

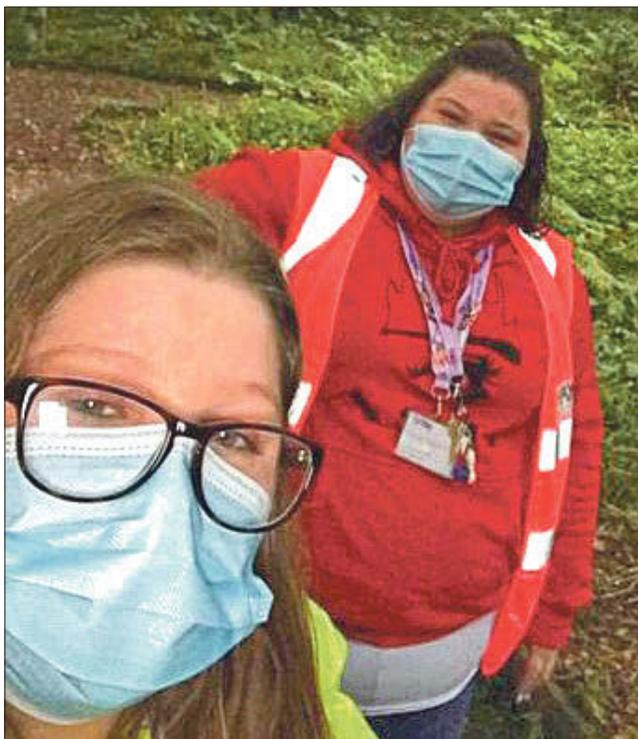
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Anger as TSB joins banking exodus from Mid Argyll



Youth workers can be seen out and about in their distinctive hi-vis tabards.

Street angels – here to help

With indoor activities limited in the current pandemic, Mid Argyll Youth Development Services (MAYDS) workers decided to get out and meet people.

Street MAYDS is a project funded by Argyll and Bute ADP and the Corra Foundation Partnership Drug Initiative, allowing outreach work across Mid Argyll and Islay.

MAYDS youth workers can be seen around the region engaging with young people by chatting, offering information or advice and helping ensure young people are safe – all the while adhering to social distancing and other requirements.

by Colin Cameron
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An accelerating move towards online banking is being blamed for the planned closure of Lochgilphead's TSB branch in the new year.

The Mid Argyll branch is one of 73 closures in the latest round of cuts, along with Campbeltown, Dunoon and Rothesay.

A TSB spokesperson said: 'These decisions are the most difficult we take, but we must always be guided by our customers and we are clearly witnessing a substantial shift towards digital banking.'

'We operate a more extensive branch network than most other banks in Scotland, including some much larger than TSB, and we need to reduce its size to reflect the changing needs of our customers and a fast-evolving operational environment. We are working to ensure the transition towards digital – which is being seen right across the economy – is

handled sensitively and pragmatically for our colleagues and customers.'

The move will result in the loss of around 300 jobs in Scotland, part of 900 job cuts across the UK. The TSB spokesperson said that 'some colleagues may move to take up other roles in the business while others may opt to take voluntary redundancy'.

Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell told the Advertiser this week: 'I am angry that once again a large, profitable organisation is withdrawing from this rural constituency purely because of cost cutting.'

'We need a fresh approach to our small towns and a fresh approach to our ambitions as an area and a nation. The TSB and the entire commercial sector need to help with that, not hinder it.'

There is concern that the move will hit older and vulnerable customers hardest.

Brian Sloan, chief executive of Age Scotland, said he was 'appalled' by the latest round

of closures. 'The relentless push towards online or telephone banking may be convenient for many, but it doesn't suit everyone,' explained Mr Sloan.

'We are urging banks to consider the needs of all their customers and not leave older people out in the cold. Instead of closing branches, they could look at creative solutions such as shared branches, with several banks sharing the cost of staff and premises.'

Highlands and Islands MSP Donald Cameron said: 'It is simply not the case that all bank customers are happy to bank online. That is particularly the case in communities in Argyll and Bute where we have a relatively large elderly population.'

Councillor Dougie Philand questioned whether any local consultation had taken place prior to the announcement, saying: 'The banks were bailed out by public money years ago and now should be supporting small fragile communities at this difficult time.'

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Designing the shop local message across Argyll

The impact of the coronavirus pandemic has placed a sharp focus on the urgent need to support local businesses.

With this in mind, a number of Argyll and Bute towns will be the spotlight of a new drive to encourage people to shop locally.

Argyll and Bute Council is taking advantage of Scottish Government funding, delivered through Scotland's Towns Partnership, to support eight towns to promote a shop local message with a unique poster.

In association with not-for-profit regeneration consultancy Community Links, the council will talk to local communities and businesses to generate artwork and messaging ideas to represent the distinct characteristics and offering of each town.

The towns involved - all currently without Business Improvement Districts - are Ardrishaig, Bowmore,



One of the eight towns to receive support is Lochgilphead.

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Campbeltown, Helensburgh, Lochgilphead, Rothesay, Tarbert and Tobermory.

Over the next few weeks there will be opportunities for communities and businesses to contribute their ideas for a poster campaign to encourage people to shop local.

Based on the views and ideas gathered, Community Links

will produce a brief for a designer, who will then produce a draft poster for each town and the banner for Argyll and Bute. Scotland's Towns Partnership funding will pay for the distinctive shop local posters.

Councillor Alastair Redman, policy lead for economic growth, said: 'We have fantas-

tic products on offer in Argyll and Bute, ranging from locally grown and reared produce to artisan crafts. Supporting our local businesses makes sense for our local economy and keeping people in jobs. I would urge as many people as possible to get involved.'

Community Links consultant Colin Duff said: 'We'd love to do this face to face, but because of COVID, it's going to have to be online and on the phone.'

'A website www.shoplocal-argyll-bute.co.uk will allow local people to keep up to date with opportunities to contribute.

'We're going to ask existing local organisations to help promote it through their networks and social media too.'

If anyone reading this wants to contact me, my email is colin@communitylinkssl.co.uk and my mobile number is 07784 357303.'

POLICE FILES

Tayvallich vandalism

Police are investigating after a pane of glass in the rear door of Tayvallich Parish Church was smashed sometime between noon on Wednesday September 16 and 5pm on Wednesday September 23. Witnesses or anyone with information is asked to contact officers on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

No insurance – vehicle seized

About 4.30pm on Thursday October 1, a van was stopped by police for a routine check on the A83 at Inveraray. Checks revealed there was no insurance or MOT in force for the vehicle. The driver, a man aged 57, was charged with the offences and the vehicle seized.

He was issued with a £300 fixed penalty ticket with six penalty points for the insurance offence and a £100 fixed penalty ticket for the MOT offence.

Minard sheep attack

A sheep was found badly injured at Garvachy Farm, Minard, and had to be euthanised after what is believed to be an attack by a dog between 10am and 3.30pm on Thursday October 1.

Police are investigating the incident and are appealing for witnesses or anyone with information to contact them on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Abusive conduct

At around 2pm on Saturday October 3, a woman and a man were allegedly involved in a disturbance on Oban Road, Lochgilphead. A man aged 28 and a 55-year-old woman were later charged with abusive conduct and each issued with a £40 fixed penalty ticket.

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Mid Argyll Music Festival 2021 has been cancelled

by Colin Cameron
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A second wave of event cancellations has begun as the pandemic persists into the autumn.

One of the first local events to make the difficult decision to cancel - just before the UK's coronavirus lockdown was imposed in March - was Mid Argyll Music Festival.

Now the 2021 festival has been called off.

The 2020 Mid Argyll Music Festival was due to have been held between Monday March 16 and Saturday March 21, but with number of confirmed cases of coronavirus in

Scotland standing at 121, with one COVID-19 related death at that point, it was decided the safest course of action would be to cancel.

Featuring vocal and instrumental competitions for ages from primary school to adult, the popular festival, which would have been the 41st, was anticipating a large entry of all ages.

But, with the virus still posing a threat to public health, the festival committee has now decided that in light of government restrictions it would not be practical or sensible to hold the 2021 event in March.

In a statement, Mid Argyll Music Festival committee said:



Campbeltown Brass performs at the festival in 2018.

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'Our festival administrator, Mrs Lorna Clark, joined a virtual meeting with other festival organisers and a representative of the British and International Federation of Festivals for Music, Dance and

Speech where the practicality and risks associated with holding a festival were discussed.

'The continuing threat posed by the pandemic and the ever-changing restrictions imposed by government plus the limitations created by social distancing meant it was not considered realistic to plan the event.

'Our apologies to everyone who regularly participates. It is hoped we will be in a position to hold our next festival in March 2022.'

Tarbert's Bella Derevyankin picks up silverware for the piano solo grade two class at the last festival in 2019.

