground movement. Visually this does look quite severe. However, our team continue to monitor the road condition to ensure that the route is available and safe. The road is restricted in width by traffic management/traffic lights to keep traffic from the slip area.

Design options have been prepared and assessed for a speed or repair,

longevity/sustainability etc and it has been concluded that it is better, long term, to realign the road to move it a short distance away from the slip edge. This will provide a more reliable road long term, also be more cost effective and importantly provide a better solution for our communities/travelling public. We are carrying out further designs to the realignment and the toe of the slope along the stream. Designs being prepared for land purchase to facilitate the realignment/remedial works. This amended approach is taking slightly longer than the original proposal to stabilise the slip and resurface the road on its current alignment. However, this amended approach which has evolved through the design process will provide a much more resilient route long term.

Correspondence

- 3.11 We are aware that there have been some issues with information flow in this area recently and we are putting measures in place to ensure an improvement in the timeliness of responses to queries. This will form part of a wider programme of refresher training and a review of our processes and procedures. We will be contacting Members directly before the end of this Council.

4.0 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 This report provides a general update to local members on recent Roads and Infrastructure activities.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy – various policies referred to within the body of the report

- 5.2 Financial – none

- 5.3 Legal – none known

- 5.4 HR – none known

- 5.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:

- 5.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics – none known

- 5.5.2 Socio-economic Duty – none known

- 5.5.3 Islands – none known

- 5.6. Climate Change – none

- 5.7 Risk – none known

- 5.8 Customer Service - none

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**MID ARGYLL KINTYRE AND THE ISLES
AREA COMMITTEE****ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
SERVICES****2 MARCH 2022**

TRAFFIC VOLUME AND SPEED

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report provides an update on traffic speed and volume surveys carried out late last year on Meadows Road and Ralston Road. The surveys together with information gathered from discussions with colleagues from Police Scotland indicate that there are no issues of concern on these roads.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Area Committee consider and note the contents of this report.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 A report was considered by the Area Committee in March 2021, this report is appended to this report for information. The decision was:-

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee:

1. *noted the information and data provided in the report in relation to the desktop exercise, accident statistics and the consultation with Police Scotland;*
2. *agreed that the available data does not support the introduction of traffic calming measures in the Davaar Avenue and Meadows Housing Schemes at this time; and*
3. *agreed that this item would remain on the Committee workplan until agreed traffic and speed surveys had been carried out and a further report was brought back to the Committee for Members consideration.*

- 3.2 Traffic surveys have been carried out week commencing 20 September 2021, at Meadows Road and Ralston Road (housing area) with the results as detailed in the Table 1 below. Note the survey locations were discussed with the Ward Member who had raised the matter initially.

The survey results confirm that the traffic speeds and traffic volumes are low.

These figures combined with the information detailed in the report to MAKI Area Committee in March last year also confirm that there are no significant areas for concern and that the volumes and speeds are generally in line with many other low trafficked housing developments, with through traffic, across the council area. On this basis it is not proposed that any further action is carried out other than routine monitoring of the road network which takes place across all the adopted road network.

A further traffic survey will be carried out in the Davaar Avenue area later this calendar year. This survey will require 2 survey units. A briefing note will be issued to Members once the survey results are available.

Table 1 traffic volume and speed

	Meadows Road	Ralston Road
5 day average volume	948	296
7 day average volume	894	274
5 day mean speed	22	17
7 day mean speed	22	17

4.0 CONCLUSION

4.1 This report provides an update to local members following traffic surveys to gather speed and volume of traffic. The traffic surveys confirm that there are no unusual traffic movements which would require any intervention.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Policy – contents are in line with the Council’s road speed policy

5.2 Financial – none

5.3 Legal – none known

5.4 HR – none known

5.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:

5.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics – none known

5.5.2 Socio-economic Duty – none known

5.5.3 Islands – none known

5.6. Climate Change – none

5.7 Risk – none known

5.8 Customer Service - none

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Appendix 1 – Report to MAKI Area Committee March 2021

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ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
SERVICES

3 MARCH 2021

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT - CAMPBELTOWN

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The MAKI Area Committee, held on Wednesday 2 December 2020, asked officers to bring forward a report to the March 2021 MAKI Area Committee meeting relating to road safety at two Campbeltown housing developments known as the Meadows and Davaar Avenue.
- 1.2 This report provides Members with background information in relation to known traffic conditions and has been informed through discussions with Police Scotland.
- 1.3 The Area Committee is asked to:-
 - 1.3.1 Note the information and data provided in the report in relation to the desktop exercise, accident statistics and the consultation with Police Scotland; and
 - 1.3.2 Agree that the available data does not support the introduction of traffic calming measures in the Davaar Avenue and Meadow's Housing schemes at this time.

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TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT - CAMPBELTOWN

2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 This report provides Members with information relating to traffic in the residential areas Davaar and Meadows in Campbeltown.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The Area Committee is asked to:-

- 3.1.1 Note the information and data provided in the report in relation to the desktop exercise, accident statistics and the consultation with Police Scotland; and
- 3.1.2 Agree that the available data does not support the introduction of traffic calming measures in the Davaar Avenue and Meadow's Housing schemes at this time.

4.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 The MAKI Area Committee, held on Wednesday 2 December 2020, agreed to instruct the appropriate Officers within the Department of Development and Infrastructure to bring forward a report to the March 2021 MAKI Area Committee meeting which will allow Members the opportunity to discuss and explore possible measures which will enhance road safety in the two Campbeltown housing developments commonly known as the Meadows and Davaar Avenue. The decision of the Area Committee thereafter being referred to the EDI Committee for action.
- 4.2 Officers have carried out a desktop study to analyse the data available which has also incorporated information from discussions with Police Scotland.
- 4.3 Officers and the Policy Lead for Roads and Infrastructure Services meet on a quarterly basis with colleagues from Police Scotland, Transport Scotland and the Trunk Road Operating Company (BEAR Scotland) regarding the co-ordination of traffic and roads management across both the trunk road and council roads network. A standard agenda item is road safety/policing issues. The 2 locations detailed in this report were considered at a recent meeting and Police Scotland

have confirmed that they have no information to suggest that there are any areas of concern.

Collision Information

4.4 Within Meadows housing estate there has been only one reported non-injury crash within the last 5 years of data. The details are provided below but this represents a very low incident rate and doesn't form any cluster site or raise road safety concerns overall.

- Reference LB0160216
 - 15/02/16 at 16.23 hours on Crosshill Avenue;
 - 2 vehicle incident but no casualties reported;
 - Contributory factor reported "poor turn or manoeuvre" as very likely.

4.5 Within Davaar housing estate there has been only one reported non-injury crash within the last 5 years of data. The details are provided below but, as above, this represents a very low incident rate and doesn't form any cluster site or raise road safety concerns overall.

- Reference LB0130716
 - 11/07/16 at 9.50 hours on Davaar Avenue;
 - 2 vehicle incident but no casualties reported;
 - Contributory factor reported "poor turn or manoeuvre" as possible.

Current Arrangements & Risk

4.6 Officers are not aware of any history of significant road traffic incidents, complaints from residents or road safety concerns raised by Police Scotland. The available data doesn't support making infrastructure changes at potentially significant costs. In addition to survey, consultation, design and implementation costs; Members should note that all options, other than maintaining the current arrangements, will incur an additional burden on already pressured maintenance budgets.

4.7 Both housing areas are currently subject to a 30mph speed limit but note that advisory 20s Plenty scheme are already in place.

4.8 Police Scotland have confirmed that they were not aware of any issues within the current 20s Plenty areas over and above what would be expected in any residential area in relation to pedestrians and children.

4.9 Any options proposed which require physical measures to be installed are likely to result in a loss of on-street parking. This may be met with objections from residents who require an on-street parking facility.

4.10 Any change in mandatory speed restriction could create a demand on Police Scotland resources which they are unable to service.

Speed Policy

- 4.11 At the full Council meeting held on 23 February 2017, Members approved the revised Road Speed Limit Policy Framework. The Policy can be found at [Appendix 1 Road Speed Policy.pdf \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](#). The revised Policy took cognisance of a number of changes to national policy and up to date research.
- 4.12 The Policy includes a number of key points relating to the request by the Area Committee. Full detail can be found within the Policy but in summary (relevant sections of the Policy provided for ease):
- Speed limit assessment is now made using mean traffic speeds rather than 85th percentile. It is considered that mean speeds are easier for road users to understand and also represent the speed that drivers consider is appropriate to the environment. (para 3.8);
 - Prior to changes in speed limits the Council will consult with Police Scotland; (para 4.3);
 - Speed limits or zones should be designed to be largely self-enforcing and not rely on enforcement activities by Police Scotland; (para 4.2 & 4.4);
 - 20mph options (para 6.4 and sub-paras)
 - 20mph zones
 - Require appropriate traffic management measures,
 - Generally more costly but also more effective at reducing traffic speeds.
 - 20mph limits
 - Only require speed limit signs, no other traffic management mandatory.
 - Should only be introduced where mean speeds are recorded at 24mph or less.
 - Variable/part time 20mph limits
 - For use near schools.
 - 20s Plenty
 - In line with national policy it is now considered that if there is a need or desire to reduce speeds then mandatory limits or speed limit zones should be used instead of 20s Plenty.
 - Where there are existing 20s Plenty then these can be left in place.

Funding

- 4.13 Within current budgetary arrangements there is no Capital allocation for traffic calming measures. The overall Council funding forecasts means it is unlikely that such an allocation will be forthcoming in the current climate. Furthermore, the available Roads Infrastructure Capital budget is focussed on asset sustainability rather than asset improvement. As noted in paragraph 4.6, there is insufficient evidence supporting reallocation of funds to progress any traffic calming, moreover, there is no surplus funding currently available for such works. Officers

continue to recommend that Members prioritise the limited capital funding available for roads towards asset sustainability schemes.

One way system

- 4.14 Without appropriate physical traffic management measures in place, a one way system could actually result in an increase in mean speeds and may result in an increase in the likelihood and severity of an incident. This is due to driver's perception that there is no opposing traffic and less risk of collision as such. A one way system may work within a 20mph limit or zone provided adequate traffic management is installed. For speed cushions an ideal spacing for limiting the effects of noise has been found to be around 50m. In addition to this traffic calming shouldn't be placed at spacing's greater than 100m in order to prevent drivers accelerating between humps.
- 4.15 The introduction of a one way system requires a traffic regulation order and the system must be signed in accordance with the TSRGD 2016. This includes a requirement for signs to be illuminated, which can incur prohibitive installation costs.

