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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the **ARGYLL ISLANDS STRATEGIC GROUP** will be held in the **EAGLESHAM HOUSE, ROTHESAY** on **TUESDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2017** at **12:00 PM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry
Executive Director of Customer Services

BUSINESS

- 1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 12 SEPTEMBER 2017** (Pages 3 - 4)
- 4. PRESENTATION BY CABINET SECRETARY FOR THE ECONOMY, JOBS AND FAIR WORK**
- 5. FEEDBACK FROM PRESENTATION OF INFORMATION TO THE RURAL ECONOMY AND CONNECTIVITY COMMITTEE**
Update by Head of Economic Development and Strategic Transformation
- 6. THE RURAL DEAL**
Update by Head of Economic Development and Strategic Transformation

Argyll Islands Strategic Group

Councillor Robin Currie (Chair) Councillor Len Scoullar (Vice Chair)

Shirley MacLeod, Area Governance Manager

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MINUTES of MEETING of ARGYLL ISLANDS STRATEGIC GROUP held in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD on TUESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 2017

Present:

Councillor Robin Currie (Chair)

Councillor Anne Horn

Councillor Jean Moffat

Councillor Julie McKenzie (by Lync)

Councillor Elaine Robertson

Attending:

Shirley MacLeod, Area Governance Manager

Fergus Murray, Head of Economic Development

1. APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Devon, McGrigor, McNeilly, A Morton and Scoullar.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 18 AUGUST 2017

The Minute of the Argyll Islands Strategic Group held on 18 August 2018, was approved as a true record.

Councillor MacKenzie joined the meeting by lync at 2.06pm.

Councillor Robertson joined the meeting at 2.08pm.

4. ISLANDS (SCOTLAND) BILL CONSULTATION RESPONSE

The group gave consideration to a report providing a draft response to the consultation being carried out by the Scottish Government in respect of the provisions within the Islands (Scotland) Bill.

Decision:

The group:-

1. agreed the consultation response relating to the provisions within the Islands (Scotland) Bill as attached as Appendix 1 to the report; and
2. agreed that the detail contained within Appendix 1 form the basis of the evidence presented by the Council to the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee on 20th September 2017.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director of Customer Services, dated 12 September 2017, submitted.)