MINUTES of SPECIAL MEETING of POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE held BY MICROSOFT TEAMS on THURSDAY, 9 DECEMBER 2021

Present:

Councillor Robin Currie (Chair)

Councillor Rory Colville Councillor Bobby Good Councillor Kieron Green Councillor Jim Findlay Councillor Jim Lynch Councillor David Kinniburgh Councillor Yvonne McNeilly Councillor Douglas Philand Councillor Alastair Redman Councillor Elaine Robertson Councillor Richard Trail

Attending: Douglas Hendry, Executive Director Patricia O'Neill, Governance Manager

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mary Jean Devon, Audrey Forrest, Aileen Morton and Gary Mulvaney.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE SCHEME FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY COUNCILS IN ARGYLL & BUTE UNDER SECTION 53(1) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973

The Committee gave consideration to a report inviting consideration of feedback received following an 8 week consultation to amend the current Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in Argyll and Bute and inviting approval of the final amended Scheme.

Decision

The Policy and Resources Committee considered the feedback received at appendix 1 to the submitted report and agreed –

- 1. The duly amended Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in Argyll and Bute (appendix 2 to the submitted report) which included provision for both remote and hybrid public meetings.
- 2. That officers proceed to give the required 4 week period of notice for the newly amended Scheme to take effect.
- 3. To delegate consideration of any feedback received during the 4 week period referred to at recommendation 3.2 of the submitted report to the Executive Director with responsibility for Community Councils, in consultation with the Policy Lead. Subject to there being no material changes proposed from the feedback received, the newly amended Scheme would come into effect at the end of the four week period and the

existing temporary departures previously put in place during the pandemic would be revoked.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 30 November 2021, submitted)