

## ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES UPDATE

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### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report provides an update on Roads and Infrastructure Service activities in recent months.

### 2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Area Committee note and consider the contents of this report.

### 3.0 DETAIL

#### Response to Covid

- 3.1 Roads and Infrastructure Services continue with Covid precautions in place to reduce the spread. The service currently have several staff absent due to the virus and we hope they make a quick and full recovery.

#### Capital Roads Reconstruction Programme

- 3.2 This year Roads and Infrastructure Services are delivering one of the largest capital programmes in roads reconstruction which includes £10M worth of capital investment announced as part of the budget process in February, £1.29M of Strategic Timber Transport Funding and £900k of active travel and footway improvement schemes. Please see the full programme and details on progress here: [Roads Capital Programme \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/roads-capital-programme) In summary, the carriageway works are largely complete and works are underway with the footway programme.

#### Waste Strategy

- 3.3 Waste Strategy which is taking into consideration the BMW ban which comes into place at the end of 2025, the 25 year PPP contract with Renewi which ends in September 2026, the Deposit Return Scheme and the Household Waste Recycling Charter. Discussions continue with civil





charging points and innovative surfacing techniques which reduce the amount of waste and also the requirement for virgin aggregates.

5.7 Risk none known

5.8 Customer Service - none

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