



## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

A meeting of the **HELENSBURGH & LOMOND AREA COMMITTEE** will be held **ON A HYBRID BASIS BY MICROSOFT TEAMS AND IN THE MARRIAGE SUITE IN THE HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND CIVIC CENTRE** on **TUESDAY, 14 MARCH 2023** at **9:30 AM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry  
Executive Director

## **BUSINESS**

- 1. APOLOGIES**
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 3. MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF THE HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND AREA COMMITTEE, HELD ON 13 DECEMBER 2022 (Pages 3 - 12)**
- 4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**10. HELENSBURGH, CARDROSS AND DUMBARTON CYCLEPATH UPDATE** (Pages 67 - 76)

Report by Executive Director with Responsibility for Development and Economic Growth

**11. APPOINTMENT TO GLASGOW**



### **Questions from Angela Anderson, Plastic Free Helensburgh /Time for Change Argyll and Bute**

Angela Anderson asked the Committee to ensure that anyone available attends the Climate Literacy Training. She also asked for Clarification on the Council's waste stream management and advised the Committee that Time for Change, Plastic Free Helensburgh and the GRAB Trust are collaborating to show The Oil Machine in the Tower Cinema and asked that as many people come as possible, adding that invitations would be sent to all Councillors.

### **Response from the Committee**

Councillor Penfold advised that the Carbon Literacy Training was great and added that some Councillors have said they would be happy to do it, if course is offered again. She advised that a response would be sought on behalf of Angela regarding the Waste Stream Management.

### **Questions from Peter Brown, Helensburgh Community Council**

#### **Question 1**

Section 3.4 of the Waterfront Development Update states that the 2012 approved Masterplan "agreed that the former pool area within the waterfront site would be developed primarily for commercial use". This is incorrect and, as per the diagram from the 2012 Masterplan it can be seen that the footprint of the former pool is in fact primarily to be used for landscaping/playpark/skatepark. Does the Committee agree that the subject of this paper is actually the "grey area" of the Leisure Centre development plan, which is significantly more than the site of the former pool?

### **Response from Head of Commercial Services**

The Head of Commercial Services advised that he had slides as part of Item 14 that also illustrated the retail/commercial area that he would talk to later in Committee. He said it is correct that the Masterplan shows retail area further over to the right of the section of the area next which is not subject of any planning consent and overall does form part of the demolished pool. Mr McLaughlin advised that they are now progressing with a large scale regeneration site which is now largely complete and what cannot be disputed is the fact that the majority of the remainder of the site was part of the old pool and as per later item is the subject of the proposed marketing exercise.

#### **Question 2**

Section 3.7 of the Waterfront Development Update states that "to dispel speculation there is no 'done deal' or proposition to build at the site at this stage". The author of this report, the Executive Director with responsibility for Commercial Services, was at a meeting with members of Helensburgh Community Council in August where a 2-storey building with retail frontage extending between Sinclair Street and Colquhoun Street was pictured on the pierhead site. We were shown a plan view of this building, along with 3-dimensional sketch views, and the plan was marked as created by Darton B3 in March 2022. This was clearly a "proposition" for the site that the Council had procured, yet from the Minutes of the Helensburgh & Lomond Area Committee meetings, the Committee had not given direction that this was to be created. Can the Committee answer why that plan was

created, why it has not been made public, and whether that is actually the proposition that Avison Young are to market?

### **Response from Committee/Head of Commercial Services**

Councillor Penfold advised that as far as she knew the plan was created to show what could be done in that area and was not a proposition. The Head of Commercial Services confirmed that the plan which had been presented at the meeting with the Community Council and Councillors was a desk based mock up to show what could be possible on the site. Mr McLaughlin advised that there is no done deal and that the report later on the agenda asks for agreement to take forward the marketing of the site.

### **Question 3**

Section 3.6 of the Waterfront Development Update states that the Full Business Case for the Leisure Centre was "underpinned by forecast future income / capital receipt from commercially developing the remaining plot abutting West Clyde Street". The cost of the leisure centre, which the Council approved is £23M. Within that figure, the Council has

had not had prior sight of the question and would take advice from others, but he advised that it would be the intention to update the studies from 2011.

