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HELENSBURGH WOODEN PIER - UPDATE

centre development completed the long-running programme of regeneration of the esplanade, creating an attractive waterfront, which complements the wide range of independent, and chain retail and leisure facilities in the town.

3.3 *Figure 3.1* below, presents an overview of Helensburgh Pier and surrounding structures.

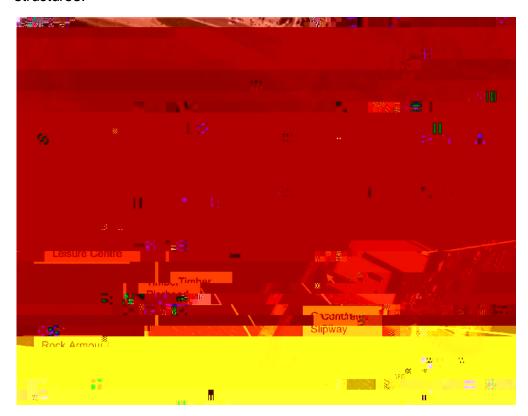


Figure 3.1: Helensburgh Pier Overview.

STANTEC MARKET SCOPING STUDY

- 3.4 The Council's Rural Growth Deal Programme Management Office (RGD PMO) were asked to consider redevelopment of Helensburgh Wooden Pier as part of the emerging RGD "Tourism Creating a World Class Visitor Destination" programme. In particular, the feasibility of constructing a commercial pontoon / berthing facility to replace the current Wooden Pier head.
- 3.5 Argyll & Bute Council (A&BC) commissioned Stantec UK Ltd and partners Mott MacDonald to undertake a market scoping study exploring the market for using Helensburgh Pier and the design and costs of different options for upgrading the structure. The study is attached in the following link Helensburgh Pier Market Scoping Study
- 3.6 The purpose of Stantec's scoping study was to identify whether there was a case for developing a more comprehensive business case for public sector investment in a commercial berthing facility at Helensburgh Pier, building on initial work by members of the local community. This included desk-based

- research and 16 stakeholder interviews to determine the extent of the prospective market across key sectors.
- 3.7 The study considered the construction of a pontoon facility that would extend 100m in a south-south-west orientation (the same as the existing masonry pier) with a 41m access gangway

	potential non-compliance with Subsidy Control Regulations.
Tours/Excursions	There is limited

- 6.6 Climate Change Environmental impact assessments might be required for future redevelopment schemes at Helensburgh Pier, particularly where capital dredging is required.
- 6.7 Risk Risk associated with further deterioration of Helensburgh wooden pier sits with the Council.
- 6.8 Customer Service None at present.

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