ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

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Participation requests – Annual report

2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 came into force on 1 April 2017 and part 3 of the Act provided a framework for the use of participation requests by community bodies, the intention being to enable communities to have more influence over services and decisions which affect them.
- 2.2 In line with the requirements of the Act, the Council has put in place a procedure which allows consideration of any requests made community bodies. The procedure and further information can be found on the Council's website at https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/find-out-more-about-participation-requests

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The DMT note the terms of the report.

4.0 DETAIL

- 4.1 The Act requires the Council to publish an annual report setting out
 - The number of requests received
 - The number of requests agreed and refused
 - The number of requests which resulted in changes to a public service provided by, or on behalf of, the public service authority
 - Any action taken by the public service authority to promote and support the use of participation requests
- 4.2 During the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018, the Council received 4 participation requests, all were agreed and details can be found on our website at the link detailed at 2.2.

Received from	Request details	Outcome
Blairmore Village	Introduction of	Discussion are
Trust	process to improve	ongoing to facilitate

The council continue
to work with the
community council on
implementing
improvements and
reviewing the plan

4.3 Promotion and Support - All information relating to participation requests is available on the Council's website https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/find-out-more-about-participation-requests

6.7 Customer Service - None

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