## **ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**

## **POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**Development and Infrastructure Services** 

**18th October 2018** 

## **Delivering the Argyll Rural Growth Deal**

## 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Members will be aware that a series of City Growth Deals are being taken forward, or agreed, between Scottish Local Authorities and the Scottish and UK Governments. Informed by extensive research and public consultation Argyll and Bute Council, working in partnership, with a number of key stakeholders has been developing a potential Rural Growth Deal (RGD) for the region in dialogue with UK and Scottish Government representatives and the Scottish Futures Trust.
- 1.2 The Rural Growth Deal is due to be considered at a Special Council Meeting following the Policy and Resources Committee meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> October. As this is a significant policy development the Policy and Resources Committee are therefore in advance of the Council meeting invited to:
  - a) consider the formal Rural Growth Deal proposition as set out in the attached Council report
  - b) consider if they wish to make any recommendations to Council in this regard.

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APPENDIX: Council Report on Delivering the Argyll Rural Growth Deal (18<sup>th</sup> October 2018)