

UPDATE ON STAYCATION PROPOSALS

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The council allocated two funding pots to support Staycations in Argyll and Bute. £500,000 was allocated from the 2021/2022 Budget to support the delivery of a range of facilities across Argyll and Bute necessary to support camping and caravan staycations. A further £300,000 of investment was allocated to marketing Argyll and Bute as Scotland's premier staycation destination. A Staycation Graduate Project Officer was employed in May 2021 until the end of March 2022 to help administer the council's investment. There was also the intention to employ four wardens for the period April to October 2021 to raise awareness in respect of camping responsibly. However, these posts have proven difficult to fill at a time when there is considerable competition for staff. Where wardens couldn't be recruited, existing staff were used working additional hours paid through overtime until the posts were filled.
- 1.2 The budget was allocated to include provision of additional waste disposal facilities, provided in the main through additional collections with a limited number of additional bins, to be available prior and during the summer of 2021. The majority of existing staycation facilities were up and running and there is an ongoing process of developing new waste disposal points and supporting local business in upgrading and developing campsites. It has been shown that while there is progress in the short term solutions, further progress over the longer term solutions still need to be achieved through discussions with local community groups, private businesses and submitted funding bids.
- 1.3 A number of actions across council services have also been identified and implemented to help to mitigate any potential negative effects on our countryside and tourism industry. These are noted in **Appendix 1** of this report.
- 1.4 Members are asked to:
- Consider the content of this paper and approve the options in Table A.
 - Consider and note that this is a continually evolving process with milestones throughout the year and beyond.
 - Approve the proposals for 2022 as outlined in paragraph 6.2 to be funded from the Staycation funding agreed at the Council budget meeting to be

spend in 2021/22 and 2022/23.

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2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The council allocated two funding pots to support Staycations in Argyll and Bute. £500,000 was allocated to support the delivery of a range of facilities across Argyll and Bute necessary to support camping and caravan staycations. A further £300,000 of investment was allocated to marketing Argyll and Bute as Scotland's premier staycation destination. To manage staycation projects a Staycation Graduate Project Officer was employed in May and will be in post until the end of March 2022. Also four wardens were to be employed for the period April to October 2021 to raise awareness in respect of camping responsibly. However, these posts have proven difficult to fill at a time when there is considerable competition for staff. Where wardens couldn't be recruited, existing staff were used working additional hours paid through overtime until the posts were filled.
- 2.2 The allocated budget included provision of additional waste disposal facilities, provided in the main through additional collections with a limited number of additional bins, to be available prior to the summer of 2021. The majority of existing staycation facilities were up and running while there is an ongoing process of developing new waste disposal points and supporting local business in upgrading and developing campsites. It has been shown that while there is progress in the short term solutions further progress over the longer term solution to be achieved.
- 2.3 A number of actions across council services have been identified and implemented to help to mitigate negative effects on our countryside and tourism industry. These are noted in **Appendix 1** of this report.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Members are asked to:
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4.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 When restrictions were lifted in late July 2020 there was a significant influx of staycation visitors into Argyll and Bute, particularly in and around Loch Lomond. The return of the tourism industry led to a rapid increase in local job opportunities and a reduction in the claimant count across all parts of Argyll and Bute. The council worked closely with a number of agencies including the National Park, Police Scotland, Transport Scotland etc. to help mitigate against the surge in visitor numbers at a point in time when many facilities, such as public toilets, that visitors would normally expect to be open remained closed. This included putting in place Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders, opening up car parks that had been closed due to COVID-19 requirements, and providing additional collections of refuse at known key locations where this could be accommodated. Numerous measures that were put in place during 2020 remain in place and these arrangements formed a good basis for the activities for this season.
- 4.2 Community consultation was carried out ahead of this holiday season which highlighted hot spot locations and associated issues such as littering, lack of toilet facilities, need for waste disposal points and signage to manage parking. The consultation allowed an identification of potential private waste water disposal sites and sites for temporary toilets. Officers have initiated a number of actions including dialogue with different community organisations and businesses regarding potential funding for improved motorhome waste disposal provision and visitor facilities. Some community initiatives to promote responsible camping and behaviour have been supported by the council including the costs of design of leaflets. It is worth pointing out that whilst there were literally thousands of campervans and campers across Argyll and Bute this year, the vast majority of these were responsible and respectful to our environment and communities.
- 4.3 **Activities.** Economic Growth Officers initiatives and close engagement with Environmental Health, Planning and Roads and Infrastructure resulted in number of activities mitigating negative effects on our countryside and tourism sector.
- 4.3.1 **Waste disposal facilities for camping/campervans.** Officers engaged with campsite providers across Argyll and Bute in an attempt to encourage usage of existing waste disposal facilities by non-resident campervans and motorhomes. There was a mixed response and those with positive response has agreed on accepting non-residents for a reasonable charge. Where there is no provider available, officers communicated with communities and businesses to work out a temporary solution depending on what infrastructure exists in each location. While finding a permanent solution is considered as a preferable way forward and the council's intention is to use the budget for that it was identified, the process requires a number of applications to be approved: by Scottish Water for connection to sewage if it is a mains supply; by the Council's Regulatory Services, including

