ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL POLICY AND RESOURCES

COMMITTEE

DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

11 AUGUST

- a) That the Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth seeks suggestions for potential projects that would fit with the funds criteria and timeline from all Elected Members.
- b) That delegated authority be given to the Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth, in consultation with the Leader and Depute Leader of the Council, and Leader of the largest Opposition Group to agree expenditure on the projects that fit best for the 2022/23 allocation, following receipt of any suggestions.

4.0 DETAIL

4.1 The 2020 Programme for Government committed to establishing a Place Based Investment Programme (PBIP), linking and aligning place-based funding initiatives. Scottish Government confirmed that Local Government would be receiving a share of the PBIP funding over a

and projects must aim to:

link and align to place-based initiatives, and establish a coherent local framework to implement the Place Principle;

- 6.3 Legal None
- 6.4 HR Resourced from existing staff
- 6.5 Fairer Scotland Duty:
- 6.5.1 Equalities protected characteristics None
- 6.5.2 Socio-economic Duty The Fund will support local economies through placebased centre regeneration activity.
- 6.5.3 Islands The Fund will support island economies through place-based regeneration activity and has the potential to align with, and add value to, the Islands Infrastructure Investment Fund.
- 6.6. Risk In order for each PBI project to progress to delivery stage, a fully let contract must be in place by 31st March 2023. The projects will be continually monitored to ensure that funds can be reallocated to another Place Based Investment Fund project to avoid having to return any uncommitted funds to Scottish Government at this time.
- 6.7 Climate Change the projects deliver towards net zero and address Argyll and Bute's carbon footprint.
- 6.8 Customer Service None

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