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Ellen Morton.

Councillor Ellen Morton

Tributes have been paid to Councillor Ellen Morton, who died at the weekend.

Councillor Robin Currie, Leader of Argyll and Bute Council, said: 'It is with huge sadness that we learned of the death of Councillor Ellen Morton. Ellen worked tirelessly to benefit Argyll and Bute. She brought energy and passion to the debating chamber, was never afraid to speak her mind and focused unwaveringly on doing the best possible for our local communities. We will miss her. We send our heartfelt wishes to Ellen's family and, most especially, to our colleague Councillor Aileen Morton at this very sad time.'

Ellen Morton served as a councillor in Argyll and Bute for 21 years.

Pippa Milne, Chief Executive, added: 'Ellen never lost sight of the fact that things don't just happen, that progress depends on the hard work and commitment of our employees. She worked closely with employees in services across the council. Our thoughts and warmest wishes are with Councillor Aileen Morton and wider family.'

During her time as a councillor, Ellen served as deputy leader of the council, as spokesperson for education and sat on a number of council committees including social work and criminal justice and licensing.

A particular interest for her was economic development and infrastructure.

Her most recent senior political role with the council was policy lead and later deputy policy lead for roads, infrastructure services and special projects.



The Dochas Carer Centre

We are still here for you even though the Centre has to remain closed.

We provide a service to unpaid adult carers across Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Isles (MAKI). We have three teams:

- Support outreach worker team
- Qualified counselling team
- Volunteer befriending team

The Outreach/Support Team are maintaining regular contact with carers via telephone. Our team is providing a listening ear during this challenging time and we have been fortunate to receive additional funding to support carers and those they care for with creative solutions to help with their mental and emotional health while in isolation.

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We are available 10-4pm Monday to Friday. Contact number for the centre 01546 600 022. Email - enquiries@dochasfund.org.uk

Contact numbers for the outreach/support team
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The Volunteer Befriending Team

Our volunteer befriending service called Circle of Friends is continuing to run. Volunteers are maintaining contact with the individuals they are befriending by telephone. Our Co-ordinator, Ryan Taylor, continues to support this service. We are looking for more Telephone Befriending Volunteers. We would love to hear from you if you wish to help, please contact us on 0793 203 9801.

Dochas Counselling Team

The dedicated Counselling Team are currently offering online and telephone counselling to unpaid carers and their families, those who have been bereaved or those living with a long term or terminal condition. During the Covid-19 crisis, the Team have also set up a telephone support service for anyone feeling anxious or struggling during lockdown.

For further information or to arrange an appointment, please telephone Alison Whitefield, Lead Counsellor, on 07432 231217 or contact the service via counselling@dochasfund.org.uk or message the Dochas Facebook page. We are here to support you.



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We have regular information and updates on our facebook page mid Argyll youth development services.

Online support is also available on www.cool2talk.org.

Contact 07788900049 or fiona@mayds.org.uk lynn@mayds.org.uk

Work starts on new Kilmory centre for renewable parts

Work has started on the new Renewables Parts Limited base at Kilmory Business Park, Lochgilphead.

MacLeod Construction has started clearing the site for the custom-built, dedicated refurbishment centre for renewable parts throughout the UK.

Founder of Renewable Parts Ewan Anderson said: 'The new development in Lochgilphead shows our ongoing commitment to sustainability in the wind industry.'

'This new space is a significant step in our growth and will advance how we can help colleagues and partners in renewable energy meet their net-zero goals.'

'We are very pleased to be working with MacLeod Construction on this project. MacLeods have worked hard to provide a solution to our expanding business and tailor a building to our specific needs.'

Managing director of MacLeod Construction Kenny



MacLeod said: 'We are delighted to have Renewable Parts Limited as our first long-term anchor-client for the new busi-

ness park. Hopefully they are the first of many new tenants and industries.'

'We are working hard to de-

Back left: Michael Forbes, Renewable Parts Limited; centre, Ewan Anderson, Renewable Parts Limited; and, right, Kenny MacLeod, MacLeod Construction Limited.

liver sites as part of our master-plan for the business park and to keep jobs in Argyll. Ewan and the team at Renewable Parts Limited are committed to providing a dependable, reliable service. It's great to see a successful, UK-wide, business operating out of Argyll and we are glad to have them on board.'

It is anticipated work will be completed later this year.

Councillors to remain apart until next spring

Councillors in Argyll and Bute will go a full year without meeting in person after plans to continue virtual meetings until April were rubber-stamped.

But council chiefs have been urged to bring the technology they use up to date as technical hitches have regularly affected meetings held remotely.

Councillors were affected by connectivity issues during the meeting of the full council on Thursday September 24, including deputy provost Roddy McCuish, who was chairing the meeting.

Councillor Gordon Blair also lost his connection during a vote on the council's submission to the Boundary Commission, although his vote would not have changed the outcome.

The normal schedule of council and committee meetings will now resume – including the powerful policy and resources committee, which hasn't met since February.

The temporary 'business continuity committee', which has dealt with the council's most urgent business in the absence of regular meetings during the Covid-19 pandemic, will be suspended.

Councillor Rory Colville, who missed the start of the meeting, said: 'This morning the problem was at my end, with the lack of broadband width. If I use video conferencing I will lose my voice.'

All the council and committee meetings which have been held during lockdown have used the Skype platform, with councillors speaking via audio link only.

Despite a view among some elected members that an earlier assessment would be preferable, a motion by council leader Robin Currie to hold a review in April was carried by 21 votes to 12.

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Public asked for input to 11 options for new access to Argyll and Bute



Following recent landslips in the area, Transport Scotland is now taking forward the project development and assessment work required to deliver an alternative infrastructure option to the existing A83 at the Rest and Be Thankful.

This work underlines the Scottish Government's commitment to continued work with key stakeholders to ensure that Argyll and Bute remains open for business.

From today, please visit transport.gov.scot/A83options to see the eleven corridor options for the **Access to Argyll and Bute (A83) project** that are being considered as we work towards identifying a preferred route corridor in Spring 2021.

We are particularly interested in any local constraints or issues that will help inform our design and assessment work along with comments on the options under consideration.

The deadline for any comments is Friday 30 October 2020. Please take the chance to tell us what you think.

If you want a hard copy of the online material or have any questions, please email transportscotland@bigpartnership.co.uk or telephone **0333 880 6685**

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New Scottish Legislation for Fire and Smoke Alarms

Scottish legislation has changed. Introduced in February 2019, the change applies to all households in Scotland and must be met by February 2021. The new Scottish legislation states that an interlinked Fire and Smoke alarm system must be fitted in your property and that there should be adequate Carbon Monoxide protection.

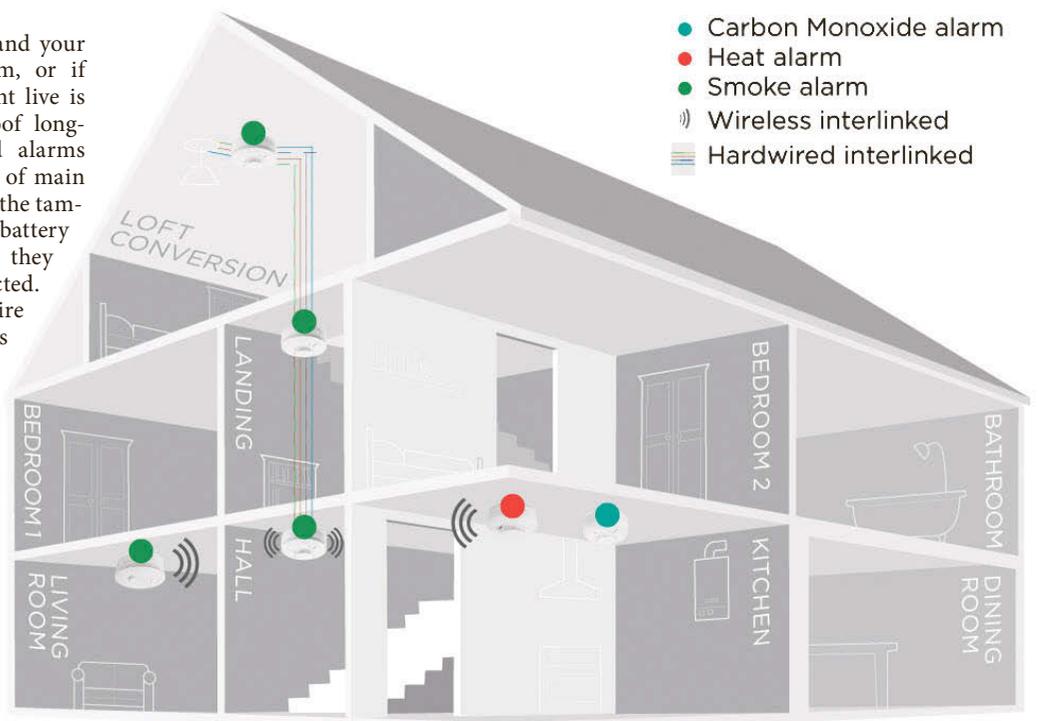
This legislative change to the Tolerable Standard covers all homes, both in the private and social housing sectors. The standard now requires a fully interlinked LD2 Fire and Smoke alarm system:

- One smoke alarm installed in the room most frequently used for general daytime living purposes
- One smoke alarm in every circulation space on each storey, such as hallways and landings
- One heat alarm installed in every kitchen

Fire and Smoke alarms must be interconnected and this can be achieved via traditional cabling methods or wirelessly. This new legislation also requires a Carbon Monoxide detector to be installed where there is a fuel-burning appliance (such as boilers, fires, heaters and stoves) or where there is a flue. Homeowners and landlords must comply to the new Scottish legislation by February 2021.

