
ARGYLL & BUTE COUNCIL

Bute and Cowal CPG

CUSTOMER SERVICES

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Cowal Transport Forum Exception reporting to Area Community Planning group

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this Paper is to advise the Area Community Planning group of the main activities of the Transport Forum over the last few months

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

Area Community Planning Group Members:

- 2.1 Note the highlight/ exception reports from the Partnership meeting
- 2.2 Acknowledge the work of the group.
- 2.3 Consider whether there are any specific areas of work which the ACPG wishes the Transport Forum to consider developing further

3. DETAIL

- 3.1 The Cowal transport Forum is a strategic partnership group chaired by Cllr McNaughton with a brief to look at all aspects of transportation in the Cowal Area, this includes both ferry operations and leisure as well as roads issues such as the problems experienced at the "Rest And Be Thankful"

4. IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 **Policy** Adoption of the proposal will assist in delivery and reporting of aspects of the SOA and the Community Plan
- 4.2 **Financial** None,

- 4.3 **Personnel** None
- 4.4 **Equalities Impact Assessment** None.
- 4.5 **Legal** None

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Cowal Transport Forum Exception Report

Theme	Task/Project	Issue and Actions	Comment	Outcomes/ Indicators
Roads Infrastructure <i>Includes trunk and private roads</i>	A83 – the rest	The transport forum remain very concerned about the Future plans for the Rest and Cllr Semple is being invited to the next meeting as lead councillor for transportation to consult . The forum is specifically concerned that the proposed convoy system will not work in the event of the main road being closed	The forum is active at several levels regarding this in a number	
Travel Safety <i>Includes issues that and individuals may encounter such as pedestrian safety, road traffic accidents, water safety, public transport safety</i>	Signage request Bus stop at Argardten West Coast motors	The forum has asked that several signs be considered by the various responsible agencies (Transerv, Council and transport Scotland) to both notify road users when there is an issue on the road (or ferries) The forum are working with the Forestry commission to promote the use of the path between the Ardgarten caravan site and the bus stop at the visitor centre in order to minimise the number of people putting themselves at risk by walking on the carriageway Provided an update re procedures for dealing with disruptive dangerous behaviour on the Bus	It is hoped that at least some of these will be taken forward by the relevant agencies as part of an integrated strategy re improving signage in Argyll	
Ferries	Ticket recognition Timetables/info	Both Argyll ferries and Western Ferries report that they are currently working on a mutual ticket recognition scheme The Forum is working with the Bus providers, the council and the ferry operators to ensure that adequate timetable information is available in the waiting rooms at either side of the Dunoon Gourock crossing		SFR Stats
Environmental issues	A83 land at top being purchased	It is hoped that the purchase of the land to allow the construction of the turning circle at the top of the rest will be completed shortly The Timber transport group are being invited to the next meeting to discuss future plans and road safety		