

**Rural Resettlement Fund**

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**1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1.1 The Argyll and Bute Council 2016-17 Budget included an announcement of a £500k Rural Resettlement Fund to help incentivise new residents and/or businesses to relocate to Argyll and Bute and help grow our population.

1.2 It is also intended that the Fund forms an integral part of the Argyll, Lomond and the Islands Rural Regeneration Initiative (ALIRRI) that will establish a programme of activity focused on achieving economic growth through a rising population throughout Argyll and Bute.

1.3 This report sets out proposed criteria for the Fund, timescales and governance

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**Development and Infrastructure**

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shorter term deliverables as the other funds associated with ALIRRI are likely to have a medium

## Governance

- 4.6 It is proposed that the governance arrangements for the Rural Regeneration Fund will be taken forward in a planned, transparent and accountable way following the principles of Prince 2 and managing Successful Programmes (MSP) principles. Note that the Executive Director for Development and Infrastructure will report to the Policy and Resources Committee on a regular basis as part of the reporting on the Argyll, Lomond and the Islands Rural Regeneration Initiative.

## **5.0 CONCLUSION**

- 5.1 The Argyll and Bute Council 2016-17 Budget included an announcement of a £500k Rural Resettlement Fund to help incentivise new residents and/or businesses to relocate to Argyll and Bute and help grow our population. This fund will form an important part of the Argyll, Lomond and the Islands Rural Regeneration Initiative that will form a programme of activity focused on achieving economic growth through a rising population. It is intended that EDST Officers develop a range of options for this Fund that can be considered by members at the August Policy and Resources Committee. The Fund is intended to be governed as part of the wider ALIRRI programme w23834260 7.85003.78399

Transportation Service will administer the fund on behalf of the