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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

A meeting of the **MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & THE ISLANDS AREA COMMITTEE** will be held in the **TOWN HALL, CAMPBELTOWN** on **WEDNESDAY, 1 AUGUST 2012** at **10:00 AM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry  
Executive Director - Customer Services

**BUSINESS**

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## **ARGYLL, KINTYRE & THE ISLANDS AREA COMMITTEE**

Councillor Rory Colville

Councillor Donald Kelly (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Douglas Philand

Councillor Robin Currie

Councillor Donald MacMillan

Councillor John Semple

Councillor Anne Horn (Chair)

Councillor John McAlpine

Councillor Sandy Taylor

Shirley MacLeod – Area Governance Manager

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**MINUTES of MEETING of MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & THE ISLANDS AREA COMMITTEE held in  
the COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD, PA31 8RT  
on THURSDAY, 7 JUNE 2012**

**Present:**

Councillor Anne Horn (Chair)

Councillor Rory Colville  
Councillor Robin Currie  
Councillor John Semple

Councillor Donald Kelly  
Councillor John MacAlpine  
Councillor Sandy Taylor

Shirley MacLeod  
Jim Smith

Area Governance Manager  
Head of Roads and Amenity  
Services

David Clements  
Stewart Clark

IOD Programme Manager  
Contracts Manager

**1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of the following:-

Councillor Donald MacMillan  
Councillor Douglas Philand  
Chief Inspector Marlene Baillie  
Peter Bain

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and proffered good wishes to Councillor Donald MacMillan on behalf of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee for a speedy recovery.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 4 APRIL 2012**

The Minute of the previous meeting held on 4 April 2012 was approved as a true record subject to the following amendment:-

Page 2, Item 4 – Public and Councillors Question Time

Councillor Colville advised on similar problems in Glebe Street, Campbeltown.

Matters Arising:-

Councillor Currie reported on the disappearance of a large stone from Tayinloan beach. The stone was of significance to the local area. Councillor McAlpine stated that the local police were investigating this incident.

Councillor Kelly enquired if there had been any feedback from Strathclyde Police in regards the marauding youths in the Dalaruan and Calton areas of Campbeltown. He also enquired on the status of his request in regards making due representation to tackle anti-social behaviour of tenants to the Scottish Government

**Action: Shirley MacLeod would ascertain if there was any update in regards these 2 issues and update Councillor Kelly accordingly.**

Councillor Taylor enquired on the background and current status of Clock Lodge.

**Action: Shirley MacLeod would again ascertain the current status and advise Councillor Taylor.**

#### 4. PUBLIC AND COUNCILLORS QUESTION TIME

Councillor McAlpine enquired if Chief Inspector Baillie would be replaced.

**Action: Shirley MacLeod would make enquiries and report back to Councillor McAlpine.**

Councillor Kelly raised the issue of the Brass band and Woodwind tuition in the South Kintyre area. Recent changes to the tuition structure had resulted in an instructor providing tuition. However, the tutor was moving on and this would result in a severe lack of tuition for South Kintyre pupils.

**Action: Members agreed that a letter would be drafted to Carol Evans, Head of Education requesting a member of the Education Department attend the next MAKI BD/AC to update the MAKI Area Committee on this issue.**

#### 5. CHIEF EXECUTIVES SECTION

##### (a) AREA SCORECARD

Members considered a report on the latest Area performance across the range of services selected.

**Decision:**

The Committee agreed to-

- a) Review and develop the performance reported on the Area Scorecard at the next MAKI Business Day to better reflect current topics of interest.
- b) Request that officers from areas showing red on the Area Scorecard attend the Area Committee to explain the significance and give detailed explanation of these Red indicators..

(Reference: Report by the Improvement and Organisational Development Programme Manager – submitted).

**6. CUSTOMER SERVICES**

**(a) APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS WITHIN THE MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS AREA**

Members considered a report to appoint to local bodies/organisations within the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands area.

Discussion ensued in regards the possible amalgamation of local Crime Prevention Panels with Community Safety Forums. Further discussion followed and it was agreed that contact would be made with relevant groups to clarify they were still functioning and the need for representation by Members. An update would come to the next MAKI Area Committee.

Action: The Area Governance Manager would progress this and report back to Members.

