

Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 - Allotments Waiting List Register

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is to update the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee on the actions that have been taken in response to duties placed on the Council under Part 9 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 which provides a legal framework that promotes and encourages community empowerment and participation in growing food.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members asked to note the Allotments Waiting List Register update which reflects the duties placed on local authorities arising from Part 9– Allotments of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 The council's Business Continuity Committee on 16 April 2020 adopted Argyll and Bute's first Community Food Growing Strategy. The Strategy's vision is to encourage and enable people in our community, who wish to grow their own food, by providing information on potential community food growing spaces, advice and guidance.

- 3.2 Developing the strategy was a duty placed on the council by the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 (Section 19A(1)(d)).

Area	Number of Individuals on the waiting list
Oban Lorn & The Isles Area	8

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5.5.2 Socio-Economic Duty – None

5.5.3 Islands Duty – None

5.6 Risk - Failure to report the Allotments Waiting List Register means we do not fulfil our duties placed on local authorities arising from Part 9 – Allotments of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

5.7 Customer Service - None

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