



25 September 2012

## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

A meeting of the **BUTE AND COWAL AREA COMMITTEE** will be held in the **CASTLE HOUSE, CASTLE GARDENS, DUNOON** on **TUESDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2012** at **10:00 AM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry  
Executive Director - Customer Services

## **BUSINESS**

- 1. APOLOGIES**
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 3. MINUTES OF MEETING OF 7TH AUGUST 2012** (Pages 1 - 6)
- 4. DUNOON FAIRTRADE GROUP**  
Chairman Mr Raymond Madill
- 5. PA23BID - PRESENTATION**
- 6. CUSTOMER SERVICES**
  - (a) Area Committee Meeting Cycle (Pages 7 - 10)
- 7. COMMUNITY SERVICES**
  - (a) Abbeyfield Home, Kames - verbal report
  - (b) School Holidays and In Service Days: 2013/2014 and 2014/2015 (Pages 11 - 18)
  - (c) Dunoon Grammar School Performance Report 2011/12 (Pages 19 - 38)

## **8. DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

- (a) Japanese Knotweed Control Bute & Cowal Area (Pages 39 - 42)
- (b) Bute & Cowal Headstones (Pages 43 - 46)
- (c) Provision of Bollards, restriction of vehicle access to Victoria Parade, Dunoon (Pages 47 - 50)

## **9. NOTICE OF MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER 14**

Moved by Councillor L Scoullar, seconded by Councillor J R Walsh

Following the news recently released that the Scottish Government intends to permit the lives of two ageing nuclear power station to be prolonged until 2033, Bute and Cowal Area Committee recommends to Argyll and Bute Council that it.

1. Notes the grave concerns that:
  - (a) An expert report published very recently by the ten strong group of Nuclear Free Scottish Councils (N.F.S.C), says that Ministers are wrong to allow Torness and Hunterston to continue running for two more decades.
  - (b) Hunterston B station is already older than most of the reactors which were closed by the German Government, following the Fukushima disaster last year.
  - (c) The German Government intends that usage economies will cut demand there for electricity by ten percent to meet these closures, while in Scotland we are expecting a rise in usage of ten percent.
  - (d) The author of the report Pete Roche, who is an expert policy advisor to the (N.F.S.C), warns that "Milking Scottish reactors dry is another way of maximising the chances of an accident as these reactors get older and more decrepit".
2. Recommends that the Council,
  - (a) Acknowledges the potential future danger from an ageing Hunterston B, as indicated in the expert report, to the people of Argyll and Bute, especially Bute and Cowal which are only six and ten miles distant, respectively.
  - (b) Expresses its deep concerns on the potential future adverse health implications for the people of Bute and Cowal in particular and Argyll and Bute also Scotland generally.
  - (c) Agrees to object in the strongest possible terms to the Scottish Government and to represent those terms to the First Minister Alex Salmond.

## 10. EXEMPT ITEMS

The Committee will be asked to pass a resolution in terms of Section 50(a)94) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public for items of business with an “E” on the grounds that it is likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 7a to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

The appropriate paragraph is:-

**E1 - Paragraph 6** Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (other than the authority)

**E2 - Paragraph 9** Any terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

**E1** (a) Dunoon Youth Football League - report to follow

**E2** (b) 60b Edward Street, Dunoon (Pages 51 - 52)

**E2** (c) Business Case for lighting at the playpark in Sandbank (Pages 53 - 58)

## BUTE & COWAL AREA COMMITTEE

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Councillor Robert Macintyre

Councillor Alex McNaughton

Councillor Len Scoullar

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