If you already have Fire and Smoke alarms installed in your property, check that they are interlinked. If you have an alarm system but it does not currently meet the new requirements, you can expand your system with wireless interconnection. By having an interlinked system, the whole alarm system will be triggered if one alarm is activated meaning you are alerted immediately in the event of a fire.

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LETTERS

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or The Editor, 44 Argyll Street, Lochgilphead PA31 8NB**Courage and imagination**

We read that TSB selected its cuts to ensure 94 per cent of customers in Scotland remain within 20 minutes of a branch.

Sounds reasonable, until you consider the sleight of hand with statistics.

This way of presenting figures means a focus on cities and urban areas. There is zero regard for the needs of a rural population, but statistically it sounds fantastic.

Yes, there is a move towards doing business online, but how refreshing would it be to see big business using some imagination. As many people have said, it is time to think differently about service provision in rural areas. The traditional model, hamstrung by the profit imperative for shareholders, is not working for Argyll.

Why not share premises, equipment and facilities? Could we be providing certain services ourselves and let big business scuttle off to the cities?

More positively, we read in this week's edition about the incredible efforts of people like Yvie and wee Rowan in Achnamara. Then there are the MAYDS workers helping young people, not to mention the heroism of Sally Logue in Norfolk.

If only our big business managers showed the same courage and enterprise.

An open letter to Michael Russell MSP and Brendan O'Hara MP

Dear Mr Russell and Mr O'Hara,

I write openly as most of the alleged A83 options are fanciful at best.

It is an insult to our intelligence this has got into print.

In the interests of brevity, and as I believe you will have already discounted much of this, I will not comment on each option individually.

The plan must be to replace a relatively short section of the A83 arterial route into Argyll and not to create an extensive scenic tourist route. Importantly, any implementation of many of these options would further delay the real solution in reconciling planning difficulties, dealing with multiple land owners, community interests and objections and feasibility studies.

The tourist and light traffic dimension is all important, but the essential lifeblood of Argyll – fuel, food and fodder inward and timber and seafood outward – are carried on lorries, the emissions and delivery time from all of which should not be unnecessarily increased.

Secondly, diverting the present traffic flow to go through Inverclyde or Helensburgh, Dunoon or Bute is a non-starter, as is the establishing of bridges or ferries to take the traffic into terrain traversed by the likes of the C9 or C11. Have a run to check that out and you will be amazed at the scenery but at a loss to understand why they appear as options. They all have engineering

nightmares of tight geometry and gradients worse than the old military road.

The cost of upgrading the A815 is not taken into account, while the mountainous areas of Glen Kinglas, Glen Fyne or towards Loch Sloy are similar in nature to the terrain around the problematic section of the A83, with the same rainfall pattern.

Putting the present road inside a concrete tunnel and allowing the slips to run over the top would make more sense than most of the supposed options, but I do not see that mentioned.

However, better and cheaper than that – and I'm pleased to see it listed as option one – is diverting the road up the other side of Glen Croe. There will be some problems, but there are engineering solutions to mitigate this. The existing forestry road has better gradient and geometry and has been used by 44 tonnes gross vehicle weight lorries.

To a lesser extent, that side of the glen has also had some land movement, but these slips have never been major as the hillside is less steep in profile.

Any new routes through north Cowal would encounter the same problems, so it is best to take the shortest bypass and build it to meet the demands of terrain and changing climate.

Hopefully not too much time and money will be spent considering non-viable options and progress can be achieved very soon, where only one land owner is involved – Forestry Commission, now Scottish Forestry and Land – which agreed to be part of the solution, about 10 years ago.

Ian Arnold, Strachur.

Unrealistic options

Sir,
Of the 11 routes proposed to replace the Rest, most of these are unrealistic and so costly they would never be considered.

The consequences of choosing a different route into Argyll other than through Glen Croe will cause havoc to some businesses and peoples' lives and this has to be a factor in choosing carefully.

What we need is a road through Glen Croe, and there are several possibilities:

- Encase the existing road so it acts like a tunnel and upgrade the forest road on the other side of Glen Croe so a two-way system would be in place should the A83 be closed.

- Build a road on the south side of Glen Croe with considerable engineering to support the road. The area is full of trees to soak up the rainwater and not so steep.

- Build an elevated road through the middle of Glen Croe. Not the cheapest way but with sympathetic architecture it could be an outstanding attraction.

Argyll is one of the most scenic places in the UK. A new, wider road would cause untold disruption, but a rail link would not. Tourists could travel comfortably by day; timber and other goods by night.

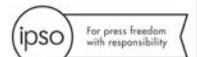
Derrick Anstee, Inveraray.

Focus on Glen Croe

Sir,
Following the recent news in the Argyllshire Advertiser regarding the 11 road alternatives,

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only the first option of upgrading the forestry road on the opposite of Glen Croe is economically attractive and feasible of delivery by Easter 2021.

As we all know, there have been no landslides on the south side of Glen Croe.

The other alternatives will be hugely expensive and unlikely to be delivered for many years to come. Many will be discounted on grounds of cost and other fundamental issues.

It would be good if everyone focused on the Glen Croe option and delivered it quickly.

J Robin Dixon, Cairnbaan.

A sensible solution

Sir,

As stated by Mr Dixon in the Argyllshire Advertiser, upgrading the Glen Croe forest road is an obvious solution. It is a never-ending job competing with the unstable slopes of Beinn Luibhean.

Argyll Timber Transport Group costed the upgrading of the existing forest road, which Mr Dixon thought was around £1.9 million at the time. My husband, Pat Thomas, was the Forestry Commission road engineer for SW Scotland and I remember he considered it was the sensible solution for what has proved to be an ongoing and serious problem.

Ann Thomas, Tarbert.

YOUR PICTURES



This week's featured photograph was sent to us by Ardrishaig reader Cheryl Ratcliffe-Nye. Cheryl said: "This magnificent Highland coo was staring wistfully towards Craobh Haven on the brightest of autumn

days, the sunlight highlighting the rich colour of her coat and rugged good looks.

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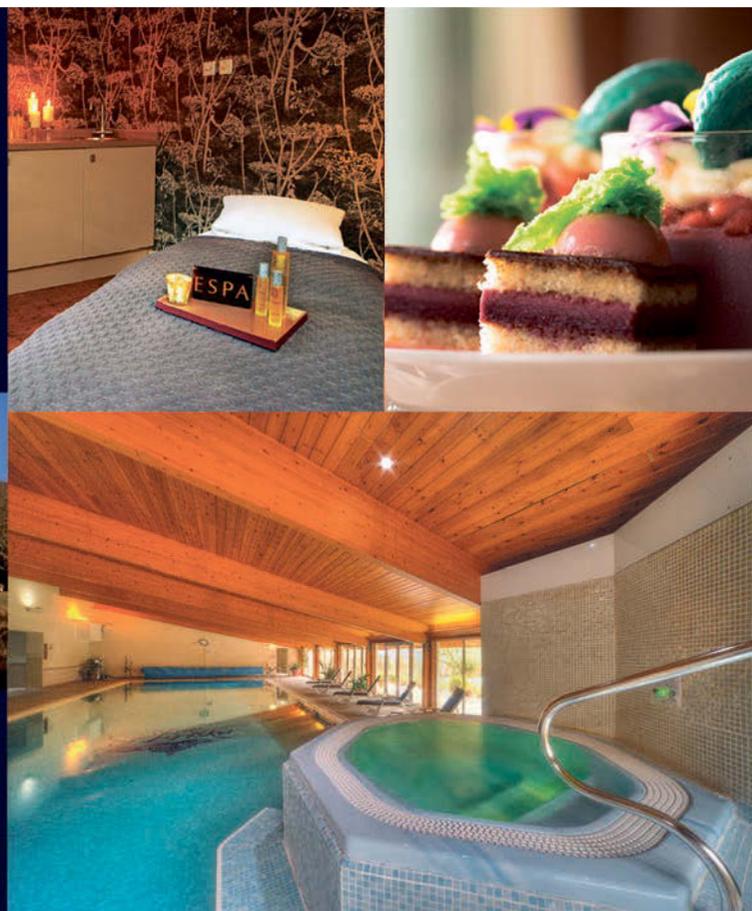
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Let's get ready for new

The way the UK does business with Europe changes from January 1, heralding a new start for the small and medium-sized companies. Let's get businesses ready to take advantage of new opportunities ...