5.0 CONCLUSION

- 5.1 As noted earlier, both housing areas already have a 20s Plenty Scheme in place.
- 5.2 There is no collision data or other supporting evidence within either of the housing areas. In addition to this, Police Scotland have confirmed they are not aware of anything out the ordinary.
- 5.3 Officers would advise Members that no budget is currently available.
- 5.4 Any proposal to amend the speed limits and implement traffic calming should be based on evidence and must comply with the Councils Road Speed Limit Policy Framework.
- 5.5 Once the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted and traffic behaviour returns to normal, Officers will carry out traffic and speed surveys. This will provide data on actual conditions within the housing areas.
- 5.6 Based on current available information, Officers are unable to make any recommendation in regard to traffic calming measures.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Policy: Road Speed Limit Policy Framework
- 6.2 Financial: Cost of TROs or physical works will impact current budgets. There is no budget currently allocated to for traffic calming measures.

- 6.3 Legal: Road Traffic Regulation Act and The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 1999, Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016, Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 and the Road Humps (Scotland) Regulations 1998 apply.
- 6.4 HR: None
- 6.5 Fairer Scotland Duty: None
- 6.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics - none
- 6.5.2 Socio-economic Duty – not determined at this point
- 6.5.3 Islands N/A
- 6.6 Risk none
- 6.7 Customer Service None

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Road Speed Limit Policy Framework

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

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**DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC
GROWTH**

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4.0 DETAIL

4.1 As the Strategic Housing Authority for this area, the Council has a series of important statutory housing functions to fulfil. A Housing Need and Demand Assessment (HNDA) is carried out every 5 years which enables Scottish Government funding to be brought into Argyll and Bute primarily to deliver affordable housing. A comprehensive revision of the local HNDA was approved as “robust and credible” by the Scottish Government’s Centre for Housing Market Analysis in December 2021. The Council also produces a Local Housing Strategy (LHS) every 5 years. The previous LHS was completed in 2021.

A fully revised LHS has been developed in accordance with Scottish Government guidance and local priorities as identified in the new HNDA. .This sets out the vision for Argyll and Bute: ***“Everyone in Argyll & Bute has access to a suitable, high quality home which is affordable and located***

within a vibrant, sustainable and connected community.” This report will detail the housing activity taking place in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands.

4.2 HOUSING NEED AND DEMAND

HOMEArgyll WAITING LIST July 2021 – Active Applicants (excluding applicants with 0 points i.e. no need)					
	Minimum Bedroom Size Required				TOTAL
	0/1beds	2beds	3beds	4+beds	
Mid Argyll	110	47	12	11	180
Kintyre	71	33	17	11	132
Islay, Jura & Colonsay	72	22	16	2	112
MAKI TOTAL	253	102	45	24	424

In addition there was a registered demand from over 200 applicants who received nil points according to the Common Allocation Policy and therefore would be deemed not to have a defined housing need. This included 94 applicants for Mid Argyll, 57 for Kintyre, and 50 for Islay, Jura & Colonsay.

For MAKI as a whole, the majority of applicants (60%) require one bedroom and 24% require 2 bedrooms. 11% require 3 bedrooms and only 5% need 4 or more.

However, to establish actual need, the available supply must be factored into this, based on the available lets within the RSL stock during a year.

Applicants per available RSL Let (Pressure Ratios)

	HOMEArgyll Applicants	RSL Lets 2020/21 (HOMEArgyll only)	Pressure Ratio
Mid Argyll	180	106	2:1
Kintyre	132	52	3:1
Islay, Jura and Colonsay	112	34	3:1
MAKI Total	424	192	2:1

(NB. 2020/21 lets were partially constrained due to covid measures)

While the pressure ratios are only one factor in determining need and demand, they are useful indicators of areas where further research and analysis may be required.

The fully revised Argyll & Bute HNDA 2021 takes account of a wide range of factors to determine existing need and future demand for new build housing, and demographic projections have a critical role in this assessment. Although the default population projections suggest a significant and continuous decline across Argyll and Bute, and consequently minimal or zero requirement for new build housing, the council has developed ambitious Housing Supply Targets based on an alternative, positive growth scenario for all areas. In this instance, 9% of the Argyll & Bute Housing requirement would be apportioned to Mid Argyll; 7% to Kintyre; and around 6% to Islay, Jura & Colonsay. Over

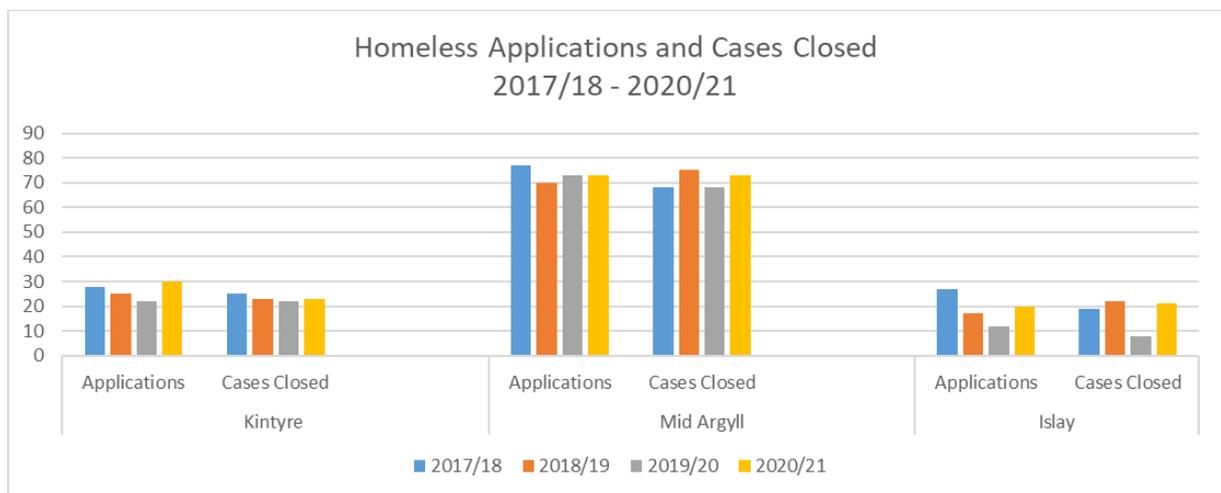
the next 5 years this could amount to at least 318 new builds across all tenures for the MAKI area as a whole.

4.3 HOMELESSNESS

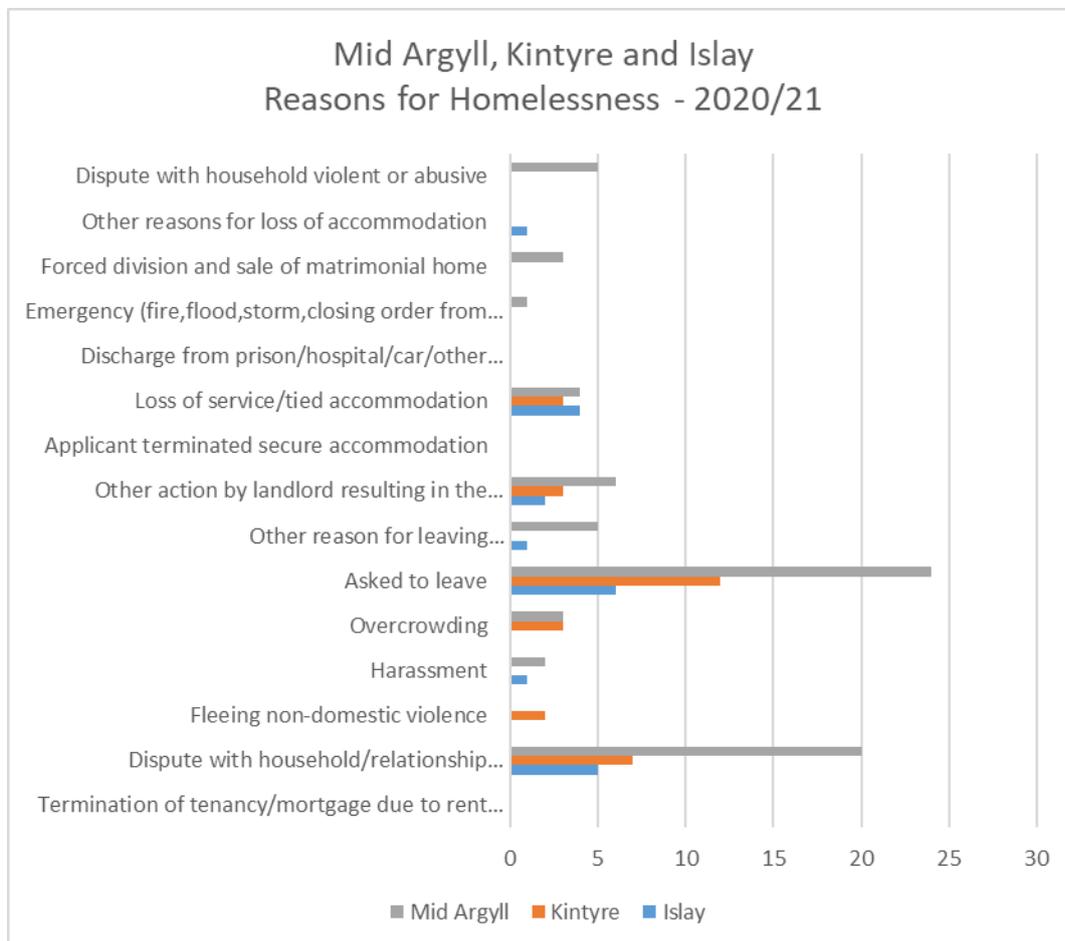
During 2020/21, there were 123 homeless cases closed in the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay area: Mid Argyll – 73; Kintyre – 30 and Islay - 20.

Homeless applications across the area have increased by 15% (107 up to 123) during 2020/21. There was an increase of 8 applications in Kintyre and 8 in Islay.

