

**GAELIC LANGUAGE PLAN PROGRESS REPORT**

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**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The Council has a duty under the Gaelic Language Act to prepare and deliver a Gaelic Language Plan. As part of this duty, the Council must complete and submit a monitoring report on progress against the plan on an annual basis in a format determined by Bòrd na Gaidhlig.

This report provides Community Services Committee with this detail of this year's progress update on the plan as submitted to Bòrd na Gaidhlig.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

Members are asked to

- 2.1 Note the progress being made on the plan.
- 2.2 Note that this progress report relates to the plan prior to the agreed changes mandated by the Minister in December 2022.

**3.0 DETAIL**

- 3.1 The Council is required to prepare and monitor a Gaelic Language Plan and to provide regular updates on progress to Bòrd na Gaidhlig.
- 3.2 This report provides Community Services Committee with this detail of this year's progress update on the plan as submitted to Bòrd na Gaidhlig. It relates to the plan prior to the amendments mandated by the Minister in December 2022.
- 3.3 Members should note the good progress being made against the plan.

## **4.0 CONCLUSION**

4.1 This report provides assurance to the Community Service Committee of the progress being made in delivering the Gaelic Language Plan and the Council's adherence to its duty under the Gaelic Language Act.

## **6.0 IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 Policy - None

6.2 Financial - None

6.3 Legal – The paper demonstrates the Council's compliance with the requirements of the Gaelic Language Act.

6.4 HR - None

6.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:

6.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics – Positive impact on those speaking a minority language

6.5.2 Socio-economic Duty – Positive impact on remote and island communities and businesses where Gaelic is spoken

6.5.3 Islands – Positive impact on those islands where Gaelic is spoken.

6.6 Climate Change - None

6.7 Risk - None

6.8 Customer Service – All customer contacts received in Gaelic are replied to in Gaelic

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## **APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – Gaelic Language Progress Report