
ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

**BUTE AND COWAL AREA
COMMITTEE**

**ROADS AND
INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

1 JUNE 2021

ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES UPDATE

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 This report provides an

venue is in. Limited capacity at Crematorium limits this number to 18.

Capital Roads Reconstruction Programme

3.4 The proposed Roads Capital Programme was reported to the Environment,

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the flower beds across Argyll and Bute including in the Gardens at Arden Craig will continue to be planted, and the Gardens will remain open, the only difference being with flowers sourced externally.

- 3.16 The aviary and display glasshouses are being retained as these are integral parts of the Garden facility. The tearoom [which is currently vacant but has in the past been commercially leased] and the areas of polytunnels where the bedding plants are grown, will be repurposed, with the polytunnels used by the Council being decommissioned [a part of this area is already leased out]. The polytunnels will no longer be required to grow bedding plants for floral displays around the island as these plants will now be sourced externally as per the new policy position as a result of the agreed savings option. The future use of this part of the site remains to be seen it will be part of a marketing/disposal exercise, and will be advertised in the normal way.

Landslip on A886 near Strachan

- 3.17 Work is ongoing following the landslip on A886 at Strachan. A consultant has been engaged and a drone survey completed. Ground investigation was carried out in early Feb 2021 and preliminary designs being undertaken shortly after laboratory test results back from Ground Investigation.

Rothesay Pontoons

- 3.18 We remain committed to delivering the improvements to Rothesay Outer Harbour Berth Pontoons, and have plans in place, despite meeting some unexpected challenges. The rockhead in the harbour is higher than the levels indicated by the test boreholes and previous piling in the harbour, which found no rock above 30 metres, and so we had to remove the pile slight change to the layout of the pontoons and a trial pile will be set to see if the rockhead is deeper and the ground conditions in this location will permit driving of the piles.

Blairmore High Road Refuse Collections

- 3.19 Discussions with residents and landowners are ongoing to progress improvements to Blairmore High Road to enable kerbside refuse collections to continue from this private road.

4.0 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 This report gives a general update to local members on recent Roads and Infrastructure activities.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy various policies referred to within the body of the report
- 5.2 Financial none

5.3 Legal none known

5.4 HR none known

5.5 Fairer Scotland Duty: (please refer to guidance on Hub)

5.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics none known

5.5.2 Socio-economic Duty none known

5.5.3 Islands none known

5.6 Risk none known

5.7 Customer Service - none

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