### **Question 5**

The Conclusion of the Waterfront Development Update states that the "site is of strategic importance to the council and to Helensburgh". Yet for such an important site to the community, the only time that community consultation is mentioned is as part of a future planning application. The last time the community was consulted on the "grey area" site by the Council was January 2012, at which they rejected the proposed 2011 Masterplan because 55% did not want a large supermarket on the pierhead. In the 10 years since the community were asked for their views, the local and national commercial landscape has shifted seismically - Waitrose built their supermarket in 2013, there have been hundreds of houses added to Helensburgh, online retail is now 36% of all shopping, and we are at present in a cost of living crisis. The Committee is being asked to agree to market the site without asking the community what they want for this site, and so if Marks and Spencers, or Lidl, or B&M are the highest bidders then they are the people who will have a say in this prime site rather than the residents. Does the Committee agree that this site, the centrepiece of Helensburgh, deserves better than to be sold to the highest bidder, and that instead the community's views should be sought before a marketing brief is prepared?

### **Response from Head of Commercial Services/Committee**

The Head of Commercial Services advised that the grey area is a designated site within the adopted local development plan which has had consultation. Mr McLaughlin advised that the community would be consulted once the marketing exercise has been completed and there is an idea in terms of what the propositions for the site might be. This would give a degree of realism and move things forward.

Councillor Penfold agreed with Mr McLaughlin that they needed to wait and see what interest in the site comes forward as a result of the marketing exercise.

## **5. POLICE**

Seymour Adams, Vice Chair of the Cultural Heritage and Arts Assembly for the Argyll and Isles presented the annual review for 2021-22 to the Committee. The presentation provided information on their current achievements; what they have planned in Helensburgh for the next year and the CHARTS infrastructure and the way in which they have used the Council Grant this year. Seymour advised that there is a particular focus on youth engagement and providing opportunities for young people such as gaining a range of qualifications.

### **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee noted the contents of the presentation and information provided.

(Reference: Presentation by Seymour Adams, CHARTS)

## **7. AREA PERFORMANCE REPORT - FQ2 2022/23**

The Committee considered the Area Performance Report for Financial Quarter 2 2022/23 (July to September 2022) which illustrated the agreed performance measures.

### **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee:-

1. noted and considered the performance and supporting commentary as presented;
2. noted that upon receipt of the Quarterly Performance Report the Area Committee should contact either the Responsible Named Officer or Sonya Thomas with any queries; and
3. noted that work is ongoing and to respond to Sonya Thomas with requests or comments regarding the layout and format of the Performance Report and Scorecard.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Customer Support Services, dated 20 October, submitted)

## **8. PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE PROJECT, COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE**

The Corporate Support Manager provided a short presentation on the Performance Excellence project. He outlined the findings of the Council's Best Value Audit which took place in 2020 and highlighted key points from the Best Value Improvement Action Plan. Mr Green advised that as a result of recommendations agreed by Council in September 2021, a new suite of Corporate Outcome Indicators will be reported on annually and that other improvements to the system were underway. He outlined the new hierarchy of performance reporting and confirmed that the Pyramid system previously used for performance reporting will be decommissioned by the end of this financial year.

### **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee agreed to note the contents of the presentation and information provided.





1. noted the successful delivery of the new Helensburgh Leisure Centre, car parking, public realm and landscaping as it nears completion along with improvements to the pier;
2. noted that the skatepark equipment will be reinstated as part of the current works and that further discussions will be undertaken with the group regarding incorporating the skatepark into the next phase of the development;

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee Workplan was before members for information.

### **Decision**

The Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee noted the contents of the Workplan.

(Reference: Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee Workplan dated 13 December 2022)

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recognise that care experienced young people should be listened to and supported to prevent them being unnecessarily criminalised and from being exposed to risk and harm. Some children may be 'not at home' for a short period of time before returning. Sometimes children stay out longer than agreed, either on purpose or accidentally, and may be testing boundaries. This kind of boundary testing is well within the range of normal teenage behaviour and is not necessarily considered a risk. Police Scotland receive a number of calls relating to missing persons, often relating to care experienced young people who have not returned home, however their whereabouts are known by their care provider and they are believed to be safe and well.