**Decision:**

The Committee agreed on the following appointments:-

<b>Outside body/ Organisation</b>	<b>Appointments Made</b>	<b>Length/Term of Appointment</b>	<b>Value of Membership to the Council</b>
<b>Kintyre Initiative Working Group</b>	Ward 1 and Ward 2 Members	Until next Election	Essential
<b>Kintyre Youth Fund</b>	Ward 1 and Ward 2 Members	Until next Election	Essential
<b>Mid Argyll Partnership</b>	Ward 2 and Ward 3 Members	Until next Election	Essential
<b>Argyll and Bute</b>	Councillor Anne	Until next	Essential

<b>Renewables Trust (formerly Windfarm Trust)</b>	Horn Councillor Donald Kelly	Election	
<b>Carradale Harbour Users Group (merged with Network Carradale)</b>	Ward 2 Members	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Ardrishaig Action Group</b>	Councillor Donald MacMillan Councillor Douglas Philand Councillor Sandy Taylor	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Gigha Development Trust</b>	Write to group to clarify if still functioning and if Members representation is required and report to the next Area Committee	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Campbeltown Area Development Group</b>	Write to group to clarify if still functioning and if Members representation is required and report to the next Area Committee	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Kintyre Way Committee</b>	Councillor Anne Horn	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Auchendrain Museum</b>	Councillor Douglas Philand	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Lochgilthead Community Centre Association</b>	Councillor Donald MacMillan	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Islay and Jura Community Enterprise</b>	Write to group to clarify if still functioning and if Members representation is required and report to the next Area Committee	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Kilmartin Museum Trust</b>	Councillor Sandy Taylor	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Argyll</b>	Councillor Donald	Until next	Essential

<b>Community Housing Association Area Committee</b>	MacMillan	Election	
<b>West Highland Housing Association</b>	Councillor Robin Currie	Until next Election	Essential
<b>Kintyre Crime Prevention Panel</b>	Ward 1 Members plus Ward 2 Members on a rotational basis	Until next Election	Essential
<b>Lochgilthead Crime Prevention Panel</b>	Ward 3 Members plus Ward 2 Members on a rotational basis	Until next Election	Essential
<b>Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Joint Locality Group</b>	Write to group to clarify if still functioning and if Members representation is required and report to the next Area Committee	Until next Election	Essential

This item would continue for further discussion to the next MAKI Area Committee, upon receipt of replies from the organisations who had been written to determine if Member representation was still needed at future meetings.

(Reference: Report by the Area Governance Manager – submitted).

(b) **APPOINTMENTS TO COMMON GOOD FUND**

Members considered a report in regards the administration of Common Good funds.

**Decision:**

The Committee agreed that Ward 1 Members be appointed to undertake the administration of the Campbeltown Common Good Fund and that Ward 3 Members be appointed to the administration of the Lochgilthead Common Good fund.

Reference: Report by the Executive Director, Customer Services – submitted).

(c) **COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM AND LINKAGES TO OTHER GROUPS**

Members considered a report providing an update and information on the status and membership of local Community Safety Forums and outlining where these lie in relation to other groups.

**Decision:**

Members agreed to the recommendations contained within the report and appointed Councillor Anne Horn and Councillor Sandy Taylor as Members to the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Community Safety Forum. Councillor Horn and Councillor Taylor accepted the nominations.

(Reference: Report by the Area Governance Manager – submitted).

**7. DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

(a) **ROAD ISSUES**

The Committee considered a report providing updates on outstanding road-related issues in the MAKI area.

The Contracts Manager explained the process that the Roads Department undertook to determine the work programme for MAKI roads. Councillor Semple questioned the uneven tread on certain roads and enquired on the scope to reduce this unevenness. Stewart Clark informed Members of the retreading process and agreed that he would provide a video at a MAKI Business Day meeting detailing the procedure.

Councillor Semple questioned the rationale for determining priorities and the Head of Roads and Amenity Services reported on the procedure that was undertaken. He continued that at present there was a 3 year works programme. However, plans were in progress to move to a 10 year programme.

Councillor Semple highlighted the importance of Members being aware of this detail.

Councillor Colville requested that Members be provided with the following detail:-

- Quality rating detail
- Timetable of brush cutting/grass cutting on the A83
- Proposed traffic management plans for Campbeltown centre.

