## ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

**Argyll and Bute Council** 

**Chief Executives Unit** 

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Argyll and Bute Economic Forum Follow Up Report 2018 – An Update from the Chair

# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 The Chair of the Argyll and Bute Economic Forum presents to this Committee a further and final update on the original report from the Economic Forum of 2016.

### 2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 It is recommended that members note the update report in appendix 1 and welcomes the Chair of the Economic Forum Nicholas Ferguson CBE.

## 3.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 Since the inauguration of the Argyll and Bute Economic Forum in March 2015 and more importantly the publication of its findings in February 2016, the forum has been a powerful influence in shaping the agenda for economic growth.
- 4.2 The key recommendations of the original report are fully compatible with the key priorities of both the Community Planning Partnership and the Council. The economic forum provided an update report in 2017 and a further and final update is available in appendix 1 of this report.
- 4.3 Chair of the Economic Forum Nicholas Ferguson CBE will present the key findings of the update report to this Committee.

## 5.0 CONCLUSION

5.1 Further to the issues of its original report in 2016 and an update in 2017, Nicholas Ferguson CBE presents a further and final update from the Argyll and Bute Economic Forum.

# 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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# **APPENDICES**

Appendix A – Argyll and Bute Economic Forum Follow Up Report 2018