The Not At Home Protocol has the following aims:

- To meet the needs of our care experienced children and young persons
- To ensure a proportionate and risk assessed response to missing episodes
- To reduce the likelihood of escalation of behaviour with unnecessary police contact

Where there are good grounds to believe that a child's absence is careless or deliberate, and there is no apparent risk to the child and/or public it is permissible to have a single agency response and there is no need for the police to be contacted. If that risk becomes intolerable to the carer, consideration should be given to reporting the child missing to Police Scotland, generating a multi agency response.

Local Authorities, care providers and Police all play a vital role in the prevention, response, support and protection of children when they are missing. It is recognised that looked after children who go missing from care homes are particularly vulnerable as they can be targeted and may lack direct support or supervision from close family members.

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# Performance Reporting

Performance Reporting BDC / TT1





All Areas

FQ3 2022/23 Overall Performance Summary



## Corporate Outcome No.1 – People live active, healthier and independent lives

### COI – Percentage of clients satisfied that they are better able to deal with their financial problems following our support and intervention

This indicator is a Corporate Outcome Indicator that is reported quarterly. The performance presented is Council-wide only.

| Reporting Period | Target | Actual | Status |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | 100%   | 100%   | Green  |
| FQ1 2022/23      | 100%   | 100%   | Green  |
| FQ2 2022/23      | 100%   | 100%   | Green  |
| FQ3 2022/23      | 100%   | 100%   | Green  |

This indicator for FQ3 has met the target with no change in performance since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

All of the clients provided with a Personal Debt Recovery Action Plan were satisfied. Out of 11 surveys issued 11 were returned showing 100% of clients satisfied. 4 of the 11 survey returns had comments showing their appreciation of the service and how it had helped them.

Responsible person: Lee Roberts

## Corporate Outcome No.2 – People live in safer and stronger communities

### Number of parking penalty notices issued – Helensburgh and Lomond

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual | Status    | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | No target | 760    | No target |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | No target | 1,411  | No target |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | No target | 1,303  | No target |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | No target | 779    | No target |                                   |

The indicator for FQ3 shows the number of parking penalty notices has decreased significantly since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

Helensburgh Pier car park has no restrictions at this time. Free parking at Christmas time extended from two weeks to 16 days.

Responsible person: Hugh O'Neill

### Number of parking penalty notices issued – Argyll and Bute

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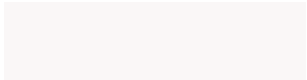
## Corporate Outcome No.2 – People live in safer and stronger communities

### Car parking income to date – Helensburgh and Lomond

Performance is presented cumulatively for both Area and Council

Car parking income to date – Argyll and Bute

Performance is presented cumulatively for both Area and Council-wide levels.



## Corporate Outcome No.2 – People live in safer and stronger communities

### Dog fouling – total number of complaints – Helensburgh and Lomond

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual | Status    | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | No target | 18     | No target |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | No target | 13     | No target |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | No target | 7      | No target |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | No target | 7      | No target |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 shows the number of dog fouling complaints has remained the same since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

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**Corporate Outcome No.3 – Children and young people have the best possible start**



## Corporate Outcome No.4 – Education, skills and training maximises opportunities for all

### Maximise the percentage of 16-19 years olds participating in education, training or employment – Helensburgh and Lomond

| Reporting Period | Target | Actual | Status | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | 94.00% | 92.79% | Red    |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | 94.00% | 92.88% | Red    |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | 94.00% | 95.48% | Green  |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | 94.00% | 93.76% | Red    |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 is below target and performance has decreased since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

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**Corporate Outcome No.5 – Our economy is diverse and thriving****Number of affordable social sector new builds completed per annum – Helensburgh and Lomond**

| Reporting Period | Target | Actual | Status |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | 0      | 0      | Green  |
| FQ1 2022/23      | 0      | 0      | Green  |
| FQ2 2022/23      | 0      | 0      | Green  |
| FQ3 2022/23      | 0      | 0      | Green  |