The graph below illustrates the number of homeless applications and cases closed for the period from 2017/18 to 2020/21.



The main reasons for presenting as Homeless last year were “disputes with family/relationship breakdown”, “other action by landlord resulting in termination of tenancy”; and “being asked to leave”. In addition there were a number of cases due to “loss of tied accommodation”; and also “other action by landlord”.



Rough Sleeping

Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay experienced an increase in the incidence of rough sleeping over the same period last year, with 6 cases (+2) in total across the area reporting that they slept rough the night preceding their presentation and 10 (+3) reporting that they had slept rough in the 3 months preceding their homeless application. These were disaggregated as follows:-

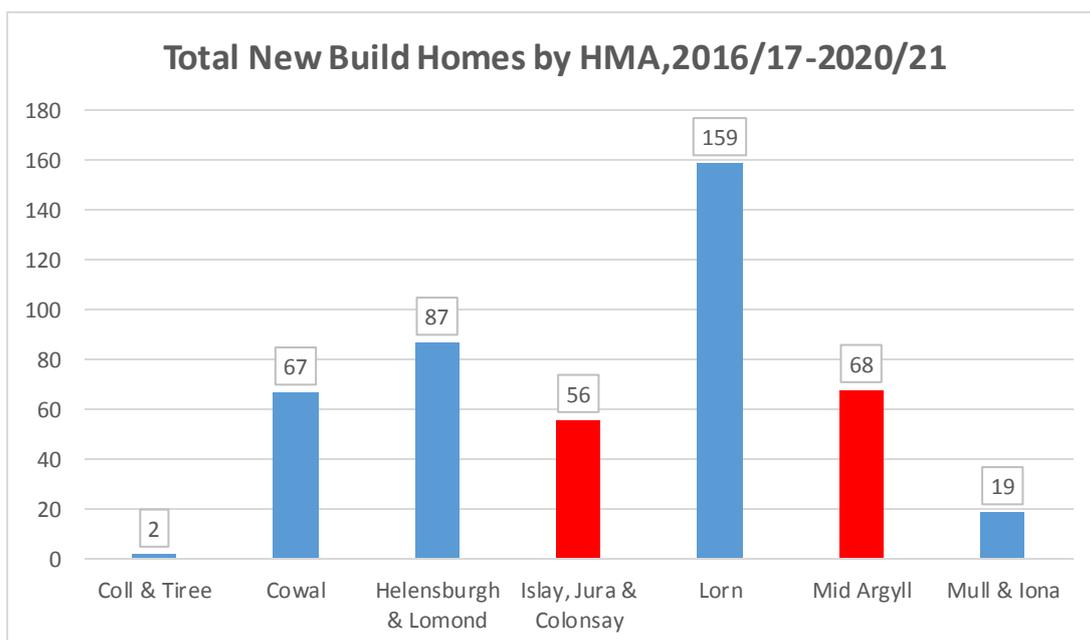
AREA	Number of Rough Sleepers in 2020/21	
	Night Before Application	3 Months Prior to Application
Mid Argyll	4	7
Kintyre	2	1
Islay	0	2
MAKI total	6	10
Argyll & Bute	23	42

4.4 AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUPPLY

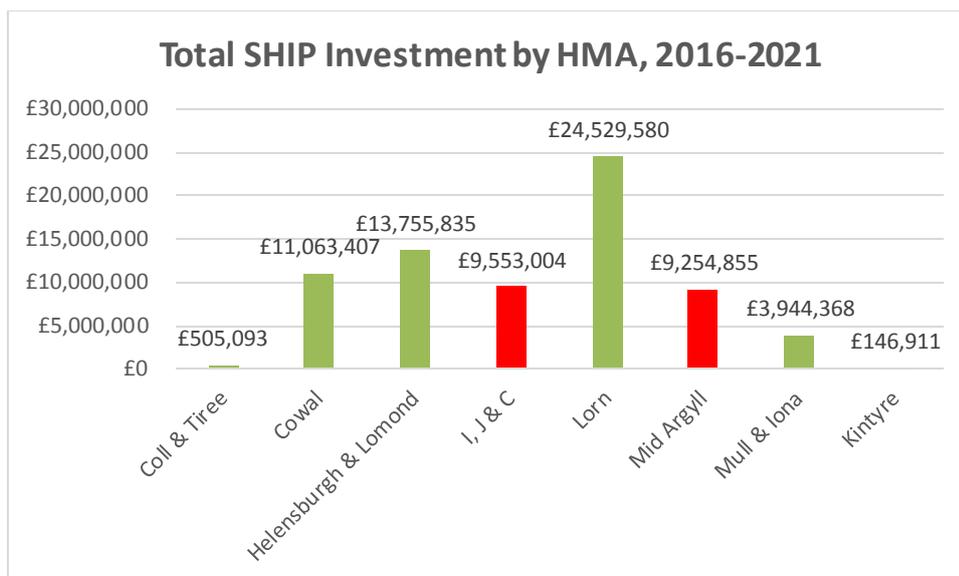
The Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) delivered 5 new affordable homes in Cairnbaan, Mid Argyll in 2020/21, during a very challenging period for construction. This amounted to just over 10% of total SHIP completions in Argyll & Bute during the year. There were no completions in Kintyre or on Islay, Jura & Colonsay during this period, due initially to lockdown and subsequently ongoing materials and contractor constraints have continued to delay progress with the programme.

RSL	PROJECT	Units	Funding
ACHA	Heatherbank, Cairnbaan	5	£864,637

Cumulatively over the full 5 years of the 2016-2021 LHS, which is now completed, there were 68 new affordable homes built in Mid Argyll and 56 on Islay, via the SHIP. In addition there was a single unit acquisition in Kintyre, delivered via the SHIP in 2019/20. In total, therefore, 27% of all SHIP new builds in Argyll & Bute have been delivered in MAKI.



Over the last 5 years, SHIP investment has amounted to £9.553m in Islay, Jura & Colonsay and £9.254m in Mid Argyll; clearly reflecting the development uplift costs for islands. Additional investment of £146,911 enabled an existing unit/site to be acquired in Kintyre for particular need in 2019/20. Thus, total 5 year investment in MAKI amounted to 26% of SHIP investment in completed projects.



SHIP Projects – Completed/Anticipated Completions in 2021/22

Project address	Developer	Units	Anticipated Completion Date
Cairndow*	FYNE Homes	6	May 2021*
Imereval, Islay, Phase 3	WHHA	8	Jan 2022
Jura	WHHA	10	Jan. 2022
MAKI 2021/22 Total Completions (est.)		24	March 2022

* Cairndow completed on schedule, 19th May 2021

Further projects in the MAKI area which are either already onsite or in early stages of development for future programming in the SHIP include:

ACHA	<p>Tarbert Phase 2 (4 units – May 2022); Milknoe, Kintyre (1 / 2 dementia units – June 2022) Inveraray (10 units – April 2022); Bowmore Phase 4 (18 units – Oct. 2022);</p> <p>In addition, the following potential sites are under consideration for future development: Keills, Islay (4 units); Dalintober, Campbeltown, Kintyre Port Ellen, Islay Skipness/Carradale, Kintyre Glenegadale, Islay</p>
WHHA	<p>Colonsay (5 units) Creamery, Port Charlotte(8 units); Imereval Phase 4 (20 units)</p>
FYNE HOMES	<p>Inveraray (16 units – 2023)</p>

4.5 EMPTY HOMES

In 2020/21 there were 4 private empty homes brought back into use in MAKI, amounting to 14% all the empty homes brought back into use across Argyll and Bute last year with assistance of the Empty Homes Officer.

Council Tax Information on Empty Homes

The following table breaks down the numbers of empty homes including those subject to premium Council Tax charge across the MAKI area. The table does not include properties which are empty and exempt from Council Tax. The numbers of recorded empty homes can vary from day to day due to natural changes and reported numbers are snapshot from monthly reports.

MAKI Council tax data as at 01.01.22	Number of properties on Council Tax register	Empty Homes	Properties subject to 200% council tax levy	Total EMPTY
Islay, Jura & Colonsay	2,197	18	49	67
Mid Argyll	5,751	78	106	184
Kintyre (including Gigha)	4,225	51	81	132
MAKI TOTAL	12,173	147	236	383

Council Tax Exemptions

There are also a number of empty properties which are on the Council Tax register which are exempt from paying council tax. In MAKI there are 461 properties which are empty and exempt from Council Tax. The most common categories for empty properties include:

- Class 22A = Occupied by SMI (**95**)
- Class 4A = Properties recently occupied but now empty and unfurnished (**188**)
- Class 7A = Dwellings Empty Under Statute – Closing or Demolition Order (**39**)
- Class 6A = Deceased owners – where estate has not been settled (**69**)
- Class 14A= Agricultural dwelling (**19**)

Other empty categories include:

Class 8A= Held for demolition (7);

Class A5= Living/detained elsewhere (7);

Second Homes

As at 1st October 2020 there were 254 registered Second Homes on Islay, Colonsay and Jura, 207 registered Second Homes in Kintyre and 409 registered Second Homes in Mid Argyll. The total figure for MAKI (870) represents 31% of the total number of Second Homes in Argyll and Bute.

4.6 PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING GRANT - ADAPTATIONS

In 2020/21, there were 17 private sector properties adapted with PSHG aid in MAKI, and a total of 19 individual adaptations installed.

PSHG ADAPTATION COMPLETIONS 2020 -2021						
HMA	Grant Value	Works Value	ADAPTATION INSTALLED			
			Ramp	Stairlift	Access	bathroom Adaptation
Kintyre	£65,798.85	£79,235.56	0	2	0	7
Mid Argyll	£29,253.60	£36,567.00	2	1	2	2
Islay, Jura & Colonsay	£13,598.98	£15,452.48	0	1	0	2
TOTALS	£108,651	£131,255	2	4	2	11

4.7 PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING GRANT – REPAIRS & IMPROVEMENTS

In 2020/21, there were a total of 2 PSHG repair and improvement grants completed in MAKI, 1 in Kintyre and 1 in Mid-Argyll (across Argyll and Bute, the total was 23). Total cost of the works was £32,166.67 of which PSHG covered £11,000. This was 25% of the total repair grant awarded for Argyll & Bute last year.