A NEW year, a new start. The UK has left the EU and will leave the single market and customs union at the end of transition period on December 31 2020.

This means changes in the way the UK does business with Europe and companies need to be ready to make the most of new opportunities.

While the final form of that relationship is still being established in negotiations between the UK and the EU, there are important preparations that all businesses should be making now in order to head off potential problems.

The UK Government has put a range of support measures in place.

If you run a business, it is important that you check what you need to do now. To make the process easy the UK Government has set up the [gov.uk/transition](https://www.gov.uk/transition) website. Here you will find all the information, tools, advice and checklists you need.

It includes how to continue trading to and from the EU. These rules also apply to importing goods from the rest of the world.

You can find out how commodities – wine, hops, eggs, poultry meat, beef and veal, fruit and vegetables – meet the requirements for export to the EU from January 1 2021.

There is also information and what to do if your employees need a visa or work permit and whether they meet the professional requirements for the country they're travelling to.



SUPPORT MEASURES: The UK Government announced a £705 million funding package for border infrastructure, staffing and IT.

The site includes information for all business types including advanced manufacturing and services like aerospace and electronics, agriculture, animals, fisheries and forestry; business and personal services, charities and voluntary organisations, construction and environmental services, defence, entertainment, education, transport and tourism.

The UK Government has also implemented other measures including introducing new border controls in stages up until July 1 2021 and providing more than



The UK Government has put a range of support measures in place, including introducing new border controls, and providing more than £80 million to boost the capacity of the customs intermediary sector.

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It has announced a £705 million funding package for border infrastructure, staffing and IT to ensure border systems are fully operational when the UK takes back control of its border after the end of transition.

As well as the [gov.uk/transition](https://www.gov.uk/transition) website, trade associations, chambers of commerce and business support groups also offer valuable support.

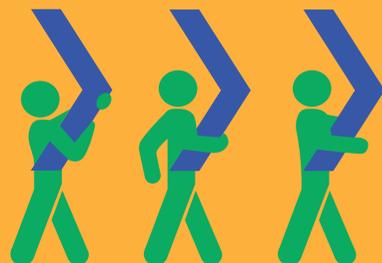
Now is the time to put the right preparations in place.

Ensure you are prepared

Make sure your business is ready for the end of transition period by visiting [gov.uk/transition](https://www.gov.uk/transition)

Check tariffs that will apply to goods you import at [gov.uk/guidance/uk-tariffs-from-1-january-2021](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/uk-tariffs-from-1-january-2021)

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Check, Change, Go

way of doing business



LOOKING AHEAD: REIDsteel Managing Director Simon Boyd is 'incredibly positive' about the new start.

'We aim to make the most of new opportunities'

One firm looking forward to new opportunities the new year will bring is John Reid & Sons Ltd (REIDsteel).

Managing Director Simon Boyd said: "We are incredibly positive about the new start, not only for our business but also for the UK economy. International trade is in the DNA of our company from its birth over a century ago to the modern day."

His £30 million turnover structural steel company has exported to more than 140 countries to date, directly employing 130 staff and at peak times providing work for 400 subcontractors.

"I believe it is a tremendous opportunity to restore British Standards to their rightful position as a hallmark of excellence worldwide while giving a shot in the arm to British manufacturing," continued the MD.

"We will be seeking to invest as a company and take full advantage of the benefits the new start will bring, allowing us to improve productivity, create jobs, grow our business, ultimately boosting the economy and Great Britain's place in the world."

REIDsteel is well versed in the

intricacies of trading in the European Union and worldwide, having drawn on its own expertise while also utilising UK Government resources such as the gov.uk/transition website for detailed planning to ensure business continuity in the days, weeks and months leading up to December 31 as well as for longer term strategic considerations.

REIDsteel has long-standing plans in place to capitalise on the benefits the new start will bring, including a multi-million-pound new manufacturing facility.

Mr Boyd said: "We immediately hit the go button on our long-held plans for a new manufacturing facility once the country voted to leave the EU. It will considerably boost the company's productivity, allow us to create more jobs, take our apprenticeship programme to the next level, provide more work for firms in our supply chain and grow our business."

"But, more than that, we see it is a vote of confidence in Great Britain. We are an ambitious company, both for ourselves and the country. This gives us the potential to achieve those ambitions."

REIDsteel has used home products for

most of its history but consolidated that in December when it made British Steel its primary supplier.

Mr Boyd continued: "We do trade in Europe, but not as much as we would like, as the bureaucracy and protectionism that has built up over many years can make it extremely difficult."

"The gov.uk/transition site does the hard work by identifying key issues of concern for individual businesses."

"Many businesses could be forgiven for wanting to switch off but it is critical that they engage," added Mr Boyd.

"It is not too late to get to grips with the issues involved, and the gov.uk/transition site is the best place to start."

"With its interactive format it will only

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We are an ambitious company, both for ourselves and the country. This gives us the potential to achieve those ambitions.

present the relevant issues affecting a business, which means a hard-pressed director or time-poor SME boss doesn't have to plough through reams of information.

"It serves as a checklist of issues to consider or address, but also has links to other government resources for relevant information."

"But, more than that, it can also serve as inspiration for potential business opportunities after transition or for ways to improve business efficiency or productivity."

"I would encourage all firms to view this move positively and take advantage of the support on offer from the UK Government."

To find out more about the UK's new start
go to [gov.uk/transition](https://www.gov.uk/transition)

Let's get going >

Rowan runs Achnamara for cancer research

'How can raising money make people better?'

It was while watching a television advert for Race for Life 2020 that nine-year-old Rowan Cockburn asked this astute question.

After mum Stella explained, Rowan decided to take part and run her own Achnamara Very 2020 Race For Life on Saturday

September 26 to raise funds and awareness for cancer research.

So, after signing up and ordering the t-shirt, an email to the Achnamara village hall email list and to family and other friends resulted in generous donations amounting to £560 being received.

Lochgilphead Primary School P5 pupil Rowan said: 'I

thought it would be more fun if people took part themselves as well as donating, either on my run from Achnamara to Ashfield and back, which is 5km, or their own run, but starting at their own time because of Covid.

'So on Saturday morning, friends came and cheered me at the start and then ran themselves. I was really excited and nervous as lots of neighbours stood and cheered me as I ran past then, further on the run, a friend stood at their gate and played cow bells. At the half way mark, Janet and Jackie put up bunting and took photographs.

'When I finished the run my friends, Charlotte, Eleanor, Emily and Jessica from Ardrishaig and Lochgilphead, were waiting to run with their family. It was nice they came to take part as well. Other friends

who donated ran at other times, as well as on Gigha and in their villages.

'Thank you everyone for making this lots of fun and for all the money you raised.'

After a year where vital cancer trials have been delayed, money raised by the Race for Life is more important than ever.

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Rowan decided to help raise money and awareness to fight cancer.



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Sally's a hidden gem in East Anglia

A paramedic from Tayvallich has been presented with a special 'Hidden Gem' award for an act of bravery and kindness while on duty.

Sally Logue, a senior paramedic with the East of England Ambulance Service, was nominated for the award after being commended by a detective inspector with Norfolk Police for exemplary service.

Her recognition came after spending several hours with a vulnerable patient attempting suicide at the top of a multi-storey car park, building rapport and eventually removing her from the prospect of serious harm.

Sally attended Tayvallich Primary School, Lochgilphead High School and Williamwood High School, Glasgow, before moving to Norwich to train as a lifeguard and beach lifeguard. Since then she spent a year travelling and working around Australia.

You may have seen Sally driving the skip lorry for Shanks or been one of her patients when she worked as a dental nurse when the surgery was in the centre of Lochgilphead. You may even have seen her



Sally receives her award from a senior colleague at East of England Ambulance Service.

working the Bellanoch Bridge in the spring of 2009 before she returned to Norwich that summer to take up her lifetime vocation to train as a paramedic.

Now a senior paramedic

teaching students and working on the front line, Sally has recently been seconded to work on quality assurance to improve the curriculum.

