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2.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Argyll and Bute Council were allocated £712,000 funding for financial year 2022/23 from the Scottish Government, via its Place Based Investment (PBI) programme. At the Policy and Resources Committee in May 2022, Members

- b) Agree that should additional Crown Estate funding be advised over and above the original estimate, that it should be allocated to a cemetery maintenance and roads access fund for each administrative area (£75,000 to each area) and to complete the project agreed in February 2020 to install charging mechanisms in 16 high footfall public conveniences at a cost of £200,000.
- c) Agree that any remaining allocation within Crown Estates is held to be used in the event of any contract increases. If not required, this will be

4.0 DETAIL

4.1 The Executive Director issued a communication to all Elected Members in August, following the decision of the Policy and Resources Committee and provided a briefing on the criteria of both Funds. A number of suggestions were submitted by Elected Members for consideration. Officers reviewed all suggestions against the criteria set out by the Scottish Government, and made recommendations to the Leader, Depute Leader and Leader of the largest Opposition Group, as per the delegation agreed at the Policy and Resources Committee in August 2022.

4.2 A note of the suggestions put forward, and agreed by the delegation, are noted in the table below.

Area	Suggestion	Recommendation from Officers	Funded from Place Based Investment	Funded from Crown Estate
B&C	Playpark in Rothesay (Project Playpark) . to transform outdoor play for the younger age groups	Supportive of proposal.	£44,000	

OLI	Aros Waterfront Development, Tobermory Harbour	Raised the majority of the funding with £140k shortfall. Supportive of proposal. Funded from both Place Based and Crown Estate.	£63,486	£76,514
B&C	Building Aires style campervan site in Dunoon (Glenmorag Car Park)	Consider that this would be a good pilot project for the area. Likely to		

		not been undertaken as at the date of writing this report.
MAKI	Kintyre Seaports Project	Already included as part of the Rural Growth Deal, no allocation from these funds required at this stage.
B&C	Barone Cemetery Path . pavement.	Not recommended for funding . other sources of funding could be used for this in the future.

- 6.6 Climate Change . there is no direct impact in relation to climate change from the projects outlined in this report.
- 6.7 Risk . in order for each PBI project to progress to delivery stage, a fully let contract must be in place by 31st March 2023. The projects will be continually monitored to ensure that funds can be reallocated to another Place Based Investment Fund project if required, to avoid having to return any uncommitted funds to the Scottish Government at this time.
- 6.8 Customer Service . a number of projects provide additional or better services to a range of customers.

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