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**ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**EDUCATION**

**10 MARCH 2022**

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**EXTERNAL EDUCATION ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION REPORT**

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**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Elected members have requested that they are provided with details of all external education establishment Inspection Reports.

1.2 With a view to providing further information than that contained within the Annual

published by Education Scotland within that period, and

- c) That Ward members will receive copies of school inspection reports for schools within their area as published by Education Scotland.

### **3.0 DETAIL**

- 3.1 The planned programme of scrutiny activities for session 2021-22 originally included two phases. These are outlined below:

#### **Phase One: late September 2021 to December 2021**

During this phase HMIE engaged with those establishments, settings and CLD services awaiting the outcome of further inspection or a progress report following an inspection before the pandemic. Visits included a blend of virtual and in-person engagement.

During the visits, HMIE discussed with staff progress on the areas for improvement identified from earlier scrutiny activity, recognising that some areas for improvement had been impacted by COVID-19.

In addition, HMIE reviewed the establishment approaches to safeguarding and child protection.

HMIE also explored with staff and the local authority the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the establishment/service. HMIE wanted to learn from practitioners about the work underway to address the impact of COVID-19 and support recovery.

Following each visit, HMIE published a brief report.





5.5.2 Socio-economic Duty – None

5.5.3 Islands – None

5.6. Climate Change – None

5.7 Risk – Reputational risk to the Education Service following a weak report.

5.8 Customer Service – The outcome of establishment inspections of the Education Service of Argyll and Bute Council may significantly enhance or 4 detract from the Council's reputation and attractiveness as an area to work and live in.

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