She said: 'I feel honoured to have helped the girl and proud

to have it recognised by the detective inspector.'

A spokesperson for East of England Ambulance Service said: 'A true act of bravery and kindness and Sally couldn't be more deserving of her award.'



One of the most eagerly anticipated autumn events has been called off. 06_a45LochgilpFireworks02

No Lochgilphead firework display amid pandemic

One of the most eagerly anticipated events in the Mid Argyll autumn calendar has been cancelled as a result of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

Around this time of October in previous years there would be activity on the Corran as members and friends of Mid Argyll Round Table built their bonfire.

With the bonfire night celebrations came a spectacular fireworks display and other attractions on Lochgilphead front green.

Colin MacFarlane of Mid Argyll Round Table said: 'It will probably come as no surprise, however, we can confirm this year's Mid Argyll Round Table Bonfire and Fireworks will not go ahead.'

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Chances for young jobless

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the UK Government has continued to act with speed to protect Scottish companies and safeguard jobs. The Kickstart scheme, currently underway, is one such way of getting the country's young people into a job. This is how the initiative works and who it is aimed at.

A NEW scheme to help young people in Scotland into work and boost the country's economic revival has been launched by the UK Government.

Businesses are now able to sign up to be part of the landmark £2billion Kickstart scheme, giving unemployed young people a future of opportunity and hope by creating high-quality, government-subsidised jobs.

Under the scheme, announced by Chancellor Rishi Sunak as part of his Plan for Jobs, Scottish employers can offer youngsters aged 16 to 24, who are claiming Universal Credit, a six-month work placement.

The Government will fully fund each Kickstart job by paying 100 per cent of the age-relevant National Minimum Wage, National Insurance and pension contributions for 25 hours a week.

Employers will be able to top up this wage, while the UK Government will also pay employers £1,500 to set up support and training for people on Kickstart placements, as well as helping pay for uniforms and other set up costs. The jobs will give young people – who are more likely to have been

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The scheme will open the door to a brighter future for a new generation, helping Scotland bounce back stronger as a country.

Useful links

Kickstart scheme

gov.uk/government/collections/kickstart-scheme

Job Retention

gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-job-retention-scheme

Working safely

gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19

furloughed, many working in sectors disproportionately hit by the pandemic – the opportunity to build their skills in the workplace and gain experience to improve their chances of finding long-term work.

The Chancellor said: “This isn't just about kickstarting our economy – it is an opportunity to kickstart the careers of thousands of young people who could otherwise be left behind as a result of the pandemic.”

The scheme will open the door to a brighter future for a new generation, helping Scotland bounce back stronger as a country.

Secretary of State for Scotland Alister Jack said: “The UK Government's Kickstart scheme will give young people in Scotland the support they need at this difficult time. The £2 billion Kickstart scheme will create thousands of high quality jobs for young people with the UK Government directly subsidising wages for six months. Young people will also get additional support through the Jobcentre network. I urge employers in Scotland to sign up to this.”

Businesses of all sizes looking to create quality jobs for young

KICKSTART:
Unemployed young people in Scotland are being given a future of opportunity and hope.



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people can apply and there is no cap on the number of places. Household names including Tesco and The Prince's Trust are among those who have already pledged to offer Kickstart jobs.

The scheme, being delivered by the Department for Work and Pensions, will initially be open until December 2021 with the option of being extended.

As part of the plan to support jobs, a Job Retention Bonus will be introduced to help firms keep furloughed workers. All Scottish employers will receive a one-off bonus of £1,000 for each furloughed employee who remains continuously employed through to the end of January 2021.

Employees must earn above the Lower Earnings Limit (£520 per month) on average between the end of the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and the end of January 2021 with payments made from February 2021.



Supporting business

Supporting business

are given a £2bn Kickstart



Winter Economy Plan

IN HIS Winter Economy Plan the Chancellor announced more measures to try to prevent mass job losses across the UK when the Jobs Retention Scheme ends at the end of October.

The three main pillars of the plan of the UK Government's new Job Support Scheme, expected to cost an estimated £500 million, are ...

■ Supporting viable jobs, making sure that employees must work

a third of their normal hours, paid as normal by the employer, with a top-up provided by the UK Government.

■ Six months of targeted support at firms that need it the most – mostly smaller and medium sized businesses – with larger firms allowed to apply if turnover has fallen.

■ Extending the existing self-employment grant as it currently stands.



OPPORTUNITY:
James Vargo, Chief Executive of DirectID

'A great chance to build momentum'

A Scottish company CEO praised the UK Government's Kickstart scheme as a "great opportunity".

James Vargo, Chief Executive of Edinburgh-based DirectID, hopes to take on 30 recruits thanks to the initiative.

His fintech firm, supplying bank data products to customers across more than 30 countries, has been operating for a decade.

Companies use DirectID to verify the identity of their customers or applicants, carry out regulatory and compliance checks such as Anti-Money Laundering and Know Your Customer, also assessing affordability and spending patterns.

DirectID connects to more than 13,000 banks globally, having customers across the UK, Europe and continental America.

It gives the user the ability to do more online, by taking trusted data in your bank account and using it to access additional services.

"The Kickstart scheme is a great opportunity," said Mr Vargo, originally from Vancouver, based in the UK for 24 years.

"We have actually just stretched ourselves and put in an application for 30 people".

He hoped they could entice other fintech companies to join the bid but, when that did not happen, "we decided to go for it any way and play our part."

DirectID already employs 25 people with company revenues having doubled this year, allowing the operation to more than double its workforce by taking on 30 job-seekers.

"There is a buzz around this kind of business right now and it is a good time to expand," he explained.

DirectID is using the Kickstart scheme to recruit across the board, including sales and marketing roles, data insights and data analysis positions.

Mr Vargo encouraged other Scottish firms to embrace the scheme, seeing it as an opportunity to build more momentum in fintech – one area that has increased amid the current pandemic.

The UK Government hopes that, after the six months, those on the scheme will become permanent staff.

"If we can use this to find some people, and it's all productive and effective, then absolutely we will look to keep them on," he added.

Fibre broadband could be available by Easter

More Argyll households and businesses can now upgrade to faster fibre broadband through the £463 million Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband (DSSB) rollout.

Across Argyll and Bute, around 35,000 homes and business can now connect to fibre broadband thanks to the DSSB programme, which is drawing to a close.

The latest homes to be connected in the villages of Kilcreggan and Luss have access to gigabit-capable full fibre networks.

Also known as Fibre-to-the-Premises or FTTP, the technology provides ultrafast broadband directly to local homes.

Across Scotland more than 950,000 premises have now been passed by the programme – with 5,078 new fibre street cabinets now live, offering broadband services at speeds up to 80Mbps. More than

16,730km of cable has been laid – including 400km of sub-sea cable.

More than 67 per cent of properties reached by the programme have now switched to faster fibre broadband.

Fibre technology offers fast and reliable connections at a range of speeds and there are many suppliers in the marketplace to choose from.

Sara Budge, DSSB programme director, said: 'Due to COVID-19, the way we work and live our lives has changed dramatically.

'The difference that having fibre broadband can make if you are working from home is remarkable.

'I'd urge everyone to take advantage of the faster speeds now available.

'There's lots of competition out there and people may find they could be surfing at much higher speeds at a similar cost to their current service, but the



More areas of Argyll can now access high speed fibre broadband.

key is for customers to contact one or more service providers to explore the options available to them, as upgrades to customers' broadband packages are not automatic.'

Delivered through Highlands and Islands Enterprise,

funding partners also include the UK Government through Building Digital UK, BT Group, local authorities and the EU via the European Regional Development Fund, with Openreach leading the build on the ground.

Argyll College hits out at 'misleading' union claims

Lecturers at Argyll College are in danger of compulsory redundancy, a union has claimed.

Teaching union the Educational Institute of Scotland (EIS) has also said two lecturers in the hairdressing SVQ at the Rotheras campus of Argyll College have lost their posts as the course is not regarded as financially viable.

The college, which has nine campuses across the council area, has branded the EIS statement 'inaccurate and highly misleading'.

A spokesperson for the EIS said: 'The college management has used the excuse that the number of students has to be offset against the rising staffing costs caused by the intention to sign up to the national bargaining framework.

'They have failed to show what marketing has been done for the course this year thereby failing to show they have attempted to increase student numbers.

'Under terms and conditions nationally agreed with trade unions, further education colleges in Scotland should have all lecturing staff on permanent contracts after two years continuous service, harmonised annual lecturing salaries, and have written fulltime or fractional contracts, instead of being on ad-hoc hourly rates of pay.

Argyll College has been financially supported by the Scottish Funding Council to shadow the national bargaining framework for the past three years, but has only now begun making the necessary changes to contracts.'

