

WASTE MANAGEMENT

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The assurance map has identified Waste Management as an area where there may be a mismatch between the level of risk identified and the assurance provided to Committee. This is predominantly due to the Council being in the process of implementing a new waste strategy and the uncertainty being created by the Scottish Government's ban on landfilling Biodegradable

- 3.2 The Scottish Government has acknowledged the unique challenges faced by the council in complying with the ban. Scottish Government officials have given a commitment to work with Council Officers to assist in the development of a compliant solution in the form of a transition from landfill to recovery via energy from waste.
- 3.3 In December 2022, the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee agreed to pursue a derogation from the Scottish Government, from the implementation date of the Biodegradable Municipal Waste ban of 1 e PPP contract in September 2026.
- 3.4 The Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee gave consideration to a report in November 2023 providing an update on various meetings held with the Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity, Scottish Government officials and the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) regarding the derogation request. The full report can be viewed here: [Agenda for Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee on Thursday, 30 November 2023, 10:30 am - Argyll and Bute Council \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](#)
- 3.5 As per the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee report, officers continue to forthcoming the Council will need to make changes to the Renewi contract which will enable the remaining part of the Renewi contract to be compliant with the BMW ban.

4.0 CONCLUSION