Stewart Clark was also asked to look at how to improve pedestrian safety in the vicinity of the Heritage Centre and the Bunkhouse location, to have regard to the traffic management survey work incorporated in the Campbeltown Yellow Book Study, and to report back to Members on suggestions in light of these investigations.

**Action: The Head of Roads and Amenity Services would provide the following:**



- a) **Plans of road works in Kennacraig/Clachan area to Members.**
- b) **A timetable of grass cutting to local Community Councils.**
- c) **Bring a video detailing the retreading process to the next MAKI Business Day meeting.**
- d) **Roads and Asset Management Plan to the next MAKI Business Day meeting – classifying roads for relevant maintenance.**

**Decision:**

The Committee agreed to note the report.

(Reference: Report by Contracts Manager – submitted).

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**ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL****MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND  
THE ISLANDS AREA COMMITTEE****COMMUNITY SERVICES****1 AUGUST 2012**

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**THIRD SECTOR GRANTS 2012/13**

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**1.0 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report details recommendations for the award of Third Sector Grants (including Events and Festivals) to Third Sector organisations for Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands.
- 1.2 Applications are considered twice yearly in April and August. This is intended to avoid allocation of the full budget at one meeting and to enable activities held later in the year to be funded.
- 1.3 The total Third Sector Grant budget made available by the Council for allocation in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands for 2012/13 is £35,000.
- 1.4 £31,589 was awarded to 38 organisations at the Area Committee meeting in April. (Mid Argyll Transport Volunteers were awarded £1,200 but subsequently withdrew their application). The total budget remaining for allocation in this round is £4,611.
- 1.5 Five applications have been received in this second and last round of applications, none of which are for Events and Festivals

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The five organisations listed below are awarded funding from the Third Sector Grants budget, as per the table below.
- 2.2 Where possible, new applicants should receive all or most of the amount requested (up to 50% total project costs) unless, proportionally, a very large amount of funding is sought.
- 2.3 In 2013-14 the amount of funding held back for the second round of Third Sector Grant applications in MAKI be reduced by 50% to £2,500.

**3.0 DETAIL**

- 3.1 In spite of publicity and awareness raising, demand for Third Sector Grant assistance in the second half of the year appears to be far weaker than in the first half of the year in MAKI, where demand outstrips available funding by three times. This

imbalance has resulted in a net 'underspend' of £128 in round 2. In addition, all of the applicants in the second round could potentially receive their requested levels of funding. This is in stark contrast to applicants in the first round – most of whom saw their funding reduced.

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Grant Awarded 2011/12</u>	<u>Total Project Costs</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
3.2	<b>ArtMap Argyll</b>	Nil	£4,400	£1,900	£1,900
3.3	<b>Coisir Og Dhailriada</b>	Nil	£2,119	£1,000	£1,000
3.4	<b>Dochas Dancers</b>	Nil	£1,815	£1,665	£885 (see note below)
3.5	<b>Girlguiding Argyll</b>	£160	£4,520	£400	£400
3.6	<b>Mid Argyll and Kintyre PACT</b>	Nil	£596	£298	£298
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£160</b>	<b>£13,450</b>	<b>£5,263</b>	<b>£4,483</b>
			<b>Total Recommended</b>		<b>£4,611</b>
			<b>Balance</b>		<b>£128</b>

	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Rationale for grant allocation</b>
3.2	<b>ArtMap Argyll</b>	To use art to help take some of the objectives identified in Ardrishaig's community action plans forward and specifically to rent a temporary space from which to run creative workshops to help the community create permanent, site specific artworks in the town.
3.3	<b>Coisir Og Dhailriada</b>	To support the Choir's participation in the National Mod in Dunoon. This is the Choir's key project driver each year and is its main expense.
3.4	<b>Dochas Dancers</b>	Stay Safe! Say No! Tell Someone! pilot project. To fund adult protection themed dance training sessions. The sessions will build confidence and enable the dancers to go on to train other people. <i>Please note the recommendation is lower than the amount requested because the applicant has received £780 from the Mid Argyll Health &amp; Wellbeing Network.</i>
3.5	<b>Girlguiding Argyll</b>	This organisation has applied to three areas of the Council, excluding Helensburgh and Lomond. The total amount requested is £1200, which equates to £400 from each of the three areas. The applicant is seeking a contribution towards a training weekend in Ardmay for leaders. The recommendation above is provisional and is dependent upon the applicant providing additional clarification.
3.6	<b>Mid Argyll and Kintyre PACT</b>	To assist with the production of two newsletters per year, with a combined print run of 600, to keep members of PACT informed and raise the profile of the group in Campbeltown and Kintyre in particular.