Oban, Lorn and The Isles – Link Group Development at Dunbeg:

## Corporate Outcome No.5 – Our economy is diverse and thriving

### Percentage of pre-planning application enquiries processed within 20 working days – Helensburgh and Lomond

| Reporting Period | Target | Actual | Status | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | 75.0%  | 41.4%  | Red    |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | 75.0%  | 45.5%  | Red    |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | 75.0%  | 36.8%  | Red    |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | 75.0%  | 45.5%  | Red    |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 is below target however performance has improved since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

The team processed 45.5% of pre-applications enquiries within 20 working days against a target of 75%. That said, resource was diverted to an extremely high number (64) of Telecommunication Notifications [TELNOT] requiring processing by this team. As this application type is not reportable in Scottish Government performance statistics, it is not recorded in Pyramid despite being an ad hoc resource intensive activity.

Responsible person: Peter Bain

#### Percentage of pre-

## Corporate Outcome No.5 – Our economy is diverse and thriving

### Householder planning applications – average number of weeks to determine – Helensburgh and Lomond

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual     | Status | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|-----------|------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | 8.0 weeks | 17.1 weeks | Red    |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | 8.0 weeks | 9.8 weeks  | Red    |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | 8.0 weeks | 14.8 weeks | Red    |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | 8.0 weeks | 12.7 weeks | Red    |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 has not met the target however performance has improved since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

*This measure only relates to planning applications received for alterations to existing premises.*

A disappointing average turnaround time of 12.7 weeks was posted by this team in FQ3, though it is an improvement on the previous FQ (14.8 weeks). Three applications took around six months to determine. That said, resource was diverted to an extremely high number (64) of Telecommunication Notifications [TELNOT] requiring processing by this team – these were applications which required to be responded to within a 28 day period and took priority and was resource intensive. As this application type is not reportable in Scottish Government performance statistics, it is not recorded in Pyramid despite being a drain on resource. Responsible person: Peter Bain

### Householder planning applications – average number of weeks to determine – Argyll and Bute

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual     | Status | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|-----------|------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | 8.0 weeks | 13.8 weeks | Red    |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | 8.0 weeks | 12.4 weeks | Red    |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | 8.0 weeks | 13.1 weeks | Red    |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | 8.0 weeks | 12.0 weeks | Red    |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 has not met the target however performance has improved since the last reporting period.



**Corporate Outcome No.5 – Our economy is diverse and thriving**

COI – The number of new homeless applicants who required temporary accommodation this period

**Corporate Outcome No.5 – Our economy is diverse and thriving**

**COI – Maintain the percentage of local suppliers that benefit from the awards of contracts via the procurement portal**

This indicator is a Corporate Outcome Indicator that is reported quarterly. The performance presented is Council-wide only.

| Reporting Period | Target | Actual |
|------------------|--------|--------|
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**Corporate Outcome No.5 – Our economy is diverse and thriving****COI – Increase the number of community benefits that are delivered through contracts we award locally**

This indicator is a Corporate Outcome Indicator that is reported quarterly. The performance presented is Council-wide only.

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual | Status    |
|------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | No target | 40     | No target |
| FQ1 2022/23      | No target | -      | No target |

## Corporate Outcome No.6 – We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth

### Street lighting – percentage of faults repaired within 10 days – Helensburgh and Lomond

| Reporting Period | Target | Actual | Status | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| F                | 75%    | 12%    | Red    |                                   |

### The percentage of street lighting faults are completed within 10 working days – Argyll and Bute

| Reporting Period | Target | Actual | Status | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | 75%    | 28%    | Red    |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | 75%    | 29%    | Red    |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | 75%    | 48%    | Red    |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | 75%    | 30%    | Red    |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 is below target and performance has decreased significantly since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

We provide a network of almost 15,000 streetlights across the Council area which is maintained by a team of 3 full time electricians and 1 apprentice electrician. In this last quarter we had 383 reported faults which means the performance in terms of the p

## Corporate Outcome No.6 – We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth

### Total number of complaints regarding waste collection – Helensburgh and Lomond

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual | Status    | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | No target | 29     | No target |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | No target | 32     | No target |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | No target | 33     | No target |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | No target | 23     | No target |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 shows the number of waste collection complaints has decreased since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

The Helensburgh/Lomond area received 23 waste collection complaints this quarter which is down on the 33 received last quarter. This is a good level of service considering there have been some operational and staffing issues.

