# **ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**

# **Policy and Resources Committee**

**Development and Infrastructure** 

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# 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 The Argyll and Bute Council 2016-17 Budget included an announcement of a £3 million

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#### 2.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 The Argyll and Bute Council 2016-17 Budget included an announcement of a £3 million area regeneration fund to be focused upon Lochgilphead, Ardrishaig, Tarbert and the surrounding areas. Policy and Resources Committee confirmed criteria and objectives for the funding, including the area of focus and the desire to deliver a small number of larger projects during its meeting on 12 May 2016. Following the principles set down in the Policy and Resources Committee decision a number of potential projects have been identified and an assessment process undertaken.

#### 3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Members of the Policy and Resources Committee are asked to:
  - 1. Note the projects shortlisted by the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee detailed at paragraph 4.2.;
  - 2. Approve development funding of up to £250,000 to undertake the feasibility and initial design works, as set out in paragraph 4.2 to 4.4 to enable outline business cases to be developed for the shortlisted projects agreed by the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee on 7 December 2016.

### 4.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 There has been an excellent response in discussions with community organisations about the potential projects with a good number of projects put forward. The Tarbert and Lochgilphead Regeneration Fund is however limited and has a specific focus and criteria; it cannot therefore deliver all of the projects put forward. The process of gathering potential projects and assessing them against the criteria confirmed by Policy and Resources Committee in May 2016 is detailed in the report to the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Island (MAKI) Area Committee on 7 December 2016, which appears later on the agenda.
- 4.2 The MAKI Area Committee's decision will be reported at the Policy and Resources Committee however it should be noted that 11 projects were agreed by the MAKI committee for further investigation:

Community	Project Ref.	Project
Tarbert	T02	Barmore Road (A83)/Garvel Road junction improvement
	T10	Pavement/public realm improvements
	T07	Indoor bowling facility/sports hub
	T11	Harbour facilities

Lochgilphead	LA01	Ardrishaig – Lochgilphead Cycling Link
	LA10	Lochgilphead Front Green
	LA11	Argyll Street
	LA20	MAC Pool Redevelopment
	LA13	Ardrishaig North Public Realm
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- 6.3 Legal none at this time.
- 6.4 HR staff within the Economic Development and Strategic Transportation Service will administer the fund on behalf of the MAKI Area Committee.