Environmental Health, and Planning. Therefore, although some businesses expressed an interest in an attempt to develop new, existing or additional chemical waste disposal points, it proved to be challenging to achieve it during a busy season. The most feasible solution, as the experience has shown, is to leasing tanks that are emptied and cleaned on a regular basis by the third party. Nevertheless, progress on different approaches have been achieved across the region:

- MAKI - the Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust has been granted £10k towards the new campsite development; engaged with eight businesses and organisations on grants to improve chemical waste disposal coverage;
- Cowal – funding granted to support Holy Loch Marina with development of waste water disposal facilities to support overnight parking for motorhomes; another partnership agreement with a marina for temporary waste water disposal for campers; privy operator Portavadie Marina was encouraged to promote its existing underutilised facility on CAMPA website;
- OLI - South West Mull and Iona Development was funded to install a temporary tank at Buinessan; Bid4Oban was awarded with a deposit for two temporary tanks for Oban.

Officers continue following up with few businesses already provided with Expression of Interest form. Progress on this element has been hampered due to a busy summer season.

4.3.2 **Public Toilets.** All 58 public toilets, run by the council, are currently open, with additional resource to provide a Covid-secure enhanced cleaning specification. Through NatureScot's Better Places Fund ten temporary toilets were deployed by contractor at four locations (Westport, Bridge of Orchy, Glen Orchy and Victoria Bridge). This resulted in a noticeable reduction of the number of enquiries from locals compared to 2020. Stickers have been designed and rolled out for all public toilets offering a link to the waste water disposal facilities map on our website to prevent irresponsible disposal in public toilets. As a result of the successful deployment at Westport the West Kintyre Community submitted an enquiry for a permanent compost toilet installation which is being considered.

4.3.3 Council officers have held regular **staycation meetings** to discuss issues with a wide range of partners some of whom have taken forward their own initiatives.

4.3.4 **Car Parking for Campervans.** To help landowners and businesses to provide additional places for motorhomes to stay overnight, Economic Growth, working in conjunction with Environmental Health and Planning produced new guidance for the creation of very small sites (three or less units), meaning they do not require a licence. A leaflet with the relevant information was made available online through the council's Staycation Website in May - [Information Sheet \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](https://argyll-bute.gov.uk/information-sheet).

Roads and Infrastructure carried out assessments of several car parks resulting in additional lining and road signage improvements to 17 car parks to accommodate parking of motorhomes which was funded as part of this initiative.

- 4.3.5 **General Waste.** Visitors are directed to the Civic Amenity Sites to dispose of general waste is that are situated across Argyll and Bute. Experience has shown that additional bins, particularly in laybys, leads to fly tipping and abuse, typically once bins are full irresponsible individuals will fly tip bags of waste and other objects next to the public bin. Officers have also observed material which would appear to be from garage and shed clearances having been deposited in some of the public bins resulting in these not having sufficient capacity for their intended use. To promote responsible behaviour about 200 bin stickers have been put up on council bins at some hot spots by wardens. Local Amenity Officers have fed back that it seems to have some influence on behaviour and resulted in visibly reduced bin overflow.
- 4.3.6 **Additional Warden Posts and Staycation Officer.** Four wardens were recruited to cover the whole Council area. Recruitment took longer than anticipated due to market availability. Where wardens were not in place, existing staff worked additional hours paid in overtime to support this service area. The wardens cover the 120 car parks the council is responsible for together with a number of other sites that appear to be a subject to littering. With the number of motorhome visitors exceeding capacity of the exiting campsites a wild camping become very popular. Whilst the majority of visitors are responsible a number of issues were reported by the public and wardens were able to respond to these queries often by simply talking to visitors and providing information. A need for printed material was expressed by some wardens and this resulted in a leaflet for motorhomes being produced. Positive comments have been received from the public to the work of the wardens. The Staycation Project officer was also recruited starting 17 May 2021 until the end of March 2022. The officer manages a variety of projects, engaging with communities, partners and businesses on littering, signage, provision of toilets, parking for motorhomes, and waste disposal development funding applications.
- 4.3.7 **Web pages and Social media posts.** To help visitors holiday responsibly in Argyll and Bute, the Council's Communications Team, working with Economic Growth, has developed a space on our website that brings together information about visiting safely, looking after our countryside, and leaving no trace. There is a big focus on information and education nationally working alongside the National Park plus other partner agencies such as VisitScotland, CalMac and NatureScot. To mitigate the impact on the environment an interactive map of locations of PC and caravan touring sites with information about waste disposal facilities available across Argyll and Bute was created - [Touring sites and filling stations \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/touring-sites-and-filling-stations). These pages are