Responsible person: Tom Murphy

### Total number of complaints regarding waste collection – Argyll and Bute

## Corporate Outcome No.6 – We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth

### COI – Percentage of waste recycled, composted and recovered

Performance is presented by Council-wide service provision.

| Reporting Period | Target | Actual | Status | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | 45.0%  | 48.3%  | Green  |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | 45.0%  | 52.1%  | Green  |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | 45.0%  | 50.5%  | Green  |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | 45.0%  | 56.7%  | Green  |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 is above target and performance has increased since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

56.7% recycling/composting and recovery (39.7% recycling composting and 17.0% recovery). Recovery is higher than normal this quarter due to a trial by Renewi (formerly Shanks), who have taken some residual general waste for disposal from their Moleigh (by Oban) and Dalinlongart (by Dunoon) facilities to an energy from waste (EFW) plant near Edinburgh. This has reduced landfill overall and has more than offset the reduction in recovery from the Helensburgh and Lomond area following on from The Scottish Government Landfill Tax Abatement Order (which commenced from 1st July 2022), whereby Barr Environmental no longer carry out any recovery from mixed residual general waste.

Responsible person: John Blake

### Shanks – Percentage of waste recycled, composted and recovered

Performance is presented by Council-wide service provision.

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual | Status    | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | No target | 49.7%  | No target |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | No target | 54.4%  | No target |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | No target | 58.1%  | No target |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | No target | 67.4%  | No target |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 shows the percentage of waste recycled has increased since the last reporting period.

**FQ3 Comment**

67.4.% recycling/composting and recovery (40.0% recycling/composting and 27.4% recovery). Recovery is higher than normal this quarter due to a trial by Renewi (formerly Shanks), who have taken some residual general waste for disposal from their Moleigh (by Oban) and Dalinlongart (by Dunoon) facilities to an energy from waste (EFW) plant near Edinburgh.

Responsible person: John Blake

**Islands – Percentage of waste recycled, composted and recovered**

Performance is presented by Council-wide service provision.

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual | Status    | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | No target | 38.4%  | No target |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | No target | 33.3%  | No target |                                   |
|                  |           |        |           |                                   |

## H&L – Percentage of waste recycled, composted and recovered

Performance is presented by Council-wide service provision.

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual | Status    | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | No target | 48.9%  | No target |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | No target | 53.6%  | No target |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | No target | 41.0%  | No target |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | No target | 37.5%  | No target |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 shows the percentage of waste recycled has decreased since the last reporting period.

### FQ3 Comment

37.5% recycling/composting and recovery (37.5% recycling/composting and 0% recovery). Following a Scottish Government Landfill Tax Abatement Order (which commenced from 1st July 2022), Barr Environmental no longer carry out any recovery from mixed general waste delivered to them from Helensburgh and Lomond area. Year to date figures for H&L are 43.5% recycling/composting and recovery (40.6% recycling/composting and 2.9% recovery).

Responsible person: John Blake

## Corporate Outcome No.6

**Corporate Outcome No.6 – We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth**

## Making It Happen

### Teacher sickness absence – Helensburgh and Lomond

| Reporting Period | Target    | Actual    | Status    | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | No target | 1.71 days | No target |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | No target | 1.81 days | No target |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | No target | 0.64 days | No target |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | No target | 1.14 days | No target |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 shows the number of sickness absence days has

Performance trend over the period

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## Making It Happen

### COI – Increase the percentage of all self-service automated contacts

This indicator is a Corporate Outcome Indicator that is reported quarterly. The performance presented is Council-wide only.

| Reporting Period | Target | Actual | Status | Performance trend over the period |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| FQ4 2021/22      | 70.0%  | 73.1%  | Green  |                                   |
| FQ1 2022/23      | 70.0%  | 79.4%  | Green  |                                   |
| FQ2 2022/23      | 70.0%  | 75.4%  | Green  |                                   |
| FQ3 2022/23      | 70.0%  | 72.5%  | Green  |                                   |

This indicator for FQ3 is above target however performance has decreased since the last reporting period.

