

**MINUTES of MEETING of ARGYLL AND BUTE HARBOUR BOARD held ON A HYBRID BASIS IN  
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD AND BY MICROSOFT TEAMS  
on THURSDAY, 31 AUGUST 2023**

**Present:** Councillor Andrew Kain (Chair)

Councillor John Armour	Councillor Jim Lynch
Councillor Garret Corner	Councillor Ross Moreland
Councillor Amanda Hampsey	Councillor Andrew Vennard

**Attending:** Kirsty Flanagan, Executive Director  
Douglas Hendry, Executive Director  
David Logan, Head of Legal and Regulatory Support  
Jim Smith, Head of Roads and Infrastructure Services  
Scott Reid, Marine Operations Manager  
Stuart McLean, Committee Manager  
Ross Wilson, Oban Community Harbour Development Association  
Phil Hamerton, Oban Community Harbour Development Association  
Frank Roberts, Oban Community Harbour Development Association

## **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ian MacQuire.

## **DEPUTATION**

The Chair advised that a request for a deputation to be heard at this meeting had been received on behalf of Oban Community Harbour Development Association, in relation to elements of item 4 on the Agenda 'Oban Harbour Update'.

The Harbour Board unanimously agreed to hear the deputation at this point in proceedings, and in this respect the Board heard the deputation and Members were afforded the opportunity to ask questions.

## **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **3. MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Argyll and Bute Harbour Board held on 2 March 2023 were approved as a correct record.

## **4. OBAN HARBOUR UPDATE**

The Harbour Board gave consideration to a report providing an update on the status of plans to establish the Municipal Oban Harbour and the progress of the Oban Harbour Revision Order.

## **Decision**

The Argyll and Bute Harbour Board –

1. noted the update provided in the submitted report;
2. agreed the final draft Harbour Revision Order for submission to Transport Scotland;  
and
3. agreed the Terms of Reference for the consultative bodies appended to the submitted report.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure dated August 2023, submitted)

## **5. PORT MARINE SAFETY CODE**

The Harbour Board gave consideration to a report providing an update on progress being made towards compliance with the Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC) and presenting the latest version of the Marine Safety Management System (MSMS) for approval and subsequent publication on the Argyll and Bute Council website.

### **Decision**

The Argyll and Bute Harbour Board –

1. noted the content of the submitted report;
2. approved the future review, update and reporting procedure for the Marine Safety Management System and Marine Safety Plan, being on a fixed three year cycle with a summary of small changes, or earlier if a substantive change is highlighted by Designated Person or Duty Holder;
3. noted the revised number of ports, harbours and marine facilities within the Council's jurisdiction following legislation review and consolidation;
4. approved the Policy Statements at Appendices A, B, C & D to the submitted report for inclusion and publication with the Marine Safety Management System; and
5. approved the new version (Volume I) of the Marine Safety Management System at Appendix E to the submitted report for publishing to the Council's website.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated August 2023, submitted)

## **6. PIERS & HARBOURS - MARINE ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Harbour Board gave consideration to a report providing a review of the Marine Works Asset Management Plan. The report included an update on significant and major programmes currently planned and underway within Argyll and Bute Council's Marine Asset Management Plan as well as schemes added since the last update.

### **Decision**

The Argyll and Bute Harbour Board –

1. noted the update on the major programmes currently being addressed within the Argyll and Bute Council's Marine Asset Management Plan;
2. noted that £9.2 million worth of capital works were underway for the financial year 2023/2024; and
3. noted that there was a potential spend of c.£110 million over the next 5 years, the majority of which would support the new CMAL & CFL (Calmac Ferries Ltd) / CalMac fleet renewal.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated August 2023, submitted)

## **7. ARGYLL AND BUTE HARBOUR BOARD WORKPLAN**

The draft work-plan was before the Harbour Board for noting.

### **Decision**

The Argyll and Bute Harbour Board noted the content of the workplan.

(Reference: Draft Argyll and Bute Harbour Board Workplan dated August 2023, submitted)