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**ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**CUSTOMER SERVICES**

**10 SEPTEMBER 2015**

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**Gaelic Language Plan Progress Report**

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**1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to update the Community Services Committee on progress in delivering the Council's Gaelic Language Plan.

There are no financial implications from this paper.

## **GAELIC LANGUAGE PLAN PROGRESS REPORT**

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### **2. INTRODUCTION**

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Community Services Committee on progress in delivering the actions in the approved Argyll and Bute Council Gaelic Language Plan

### **3. RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Policy and Resources Committee:

- 3.1 Notes the progress being made in delivering the Council's Gaelic Language Plan
- 3.2 Notes that some measures require to be updated and that this will be reported to a future Committee.

### **4. DETAIL**

- 4.1. Argyll and Bute Council has a duty under the Statutory Notice by Bord na Gaidhlig to produce a Gaelic Language Plan. The Council approved its Gaelic Language Plan in 2014 following consultation and sign off by Bord na Gaidhlig .
- 4.2 The Gaelic Language Plan is aligned with the National Gaelic Plan and focuses on the same themes. These are:
- Gaelic in the Home
  - Gaelic in the Community
  - Gaelic in Education
  - Gaelic in the Workplace
  - Gaelic in the Arts, Heritage, Media and Tourism
  - Gaelic in Economic Development
- 4.3 The Council's Plan contains a number of actions with success measures that have been develop and agreed as our approach to delivering on the Plan. Attached to this report in Appendix 1 is a table with progress against each of the actions that have been agreed.
- 4.4 The Action Plan has been built into the Council's Performance Management system, Pyramid, so all actions can be tracked and progress monitored.

- 4.5 Each of the actions has an identified lead officer. Regular meetings are programmed with the Policy Lead to provide updates on progress against the agreed actions.
- 4.6 As the plan progresses, the actions will be completed or reviewed to ensure that they remain appropriate. Any changes will be reported via the Policy lead to the Community Services Committee.

## **5.0 CONCLUSION**

- 5.1 Progress is being made by the Council on delivery of the Gaelic Language Plan. Some of the measures require adjustment to reflect changes since the Plan was initially developed.

## **6.0 IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 **Policy** This proposal is compliant with the Council's policies and procedures.
- 6.2 **Financial** There are no financial implications from this report.
- 6.3 **Legal** The Council has a duty under a statutory notice to produce a Gaelic Language Plan
- 6.4 **HR** None
- 6.5 **Equalities** None
- 6.6 **Risk** None
- 6.7 **Customer Services** None

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## **APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – Gaelic Language Plan Actions update.