#### FQ3 Comment

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### **3.0 DETAIL**

- 3.1 Roads and Infrastructure Services provides Members with weekly briefings on topical service activities which are all available [here](#).
- 3.2 As part of the resources on the new Member Zone system there are various key documents available in an online library [here](#).

### **4.0 CONCLUSION**

- 4.1 This report provides links to existing published information on service activities and provides for the opportunity for Officer attendance and engagement at committee meetings.

### **5.0 IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Policy – none
- 5.2 Financial – none
- 5.3 Legal – none
- 5.4 HR – none known
- 5.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:
  - 5.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics – none known
  - 5.5.2 Socio-economic Duty – none known
  - 5.5.3 Islands – none known
- 5.6. Climate Change – none

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**HOUSING SERVICES ACTIVITY UPDATE - STRATEGIC HOUSING  
INVESTMENT PLAN (SHIP) – ANNUAL UPDATE**

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**1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The main purpose of this report is to update Members of Housing Services activity and the delivery of the Local Housing Strategy within the Helensburgh & Lomond area. This report will detail the following housing activity:-

Housing Need and Demand  
Homelessness  
Affordable Housing Supply - Strategic Housing Investment Programme (SHIP)  
Empty Homes  
Private Sector Housing Grant Adaptations  
Private Sector Housing Grant Repairs and Improvements  
Energy Efficiency - Home Energy Efficiency Programme: Area Based Scheme(HEEP:ABS)  
Local Housing Strategy

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 Members are asked to consider the content of the report.









## Rough Sleeping

Helensburgh and Lomond experienced an increase in the incidence of rough sleeping over the same period last year, with 5 cases (+1) in total across the area reporting that they slept rough the night preceding their presentation and 6 (+2) reporting that they had slept rough in the 3 months preceding their homeless application.

| AREA                   | Number of Rough Sleepers in 2021/22 |                               |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                        | Night Before Application            | 3 Months Prior to Application |
| Helensburgh and Lomond | 5                                   | 6                             |
| Argyll & Bute          | 17                                  | 28                            |





## Self-Catering Properties

As at 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 there were there were **190** self-catering lets on the Rates register in the Helensburgh & Lomond area **8%** of the Argyll and Bute total (2,321).

### 5.6 PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING GRANT – ADAPTATIONS

In 2021/22, there were 21 private sector properties adapted with PSHG aid in Helensburgh & Lomond, and a total of 25 individual adaptations installed.

### 5.7 PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING GRANT – REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS

In 2021/22, there were a total of 8 PSHG repair and improvement grants completed in Helensburgh & Lomond, (across Argyll and Bute, the total was 19). Total cost of the works was £85,031.17 of which PSHG covered £23,896.70. This was 49% of the total repair grant awarded for Argyll & Bute last year.

### 5.8 ENERGY EFFICIENCY (HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMME: AREA BASED SCHEME HEEP: ABS)

There were 252 energy efficiency measures installed across Argyll and Bute in 2020/21 via the HEEPS: ABS programme; and 40 (16%) were in the Helensburgh & Lomond administrative area.

In total, 36 properties were improved across the Helensburgh and Lomond area, at a total cost of £157,367. Grant aid in support of this work amounted to £148,758, almost 95% of the total costs.

Current estimates of Fuel Poverty are based on Home Analytics data (Scottish figure sourced from Scottish House Condition Survey):-

| Area                 | Likelihood of Households in |                      |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
|                      | Fuel Poverty                | Extreme Fuel Poverty |
| Helensburgh & Lomond | 20%                         | 4%                   |
| Argyll and Bute      | 27%                         | 15%                  |

## 5.9 Local Housing Strategy (LHS) 2022-2027

As the strategic housing authority for Argyll and Bute, the Council has a statutory duty to develop, implement and monitor a Local Housing Strategy over a five-year planning cycle, based on a robust and credible Housing Need and Demand Assessment (HNDA) for the area. Following completion of the previous Argyll and Bute LHS (2016-2021) last year, a comprehensive revision and update of the strategy has been approved by the council and is due to be formally launched in March 2022. The planning process was based on a robust process of consultation and stakeholder engagement, which has been acknowledged as an exemplar model for other local authorities by the Scottish Government, the CHMA, and the Scottish Housing Network LHS Forum.

