### **ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**

# MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE & THE ISLANDS AREA COMMITTEE

**COMMERCIAL SERVICES** 

2<sup>nd</sup> JUNE 2021

**PROPERTY UPDATE** 

### 3.0 INTRODUCTION

3.1 The purpose of this report is to provide members of the Area Committee with an update on property related projects

## 2) Kilmory Showground, Lochgilphead

Following the unsuccessful community asset transfer request for Kilmory Woodlands the council undertook to work with the groups involved to develop their projects. From this an area of ground at Kilmory Showground was identified as a potential location for Mid Argyll rugby club. Accordingly Estates have been working with the Social Enterprise Team to facilitate this proposal in consultation with Mid Argyll Agricultural Society.

### 3) 73 Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig

The former Building Standards office had been vacant for a number of years after it was declared surplus. It was decided to promote it more actively for lease leading to a sufficient level of interest to allow a closing date to be set for 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021. At the time of writing 2 offers have been received and following their assessment it is hoped that terms can be agreed to allow a lease to be concluded and another small business supported.

#### 4) Oakfield, Tarbert

Working with ACHA the Estates team have completed the sale of ground and arrangement of access rights to allow for the development of affordable housing while maintaining access to the core path network.

#### 5) Front Street, Inveraray

After the ground floor office was vacated by Visit Scotland and the first floor office marriage rooms were closed the Estates Team marketed the ground floor for lease. This led to a suitable offer from a local gift shop operator who t

- 6.9 Risk Properties being marketed may not be sold or the potential receipts may be reduced by site constraints. There could also be reputational risk from delays in disposals caused by unanticipated factors or from complaints from other parties affected by the developments.
- 6.10 Customer Service None

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