4.8 ENERGY EFFICIENCY (HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMME: AREA BASED SCHEME HEEPS:ABS)

There were 252 individual energy efficiency measures installed across Argyll and Bute in 2020/21 via the HEEPS:ABS programme and 200 households improved in total. In total almost half (49%) of these measures (123) were installed in MAKI.

In total, 103 properties were improved across the MAKI area, at a total cost of £714,294. Grant aid in support of this work amounted to £668,100.

Current estimates of Fuel Poverty are based on Home Analytics data (Scottish figure sourced from Scottish House Condition Survey):-

Area	Likelihood of Households in	
	Fuel Poverty	Extreme Fuel Poverty
Islay, Jura and Colonsay	37%	17%
Kintyre	26%	14%
Mid Argyll	29%	17%
Argyll and Bute	27%	15%
Scotland (SHCS Figure)	25%	12%

4.9 LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY (LHS) 2022-2027

As the strategic housing authority for Argyll and Bute, the Council has a statutory duty to develop, implement and monitor a Local Housing Strategy over a five-year planning cycle, based on a robust and credible Housing Need and Demand Assessment (HNDA) for the area. Following completion of the previous Argyll and Bute LHS (2016-2021) last year, a comprehensive revision and update of the strategy has been approved by the council and is due to be formally launched in March 2022. The planning process was based on a robust process of consultation and stakeholder engagement, which has been acknowledged as an exemplar model for other local authorities by the Scottish Government, the CHMA, and the Scottish Housing Network LHS Forum.

The revised HNDA was approved as “robust and credible” by the Scottish Government’s CHMA in 2021, and this has informed the revised Housing Supply Targets set out in the new LHS. These targets are based on a positive demographic and economic growth scenario for Argyll & Bute and include ambitious and challenging Housing Supply Targets for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre, and Islay, Jura & Colonsay HMAs over the next 5 years and beyond. Progress with these targets and the new LHS Action Plan will be reported on an annual basis to this area committee.

5.0 CONCLUSION

5.1 This report provides the detail of the Council Housing Services team activity in the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands area and an overview of the progress achieved with the Local Housing Strategy Action Plan. There are a variety of housing issues within the area which are being tackled by Housing Services and partner agencies with the aim of delivering a functioning housing system which meets the needs of the communities we serve.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Policy - Complies with approved SHIP and Local Housing Strategy.
- 6.2 Financial - none arising from this report.
- 6.3 Legal - we have a statutory duty to deliver statutory housing functions.
- 6.4 HR – none.
- 6.5 Fairer Scotland Duty: positive in terms of delivering affordable housing.
 - 6.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics – none.
 - 6.5.2 Socio-economic Duty - positive in terms of delivering affordable housing.
 - 6.5.3 Islands – positive in terms of delivering affordable housing on the islands.
- 6.6. Climate Change – the strategy and housing service deliver positive impacts for energy efficiency and climate change.
- 6.7 Risk – none.
- 6.8 Customer Service – none.

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Extract from LHS 2022- 2027 (data as of 2020) Islay, Jura & Colonsay

Appendix 2 – Extract from LHS 2022 - 2027 (data as of 2020) Kintyre

Appendix 3 – Extract from LHS 2022 - 2027 (data as of 2020) Mid Argyll

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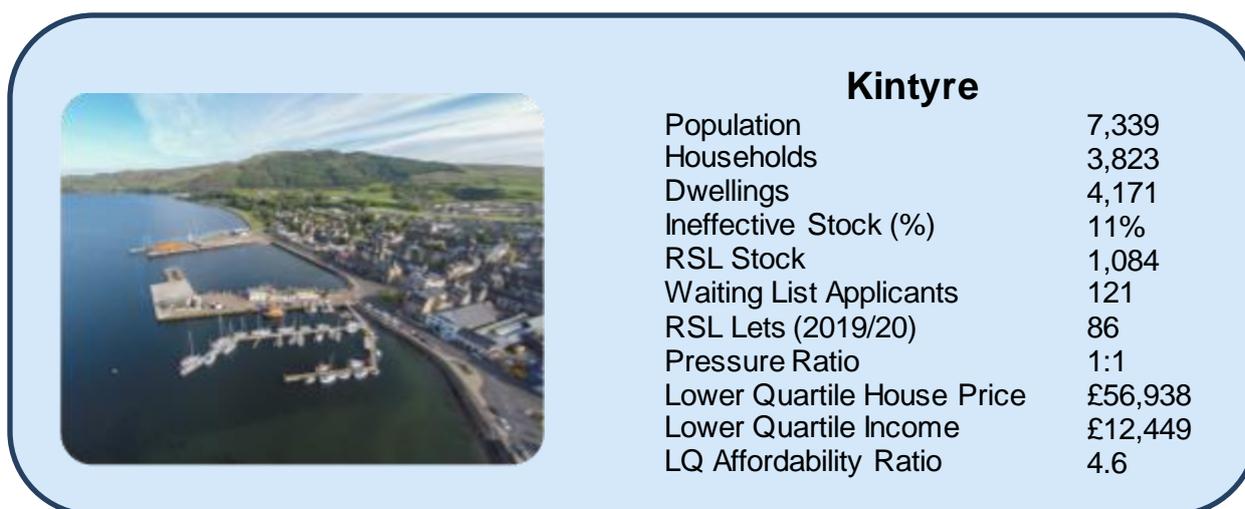
Islay, Jura & Colonsay		
	Population	3,344
	Households	1,740
	Dwellings	2,180
	Ineffective Stock (%)	16%
	RSL Stock	505
	Waiting List Applicants	186
	RSL Lets (2019/20)	27
	Pressure Ratio	7:1
	Lower Quartile House Price	£136,500
	Lower Quartile Income	£15,208
	LQ Affordability Ratio	9.0

ISLAY, JURA & COLONSAY HMA combines the three distinct islands for strategic planning purposes. The overall population is estimated to have declined by 3% over the last five years, although individual island trends have varied. The combined total number of households for the three islands conversely appears to have increased by almost 6% suggesting increasing numbers of smaller and single-person households. The islands are not particularly self-contained housing markets with less than half (49%) of house sales going to local purchasers; and 2.4% of purchasers originating elsewhere in the authority area. Affordability is a major issue, with one of the highest price-to-income ratios in Argyll and Bute, at 9.0, and well above the standard affordability threshold. Since 2015 there has been an increase in the total number of dwellings (over 3% growth), particularly with a number of new build developments recently and ongoing on Islay; but also small-scale pipeline proposals for Colonsay and Jura. Currently the islands account for 5% of the total stock in the authority. However, 16% of the stock comprises second/holiday homes or long-term vacant properties and is consequently unavailable to meet local need. In 2020 there were around 505 social rented homes across the islands which is an increase of over 14% in the sector during the last 5 years. Numerically, waiting lists may be small however turnover in the stock is also limited, therefore the pressure ratio is currently one of the highest in Argyll & Bute, with 7 applicants for every available let.

Key issues for Islay, Jura & Colonsay HMA:

- Further developments of affordable housing will benefit the sustainability and economic growth of the island communities.
- Tackling fuel poverty and improving energy efficiency are priorities.
- Ensuring appropriate specialist provision is available to meet the requirements of those with particular needs will also be important.

Appendix 2 – Extract from LHS 2022 - 2027 (data as of 2020) Kintyre

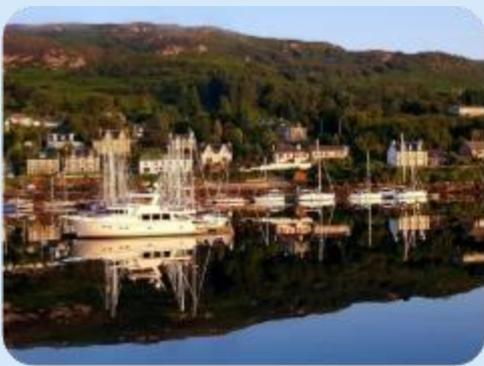


KINTYRE HMA covers the Kintyre peninsula south of Tarbert and for planning purposes also incorporates the Isle of Gigha. It is actually the second most contained Housing Market within the authority; 64% of all house sales are to local residents and less than 15% of sales are to purchasers from elsewhere in Scotland, the lowest rate of any HMA. Although local household incomes are amongst the lowest in the authority area, so too are average house prices and consequently, while a proportion of local residents are unable to afford on the open market, the affordability ratio is less excessive than many other areas. Kintyre accounts for 9% of the total dwelling stock in the authority, and there was an overall increase in the stock of 8% over the last five years, after a period of relative stagnation previously. The area also has a relatively low level of ineffective stock, though at 11% of the total this is still well above national levels. In 2020, there were 1,084 RSL homes in this area accounting for around 13% of Argyll & Bute's total stock of social rented housing. Turnover is fairly healthy relative to the waiting list, and supply and demand therefore are reasonably balanced, however further development in this area would support regeneration and positive economic growth.

Key issues for Kintyre HMA:

- The focus in this area remains on repairing, maintaining, improving and managing existing stock; but there is scope for some judicious new build developments in line with the repopulation and growth agendas for the area.
- Tackling fuel poverty and improving energy efficiency remain priorities.
- The provision of Housing Options advice and information; Tenancy Support; and ensuring that sufficient specialist provision remains available to meet the requirements of those with particular needs will also be important.

Appendix 3 – Extract from LHS 2022 - 2027 (data as of 2020) Mid Argyll

MID ARGYLL		
	Population	9,123
	Households	4,614
	Dwellings	5,659
	Ineffective Stock (%)	13%
	RSL Stock	1,033
	Waiting List Applicants	221
	RSL Lets (2019/20)	110
	Pressure Ratio	2:1
	Lower Quartile House Price	£85,000
	Lower Quartile Income	£16,507
	LQ Affordability Ratio	5:1

MID ARGYLL HMA stretches from Inveraray to Lochgilphead and Tarbert and is the centre for much of the public sector employment opportunities in the authority, including Council headquarters. Only 54% of house sales in the area are to local residents (a significant drop in self-containment since the previous HNDA), but almost 9% were to purchasers from elsewhere in Argyll & Bute, one of the highest rates of internal movement within the authority. 20% of purchasers come from elsewhere in Scotland and over 16% originate elsewhere in the UK. This area tends to have higher than average income levels and consequently the price-to-income affordability ratio is slightly lower than most other HMAs. The total number of dwellings has increased by 2.4% between 2015 and 2020. Currently the area accounts for over 12% of the authority total. However, around 13% of the stock comprises second/holiday homes and long-term vacant properties and is therefore unavailable to meet local needs. In 2020 there were 1,033 RSL homes in the area, 12% of the sector total for Argyll & Bute. While turnover is relatively healthy in the RSL stock, around 9% of the total waiting list is seeking to be rehoused here and over 14% of homelessness is located in this HMA. However, HNDA analysis suggested that less than 7% of backlog need is located in Mid Argyll.