updated on a regular basis and support the distribution of signage across Argyll and Bute.

4.3.8 **Signage.** To encourage responsible camping and behaviour a number of posters (COVID-19 advice notices; Have a great time. Be a great visitor) have been displayed in key tourist locations.

4.3.9 **Grab Trust.** To support a number of staycation projects in partnership with the GRAB Trust, the Council extended funding for a GRAB Community Engagement post until end of October 2021. In support of national anti-littering campaign, the council provided an advertisement of the 'Business Campaign on a Roll' materials, which resulted in requests from 87 catering businesses and 35 campsites arranged through GRAB website. General feedback from businesses was very positive. GRAB 'Litter Picks Grant' scheme has been offered to community groups, with seven litter picks taken place and another 14 picks scheduled until the end of October. NatureScot funding is being used to support GRAB Trust projects. The full GRAB Trust Staycation Campaign Update is presented in **Appendix 2**.

5.0 PARTNERSHIP WORKING

Projects

5.1 A considerable amount of time and effort has gone into exploring partnerships with other groups and agencies. For example, Forestry and Land Scotland (FLS) has worked closely with officers on the siting of portaloos on their land at Bridge of Orchy and Glen Orchy. This included maintenance checks on a daily basis. Friends of Loch Lomond (FLL) was successful in their £90k bid to Nature Scotland (NS) for interventions to reduce the impact of the expected rise in staycationers. The council provided £3.5k match funding for this bid. Following on from some poor behaviour in and around Luss during the summer period, officers have actively engaged with residents of Luss with additional police patrols arranged.

Marketing

5.2 Alongside these activities, officers have been working closely with the tourism industry via the Argyll and the Isles Strategic Partnership Group (AISTPG) to develop a robust tourism strategy that will alleviate any current bottlenecks and encourage new audiences to our area. Part of this has already been set in place via a funding award of £48k to Argyll and the Isles Tourism Cooperative (AIRC), which has commissioned a series of three YouTube videos highlighting the possibilities for active travel and adventure sports – see [Bikepacking...But Not As You Know It! | Packrafting On Scotland's Adventure Coast - YouTube](#) and [Bikepacking Scotland's Amazing West Coast | Can Manon Survive Her First Adventure? - YouTube](#)

6.0 FINANCE

- 6.1 Actual and committed spend as of 30th September 2021 is £207,330.14, compared with a projected spend of £244,899. **Appendix 3** provides a general overview of the specific amounts and projects spent to date. It is likely that this total will continue to rise as further agreements are made and invoices come through the system. The under spend is primarily due to additional external funding received to the council and third parties.

Proposals for 2022

- 6.2 In order to prepare for the forthcoming visitor season and utilising to best effect the remaining monies in the staycation budget the following actions are required to be considered and approved. **Table A** outlines possible uses for the remaining Staycation budget, costs are still approximate due to the need to procure certain services on the open market. Approving these options will leave a certain amount of residual funding left in the budget that can allow officers to respond to additional staycation pressures or potentially match fund community initiatives.

