

## Report

Tarbert & Skipness Community Trust were saddened by the passing of Councillor John McAlpine, who had been in constructive contact with the Trust regarding housing developments in Tarbert. We welcome Councilor Alistair Redman and will soon be inviting all our local councillors to join a meeting of Tarbert & Skipness Community Trust to learn more about the work of the Trust.

The Trust was delighted to learn that the new Strategic Housing Investment Plan has been published and includes 30 houses for Tarbert to be built by 2026. This will begin to alleviate pressure on all housing needs in Tarbert.

Residents in Skipness have been surveyed regarding the new Community Plan, including the future of Skipness School. The Council has agreed to close the school and Skipness residents have until December to present any plan to the Council that they want to take forward. Residents in Tarbert have also responded to surveys on the new Community Plan

Tarbert Life, our heritage project, has relocated to the Purple Doors on the quayside in Tarbert. Tarbert Life opened in time for the Seafood Festival in July and has had a steady flow of visitors over the summer. Over the winter volunteers will gather to plan the next stages of the exhibition for 2023.

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