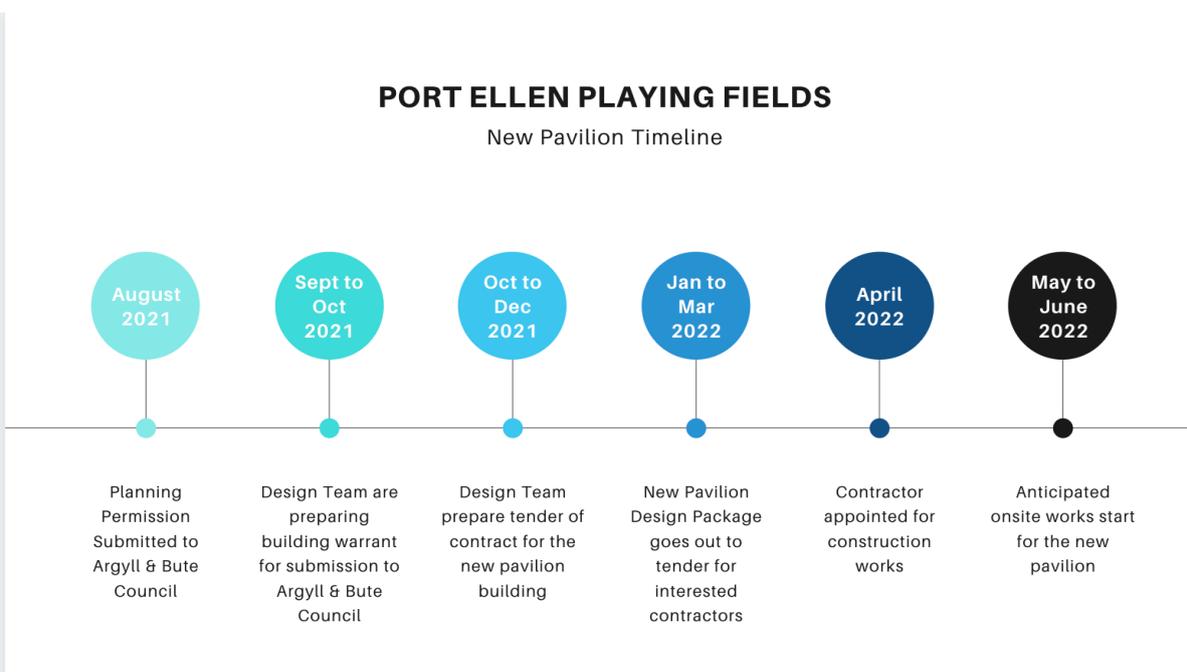
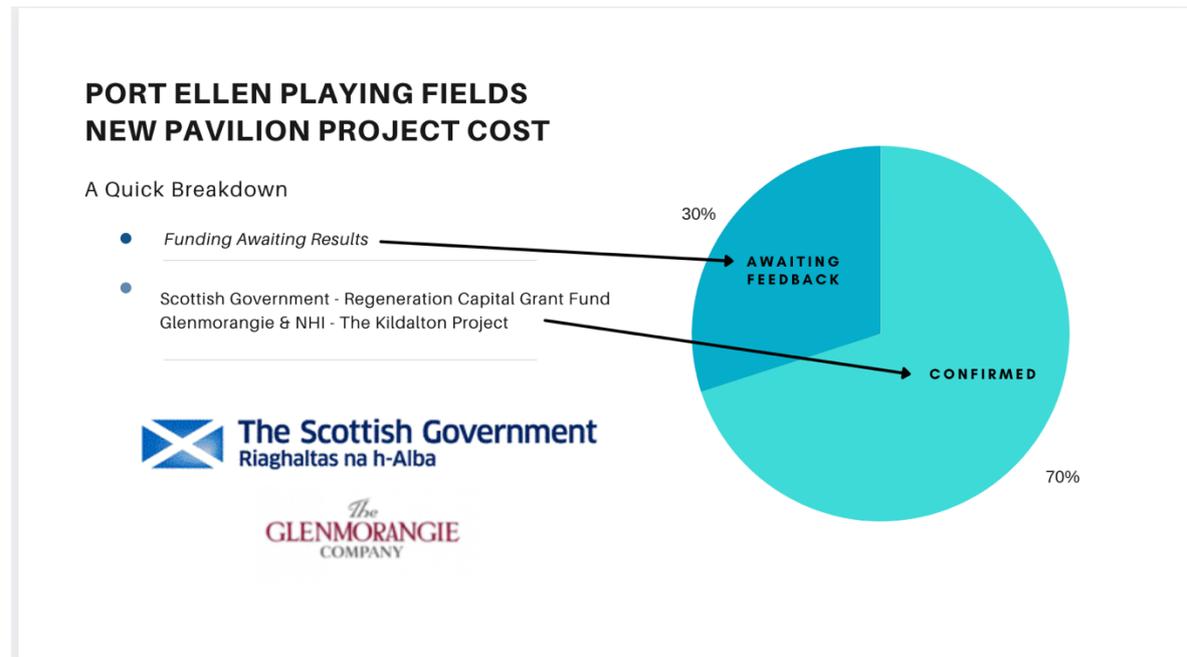


# South Islay Development Update – October 2021

## Port Ellen Playing Fields Development

Following the extensive community consultation an application was submitted for planning permission in August 2021 and is currently being validated by Argyll & Bute Council.

In the meantime, SID continues to work alongside their design team, to finalise the overall building design. Work is also ongoing to secure the necessary funding required to fully finance the project. The design team are currently preparing the building warrant. SID hopes that construction work will begin onsite in May/June 2022.



## Sonas Childcare Project

Sonas Childcare is a registered SCIO set up by a group of volunteer parents who recognised the need in the community for a day care facility for children under three years of age.

Earlier this year, SID and Sonas Childcare were very pleased to have been successful in being awarded Crown's Estate funding from Foundation Scotland to develop the initial early development stages of this project.

We are very pleased to be working with Argyll & Bute Council, Live Argyll and AMP Architects to work on a feasibility study of The Ramsay Hall. Considering if this important building in the community could accommodate a childcare facility at the rear as well as keeping the strong community hall at the front.

Sonas Childcare and SID are looking forward to working with the community over the next few months to develop a sustainable option to take forward. Keep an eye out for community consultation events coming soon.

## Islay Covid-19 Funding

SID alongside the panel of local community members have had an increase in applications after recirculating the poster and highlighting that groups from Islay and Jura can apply. So far, the fund has distributed over £50k to local groups on Islay and Jura.

We currently still have a budget allocated to cover any winter recovery if needed i.e. volunteer mileage. The Islay Resilience continues to meet monthly and has a few regular volunteers still working with households.

SID in partnership with Jura Development Trust and Mactaggart Leisure Centre have recently been awarded Community Recovery – Round 2 Funding to take forward various local events/activities for the charities and local groups, additional ppe for reopening buildings and revenue to enable new staff recruitment for the projects.

Please find attached:- SID's recent Newsletter for October

Please do get in touch if you have any questions,

Kind regards

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