The revised HNDA was approved as “robust and credible” by the Scottish Government’s CHMA in 2021, and this has informed the revised Housing Supply Targets set out in the new LHS. These targets are based on a positive demographic and economic growth scenario for Argyll & Bute and include ambitious and challenging Housing Supply Targets for the Helensburgh & Lomond HMA over the next 5 years and beyond. Progress with these targets and the new LHS Action Plan will be reported on an annual basis to this area committee.

## 6.0 CONCLUSION

- 6.1 This report provides the detail of the Council Housing Services team activity and an overview of the progress achieved with the Local Housing Strategy Action Plan in the Helensburgh & Lomond housing market area. There are a variety of housing issues within the area which are being tackled by Housing Services and partner agencies with the aim of delivering a functioning housing system which meets the needs of the communities we serve.

## 7.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Policy - Complies with approved SHIP and Local Housing Strategy.
- 7.2 Financial - none arising from this report.
- 7.3 Legal - we have a statutory duty to deliver statutory housing functions
- 7.4 HR – none.
- 7.5 Fairer Scotland Duty: positive in terms of delivering affordable housing.
  - 7.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics - none
  - 7.5.2 Socio-economic Duty - positive in terms of delivering affordable housing.
  - 7.5.3 Islands – positive in terms of delivering affordable housing on



**APPENDIX 1 –**

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DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC  
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14 March 2023

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## Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton Cyclepath Update

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### 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1. This report updates Members on the progress made since the previous report to the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee on 13 December 2022 in relation to the delivery of a dedicated, high quality walking and cycle route linking Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton.

1.2. Officers have approved five (5)ve6( )-34(l)35(i)-27(n) 9DeceDu6ss (5)ve6(33 TETBT1 0 0 1 1



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## Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton Cyclepath Update

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### 2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1. This report updates Members of the progress made since the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee on 13 December 2022 in relation to the delivery of a dedicated, high quality walking and cycle route linking Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton.
- 2.2. Full details of the project, including previous progress is available in the project update reports previously presented to this Committee.

### 3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1. It is recommended that the Helensburgh and Lomond members:
  - 3.1.1. Note the agreement of five change requests from WSP at an additional cost of £28,538.97, taking the total cost of WSPs work to £253,427.96. This additional cost is covered by externally secured funding.
  - 3.1.2. Welcome the progress made by WSP towards completing their work package by 31 March 2023.
  - 3.1.3. Note that some elements of work will require to be completed separately during summer 2023 to finalise the full package required for construction.
  - 3.1.4. Note the current tender exercise for a design consultant to commence work on the section of route linking Morrisons Supermarket to Helensburgh Town Centre/Waterfront.

### 4.0 DETAIL

#### Finances

- 4.1. **Design (Phase 1 Colgrain to Cardross & Phase 2 Cardross to Dumbarton).** Officers have approved five (5) change requests from WSP, resulting in a cost increase of £28,538.97, taking the total cost of WSPs work to £253,427.96. This additional cost can be accommodated within the externally secured funding for this work. Funding for the design development has been secured from the Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) Capital Programme and Transport Scotland Places for Everyone (PFE) programme. The Transport Scotland PFE programme, funded by the Scottish Government, is a highly competitive



- 4.7. **Phase 1 & 2 Technical Design** (stage 4) engineering design has been commenced by WSP in line with their programme to complete their work on the design by 31 March 2023. This work package includes further landowner engagement with regard to design detail. Subsequent to WSP's work further elements which will require to be undertaken during summer 2023 to complete the design package required for construction. This includes ground investigation (GI) surveys, ecology surveys which can only be undertaken during summer months, a quality review of the design work undertaken by WSP and submission of planning application and related statutory permissions.
- 4.8. **Phase 3 (Helensburgh Town) Concept Design** (stage 0 – 2) will commence on completion of the procurement exercise required to appoint a design consultant. This is for the initial design stages of route identification and concept design, and will include significant community engagement to ensure the route links the most appropriate locations and best serve community needs.