Key issues for Mid Argyll HMA:

- A strategic programme of new build affordable housing will help to sustain economic growth and address unmet need in the area.
- The provision of Housing Options advice and information; targeted Tenancy Support; and assistance to tackle fuel poverty and improve energy efficiency; and ensuring sufficient specialist provision is available to meet the requirements of those with particular needs will also remain key targets.

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AREA SCORECARD FQ3 2021/22

1 Background

- 1.1 This paper presents the Area Report and Scorecard for Financial Quarter 3 2021/22 (October to December 2021) and illustrates the agreed performance measures.
- 1.2 A summary of all the measures is included at the start of the report. The summary provides an overview of the number of measures and how many are Red, Amber, Green or No Target.
- 1.3 A short key to symbols / layout is attached. (Appendix 1).
- 1.4 An illustration of how the Business Outcomes align to the Corporate Outcomes is attached (Appendix 2).
- 1.5 All Public Sector Bodies have a statutory to comply with Accessibility Legislation. This requires that public sector websites must be accessible.

We are currently working to improve our presentation of information on the website to meet accessibility criteria and so will be making some changes to the way that pdf report that provides performance detail of current and previous quarters (Appendix 3) and Scorecard images (Appendix 4) are published on the website.

It is proposed that an amended report template and Scorecard are electronically circulated to Members for information and approval.

- 1.6 The Committee are also asked to consider if the Scorecard images by Corporate Outcome are still of value. These supplementary images by Corporate Outcome were introduced prior to the more regular use of Tablets and digital ways of working.

If the supplementary images add little or no value it is proposed that their production and circulation is ceased.

It should be noted that Pyramid remains live and all measures can be navigated as usual through the front screen.

- 1.7 It should be noted that as a consequence of 1.5 and 1.6 going forward there may be one performance report in a revised format with no supporting Scorecard(s).

- 1.8 To improve the response to performance queries, it is requested that either the Responsible Named Officer or Sonya Thomas are contacted once the Quarterly Performance Report is received with any queries. This should enable some queries being resolved or clarified prior to the Area Committee meeting, and therefore being carried forward as Actions at a subsequent meeting.

2 Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the Area Committee –

- a) Notes and considers the performance and supporting commentary as presented.
- b) Upon receipt of the Quarterly Performance Report the Area Committee contact either the Responsible Named Officer or Sonya Thomas with any queries.
- c) Note that work is ongoing and to respond to Sonya Thomas with requests or comments regarding the layout and format of the Performance Report and Scorecard.
- d) Note the requirement to amend the current report template and Scorecard.
- e) Agree that an amended report template and Scorecard are electronically circulated to Members for information and approval to meet the FQ4 2021/22 reporting deadline.
- f) Agree to end the production and circulation of the supplementary images of the Scorecard by Corporate Outcome images.

3.0 IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Policy: None

3.2 Financial: None

3.3 Legal: None

3.4 HR: None

3.5 Fairer Scotland Duty: No impact assessment required for this report.

3.5.1 Equalities: None. If requested the Area Committee Performance Report can be supplied in a different format.

3.5.2 Socio-economic Duty: None

3.5.3 Islands: None

3.6 Climate Change: None

3.7 Risk: None

3.8 Customer Service: None

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Appendix 1: Key to symbols

Appendix 2: Illustration of Business Outcomes aligned to Corporate Outcomes

Appendix 3: FQ3 2021/22 MAKI Word Report in pdf format

Appendix 4: FQ3 2021/22 MAKI Scorecard

PERFORMANCE REPORTS – KEYS TO SYMBOLS

WORD REPORT

STATUS SYMBOL

- This is colour coded and indicates if the performance is good – Green; or off track – Red

TREND ARROW

- This indicates the trend of the performance between the last two periods

NAME IN BRACKETS (StreetScene)

- This indicates not only where in Pyramid you can find the data but also what team in the council deals with this element of performance

GREY SUCCESS MEASURE

- This indicates that the performance measure is a council-wide one

WHITE SUCCESS MEASURE

- This indicates that the performance measure is a local area one

ON GRAPHS IN PYRAMID

GREEN

- Performance is positively within desired parameters / meeting target / positively exceeding target

RED

- Performance is negatively out-with desired parameters / not meeting target / negatively exceeding target

KEY

- There is a key / explanation to each graph indicating Target / Actual / Benchmark alongside each graph

THE SCORECARD

- This is a plain summary of the success measures
- It mirrors the word report – BUT without commentary / names / teams
- It is simply a picture

Joint Over-arching Vision	Argyll and Bute’s Economic Success is built on a growing population						
Council Mission	Making Argyll and Bute a place people choose to Live, Learn, Work and do Business						
	Choose Argyll, Love Argyll						
	A Place people choose to Live			A Place people choose to Learn	A Place people choose to Work and Do Business		Getting It Right
Corporate Outcomes	People live active healthier and independent lives	People will live in safer and stronger communities	Children and young people have the best possible start	Education, Skills and training maximise opportunities for all	Our economy is diverse and thriving	We have an infrastructure that supports sustainable growth	
Business Outcomes	BO101 We Ensure Information And Support Is Available For Everyone.	BO104 Our Communities Are Protected And Supported.	BO106 Our Looked After Young People Are Supported By Effective Corporate Parenting.	BO108 All Our Children And Young People Are Supported To Realise Their Potential.	BO110 We Support Businesses, Employment And Development Opportunities.	BO113 Our Infrastructure Is Safe And Fit For The Future.	BO115 We Are Efficient And Cost Effective.
	BO102 We Provide Support, Prevention And Opportunities To Help People Make Better Lifestyle Choices.	BO105 Our Natural And Built Environment Is Protected And Respected.	BO107 The Support And Lifestyle Needs Of Our Children, Young People, And Their Families Are Met.	BO109 All Our Adults Are Supported To Realise Their Potential.	BO111 We Influence And Engage With Businesses and Policy Makers.	BO114 Our Communities Are Cleaner And Greener.	BO116 We Engage And Work With Our Customers, Staff And Partners.
	BO103 We Enable A Choice Of Suitable Housing Options.				BO112 Argyll & Bute Is Promoted To Everyone.		BO117 We Encourage Creativity And Innovation To Ensure Our Workforce Is Fit For The Future.
CROSS-CUTTING	Socio-Economic Duty, Equalities, Gaelic						
OUR VALUES	<p style="text-align: center;">Caring, Committed, Collaborative & Creative Cùramach, Dealasach, Cruthachail agus Com-pàirteach</p>						

MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & ISLAY FQ3 2021/22 OVERALL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

The table below presents a summary of all of the success measures in the scorecard.
They show the performance against targets and the trend against the previous quarter's performance.

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE AGAINST TARGETS	FQ2 2021/22	FQ3 2021/22	GREEN RED NO TARGET TOTAL
	12	12	
	7	7	
	11	11	
	30	30	

