already been forthcoming from CPP partners, and we are now pursuing external funding sources to complete the planned budget.

The cost of a Project Manager post is estimated to be in the region of £120,000 over two years, which would include the salary of an appropriately qualified climate leader, associated employer costs, T&S costs, etc.

Subsequent to previous calls for funding contributions, we have two firm contributions from partners:

£20,000 NHS Highland - Argyll & Bute Health and Social Care Partnership £50,000 Argyll and Bute Council

We are extremely grateful to these partners for their contributions. However, we currently have a shortfall of £50,000 towards our target of £120,000.

The wider current financial difficulties mean that further contributions from partners are unlikely, and so are additionally looking at external funding sources for the remainder of the funding.

3.0 Summary

- 1. We propose producing a strategic Action Plan process as the best, and most thorough, way to address the climate emergency in Argyll and Bute.
- 2. We have an approved governance arrangement for the Climate Change Project Manager post.
- 3. We are continuing to pursue funding options for the project.