#### 4.0 CONCLUSION

4.1 All organisations have been contacted and grant applications assessed, and where applicable, have received financial approval.

**5.0 IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Policy: None
- 5.2 Financial: As per area budget allocation.
- 5.3 Legal: None
- 5.4 HR: None
- 5.5 Equalities: Consistent with the Council's Equal Opportunities policy
- 5.6 Risk: Monitoring of the process will minimise any risk to the Council
- 5.7 Customer Service: None.

**Margaret Fyfe**  
**Community Development Manager**

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**ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL****1 AUGUST 2012****CUSTOMER SERVICES****MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE  
ISLANDS AREA COMMITTEE**

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**REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

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**1. SUMMARY**

The Area Committee agreed on 7 June 2012 to continue consideration of appointments to the outside bodies as highlighted on the attached Appendix. This was to allow investigation with these groups as to whether they were operational and if so, whether elected member representation was still required. This report sets out the findings from these investigations.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Area Committee -

- 2.1 Consider, on the basis of the information available, whether they wish to make appointments to;
  - (a) the Gigha Development Trust (1 rep); and
  - (b) Islay and Jura Community Enterprise (1 rep)
- 2.2 Note that the Campbeltown Area Development Group is now defunct.
- 2.3 Note the comments in relation to the MAKI Joint Locality Group at paragraph 3.4 and that local Members will be invited, as appropriate, to attend such meetings by the Locality Manager.

**3. DETAIL**

- 3.1 Concerns by the former representatives of the four outside bodies were raised at the last Area Committee meeting. As a result of these concerns, investigations as to the status of the Group and the requirement for an Elected Member representative were instructed.
- 3.2 Both the Gigha Development Trust and Islay and Jura Community Enterprise have confirmed that they are still operational and that they see benefit in having representation from the Area Committee at their meetings.

- 3.3 Information has been received that the Campbeltown Area Development Group is defunct, having been replaced by the South Kintyre Development Trust (SKDT) and therefore no appointment is necessary.
- 3.4 The Head of Adult Care has advised that the MAKI Joint Locality Group remains active. He has advised that the Group had sought Councillor representation in the past when they had been looking at specific issues of major service re-design but that this is had effectively been on an as and when basis. He has discussed the matter with the Locality Manager and agreement has been reached that local members will be invited as appropriate by local managers to such meetings. Accordingly there is no requirement for the Area Committee to formally make an appointment.

#### **4. CONCLUSION**

- 4.1 Investigations are complete as to the status of the 4 outside bodies. The Area Committee is asked to give consideration to the recommendations 2.1 – 2.3 in relation to how to progress the findings.

#### **5. IMPLICATIONS**

Policy -	In keeping with the Council's commitment to work in partnership with other agencies and organisations
Financial –	There may be costs associated with Member participation in such meetings
Legal -	None
HR -	None
Equalities -	None
Risk -	None
Customer	None
Service -	

**Executive Director of Customer Services**  
**11 August 2012**

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## Appendix 1

<b>Outside body/ Organisation</b>	<b>Number of appointments previously made</b>	<b>Length/Term of Appointment</b>	<b>Value of Membership to the Council</b>
Kintyre Initiative Working Group	Ward 1 and Ward 2 Members	Until next Election	Essential
Kintyre Youth Fund	Ward 1 and Ward 2 Members	Until next Election	Essential
Mid Argyll Partnership	Ward 2 and Ward 3 Members	Until next Election	Essential
Argyll and Bute Renewables Trust (formerly Windfarm Trust)	Councillor Anne Horn Councillor Donald Kelly	Until next Election	Essential
Carradale Harbour Users Group (merged with Network Carradale)	Ward 2 Members	Until next Election	Desirable
Ardrishaig Action Group	Councillor Donald MacMillan Councillor Douglas Philand Councillor Sandy Taylor	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Gigha Development Trust</b>	<b>Response received from Trust. Group still operational and they would appreciate Member representation at meetings</b>	<b>Until next Election</b>	<b>Desirable</b>
<b>Campbeltown Area Development Group</b>	<b>Response from Susan Paterson – group defunct. SKDT is main operational group</b>	<b>Until next Election</b>	<b>Desirable</b>
Kintyre Way Committee	Councillor Anne Horn	Until next Election	Desirable
Auchendrain Museum	Councillor Douglas Philand	Until next Election	Desirable
Lochgilphead Community Centre Association	Councillor Donald MacMillan	Until next Election	Desirable
<b>Islay and Jura Community Enterprise</b>	<b>Affirmation received from Donald Jackson ( New Convener of Islay &amp; Jura Community Enterprises Ltd) that group still wish Member</b>	<b>Until next Election</b>	<b>Desirable</b>