MAKI Area Scorecard FQ3 2021/22

Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
Corporate Outcome No 1 - People live active, healthier and independent lives								
Number of affordable social sector new builds - MAKI (Housing Services)	●	⇒	0	0	0	0	Allan Brandie	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI No affordable social housing completions during quarter 3.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI During quarter 2 there were 19 completions across all four areas. Bute and Cowal - 0, Helensburgh and Lomond - 0, Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay - 0, Oban, Lorn and the Isles - Link handed over a further 19 social rented units of the 300 units at Dunbeg due for completion this year, bringing total to date to 55 (with 36 in Q1). The annual Strategic Housing investment Plan (SHIP) targets are: Bute and Cowal - 9, Helensburgh and Lomond - 10, Oban, Lorn and the Isles - 302, Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay - 42. The annual targets for 2021/22 is 363 completions. RSLs note ongoing supply shortages in materials and labour causing some slippage with programme.
DEG103_01-Number of new affordable homes completed per annum (Housing Services)	●	↑	19	19	23	23	Allan Brandie	FQ3 2021/22 A&B 23 completions in Oban, Lorn and the Isles during quarter 3. Link Group achieved completion of a further 23 General Needs units for Social Rent at Dunbeg (as part of Phase 3) comprising:- 21 x 2 bed 4 person units, 1 x 3 bed 6 person 1 x 4 bed 7 person units in December 2021. Other onsite projects have slipped into 2022 due to Covid-related supply and staffing issues.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B During quarter 2 there were 19 completions across all four areas. Bute and Cowal - 0, Helensburgh and Lomond - 0, Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay - 0, Oban, Lorn and the Isles - Link handed over a further 19 social rented units of the 300 units at Dunbeg due for completion this year, bringing total to date to 55 (with 36 in Q1). The annual Strategic Housing investment Plan (SHIP) targets are: Bute and Cowal - 9, Helensburgh and Lomond - 10, Oban, Lorn and the Isles - 302, Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay - 42. The annual targets for 2021/22 is 363 completions. RSLs note ongoing supply shortages in materials and labour causing some slippage with programme.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
Corporate Outcome No.2 - People live in safer and stronger communities								
MAKI - Number of parking penalty notices issued (Streetscene MAKI)		↓	No Target	42	No Target	15	Hugh O'Neill	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI Seasonal pay and display charges applied until 31st October for Inveraray.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Not reaching pre-Covid levels of visitors.
A&B - Number of parking penalty notices issued (StreetScene)		↓	No Target	1,583	No Target	973	Hugh O'Neill	FQ3 2021/22 A&B Pay and display car parks free for two weeks before Christmas, lining issues in various areas.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B Lomondside busy with vistors, other areas not at pre-Covid levels.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
Car parking income to date - MAKI (Streetscene MAKI)	●	↑↑	£24,664	£43,829	£50,560	£65,610	Hugh O'Neill	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI As a knock-on effect of Covid-19, the anticipated budgets across all four areas have been reviewed. For MAKI there has been an under-recovery in FQ1 and an over-recovery in FQ2 and FQ3.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Income at FQ2 in MAKI has seen a vast improvement when compared to FQ1. It is likely that some of the income recorded in FQ2 arose from FQ1 but not accounted for due to the cashless parking processes (receipt of income from third parties). The majority of income in MAKI derives from the off-street parking in Inveraray.
<i>Fisher Row, Inveraray</i>				£6,818	<i>Income collected each FQ.</i>	£2,627		
<i>The Avenue, Inveraray</i>				£17,245		£8,429		
<i>Front Street & Toilets, Inveraray</i>				£19,679		£10,714		
<i>Lorne Street, Lochgilphead</i>				£79		£12		
Car parking income to date - A&B (StreetScene)	●	↑↑	£485,808	£491,275	£660,069	£699,363	Hugh O'Neill	FQ3 2021/22 A&B The recovery from Covid regulations has seen a slow return to more normal parking which has seen parking income improve in some areas. The anticipated income was £660,069, we have recovered £699,363 across the whole of Argyll and Bute.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B While FQ1 showed a significant under-recovery in anticipated income, FQ2 appears to demonstrate a return to pre-Covid behaviour. An element of the under-recovery in FQ1 is likely due to the processes for cashless payments reaching the ledger, however, it is clear that FQ1 income was significantly impacted by on-going Covid lockdown effects. Three of the four areas are showing higher than anticipated income with only B&C continuing to under-recover. It should be noted, however, that a new Warden is due to start in B&C in mid-October which is expected to have a positive impact on both driver and parking behaviour and income recovery.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
Dog fouling - total number of complaints MAKI (Streetscene MAKI)	●	⇒	27	20	27	20	Tom Murphy	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI The overall number of complaints for the 3rd quarter for the MAKI area remains the same. The warden service will continue with their efforts to deal with this issue and hopefully we will see a reduction in the next quarter.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI The number of dog fouling complaints this quarter for the MAKI area totals 20, this is a reduction in last quarters figures. The warden service will continue to engage with all parties to advise and educate on the issues of dog fouling.
Dog fouling - total number of complaints A&B (StreetScene)	●	⇓	78	46	78	60	Tom Murphy	FQ3 2021/22 A&B Again this quarter the number of dog fouling complaints remain high, this is disappointing, however we are aware of a particular problem area in Bute and the Warden is liaising with the Housing Association to deal with this. The warden service will continue to engage with all parties in an attempt to reduce these complaints. It is difficult to catch a person committing an offence as the majority of the complainants wish to remain anonymous.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B Although the number of dog fouling complaints has reduced this quarter it still remains high. The warden service will continue to engage with all parties in an attempt to explain and educate on the issues of dog fouling, however it is difficult to catch a person committing an offence as the majority of the complainants wish to remain anonymous.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
LEAMS [Local Environment Audit and Management System] - MAKI Mid Argyll (Cleanliness Monitoring Systems) MONTHLY DATA COMBINED TO SHOW QUARTERLY AVERAGE	●	↑↑	73	80	73	81	Tom Murphy	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI Mid Argyll The street cleanliness levels this quarter in Mid Argyll are good, exceeding both the National Standard and Benchmark Figures with scores of October 81, November 75 and December 88.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Mid Argyll The street cleanliness levels again this quarter in Mid Argyll are very good, July 82, August 76 and September 81, all exceeding the benchmark and national standards
LEAMS [Local Environment Audit and Management System] - MAKI Kintyre (Cleanliness Monitoring Systems) MONTHLY DATA COMBINED TO SHOW QUARTERLY AVERAGE	●	↓↓	73	80	73	74	Tom Murphy	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI Kintyre The LEAMS score for Kintyre in October and November met the benchmark figure of 73 with December exceeding this with 76. It is hoped next quarter the street cleanliness figures will rise again.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Kintyre The street cleanliness figures again this month for Kintyre are very good. July 74, August 83 and September 84.
LEAMS [Local Environment Audit and Management System] - MAKI Islay (Cleanliness Monitoring Systems) MONTHLY DATA COMBINED TO SHOW QUARTERLY AVERAGE	●	⇒	73	84	73	84	Tom Murphy	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI Islay The street cleanliness figure for Islay for the 3rd quarter remains consistently high with a score of 84.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Islay The street cleanliness on Islay remains high at 84 over all 3 months in the 2nd quarter.
LEAMS [Local Environment Audit and Management System] - Argyll and Bute monthly average (Cleanliness Monitoring Systems) MONTHLY DATA COMBINED TO SHOW QUARTERLY AVERAGE	●	↓↓	73	81	73	78	Tom Murphy	FQ3 2021/22 A&B The department continues to deliver a high standard of street cleanliness for the months of October, November and December, the role of the Amenity Wardens plays a key part in this.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B Again this quarter the level of street cleanliness remains at a very high standard. The role of the Amenity Wardens has had a key influence around littering and dog fouling to assist in maintaining the good level of performance.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
Corporate Outcome No.3 - Children and young people have the best possible start								
No Area Committee Measures to report on for Corporate Outcome 3.								
Corporate Outcome No.4 - Education, skills and training maximises opportunities for all								
MAKI-Maintain the percentage of 16-19 year olds participating in education, training or employment (Youth Services)	●	⇒	94.00%	96.21%	94.00%	96.21%	Simon Easton	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI The Annual Participation Measure is collated and reported on once a year, normally September.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Developing Young Workforce co-ordinators are now well established within each cluster and making contact with employers.
EDU107_04-Maintain the percentage of 16-19 year olds in Argyll and Bute participating in education, training or employment (Youth Services)	●	⇒	94.00%	93.50%	94.00%	93.50%	Simon Easton	FQ3 2021/22 A&B The Annual Participation Measure for 2020-21 was released on 31st August 2021. In Argyll and Bute 93.5% of young people aged 16-19 were participating (in work, training or education). This figure is 1.3% above the national average. 3.2% were not participating, which is equal with the national average. 3.3% were unconfirmed, which is 1.3% below the national average. Continuous engagement between schools, businesses, Developing the Young Workforce Coordinators, further and higher education establishments and other partners is in place to ensure the highest possible number of young people moving from school into work, training or ongoing education.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B The Annual Participation Measure for 2020-21 was released on 31st August 2021. In Argyll and Bute 93.5% of young people aged 16-19 were participating (in work, training or education). This figure is 1.3% above the national average. 3.2% were not participating, which is equal with the national average. 3.3% were unconfirmed, which is 1.3% below the national average.

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Corporate Outcome No.5 - The economy is diverse and thriving								
Percentage of pre-application enquiries processed within 20 working days - MAKI (Planning Applications)	●	↓	75.0%	54.3%	75.0%	12.5%	Peter Bain	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI Regretfully only 1 in 8 pre-applications were processed within the 20 working day target by the MAKI team in FQ3. With a new member of the team recruited in FQ2 getting up to speed, the team has concentrated on processing planning applications over PREAPP's. It is important for readers to note that the team has operated throughout this period with no Area Team Leader following the relocation of David Love to England. To date, recruitment for this post has not been successful. Day-to-day management of the team is therefore being undertaken by the Development Manager, in addition to his current responsibilities.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Unfortunately, no improvement in turnaround times for pre-applications was posted in FQ2 at 54.3% closed in 20 working days. However there was a 77% increase in pre-applications received when compared to the same period last year. It should be noted that following the transfer of a Planning Officer to the Bute, Cowal, Helensburgh & Lomond Team, the Area Team Leader for Mid Argyll, Kintyre & Islay Team took on the case load whilst a new Planning Officer was recruited. The new Officer started on 12th July.
Percentage of pre-application enquiries processed within 20 working days - A&B (Planning Applications)	●	↓	75.0%	65.5%	75.0%	61.7%	Peter Bain	FQ3 2021/22 A&B The Development Management Team continues to operate with reduced resource. Although the situation improved slightly in FQ3 following some success in recruitment, it will naturally take time for those taking up vacant posts to get up to speed. 61.7% of pre-application enquiries were turned around in 20 working days, against a target of 75%. Anecdotal evidence suggests that this is partly due to some Officers now being able to work through a backlog of PRE-APP's. (The OL&I team closed 40% more PREAPP's than they received in FQ3, for example.)
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B The Development Management Team is seeing an uplift in demand for the service, whilst operating at reduced capacity in terms of resource - this is reflected in the performance for FQ2, which traditionally sees a higher level of annual leave taken. 65.5% of pre-application enquiries were turned around in 20 working days, against a target of 75% The volume of enquiries has increased by over a third since the same period last year. During FQ2, a new Planning Officer joined the team in Mid-Argyll, but the Oban team continued to operate throughout the whole period with a vacant post. The position has been offered to the successful candidate with an anticipated start date in November. This will bring the team up to the minimum resource level required to operate the service for the first time in over a year.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
Householder planning apps: ave no. of weeks to determine - MAKI (Planning Applications)	●	↓	8.0 wks	11.9 wks	8.0 wks	12.4 wks	Peter Bain	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI The Mid-Argyll, Kintyre and Islay team took an average of 12.4 weeks to determine "householder" applications in FQ3, a slight degradation on the 11.9 weeks recorded in FQ2. It is important for readers to note that the team has operated throughout this period with no Area Team Leader. To date, recruitment for this post has not been successful. Day-to-day management of the team is therefore being undertaken by the Development Manager, in addition to his current responsibilities.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI The average turnaround time for Householder planning applications was 11.9 weeks, however this figure is impacted by two applications which took over four months to determine. It should be noted that following the transfer of a Planning Officer to the Bute, Cowal, Helensburgh & Lomond Team, the Area Team Leader for Mid Argyll, Kintyre & Islay Team took on the case load whilst a new Planning Officer was recruited.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
Householder planning apps: ave no. of weeks to determine - ABC (Planning Applications)	●	↓	8.0 wks	9.7 wks	8.0 wks	11.8 wks	Peter Bain	FQ3 2021/22 A&B The Development Management Team continues to operate with reduced resource. Although the situation improved slightly in FQ3 following some success in recruitment, it will naturally take time for those taking up vacant posts to get up to speed. The volume of "householder" applications processed saw a 17.5% increase on FQ2. The headline performance figure of an average of 11.8 weeks to determine these applications, is skewed by 3 applications which took over 6 months to determine. The longest (19/00135/PP) took 2.1 years. Without these three excessive applications, the average time to determine would have been 10.4 weeks.
								Benchmarking 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 This is one of several measures where the Development Management service is benchmarked against The Scottish Government and "Rural 9" average performance. Changes made by The Scottish Government in reporting cycles, have necessitated changes to the way we input benchmarking figures in Pyramid: 1) The annual benchmark figure, when published in July each year will be used to retrospectively update every FQ for that FY (applied to FY 2019/20 & FY 2020/21). 2) This will be projected forward throughout the four FQ's of the next FY* (as has been standard practice in Development Management for over a decade now). * projected benchmark figures are necessary to populate the field in Scorecard, due to the fact that information is now only published by The Scottish Government twice a year.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B The Development Management Team is seeing an uplift in demand for the service, whilst operating at reduced capacity in terms of resource - this is reflected in the performance for FQ2, which traditionally sees a higher level of annual leave taken. Following the temporary addition of a colleague to our Central Validation Team, the number of applications validated increased by 22% over the same period last year. (Demonstrating our commitment to "Grow Your Own", this succession planning for the impending retirement of a key member of the CVT has shown dividends.) When reporting against applications determined, performance in terms of timescale of delivery saw a reduction in all areas. However, this must be set against a 25% increase in volume compared to the same period last year: - Householder Applications +14% - Local (excl HH) Applications +13% - Other* Applications +85% *The category of "Other" applications constitute those for which we receive very little income, as laid down in legislation. The 74 applications determined, attracted the sum of £2,982 (or £40.30 each) at times of budgetary challenges being experienced by Local Planning Authorities. During FQ2, a new Planning Officer joined the team in Mid-Argyll, but the Oban team continued to operate throughout the whole period with a vacant post. The position has been offered to the successful candidate with an anticipated start date in November. This will bring the team up to the minimum resource level required to operate the service for the first time in over a year.

