

**APPOINTMENT TO AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP AND GOUROCK,
DUNOON AND KILCREGGAN HARBOUR REFERENCE GROUP**

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report asks the Area Committee to consider the appointment of an Elected Member to the Area Community Planning Group and to the Gourock, Dunoon and Kilcreggan Harbour Reference Group.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The Area Committee is asked to consider the appointment of an Elected Member to the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Community Planning Group and to the Gourock, Dunoon and Kilcreggan Harbour Reference Group.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 There are vacancies for Elected Member appointments following the resignation of Councillor Barbara Morgan from the Council on 14 October 2021. The vacancies are as follows:-

Helensburgh and Lomond Area Community Planning Group – Councillor Morgan was appointed to this group as Chair of the Area Committee.

Gourock, Dunoon and Kilcreggan Harbour Reference Group – Councillor Morgan was appointed to this group in September 2021 as a Member representing the Kilcreggan area.

Helensburgh and Lomond Area Community Planning Group

- 3.2 There are 3 Elected Member positions on the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Community Planning Group. Historically these have been allocated to the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Area Committee and 1 other Member from the ward not already represented. At the Area Committee meeting held on 17 December 2020 it was agreed that Councillor Douglas would remain a Member in place of Councillor Hardie who is Vice-Chair of the Area Committee. Councillor Penfold was appointed as the third Member representing Ward 11 on 17 June 2021.
- 3.3 The Area CPG normally meets quarterly in the months of February, May, August and November. The appointment to the ACPG will be until the next Local Government Elections in May 2022.

Gourock, Dunoon and Kilcreggan Harbour Reference Group

- 3.4 The Group has been formed to bring together the project design teams, community representatives, Elected Members and regional transport bodies in facilitation of the project which will deliver a modern, reliable and resilient lifeline ferry service which meets the needs of passengers and communities in the areas covered by the Gourock to Dunoon and Gourock to Kilcreggan ferry services. Councillor Morgan was appointed as the Member representing the Kilcreggan area.
- 3.5 Members of the Group will provide feedback on the current service and will input into the design of the future infrastructure upgrades and new vessels as well as considering the passenger facilities and how these integrate with services and other modes of transport. Argyll and Bute Council are leading on the Kilcreggan Infrastructure part of the project and CMAL are leading on the vessel.
- 3.6 The meetings of the Group will be held approximately every 16-20 weeks. It is intended that the Group will commission a Strategic Business Case, an Outline Business Case and a Final Business Case and will be circulated to the Reference Group. The Reference Group will continue to operate until the infrastructure has been completed and the vessels delivered.
- 3.7 The appointment to the Reference Group will be until the next Local Government Elections in May 2022.

4.0 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 This report asks the Area Committee to consider making appointments to the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Community Planning Group and to the Gourock, Dunoon and Kilcreggan Harbour Reference Group.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy – none
- 5.2 Financial – there may be some cost associated with attendance at meetings.
- 5.3 Legal – none
- 5.4 HR – none
- 5.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:
- 5.5.1 Equalities – protected – none
- 5.5.2 Socio-economic Duty – none

- 5.5.3 Islands – none
- 5.6 Climate Change - none
- 5.7 Risk – none
- 5.8 Customer Service – none

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APPENDICES

None.