

Oban North Pier Maritime Quarter – Maritime Visitor Centre – Transit Berthing Facility – progress update

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is to update the OLI Area Committee on progress to date on the Oban North Pier Transit Berthing Facility and Maritime Visitors Facility.
- 1.2 The P&R Committee 27 October 2016 approved both papers presented for the Transit Berthing Facility and the Maritime Visitors Facility.

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- 1.3 The Transit Berthing Facility design option 4 presented to the OLI Area Committee 11 April 2016 was approved, and is now being constructed. This consists of 2 hammerheads and 15 finger pontoons, protected by 12 concrete breakwater pontoons. The contract was let to Gaelforce. Work commenced in January and is forecast to complete in August. Progress to date consists of 5 connected floating breakwaters now berthed beside Oban North pier, with the next connected 4 breakwaters due on Thursday 8 June. The last 3 connected breakwaters will follow 2-3 weeks after. The gangway structural support piles are installed, and the pontoon elements are being manufactured in Inverness.
- 1.4 The Maritime Visitors Facility contract was let to TSL. Work commenced in March and is forecast to complete in November. Progress to date for the new 1 ½ story building consists of the previous “white” building fully demolished, and the new building foundations poured with blockwork ongoing.
- 1.5 It is recommended that the OLI area Committee:
 - Note that the P&R Committee 27 October 2016 approved the paper and design Option 4 for the Transit Berthing Facility;
 - Agree that work is progressing well with the Transit Berthing Facility;
 - Note that the P&R Committee 27 October 2016 approved the paper for the Maritime Visitors Facility;
 - Agree that work is progressing well with the Maritime Visitors Facility.

2. IMPLICATIONS

POLICY	The delivery of the CHORD programme fits with the Councils Corporate Plan, Single Outcome Agreement and approved Development Plan policy for town centre regeneration. The economic outcomes from these projects will contribute to the Governments Economic Strategy.
FINANCIAL	The drawdown of funds is within the currently allocated CHORD budget.
LEGAL	Each of the CHORD projects requires differing levels of resources to ensure their timely delivery.
PERSONNEL	None.
EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES	An Equality Impact Assessment has been completed and reviewed by the Councils Policy Officer.
CUSTOMER SERVICE	There are no customer service implications.

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APPENDICES

Appendix A - TBF Planning Drawing
Appendix B - TBF As Built Drawing
Appendix C - TBF Services Layout