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Corporate Outcome No.6 - We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth								
Street lighting - MAKI percentage of faults repaired within 10 days (Street Lighting - Maintenance)	●	↑	75%	18%	75%	28%	Hugh O'Neill	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI During the festive shutdown reports of dark lamps and lighting faults have continued to come in which has increased the number of outstanding lighting issues as staff were off. After discussions with the Head of Service for RIS, Operations have now fully taken on Street Lighting to maximise the oversight and management of this part of the service. Staff have also been on leave as well as one member of staff returning on a phased return after a long term absence, options in regards to supplementing staffing levels are being considered in line with available budget to reduce the number of faults currently outstanding which is in excess of 250. Again this should be taken in context with the service managing in excess of 14000 street lights.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Over the last 12 months, outstanding street lighting defects have been reduced from approx. 350 down to approx. 180 faults. To set the context there are approx. 14,000 lighting units across the whole Argyll and Bute lighting area which means that we have just over 1% with reported faults. This includes underground cabling faults of which we have 14 currently recorded. This number could increase following further attendance on site when fault diagnostic work is carried out to fully identify the underlying fault cause. We continue to run with absence within the team including currently one colleague who was hospitalised through Covid and is expected to be off for some while. In order to address the current 180 or so lighting faults, the Lighting Team have been asked to make a Monday and a Wednesday return to the RIS Leadership Team setting out the number of faults that have been repaired and the number of faults that are existing. In some areas subcontractors may well be utilised to enable the current lighting backlog to be resolved. Lighting performance and working towards meeting the current performance targets will continue on the RIS Leadership agenda. It should be noted that lighting faults usually rise in the winter months.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
RIS113_05-The percentage of street lighting fault repairs are completed within 10 working days (Street Lighting - Maintenance)	●	↑	75%	31%	75%	59%	Hugh O'Neill	FQ3 2021/22 A&B Due to the darker evenings, the winter period is the most common time of year for reports of dark lamps and lighting faults, coupled with the Festive Council shut down, we saw an increase in the number of lighting issues being reported. In FQ2, the number of street lighting outstanding faults reported sat at c.180 with 31% being repaired within the 10 day timeframe. In FQ3, the number of street lighting outstanding faults reported, increased to c.250, with 59% being repaired within the 10 day timeframe. The service acknowledges that performance is still below target and is continuing to work with the action plan, which has been implemented to improve performance. This is reflective of the festive shut down as well as staff absence and staffing levels in line with our budget. Options to supplementing staffing levels are being progressed to reduce the number of faults currently outstanding which is in excess of 250. Again, this should be taken in context with the service managing in excess of 14000 street lights, with c.250 issues being less than 2% of our total lighting responsibilities. Management will continue to review this matter as a high priority, and monitor performance on a weekly basis.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B Over the last 12 months, outstanding street lighting defects have been reduced from approx. 350 down to approx. 180 faults. To set the context there are approx. 14,000 lighting units across the whole Argyll and Bute lighting area which means that we have just over 1% with reported faults. This includes underground cabling faults of which we have 14 currently recorded. This number could increase following further attendance on site when fault diagnostic work is carried out to fully identify the underlying fault cause. We continue to run with absence within the team including currently one colleague who was hospitalised through Covid and is expected to be off for some while. In order to address the current 180 or so lighting faults, the Lighting Team have been asked to make a Monday and a Wednesday return to the RIS Leadership Team setting out the number of faults that have been repaired and the number of faults that are existing. In some areas subcontractors may well be utilised to enable the current lighting backlog to be resolved. Lighting performance and working towards meeting the current performance targets will continue on the RIS Leadership agenda. It should be noted that lighting faults usually rise in the winter months.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
Total number of complaints regarding waste collection - MAKI (Streetscene MAKI)		⇒	No Target	0	No Target	0	Tom Murphy	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI Again this quarter there were no waste collection complaints for the MAKI area, given the number of properties serviced this is excellent.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Again this quarter there are no waste collection complaints for the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay areas, this is an excellent level of service.
Total number of complaints regarding waste collection - A&B (StreetScene)		⇒	No Target	0	No Target	0	Tom Murphy	FQ3 2021/22 A&B Again this quarter there were no waste collection complaints, this is an excellent level of service given the number of domestic and commercial properties serviced throughout Argyll and Bute.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B Again this quarter there were no waste collection complaints received in relation to the service. This is an excellent level of service given the number of properties serviced.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
RIS114_01-The percentage of waste that is recycled, composted and recovered (Waste Management Performance)	●	↑	45.0%	50.5%	45.0%	50.6%	John Blake	FQ3 2021/22 A&B 50.6% recycling, composting and recovery (37.9% recycling/composting plus 12.7% recovery). Year to date rate of 49.2% similar to pre-Covid levels. Overall municipal waste tonnages however, have risen so far in 21/22 year compared to first 3 quarters combined in 19/20 year (pre-Covid) by circa 5%. This is likely in part due to high visitor numbers during the summer months and some new housing developments coming on stream in 2021.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B 50.5% recycling ,composting and recovery in Q2 (35.0% recycling/composting plus 15.5% recovery). Recycling levels back to normal with rates similar to pre-Covid levels.
Shanks - Percentage of waste recycled, composted and recovered (Waste Management Performance)		↑	No Target	52.8%	No Target	53.1%	John Blake	FQ3 2021/22 Waste PPP Area 53.1% recycling, composting and recovery (36.3% recycling/composting plus 16.8% recovery). Year to date figure of 50.5% (32.4% recycling/composting plus 18.1% recovery). Municipal waste tonnages have risen so far in 21/22 year compared to first 3 quarters combined in 19/20 year (pre-Covid). This is likely in part due to high visitor numbers during the summer months and some new housing developments coming on stream in 2021.
								FQ2 2021/22 Waste PPP Area 52.8% recycling ,composting and recovery in Q2 (30.6% recycling/composting plus 22.2% recovery). Recycling levels back to normal with rates similar to pre-Covid levels.
Islands - Percentage of waste recycled, composted and recovered (Waste Management Performance)		↑	No Target	37.2%	No Target	39.0%	John Blake	FQ3 2021/22 Islands 39.0% recycling, composting and recovery (37.6% recycling/composting plus 1.4% recovery). Year to date figure of 36.7% (35.3% recycling/composting plus 1.4% recovery). Municipal waste tonnages have risen so far in 21/22 year compared to first 3 quarters combined in 19/20 year (pre-Covid). This is likely in part due to high visitor numbers during the summer months in 2021.
								FQ2 2021/22 Islands 37.2% recycling ,composting and recovery in Q2 (35.9% recycling/composting plus 1.3% recovery). Recycling levels more back to normal with rates closer to pre-Covid levels.
H&L - Percentage of waste recycled, composted and recovered (Waste Management Performance)		↓	No Target	51.2%	No Target	49.5%	John Blake	FQ3 2021/22 H&L 49.5% recycling, composting and recovery (41.3% recycling/composting plus 8.2% recovery). Year to date figure of 51.0% (42.9% recycling/composting plus 8.1% recovery). Municipal waste tonnages have risen so far in 21/22 year compared to first 3 quarters combined in 19/20 year (pre-Covid). This is likely in part due to high visitor numbers during the summer months and some new housing developments coming on stream in 2021.
								FQ2 2021/22 H&L 51.2% recycling ,composting and recovery in Q2 (43.2% recycling/composting plus 8.0% recovery). Recycling levels more back to normal with rates close to pre-Covid levels.

