

Item 20 - Amendment

Argyll and Bute Council recognises the huge contribution made by our farmers, crofters, growers and fishers to our local economy, environment and wider rural communities. Consequently, Argyll and Bute Council commits to maintaining and where possible enhancing our working relationships with our local growers, fishers, delis, independent shopkeepers and traders by-

a) Where possible, ensuring that food and drinks provided at Council organised events includes items sourced from local suppliers.

b) As part of tackling the environmental priorities for Argyll and Bute Council; The Council will consider ways to encourage residents, where possible, to shop locally taking advantage of our Love Local marketing work, farmers markets and craft fairs, taking advantage of home-grown, affordable and nutritious produce, and encourage where possible the retention of cash to help support our more remote and rural traders.

c) To continue to advocate to the Scottish and UK Governments the importance of supporting Argyll and Bute's Food and Drink sector to our economy and way of life.