# ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL CUSTOMER SERVICES

COUNCIL 30<sup>TH</sup> June 2016

## **OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND**

## 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 This report advises members of a vacancy in the trustees of the Oban Common Good Fund and invites members to appoint a new trustee to the Fund.

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#### 2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The Oban Common Good Fund is managed by trustees appointed by the Council from the eight members representing Wards in the Oban, Lorne and the Isles area.
- 2.2 Iain Angus MacDonald acted as a trustee of the Oban Common Good Fund until his resignation as a Councillor.

#### 3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 That the Council note the vacancy in the trustees of the Oban Common Good Fund.
- 3.2 That the Council appoint a further member from Ward 4 or Ward 5 to act as a trustee for the Oban Common Good Fund.

#### 4.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 The Oban Common Good Fund manages assets held in the common good for the benefit of the people of Oban and meets to consider applications to the Fund.
- 4.2 The trustees of the Oban Common Good Fund have been appointed from those members who represent Wards which include any part of the former Burgh of Oban.
- 4.3 Iain Angus MacDonald, formerly a member for Ward 5, Oban North and Lorn, acted as one of four trustees of the Fund. His resignation as a Councillor has resulted in a vacancy on the Fund.
- 4.4 Trustees of the Oban Common Good Fund receive advice in managing the Fund and considering applications from the Council's Governance and Law Service and from David A. McGregor of Simmers & Co., Chartered Accountants. Additionally, two community observers, the Chair of the Community Council and a representative from the local church community, attend but do not take part in decision-making.
- 4.5 The current trustees of the Oban Common Good Fund are Cllr Elaine Robertson, Ward 5, Cllr Alistair MacDougall, Ward 4, and Neil Macintyre, Ward 4.

#### 5.0 CONCLUSION

5.1 This report proposes that Council appoint a fourth trustee to the Oban Common Good Fund. There is currently a vacancy in the trustees of the Fund due to the resignation as a Councillor of Iain Angus MacDonald. It is recommended that a fourth trustee is appointed from the representatives of Wards 4 and 5.

#### 6.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Policy none.
- 6.2 Financial none.
- 6.3 Legal -none
- 6.4 HR none
- 6.5 Equalities none
- 6.6 Risk none
- 6.7 Customer Service none.

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