Table A

| Item | Time period | Approximate cost |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Portaloos (12) | Easter to mid-October | £30k |
| Staycation Officer | 12 months | £35k |
| Information sharing | Continuous | Taken from Marketing Budget |
| Wardens (4) | Easter to Mid - October | £50k |
| Community Warden support for Community Groups (£5k each x 4) | Easter to Mid - October | £20K |
| | Totals | £135k |

7.0 CONCLUSION

- 7.1 The staycation fund has been well received by local communities and has greatly helped in addressing a substantial surge in visitor numbers across Argyll and Bute due to the reopening of the visitor economy. This has been a fast moving situation, with high visibility and sensitivity. Holding regular meetings with key stakeholders has allowed us to respond to emerging issues quickly. That said, there have been a number of challenges to overcome not least the difficulty in recruiting community wardens and also being mindful of private sector operators who only had a short time to secure income as the visitor market returned. It has also been acknowledged that this fund is a one-off and cannot give rise to ongoing revenue implications for the council going forward. Therefore, much of the effort by the council has been focused on improving what we already have, or delivering further information on what support can be given. This includes both financial and practical advice on providing new facilities run by third parties. Further options for marketing will

also be taken forward working with our partners and focussing on new audiences that have greatest growth potential.

- 7.2 A series of options have been presented in this report for consideration and approval by the committee to enable early action to be confirmed prior to the start of the visitor season in Easter 2022. Officers continue to work with partners to respond to the challenges and opportunities that have been presented due to the pandemic and changes in visitor behaviour. Strong contacts have been established with some communities and businesses resulted in some completed projects and a number of other projects in a process of completion in the coming year or funding being applied for.

8.0 IMPLICATIONS

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| 8.1 | Policy | This supports the delivery of the Council's approved Recovering Economic Strategy E6/E7/PL2. The council supports a strong economy with tourism identified as a priority sector. |
| 8.2 | Financial | The council has an approved budget for staycation activities to be spent over a number of financial years. |
| 8.3 | Legal | All appropriate legal implications will be taken into consideration. |
| 8.4 | HR | The council has approved the temporary employment of 4 additional wardens and 1 staycation officer. Recruitment has been problematic. |
| 8.5 | Fairer Scotland Duty | The Fairer Scotland Duty, Part 1 of the Equality Act 2010, came into force in April 2018. The duty places a legal responsibility on particular public bodies in Scotland, such as Argyll and Bute Council, to pay due regard to (actively consider) how they can reduce inequalities of outcome, caused by socio-economic disadvantage, when making strategic decisions and how this has been implemented. |
| 8.5.1 | Equalities | All activities will comply with all Equal Opportunities/Fairer Scotland Duty policies and obligations. |
| 8.5.2 | Socio-economic Duty | Council services focus on removing socio-economic disadvantage for vulnerable residents across Argyll and Bute. |
| 8.5.3 | Islands | Staycation interventions are being delivered across the whole of Argyll and Bute, including the island communities. |
| 8.6 | Risk | Littering and Health and Safety issues arising from informal toilet waste disposal. |
| 8.7 | Customer Services | Information is being communicated in difference formats to our customers. |

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APPENDICES

- Appendix 1** List of actions being taken forward.
- Appendix 2** GRAB Trust
Staycation Campaign Update – September 2021
- Appendix 3** Staycation Expenditure

| Action Point | Date of Implementation and activity | Responsible Officer | Action to date – 22 nd September |
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| Web pages; social media posts | Draft content now available intent of having up and running before the 26 th April. | Jane Jarvie | Ongoing |
| Communication Plan | Draft plan available | Jane Jarvie | Ongoing updates |
| Identification of suitable council carparks for possible use by Motorhomes | Draft list drawn up for consideration - complete | Jim Smith | Not actively promoted as not feasible to give permissions for o/night parking |
| Identification of private waste water sites | Sites identified in Appin; Tarbet; Holy Loch Marina; MACC base; Lochgilphead Caravan Site; Portavadie; Scottish Water Ganavan Road Oban; Sites being contacted. | Fergus Murray | All potential sites contacted with a mixed response– some facilities are on-site and but communication continues with others around possibilities for next season. |
| Identification of Portaloo sites (confirmed not needing planning consent). | Sites already identified Duck Bay; Arrochar car park; Bridge of Orchy, Victoria Bridge, West Port | Jim Smith/Fergus Murray | On site until mid-October |
| Community Hotspots identified via community councils/individuals and members | Survey completed | Jim Paterson | Action so far – public toilets open, portaloos in place, extra litter lifts arranged |
| Advice of Staycation behaviour | Looking at working on posters and web agreement on wording mid-April | Jolyon Gritten | 2,500 posters arrived on Covid FACTS will be distributed by Environmental Health Officers and Roads and Infrastructure. Posters promoting responsible behaviour distributed. |
| Recruitment of wardens | Underway and advertised hoping to get in post asap. Operational plans being pulled together to ensure | Jim Smith/Tom Murphy | Four wardens now in place |

