Kintyre Action Plan: Status Report

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Action / Project	Prepared By:	Date:
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Action / Project Overall Status: Delivery of Business Gateway service		

Action / Project Summary:

Business Adviser ran a Meet The Adviser clinic in Campbeltown 25 September (2 clients)

Milestone/s scheduled for completion

- Next Meet the Adviser Session scheduled for Campbeltown 29 October and then monthly thereafter on the last monday of the month
- A Business Adviser will be available bi-monthly on Islay for 2 days, subject to demand.
 October/November date to be confirmed
- Workshops scheduled include Build your Own Business Website 23 October and Introduction to Social Media 24 October, both at the Ardshiel Hotel
- The Public Sector Procurement workshop in Campbeltown scheduled for 4 October was postponed as only 2 registered. The workshop can be rescheduled if demand exists.
- Next start-up workshop for Campbeltown is booked for November but an additional workshop can be delivered sooner if required.
- Additional workshops, tailored to support town centre businesses and retailers are being investigated as part of a wider project

All enquiries for support should be directed to 01546 605 459

Impact: 8 start-up businesses have been supported in Kintyre & Islay in April –Sept, compared to 4 for the same period last year.

- 33 existing businesses have been supported across Mid Argyll Kintyre & Islay in April Sept. These businesses either attended a workshop, met an adviser or had a query resolved successfully
- There are currently 3 Kintyre businesses supported in the growth pipeline (growth potential identified through Business Gateway support with further support provided by HIE)
- 50 Business Adviser appointments in MAKI for April Sept
 - 17 Existing businesses
 - 33 Pre-start/start-up businesses