A spokesperson for Argyll College said: 'Like all public sector organisations, we are required to ensure public funds are spent effectively. This may mean that, from time to time, we decide to discontinue some courses.

'We are currently in consultation with a very small number of staff and we will follow the college's redundancy procedure and comply with all legal requirements as we move towards an outcome.'

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- 3 large garlic cloves, chopped
- 3cm piece fresh root ginger, peeled and chopped
- 120g prepared butternut squash, roughly chopped
- 50g dried red lentils
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1 tbsp cumin seeds
- ½ tbsp mild chilli powder
- 2 tbsp tomato purée
- 400g can chopped tomatoes
- 2 vegetable stock cubes, crumbled
- ½ x 400g can chickpeas, drained and rinsed
- 1 small red pepper, deseeded and sliced
- 1 small yellow pepper, deseeded and sliced
- 200g cauliflower, cut into small florets
- Lemon juice, to taste
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Method:

Put all the ingredients apart from the chickpeas, peppers, cauliflower and lemon juice in a large saucepan. Add 850ml boiling water and bring to the boil over a high heat. Reduce the heat to low, cover and simmer for 25 minutes or until the vegetables are soft.

1. Blitz until smooth using a stick blender (or use a food processor or liquidiser and return to the pan).
2. Add the chickpeas, peppers and cauliflower, cover again and simmer for 15-20 minutes or until the vegetables are cooked, stirring occasionally.
3. Season to taste with lemon juice, salt and pepper and serve hot. Enjoy!

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Yvie steps out through knee pain for breast cancer charity

Never one to stand still for too long, Lochgilhead's Yvie Young is at it again, raising money for a good cause.

Staff nurse Yvie, who went through breast cancer treatment two years ago, is in the second week of her 400,000 step challenge during October - also Breast Cancer Awareness

month - to raise money for the charity Breast Cancer Now.

In case you were wondering, 400,000 steps equates to approximately 180 miles, or around six miles a day.

Pressing on through the pain of a sore knee on Wednesday this week, Yvie had already reached 101,359 steps and £775

in donations. I'd love to get to £1,000,' said Yvie.

'The support I've had from the local community and surrounding areas since my breast cancer diagnosis has been amazing and they just keep on giving.

'Everyone's donations are so very much appreciated. I'm in awe of the generosity.'

Breast Cancer Now works to assist anyone affected by breast cancer the whole way through, providing support for today and hope for the future.

The charity says of every participant in the 400,000 step challenge, Yvie included: 'With every step taken and pound you raised, you're helping us to be there for people when they need us most - whether that's using world-class research to discover new, more effective treatments or helping someone cope with a diagnosis or supporting a loved one with our life-changing support services.

'Your support means the world to us and we simply couldn't do this vital work without you.'

You can support Yvie's 400,000 step challenge by visiting the Facebook page 'Yvie's 400,000 steps in October challenge for Breast Cancer Now' from where you can donate directly.



Breast Cancer Now supports anyone affected by breast cancer.



Yvie is one week into her month-long challenge.

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An ancient plague of locusts returns

For the first time in 15 years, enormous swarms of desert locusts (*Schistocerca gregaria*) have hit Africa and Asia, particularly affecting Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, India and Yemen.

So these countries are fighting two devastating plagues at once - SARS-Coronavirus-2 and locusts.

Mentioned in the Koran and the Bible and depicted on ancient Egyptian tombs, locusts have plagued the people of Asia, the Middle East and Africa on and off for millennia, ravaging crops and causing famine.

Locusts are short-horned grasshoppers that usually live a solitary life. But they are distinguished from their

grasshopper relatives by the ability to transform into gregarious, swarming locusts. When this change occurs, usually triggered by adverse weather conditions, the insects breed rapidly and form huge swarms typically containing 4-8 billion locusts.

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Moving speedily over long distances they devour vast quantities of vegetation, every day consuming the equivalent of the daily food ration for around 3.5 million people.

Present day locust control mainly consists of spraying insecticides from planes, but this is inadequate for the task and detrimental to other more kindly insects.

Why and how benign, sol-

itary grasshoppers turn into gregarious, swarming locusts is not known and despite threatening the lives of around 20 million people, research on the subject has been minimal. Fortunately, this has recently changed and researchers have made significant progress in understanding how these insects periodically become gregarious*.

The scientists isolated 35 compounds produced by migratory locusts and identified one among them, a pheromone called 4-vinylanisole (4VA), as particularly interesting.

When they crowded groups of 30 locusts into small cages, the insects produced 4VA within 24 hours, and this pheromone strongly attracted

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A desert locust. Photograph: Arpingstone.

other locusts regardless of age or sex, which soon gathered to form a swarm.

Further field trials using sticky boards bearing either 4VA or a control chemical con-

firmed the pheromone's specific ability to attract locusts.

This finding now points the way for novel control strategies. If 4VA is used to attract millions of locusts to a specific

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* Guo, X et al, Nature, 584, p584. 2020. Nature, 584, p497. 2020



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Around the markets

United Auctions sold 4,958 breeding and feeding sheep at Islay Auction Mart Friday October 2. At the sale 3,205 store lambs averaged £67.03 (+ £12.47). Blackface gimmers sold to £155 from K Wiggins, Lorgbaw Croft and mule ewe lambs sold to £200 from S Young, Bola Na Traigh. The ram section was topped by a Suffolk ram lamb from Jack McDonald realising £820. A strong force of buyers was in attendance and all classes of stock was easily sold to seller's advantage.

The following day, Saturday October 3, United Auctions sold 1,748 sheep of all classes at Dalmally Auction Mart. Some 1,096 lambs averaged £50.01 (+£14.87). A smaller show of lambs sold well. A good turnout of buyers ensured all stock was cleared at firm rates.

Islay - leading prices per head
- Store lambs - SuffX - £97.00,

Achnaclach; £91.00, Islay Estates; £90.00, Achnaclach; £90.00, £88.50, Islay Estates; £86.00, Dunlossit Keills; £85.50, Craigfad; £84.50, Islay Estates; £84.50, Craigfad; £84.00, Ardbeg; £84.00, Uiskentuie; £82.50, Lossit; £82.00, Octofad; £80.50, Ballimartin. TexX - £91.00, Blackrock; £87.00, Lower Cragabus; £84.50, Tallant; £84.00, Achnaclach; £84.00, Islay Estates; £83.00, Dunlossit Keills; £81.50, Grulinbeg; £80.50, Lossit. BFL - £70.00, 17 Mansefield. BeltX - £74.50, Carrabus. Chev - £81.00, Aoradh; £76.00, Croft 2 Port Mor; £74.00, Aoradh; £72.00, Coillabus Farm. Cross - £76.50, Ardbeg; £69.50, Carrabus; £69.00, Craigfad; £68.50, Carrabus; £67.00, £65.00, Duich; £65.00, Mansefield J G Ltd. Mule - £82.00, Ballytarsin; £82.00, Islay Estates; £80.00, 11 Charlotte Street. BF - £90.00, Uiskentuie; £83.00, Ballytarsin; £82.00, Uiskentuie; £79.00,

Lossit; £72.00, Kilchiaran; £69.00, Lossit; £67.00, Islay Estates; £63.00, Blackpark.

Feeding ewes - Suff - £109, Bola Na Traigh. BFL - £95, Coille Farm; £80.00, Ballachlaven. Tex - £154, £144, £100, Kilmeny; £100, Grulinbeg; £99, Achnaclach; £96, Octofad; £96, Claggan; £95, Blackrock; £93, Islay Estates; £90, Blackrock. Chev - £97, Aoradh; £93, £86, Cruach; £85, Aoradh. Cross - £69, Achnaclach; £64, Laggan. Mule - £92, Starchmill; £79, £78, Islay Estates. BF - £57.50, Bola Na Traigh.

Breeding sheep - Rams - Suff - £820, Bayview; £720, Coille. BFL - £620, Coille; £550, Ballachlaven. BeltX - £650, Westend. Tex - £700, £450, Westend.

Warranted ewes - Mule - £82, Mansefield JG Ltd. BF - £82, Kelsay; £80, Lorgbaw Croft; £80, £76, Viewfield; £75, Starchmill.

Gimmers - Mule - £150, £120, Lorgba. BF - £155, Lorgbaw.

Ewe lambs - Mule - £200, £130, Bola Na Traigh; £118,

Smaladh; £105, Ballytarsin; £102, Smaladh. Tex - £107, Kilmeny. BF - £72, Smaladh; £62, Dunlossit Ceannacroic.