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Performance element	Status	Performance Trend	Target FQ2	Actual FQ2	Target FQ3	Actual FQ3	Owner	Comments
Making It Happen								
MAKI Teacher absence (Education Other Attendance)		↓	No Target	1.00 day	No Target	1.38 days	Simon Easton	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI There has been an increase in absence against the last quarter which is in line with usual seasonal variations with FQ2 being the summer holiday period. There has been a significant reduction of almost 1/2 a day on the same quarter last year. It should be noted that the absence for FQ3 is the lowest it has been for 4 years.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI Teacher sickness absence levels in MAKI have fallen from the first quarter as per the seasonal trend as it is summer holiday period. MAKI teachers have also seen a reduction in the numbers of days absent in the same quarter last year which is interesting as this is the opposite trend to what we are seeing with LGE staff where there is an increase.
A&B Teacher absence (HR1 - Sickness Absence ABC)		↓	No Target	0.89 days	No Target	1.60 days	Simon Easton	FQ3 2021/22 A&B There is a significant increase of almost 3/4 of a day from the last quarter. Although this is typical of the seasonal trend as the summer holidays occur in the FQ2 period it is a larger increase than we have had since 2017/18. Against the same quarter last year there has been a slight increase.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B Overall Teacher sickness absence levels have fallen from quarter one - this is a seasonal trend connected to the summer holiday period. Absence levels are also very slightly lower than the same quarter last year whereas LGE absence levels are significantly higher.
MAKI LGE only (HR1 - Sickness Absence ABC)		↓	No Target	2.86 days	No Target	3.05 days	Carolyn McAlpine	FQ3 2021/22 MAKI There has been an increase in absence against the last quarter - this is usual due to the seasonal variations with the summer holiday period usually attracting lower levels of absence. There has been an increase in the level of absence not only for the same quarter last year but also for all of the FQ3 periods during the previous 4 years.
								FQ2 2021/22 MAKI MAKI sickness absence levels have increased very slightly in comparison to quarter one. This is unusual as seasonally there is usually a large reduction at this time of year due to it being summer holiday period. Levels have increased on the same quarter last year which was just as the country was emergency from lockdown an in line with the overall LGE picture.
A&B LGE staff summary - combined office and non-office (HR1 - Sickness absence ABC)		↓	No Target	3.16 days	No Target	3.49 days	Carolyn McAlpine	FQ3 2021/22 A&B There has been an increase in absence against the last quarter. Whilst this is usual due to the summer holiday period occurring during FQ2, for LGE staff this year the gap between the two periods is slightly larger than in previous years - excluding 20/21 (Covid Impacted). Against the same period last year there is an increase of about 1/2 day.
								FQ2 2021/22 A&B Overall LGE sickness absence levels have fallen in this quarter which is in line with seasonal trends as this is the summer holiday period. The sickness absence levels have increased on the same period last year by almost a day and a third. The same period last year was just as we were emerging out of lockdown which had seen much lower levels of absence.



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Number of affordable social sector new builds - MAKI	Actual 0 G
	Target 0 ↔

Number of new affordable homes completed per annum.	Actual 23 G
	Target 23
	Benchmark 75 ↑

Corporate Outcome - Education, skills and training maximises opportunities for all

MAKI-Maintain the percentage of 16-19 year olds participating in education, training or employment	Actual 96.21 % G
	Target 94.00 % ↔

EDU107_04-Maintain the percentage of 16-19 year olds in Argyll and Bute participating in education, training or employment	Actual 93.50 % R
	Target 94.00 % ↔
	Benchmark 92.60 %

Corporate Outcome - People live in safer and stronger communities

Car Parking income to date - MAKI	Actual £ 65,610 G
	Target £ 50,560 ↑

Car Parking income to date - A&B	Actual £ 699,363 G
	Target £ 660,069 ↑

MAKI - Number of Parking Penalty Notices Issued	Actual 15 ↓
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A&B - Number of Parking Penalty Notices Issued	Actual 973 ↓
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Dog fouling - total number of complaints MAKI-QUARTERLY	Actual 20 ↔
	Target 27 ↔

Dog fouling - total number of complaints A&B - QUARTERLY	Actual 60 G
	Target 78 ↓

LEAMS [Local Environment Audit and Management System] - MAKI Mid Argyll	Actual 81 G
	Target 73 ↑

LEAMS [Local Environment Audit and Management System] - Argyll and Bute monthly average	Actual 78 G
	Target 73 ↓

LEAMS [Local Environment Audit and Management System] - MAKI Kintyre	Actual 74 G
	Target 73 ↓

LEAMS [Local Environment Audit and Management System] - MAKI Islay	Actual 84 G
	Target 73 ↔

Corporate Outcome - We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth

Complaints re Waste Collection MAKI	Actual 0 ↔
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Total number of Complaints regarding Waste Collection - A&B	Actual 0 ↔
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Street lighting - MAKI percentage of faults repaired within 10 days	Actual 28 % R
	Target 75 % ↑

RIS113_05-The percentage of street lighting fault repairs are completed within 10 working days	Actual 59 % R
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Shanks - Percentage of Waste Recycled, Composted & Recovered	Actual 53.1 % ↑
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Islands - Percentage of Waste Recycled, Composted & Recovered	Actual 39.0 % ↑
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RIS114_01-The percentage of waste that is recycled, composted or recovered	Actual 50.6 % G
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Making It Happen

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	Target 8.0 Wks ↓
	Benchmark 11.8 Wks

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DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

2 MARCH 2022

MID ARGYLL REGENERATION PROJECTS – REALLOCATION OF FUNDING

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report provides an update on reallocation of funding between two ongoing projects which form part of the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund. The reallocation of external funding, some of which is required to be spent within the 2021/22 financial year, will help to maintain funding within the projects and reduce the risk of loss of funding. The reallocation of funding has been approved by the Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth under delegated powers provided at Part D (1) section 3.14 – 3.18 of the Constitution and this report provides an update for noting.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee are asked to note the update on the reallocation of funding between the two ongoing projects, which form part of the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund.

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

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MID ARGYLL REGENERATION PROJECTS – REALLOCATION OF FUNDING

2.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 The Council are currently delivering two projects in Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig through the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund, the Lochgilphead Front Green and Ardrishaig North Public Realm projects. In order to continue to deliver both projects without loss of funding we have sought approval to reallocate funding between the two projects from the Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth under delegated powers provided at Part D (1) section 3.14 – 3.18 of the Constitution. This reallocation has been approved and this report provides an update for noting.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee are asked to note the update on the reallocation of funding between the two ongoing projects, which form part of the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund.

4.0 DETAIL

4.1 As well as receiving funding through the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund both the Ardrishaig and Lochgilphead projects are also in receipt of external funding. All external funding for the Lochgilphead project has been drawn down and the project is expected to continue expending money until project completion in April 2022. Whilst design funding for Ardrishaig has been drawn down, there remains £110,000 of external funding linked to the delivery stage of the Ardrishaig Project which is required to be spent during the financial year 2021/22.

4.2 Although we have been progressing the Ardrishaig project as quickly as possible we now have concerns that we will be unable to expend this funding within the required timescale. To ensure the Ardrishaig project still has the necessary funding to enable it to proceed and that the funding is not lost, it is intended to transfer the Ardrishaig external funding allocation and replace with

some of the remaining unspent Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Funding as previously agreed for the Lochgilphead Front Green. The following funding will be allocated to the Lochgilphead Front Project for expenditure in the 2021/22 financial year:

Value	Source
£50,000	HITRANS
£60,000	Cycling Walking Safer Routes

In return the following funding would be allocated from Lochgilphead Front Green to the Ardrishaig North Public Realm project:

Value	Source
£110,000	Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund

- 4.3 HiTrans have confirmed that they are happy for the money to be spent on the Lochgilphead project. The Council manages the Cycling Walking and Safer Routes funding and again the transfer of funding to the Lochgilphead Front Green is also acceptable.

5.0 CONCLUSION

- 5.1 In order to allow both the Lochgilphead Front Green and Ardrishaig North Public Realm project to proceed without loss of external funding, the Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth has agreed this reallocation utilising delegated powers.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Policy – both projects have been agreed through the governance arrangements for the Tarbert and Lochgilphead Fund, reallocation of the funding will help the projects to proceed and realise the policy implications anticipated.
- 6.2 Financial – no overall impact to the Council and overall funding within each project will remain unaffected.
- 6.3 Legal – none.
- 6.4 HR – none.
- 6.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:
- 6.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics – none.
 - 6.5.2 Socio-economic Duty – none.
 - 6.5.3 Islands – none.
- 6.6 Climate Change – none.

6.7 Risk – there remain risks associated with the projects but reallocation of the funding lowers the risk of loss of funding for the Ardrishaig project.

6.8 Customer Service – none.

Kirsty Flanagan, Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth

26 January 2022

Policy Lead: Councillor Robin Currie

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2 nd March 2022	Supporting Communities Fund Applications	Kirsty Moyes/Becky Hothersall Chief Executive	Annual Report		
2 nd March 2022	Scottish Water Update	Georgie Reid Scottish Water	Annual Report		
2 nd March 2022	Quarterly Performance Scorecard FQ3 21/22	Jane Fowler/Sonya Thomas Performance and Improvement	Quarterly Report		
2 nd March 2022	Roads and Infrastructure Services Update	Jim Smith Roads and Infrastructure Services	Regular Report		To include Roads Capital Plan, Roads and Amenities Revenue Work Plan (Programmed), Grass Cutting Schedule and Post Winter Update
2 nd March 2022	Transport Scotland Update	Neil MacFarlane Transport Scotland	Annual Report		

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2 nd March 2022	Strategic Housing investment plan (SHIP)	Douglas Whyte Development and Economic Growth	Annual Report		Deferred from Dec 21.
2 nd March 2022	Traffic Management in Davaar and Meadows Housing Schemes	Jim Smith Roads and Infrastructure Services	Update Report		
2 nd March 2022	Mid Argyll Regeneration Projects Update	Anna Watkiss Development and Economic Growth	Update Report		
Future Items					
June 2022	Lochgilphead CARS Update	James Lafferty Development and Economic Growth	Regular Updates		
June 2022	Skills Development Scotland Update	Susan MacRae Skills Development Scotland	Annual Update		Deferred from March 2022 due to delay in figures being released.
June 2023	Supporting Communities Fund – End of Project Monitoring 21/22	Rona Gold/Antonia Baird Chief Executive	Regular Report		
	Patient Transport Policy	Health and Social Care Partnership	One off report		Update on new policy following

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	Flooding Issues in MAKI	Roads and Infrastructure Services Jim Smith	Ongoing		Update to be provided to Members following EDI Committee on 3 rd March 2022.
	Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund	Audrey Martin Development and Economic Growth	Regular Updates		
	MAKI Accessibility and Footway Survey	TBC	TBC		Chair progressing enquiries around this.

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