

**MINUTES of MEETING of ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE  
COMMITTEE held ON A HYBRID BASIS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY,  
LOCHGILPHEAD AND BY MICROSOFT TEAMS  
on THURSDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2023**

**Present:** Councillor Robin Currie (Chair)

Councillor John Armour	Councillor Ian MacQuire
Councillor Jan Brown	Councillor Luna Martin
Councillor Garret Corner	Councillor Ross Moreland
Councillor Graham Hardie	Councillor Gary Mulvaney
Councillor Andrew Kain	Councillor William Sinclair
Councillor Jim Lynch	Councillor Andrew Vennard
Councillor Tommy MacPherson	Councillor Peter Wallace

**Also Present:** Councillor Paul Kennedy

**Attending:** Kirsty Flanagan, Executive Director  
Fergus Murray, Head of Development and Economic Growth  
Jim Smith, Head of Roads and Infrastructure Services  
Stuart McLean, Committee Manager  
Matt Mulderrig, Development Policy and Housing Manager

The Chair welcomed Councillor Graham Hardie to his first meeting of the Committee following his appointment at the Council meeting on 23 November 2023.

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## **Decision**

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee noted –

1. the progress on the actions agreed by the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee on 31 August 2023; and
2. that a further update would be provided on the work of the Settlement Project Support Officer at the next Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth dated November 2023, submitted)

Councillor Luna Martin joined the meeting during the consideration of the following item of Business.

### **5. ARGYLL AND BUTE HOUSING EMERGENCY**

#### **(a) Progress Report**

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing an update on progress towards intentions agreed by the Committee in June 2023 in response to the Housing Emergency in Argyll and Bute.

#### **Decision**

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee noted the activity and progress that was ongoing in pursuing the intentions agreed by the Committee in June 2023 which sought to address the Housing Emergency.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth dated October 2023, submitted)

#### **(b) Project Officer Resource**

The Committee gave consideration to a report proposing the allocation of a Project Officer to accelerate the progress of the interventions agreed by the Committee in June 2023 to address the Housing Emergency in Argyll and Bute.

#### **Decision**

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee agreed to recommend to the Policy and Resources Committee that the Council recruit a Project Officer to assist in accelerating the work to address the Housing Emergency, with funding for the post being drawn from the Council's Priorities Investment Fund.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth dated October 2023, submitted)



(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated November 2023, submitted)

**8. CEMETERY ASSET - ANNUAL REPORT**

The Committee gave consideration to a report providing an annual update on the current

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Roads and Infrastructure Services dated November 2023, submitted)

**11. ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE WORK PLAN**

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee work plan was before the Committee for noting.

**Decision**

The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee noted the content of the work plan.

(Reference: Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee work plan as at November 2023, submitted)