Prices per kilo - Store lambs - SuffX - 237p, Islay Estates; 222p, Sannaigmore; 219p, Octofad; 214p, Islay Estates; 214p, Viewfield; 213p, Smaladh; 208p, Octofad; 205p, Achnaclach; 203p, Islay Estates; 202p, Carrabus; 201p, Islay Estates; 200p, Smaladh. TexX - 217p, Grulinbeg; 212p, Blackrock; 210p, Islay Estates; 209p, Lower Cragabus; 205p, 11 Charlotte Street; 203p, Mansefield J G Ltd; 202p, Laggan Properties. BeltX - 220p, Carrabus. Chev - 191p, Croft 2 Port Mor; 190p, Ardfarnal; 189p, Aoradh; 186p, Coille; 184p, Ardfarnal; 181p, Croft 2 Port Mor; 180p, Aoradh. Cross - 205p, 11 Charlotte Street; 204p, Craigfad; 194p, Carrabus; 191p, Craigfad. Mule - 204p, Smaladh; 192p, Kinndrochaid; 190p, Smaladh; 190p, Upper Cragabus Croft; 190p, Sannaigmore; 190p, Viewfield. BF - 176p, Islay Estates; 173p, Kilchiaran; 172p,

Dunlossit Ceannacroic; 172p, Kinnabus Farm; 172p, Lossit; 171p, Kelsay; 170p, Dunlossit Keills.

Dalmally - leading prices per head - Lambs - TexX - £69.00, Glenshero; £68.00, Blairmore; £66.00, Glenfeochan Estate; £60.50, Duncroisk; £60.00, High Balantyre; £60.00, Balnahard. BeltX - £62.00, Dall Farm. Chev - £65.50, Achnacreamore; £59.00, Glenshero; £54.50, Achnacreamore; £51.00, Glenshero. Cross - £72.50, Achnacreamore; £61.00, Ardchnonnel Farms; £60.50, Balliemore Farm; £57.00, Glenshero; £54.00, Balnahard. Mule - £70.00, Glenfeochan Estate; £58.00, Balnahard; £57.50, Garraron; £52.00, £51.00, Ederline Estate. BF - £69.50, Largie; £63.00, Castles Estate; £61.00, Birchfield; £60.50, Crubenbeg; £59.50, Glenfeochan; £59.00, Benmore; £54.50, Achnaba; £54.00, Sonachan; £50.50, Garraron. Ewe lambs - BF - £65.00, Achnaba; £50.00, Sonachan;

£50.00, Castles Estate. Gimmers - BF - £64.00, Musdale. Cross - £70.00, Ardchnonnel.

Warranted ewes - BF - £55.00, Tullochcan; £55.00, Craig. Cross - £55.00, Craig. Cast ewes - TexX - £54.00, Craig. Cross - £60.00, Balnahard; £52.00, Achnacarron. BF - £58.00, Achnacone; £55.00, Ederline Estate; £50.00, Ardchnonnel; £50.00, Castles Estate; £48.00, Barrachander.

Leading prices per kilo - Lambs - TexX - 213p, Duncroisk; 203p, Balnahard; 202p, Ederline Estate. BeltX - 225p, Dall Farm. Chev - 207p, Lochdochart; 202p, Garraron; 199p, Lochdochart; 190p, Achnacreamore; 190p, Glenshero. Cross - 200p, Glenshero; 195p, Ardchnonnel; 190p, Balnahard. Mule - 187p, Ederline Estate; 181p, Garraron. BF - 183p, Blairmore; 177p, Castles Estate; 176p, Benmore; 176p, Largie; 176p, Glenfeochan Estate; 175p, Crubenbeg; 175p, Achnaba.

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PEUGEOT has opened reservations for the new, full electric, e-Traveller, and has confirmed new specifications and features for the rest of the Traveller range. The new e-Traveller will arrive in UK showrooms in 2021, with the Traveller on sale now.

The new e-Traveller features a 50kWh battery and a 100kW (136hp) electric motor with 260Nm of torque. Under WLTP testing the new e-Traveller has a range of up to 143-miles (WLTP) from a single charge, with the battery guaranteed by an eight-year, 100,000 mile warranty. Three driving modes – ECO, NORMAL and POWER – allow drivers to optimise the range or performance from the battery to suit their journey.

Supporting up to 100kW rapid charging, an 80% charge will take just 30 minutes, all customers receive a free six-month subscription to POLAR, with a network of 7,000 public charging points.

The new e-Traveller is available in two body lengths, Standard and Long, and its modular configuration can accommo-

date up to eight passengers in comfort with a boot capacity of up to 1,500 litres. With removable second and third row seats, the e-Traveller has a maximum loadspace of up to 4,900 litres.

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The Traveller and new e-Traveller are available in Active and Allure trim levels, with both trim ranges updated for 2021. Active models feature 17-inch wheels, Rear Parking Sensors, Cruise Control and Twin Sliding Rear Doors as standard. Inside, a seven-inch capacitive colour touchscreen integrates the Mirror Screen® function enabling compatible Apple CarPlay™ and Android Auto smartphone applications. All versions offer excellent modularity and flexibility with the second and third row seats fully adjustable and removable. Allure trim adds Front and Rear Parking Sensors with



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Prices for the Traveller start at £37,430 for Standard length Active models.

David Peel, Managing Director of PEUGEOT UK, comment-

ed: “The new e-Traveller joins our growing line-up of electric vehicles. With no compromise in capability, it’s the perfect solution for fleet, business and private users looking to cut

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**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
A83 GLEN KINGLAS LANDSLIDE PREVENTION WORKS
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
DETERMINATION UNDER SECTION 55A OF THE ROADS (SCOTLAND)
ACT 1984**

The Scottish Ministers give notice that they have determined that project to form bunds to address landslide risk at the A83 Glen Kinglas is a relevant project within the meaning of section 55A of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 ("the 1984 Act") and falls within Annex II of Directive 2011/92/EU on the assessment of certain public and private projects on the environment, but that having regard to-

(a) the selection criteria contained in Annex III of that Directive, namely- the size and design of the whole project; the use of natural resources, in particular land, soil, water and biodiversity; the production of waste; pollution and nuisances; the risks to human health (for example due to water contamination or air pollution);

areas classified or protected under national legislation; Natura 2000 areas designated by Member States pursuant to Directive 92/43/EEC and Directive 2009/147/EC,

(b) the results of the Environmental Screening Assessment under section 55A(2) of the 1984 Act and site ecological surveys undertaken in August 2020 which determined that with mitigation measures in place, there will be no significant effects on the environment, and in particular, the Glen Etive and Glen Fyne Special Protection Area,

(c) the information set out in the Record of Determination dated 10 August 2020, available at <https://www.transport.gov.scot/media/48268/record-of-determination-a83-glen-kinglas-bund-formation.pdf>. the project does not require an Environmental Impact Assessment. The main reasons for the conclusion are:

(a) There will be a minor loss of some habitats which are ubiquitous in the wider area. Additionally, the areas that will be lost have been disturbed by grazing and are species-poor compared to typical examples of these habitats;

(b) The scheme does not lie within a densely populated area, sites of historical, archaeological or cultural significance or sites designated for their geology or soils;

(c) Consultation with Scottish Natural Heritage, Scottish Environment Protection Agency, Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park and Argyll Fisheries Trust has been undertaken. Mitigation measures were proposed and agreed and it is considered that following the implementation of the mitigation measures that significant environmental effects are not anticipated;

(d) Culvert works will be undertaken as prescribed in the licence obtained under The Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011.

The features of the project which are envisaged to avoid or prevent significant adverse effects on the environment are:

(a) Potential construction effects on local air quality, ecology, water quality, land use and landscape, and noise and vibration will be minimised through best practice working procedures and implementation of appropriate mitigation;

(b) Excavation material will be re-used on site where possible and materials for the bund formation will be sourced from nearby works on the A83;

(c) Delays to vehicle and non-vehicle road users will be mitigated through appropriate traffic management;

(d) Works will be commencing prior to the bird breeding season (March to August inclusive).

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A member of the staff of the Scottish Ministers
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**PRE-PLANNING APPLICATION COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENT
Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended); Regulation 7 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013;
Town and Country Planning (Miscellaneous Temporary Modifications)
(Coronavirus) (Scotland) Regulations 2020.**

Extraction, processing and despatch of sand and gravel at Aros Farm, Machrihanish Notice is hereby given that a pre-planning application community engagement event is to be held on behalf of McFadyens Contractors (Campbeltown) Ltd in respect of a proposal for the extraction, processing and despatch of sand and gravel at Aros Farm, Machrihanish.

In accordance with Scottish Government's current restrictions on public gatherings on account of Covid19, the event is scheduled to take place online on Monday 19th October between the hours of 4pm to 7pm. To access the consultation event please contact Tom Lewis in writing at Johnson Poole & Bloomer, 50 Speirs Wharf, Glasgow, G4 9TH or consultations@jpbScotland.co.uk or by telephone 0141 3311456.

