

## Argyll and Bute Council news round-up – 26 July 2019

Welcome to Argyll and Bute Council's weekly news round-up. Thank you for reading it. If you have ideas on how we could make it more useful for you, we'd love to hear them.

Please let us know by emailing [press@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:press@argyll-bute.gov.uk)

### Dunbeg development visited by housing minister

The biggest single social housing development in Argyll and Bute for decades was given the thumbs up by the Housing Minister this week.

Kevin Stewart MSP, Minister for Local Government, Housing and Planning, visited Dunbeg to see the completed Kirk Road and Dunbeg phase 3 development that is under construction. He met with council officers, elected members, and housing association and contractor representatives.

The visit also allowed for an opportunity to hold a workshop with Architecture and Design Scotland on the merits of the scheme and the lessons learned on how it was being implemented.

[Read more:](#)

### Did you know?

Almost 80% of Argyll and Bute residents live within one kilometre of the coast and 965 live within 10 kilometres of the coast. Fantastic in this hot weather and the beaches are amazing! #abplace2b #closerthanyouthink

### News

[Four year contract agreed for Coll, Colonsay and Tiree air services:](#) Subsidised air services from Oban to Coll, Colonsay and Tiree have been secured for the next four years after Argyll and Bute Council awarded a new contract to Hebridean Air.

[Advice on managing your money:](#) Our new web page can point you to impartial, confidential advice from a variety of local and national sources.

[Plan your special day:](#) We're at the height of the wedding season, but it's never too early to start planning your special day for next year.

[Oban developing biodegradable packaging:](#) A Scottish company is developing a biodegradable food wrapping using waste material from shellfish.

[Summer safety for dogs:](#) Argyll and Bute is a dog-friendly area and we welcome dogs in many of our cafes and restaurants. While we enjoy hot weather, it might not be as much fun for our furry friends.

**Argyll and Bute Council from A-Z:** We've been highlighting some of our key services, from A-Z, and asking the people who do the day to day jobs, exactly what's involved. Here is this week's selection.

[K is for kitchen skills](#)

[L is for licences](#)

[M is for marine services](#)

[N is for noise](#)

[O is for Oban Airport](#)

### **Consultations**

FareShare is a charity that works to 'fight hunger and food waste' by distributing food that would otherwise go to waste. Argyll and Bute Council, with the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP), is gathering information to help FareShare support people in Argyll and Bute. We would appreciate any food bank or organisation in Argyll and Bute interested in playing a part in storing and distributing food to people in need, to [complete this survey](#) to register their interest in supporting this initiative.

We are undertaking a coastal Flood Protection Study (FPS) to consider options to reduce coastal flood risk along the frontages at Helensburgh, Craigendoran and Rhu. The preferred options were presented at a public event in June. We would now like further comments on [these options](#).

We are currently engaged in a Flood Study for Oban. Various options were presented at a recent event in the town. We would be interested to hear your comments on the [presentation given](#).

Between now and the end of September we would like to know what you think about the places you live and work. That way we can work out what is important for our communities as priority actions. Please help us by taking [our survey](#).

### **Work with us**

Argyll and Bute is a great place to live, learn and work. It's also a fantastic place to play as we have fantastic beaches, amazing wild life, museums, castles, music festivals and some of the best food and drink Scotland has to offer. Sound good? We also have a range of jobs available including: Teaching staff, Head of Adult Services, Administrative Assistant, Social Care Worker and much more.

Find out about these, and other posts, at [MyJob Scotland](#).

For information about living and working in Argyll and Bute go to [www.abplace2b.scot](#)  
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### **Next edition**

We will issue our next news round-up on Friday 2 August 2019.