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| | supervision and support is in place for out of hours and weekends. In addition we will look to carry out joint patrols with Police Scotland and council wardens where it is considered necessary and police have available resource to commit to this. | | |
| LGE 9 post to assist Economic Growth Tourism Officer Out to advert. | Staycation project Officer is in post since 17th May | Jim Paterson | No further update |
| Community Warden Luss | Now in operation 4 days per week | Luss estates | External |
| Luss new 250 space carpark | Under construction completed 26 th April | Luss Estates | External |
| | Implemented | Friends of Loch Lomond / Fergus Murray/ LLTNP | External 1. Duck Bay Toilets 2. Visitor Services Warden 3. Arrochar Bay Toilets 4. Information and Orientation Map Panels 5. Litter Bags 6. A82 Lay-By Litter Bin Pilot Scheme |
| Arrochar Carpark 1 | Luss Estates to open | Luss estates | External |
| Arrochar Carpark 2 | Looking to purchase | Jim Smith/Hugh O'Neil | Purchase complete |
| All Toilets open | 1 st April | Jim Smith | Majority of toilets are open. |
| Staycation information at all ferry Terminals; airports and bus transport | 26 th April | Alan Morrison | 500 FACTS and 50 Lamp post signs distributed |
| There are a number of larger scale interventions | Completed for 2022 | Jim Paterson, Hugh O'Neill | Completed for 2022 |

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| planned at Tobermory, Arrochar Car Park; Duck Bay etc. | | | |
| COVID-19 Safety advice | Implemented now new COVID-19 Officers and signage | Alan Morrison | |
| GRAB Trust Litter mitigation intervention and reduction Intending to Bid to Naturescot fund to cover all costs. Coverage across Argyll and Bute May to August (This may be extended depending on funding and demand) Costs still being negotiated | Implemented: Seasonal Litter Community Champions x 3. Travel & other expenses. Community Access Points. Litter Picking Stations. Fast food point of sale materials. Marketing & PR. Signage & Equipment. Management & Administration. | Fergus Murray/ New Officer | NatureScot funding being used to support GRAB Trust projects (except staffing which is coming from main Staycation budget as match). |
| Bidding for additional funds RTIF for more permanent facilities; | Implemented May/Summer 22 | Fergus Murray | Two additional projects submitted to RTIF Round 4. Port Ellen motorhome parking was successful in obtaining £370k from RTIF. Staffa project was unsuccessful.. |

Appendix 2

GRAB Trust Staycation Campaign Update – September 2021

Litter Picks and Grant Applications

There have been 26 direct enquiries for the litter grant.

In relation to the grant scheme seven litter picks have already taken place. There are another 14 picks scheduled for between now and the end of October.

In addition there are a number of regular cleans taking place which are supported by GRAB. These include monthly cleans by Helensburgh Community Council/Plastic Free Helensburgh. Plastic Free Helensburgh are promoting The GRAB Trust litter picking equipment loan and support and we have had at least two additional litter picks through this connection.

The locations of grant applications and litter picks are spread across Argyll, with eight grant interest registrations located in Helensburgh/Dunoon/Cowell Peninsula, six registered for Mid Argyll, three on the Kintyre Peninsula and 9 located on the islands.

Litter picks have been arranged with community groups and partner organisations to take place in the second half of September including Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park under the national Great British Beach Clean campaign.

The Trust has currently received three completed grant applications and two started. We expect applications to be made following litter picks completed, and for the majority of these to come in between Sept-Oct. This will be monitored and community organisations encouraged to submit their claims.

In total The GRAB Trust has supported 28 community organisations and seven individuals with information, advice or direct support with litter picks over the summer.

Business Campaign on a Roll

87 Argyll based Cafés and takeaways took materials. This totalled 102,300 stickers for takeaway packaging, 167 Till Wobblers, 196 posters & 68 bin stickers.

14 Individuals ordered materials on behalf of their community. This included 6970 stickers, 135 till wobblers, 135 posters and 5 Bin stickers.