### **Construction (stage 5): Cardross Station to Geilston Burn**

- 4.9. The [redacted] have completed work in the Cardross Park including fencing, bollards and signage. This completes work on the Cardross Park side of the Geilston Burn. To protect the public, the bridge over the Geilston Burn has been fenced off until access is agreed to further land on the west side of the Burn to construct the path through to an accessible destination.

### **Programme**

- 4.10. **Appendix 1** provides the current programme of the key stages and forecast timescales for each section of the Phase 1: Helensburgh to Cardross section of the Cyclepath; Phase 2: Cardross to Dumbarton; and, Phase 3: Helensburgh: Hermitage Academy to Town Centre.

## **5.0 CONCLUSION**

- 5.1. Completion of the Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton Cyclepath will provide a dedicated, high quality, accessible walking and cycle route linking Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton. This route will provide opportunities for all in the Helensburgh – Cardross – Dumbarton corridor to travel more sustainably and actively by walking and cycling. This will provide a safe alternative to having to use a private car to travel between these communities. Funding for these works has been secured from our key active travel partners with further bids being developed to enable the construction of further sections of the cycleway following completion of design work and as and when land acquisition has been concluded.
- 5.2. The delivery of the Helensburgh – Cardross – Dumbarton Cyclepath is dependent on securing highly competitive external challenge funding, 410.03 289.03 Tm(C)-27

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**6.8. Customer Services**                      None.

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13 February 2023

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**Appendix 1: Helensburgh, Cardross & Dumbarton Cyclepath Programme**

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Committee****Legal and Regulatory Support****14 March 2023**

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**Appointment to Glasgow Airport Consultative Committee**

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**1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The Area Committee made appointments to various outside bodies and organisations at the meeting held on 14 June 2022. Councillor Paterson has advised that he will be resigning his position on the Glasgow Airport Consultative Committee with effect from the end of January 2023.
- 1.2 The Area Committee is asked to consider the appointment of an Elected Member to be the Council representative on the Glasgow Airport Consultative Committee.

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**Helensburgh and Lomond Area  
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**Legal and Regulatory Support**

**14 March 2023**

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**Appointment to Glasgow Airport Consultative Committee**

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**2.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 2.1 The Area Committee made appointments to various outside bodies and organisations at the meeting held on 14 June 2022. The Council has been advised that the substantive Member, Councillor Paterson, has resigned from this appointment as of January 2023. Historically the substantive appointment has come from the Helensburgh and Lomond area and the substitute appointment from Bute and Cowal.

**3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 The Area Committee is asked to consider the appointment of an Elected Member to be the Council representative on the Glasgow Airport Consultative Committee.

**4.0 DETAIL**

- 4.1 The Glasgow Airport Consultative Committee requires the Council to appoint one substantive Member and one substitute Member. Meetings are normally held at Glasgow Airport and take place on a quarterly basis in the months of January, April, July and October. Further information on the role and remit can be found here [Consultative Committee | Glasgow Airport](#)
- 4.2 Any appointment made will be until the next Local Government Elections scheduled for May 2027.

**5.0 CONCLUSION**

- 5.1 This report advises the Area Committee of the current situation in regard to the Glasgow Airport Consultative Committee and asks Members to consider ma

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6.4 HR none

6.5 Fairer Scotland Duty none

6.5.1 Equalities protect characteristics none

6.5.2 Socio-economic Duty none

6.5.3 Islands none

6.6 Climate Change none

6.7 Risk none

6.8 Customer Service none

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**31 January 2023**

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| 14 March 2023  | Quarterly Performance Scorecard FQ3 2022/23 |  | Jane Fowler/Sonya Thomas<br>Performance and Improvement | Quarterly Report                       | 17 February 2023                       |                    |
| 14 March 2023  | Roads and Infrastructure                    |  |                                                         |                                        |                                        |                    |





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