	<b>representation at future meetings.</b>		
Kilmartin Museum Trust	Councillor Sandy Taylor	Until next Election	Desirable
Argyll Community Housing Association Area Committee	Councillor Donald MacMillan	Until next Election	Essential
West Highland Housing Association	Councillor Robin Currie	Until next Election	Essential
Kintyre Crime Prevention Panel	Ward 1 Members plus Ward 2 Members on rotational basis.	Until next Election	Essential
Lochgilphead Crime Prevention Panel	Ward 3 Members plus Ward 2 Members on a rotational basis	Until next Election	Essential
<b>Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Joint Locality Group</b>	<b>Members have, in the past, been invited to serve on the Group for a specific purpose. The Locality Manager will be asked as to whether representation is still required or whether an approach should be made as and when input is required.</b>	<b>Until next Election</b>	<b>Essential</b>

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**ARGYLL & BUTE COUNCIL****MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & THE ISLANDS AREA  
COMMITTEE****DEVELOPMENT AND  
INFRASTRUCTURE****WEDNESDAY 1 AUGUST 2012**

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**ROADS ISSUES**

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**1. SUMMARY RECOMMENDATIONS**

This report provides an update on outstanding and ongoing roads-related issues in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that Members note this report.

**3. DETAIL**

3.1 Capital Programme – 2012/13. The latest update on the overall programme will be provided at the Area Committee meeting.

- Mid Argyll –
  - Surface Dressing – Work on the B841 Crinan Road, B8025 Tayvallich Road and C42 Achnamara Road is now all complete. Work on the B8024 Kilberry Road (see also 3.2 below) is currently in progress.
  - Retread Treatment – The contract for all Mid Argyll retread sites has been awarded to Colas. Work is expected to be carried out in August.
  - Reconstruction work / overlays – Work is nearing completion on the A816 sites at Kintraw Hill and north of Kilmartin. In-house teams, from Mid-Argyll and Kintyre are carrying out this work.
- Kintyre –
  - Surface Dressing – Work at both surface dressing sites, south of Kennacraig and at Achnafad on the A83, is now complete.

- Retread - Colas has completed retread works at Southend and north of Carradale on the B842.
- Overlays – Breedon Aggregates are expected to commence resurfacing work in Kintyre by mid July.
- Islay –
  - Surface Dressing – Work, by Kiely Brothers, at all sites on Islay is now complete.
  - Retread – All retread works have now been completed by Colas on Jura.
  - Overlays - Breedon Aggregates is currently progressing resurfacing work on Islay.

### 3.2 Kilberry Road

- All preparatory work is complete. Surface dressing work is ongoing; this is a weather-dependent process and, due to recent inclement weather, the surface dressing programme has suffered some delay. Retread work, at the site south of Kilberry, has been awarded to Colas.

### 3.3 Revenue Maintenance Works -

- Grass cutting in all districts is ongoing – resources have been redirected onto ‘A’ roads to ensure that the main strategic roads are addressed before the start of the main tourist season. Scrub cutting is ongoing.
- General safety-related works (drainage, permanent patching and potholing) is ongoing.

### 3.4 Other Ongoing Works in and around Campbeltown –

- Passing places on the A83 north of Campbeltown – Works are now nearing completion.
- South of Muasdale – Site works are now well in advance and completion is expected by the end of August.
- New Quay – Works progressing – likely completion date – October.
- Tayinloan – On programme – due for completion by late July.

- 4. Policy:** The road network will be maintained in line with the 'Road Maintenance & Asset Management Plan' as closely as the available roads maintenance budget will allow.
- 5. Financial:** Expenditure of revenue and capital budget to maintain the network.
- 6. Personnel:** Nil

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Graham Brown  
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9 July 2012

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