58 Tourist Destinations were sent 2171 stickers, 175 till wobblers and 235 posters.

84 Argyll & Bute educational establishments were sent 248 posters & information on The GRAB Trust services & litter grant.

35 Campsites & Caravan Parks are to be sent 70 posters & 35 bin Stickers.

ABC Amenities has currently distributed 184 bin stickers to high profile bins across Argyll & Bute.

This makes current distribution totals of 111,441 stickers, 477 till wobblers, 884 posters & 292 Bin stickers.

General feedback from businesses was very positive. They liked the look and quality of the materials produced. They felt that the imagery was friendly and amusing and appreciated the stickers were paper and so would compost along with already compostable packaging. The posters were made of high quality poster paper and held up well against the Argyll weather, lasting through the summer and beyond. Businesses were interested and open to developing ways of supporting consumers to dispose of waste responsibly. The bin stickers were not previously advertised as being available to businesses but the stickers I showed to businesses were extremely well received. Amenities feedback that, at the sites, where they have placed the stickers, they brightened up the bins and visibly reduced littering and bin overflow.

There was also some uncertainty from businesses that they would be 'allowed' by the council to put up posters in their windows or stickers on their bins, despite the project being supported by the council. A letter of consent and confirmation of council's backing of the project would be helpful next time to reassure businesses that the council were on board with the full use of the materials.

Media Focus:

The Argyllshire Advertiser and Campbeltown Courier both did pieces on the summer staycation project and the business campaign on a roll, at the start of the summer. The 'Business Campaign On a Roll' was also promoted through Oban BID, Helensburgh BID, Environmental Health and Oban Radio and online forums. The Grant scheme has been promoted through Facebook, community development, Third Sector enquiries and directly to schools and community groups across Argyll.

Argyllshire Advertiser working on two pieces for publication. One is a highlight of the Minard Community Trust Litter pick, with a focus on the support they received from The GRAB Trust, the grant scheme, and how the money will benefit the community. This is due to come out this week or the next.

Following this The Argyllshire Advertiser will highlight two local businesses who have been extremely keen to support the 'Business Campaign On a Roll'.

The Argyllshire Advertiser promoted the Minard Litter Pick before it took place.

Great British Beach Clean (September 2021) - article sent to all the local newspapers about the GBBC and the equipment, advice and grants.

Facebook has a post advertising the GBBC and the equipment, advice and grants every day from 9th – 26th Sept 2021.

Appendix 3 – Staycation Expenditure

| Headline | Detail | Spent or Committed | Expenditure/ Estimated Expenditure £ | Actual Expenditure/ Commitments |
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| Staycation Officer | Temporary post for 1 year to progress Staycation proposals. Internal recruitment underway. | Committed | £35,000 | £35,000 |
| Additional Wardens | Four additional wardens for a period of 5/6 months to October | Committed | £56,000 | £36,159 |
| Anti-Littering Campaign with GRAB Trust | Across all Argyll and would include three part-time seasonal workers for key summer months May to August. | Committed – approved with Leader, Depute Leader and Leader of the main opposition. | £36,580 | £18,830 (remainder Nature Scot funded) |
| Additional Police | To provide additional Police Services to assist in promoting responsible camping – across Argyll and Bute, for a 12 week period. | Committed – approved with Leader, Depute Leader and Leader of the main opposition. | £23,040 | £23,040 |
| Publicity | Information on be a great visitor/localised information | Spent | £1,000 | £13,131 |
| Oban Infrastructure Ganavan Car Park Barrier | Barrier to restrict night time access for high vehicles | Committed | £10,000 | £10,000 |
| Staycation Carparks improvements (17 location) | Lining and information improvements across the 17 identified carparks | Committed | £20,000 | £24,310 |
| Lomond Villages Infrastructure works | | Spent | £3,500 this contribution forms part of a £90k investment) | £3,500 |

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| Waste Water disposal points Grants | Numerous sites in discussion with communities/businesses | Spent/committed | £40,000 | £43,361 |
| | including Islay, Mull, Gigha, Machrihanish, Sandbank, Tarbert | | | |
| Portaloos | Installing additional toilet facilities in places such as West Port, Glen Orchy etc. | Committed | £15,000 | (Nature Scot funded) |
| Temporary campsite | Colonsay - contribution to overall project costs | Committed | £4,779 | No progress to date |
| Total | | | £244,899 | £207,331 |