

TARBERT AND SKIPNESS COMMUNITY TRUST

UPDATE TO THE MID ARGYLL KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

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Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust Housing Project has made significant progress having secured support for the need for more affordable homes from the Housing Services team at Argyll and Bute Council. The Trust has also had very useful discussions with planning services and wishes to record its thanks to the Council staff who have been of great assistance with the project.

The Trust is in discussions with two local Registered Social Landlords to seek support for the development of social rented properties and is very grateful for the positive and helpful response from both organisations.

The Trust has taken steps to progress discussions in respect of the land acquisition detailed in the last update, and is in contact with the Rural Housing Fund.

The Trust also submitted a detailed response to the Council consultation on the new Local Housing Strategy in October 2021.

The Trust has completed the upgrade of the White Shore path using local contractors and this will enhance access to an area of natural beauty for local people and tourists in the coming years. This upgrade was made possible thanks to support from Argyll and Bute Council.

The Trust is also involved in the early stages of investigating the feasibility of a community buy out in the village of Skipness.

The Community Plan update meeting was postponed due to concerns around covid and will now take place on 18th November 2021. The focus will be on the need for more housing locally.