The online consultation event will be attended by the project's lead planning consultant and a representative of the applicant who will be available to answer questions and provide any additional information or clarification as required.

Any persons wishing to make comments to the prospective applicant prior to the formal submission of the planning application to Argyll and Bute Council may do so by either:

(1) visiting the website at

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(2) contacting Tom Lewis in writing at Johnson Poole & Bloomer, 50 Speirs Wharf, Glasgow, G4 9TH or consultations@jpbScotland.co.uk or by telephone on 0141 3311456. All comments and questions should be submitted no later than Tuesday 10th November 2020.

Please note, comments made to the prospective applicant do not constitute representations to the Planning Authority. A further opportunity to make representations to Argyll and Bute Council will be available following formal submission of the planning application.

Further details about the proposals can be found at www.arosfarmquarry.co.uk; or requested by writing directly to Tom Lewis at Johnson Poole & Bloomer, 50 Speirs Wharf, Glasgow, G4 9TH or consultations@jpbScotland.co.uk or by telephone on 0141 3311456.

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PLANNING

The applications listed below together with the plans and other documents submitted with them may be viewed electronically through Argyll and Bute Council website at www.argyll-bute.gov.uk. Having regard to Schedule 6, Part 3, s10 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020, documents are only available to inspect electronically at this time. Customers requiring assistance can contact us by e-mail: planning.hq@argyll-bute.gov.uk or tel. 01546 605518.

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND)
REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1) ADVERT STATEMENT
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED), RELATED PLANNING
(LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997**

Ref. No.	Proposal	Site Address
20/01493/PP	Alterations and extensions to dwellinghouse, conversion of byre to form ancillary accommodation, formation of terraced areas, upgrade of access track, formation of new parking area and associated works	Dounie, Tayvallich, Lochgilphead, Argyll And Bute, PA31 8PH
20/01564/PP	Change of use of shop to residential flat	Penlea, Barmore Road, Tarbert, Argyll And Bute, PA29 6TW
20/01653/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse with integral garage, installation of septic tank and formation of access	Land North East Of Kildonald Cottage, Campbeltown, Argyll And Bute
20/01683/PPP	Renewal of planning permission in principle reference 17/00918/PPP (Site for the erection of a dwellinghouse)	Plot 1, Choille, Whitehouse, Argyll And Bute
20/01655/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse and detached garage, installation of sewage treatment system and formation of vehicular access	Land North East Of Wild Cat Lodge, Kilmichael Glen, Argyll And Bute
20/01447/PP	Engineering operations to form new access track and formation of access onto A83 trunk road (part retrospective)	Land North East Of Brenfield Lodge, Ardrishaig, Lochgilphead, Argyll And Bute
20/01399/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of vehicular access	Land West Of Glenramskill House, Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown, Argyll And Bute
20/01652/PP	Erection of dwellinghouse with detached garage and installation of air source heat pump	Land Adjacent To Tigh Na Croit (Plot 12), Whitehouse, Argyll And Bute

Written comments can be submitted online <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/find-and-comment-planning-applications> or to Argyll and Bute Council, Development Management, Kilmory Castle, Lochgilphead, Argyll, PA31 8RT within 21 days of this advert. Please quote the reference number in any correspondence. Any letter of representation the Council receives is considered a public document and will be published on our website. Anonymous or marked confidential correspondence will not be considered. A weekly list of all applications can be viewed on the Council's website. Customers are requested to use electronic communication where possible during the coronavirus pandemic as our ability to process postal mail is restricted.

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Thought for the Week
with Marilyn Shedden

Jeanne Emrich wrote: 'Dry seeds scatter from my hand into the wind. One clings as if to say: 'There is in me, something yet to be.'

We are like that seed, for within each of us is something that is yet to be.

There is always joy in new birth and how lovely it is to have two new baby boys in our community.

What is the something 'that is yet to be' in them?

Their world will be a very different place indeed.

What will our planet look like in 25 years or 50 years?

What animals and plants will have survived to enchant those who are babies now but will be young men and women in the future?

Gripped by a pandemic and the threat to our planet from global warming, we worry about the future of this new generation.

A generation that will be full of hope and promise and optimism, yet will have witnessed the demise of even more of creation in these next decades.

But maybe these babies will bring hope into the world. Maybe their generation will be the ones to save this beautiful planet from a head-on collision into destruction.

By 2050 there will be more plastic in the oceans than fish, more ice caps will have melted with an animal population decimated and more species teetering on the brink of extinction.

Can these babies do something about it? 'There is in me, something yet to be.'

Our hope, the future's hope, the planet's hope is on these little shoulders.

But we need to tell them, to encourage them, to educate them as they grow up about this beautiful creation.

I pray that the God spark in them will change the world.

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ISLE OF BUTE



Young people have a great time at Rothesay Youth Club.

CalMac Community Fund

Young people in Rothesay who attend a youth club funded by CalMac have described it as 'brilliant' and 'the best part of the week'.

An award of £2,000 from CalMac's Community Fund last year helped set up a regular Friday night club, which allowed children from across the island somewhere to go to relax and socialise.

Dorothy McDonald, director of Achievement Bute which runs the club, said: 'From conversations with the young people themselves and their parents, it is clear the club is highly valued on the island. It has allowed young people from all backgrounds to come together in a relaxed environment and create something that is truly their own.'

Now in its second year, the community fund is open to non-profit groups across the CalMac network for projects which have made a difference to local communities. Applications for the latest round are now open.

In 2019, the CalMac Community Fund supported 76 groups across the west coast, benefiting the lives of children and young people.

This year, the fund is seeking applications - for

awards between £500 and £2,000 - from organisations tackling social isolation, poor mental health, loneliness and/or poverty.

To apply, visit the CalMac website and search 'community fund application'.

ARGYLL AND BUTE

Road maintenance in Argyll and Bute

Focusing road maintenance on roads classed as 'amber' and 'red' is good practice and more cost-effective than leaving the road condition to deteriorate further.

This was one of the conclusions made by a review panel for Argyll and Bute Council's audit and scrutiny committee, which considered how the operations team prioritised roads maintenance work, how surfacing methods used were determined and what other technologies had been considered.

The review also found the way the council allocated revenue and capital budgets across the four council areas is reasonable, although thought could be given to providing additional weighting for island and remote rural areas where maintenance work is much more expensive and making sure developing the programme of works carries the right balance of data examination and professional judgement by engineers on the ground.

The reasons for using surface dressing as a leading treatment option are supported by other industry experts.

The council is exploring opportunities to work with other local authorities and having the chance to budget for more than one year at a time would help ensure better value when planning with suppliers.

The scrutiny panel, comprising independent chairman Martin Caldwell and councillors George Freeman and Richard Trail, gathered evidence from other local authorities, contractors, BEAR Scotland, Transport Scotland, the Improvement Service and council officers.

CAMPBELTOWN



One of the new signs in Campbeltown.

One-way system in Campbeltown

A one-way system arrived in Campbeltown town centre on Monday October 5 along with new parking and waiting restrictions.

Bolgam Street and Burnbank Street are among the streets to have one-way measures implemented by Argyll and Bute Council, with traffic working its way towards Kinloch Road.

Parts of Main Street and Longrow will also be subject to waiting restrictions, although some of them will be from 9am to 6pm.

The plans are designed to assist with social distancing during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, as well as encouraging people to walk or cycle as opposed to using their car.

The council was awarded £315,000 from the Spaces for People project in July to help councils implement such measures.

Campbeltown is the first of seven areas in Argyll and Bute to have its new measures confirmed by the council.

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BIRTH

GILMOUR - Calum and Sarah are delighted to announce the birth of their son Tommy Robert on October 1, 2020 at the RAH, Paisley. A little brother for Evie, grandson for Robert and Josie, Ardfern and Angus and Christine, Lochgilhead.

ENGAGEMENT

MACPHERSON - QUINN - Both families are delighted to announce the engagement, by a 'Hebridean Handfast' ceremony at the Famous Blacksmiths Shop, Gretna Green, of Tommy, Miller's Park, Saddell, eldest son of Tommy and Margaret Macpherson, Redland 5B, Dalintober to Lisa Jane, Glenbryn Parade, Belfast, third daughter of Mrs Valerie A. Quinn North Belfast.

GOLDEN WEDDING

MORRISON - MACVICAR - At St Columba Gaelic Church, Greenock on Friday October 9, 1970 Calum and Margaret were married by the Reverend Donald Morrison M.A. (the groom's father) assisted by the Reverend Archy MacVicar (the bride's uncle) and the Reverend Richard Snoddon (family friend).

DEATH

LECKIE - On October 2, 2020, peacefully at home with her family, Flora (Florrie) Campbell Leckie, née Sinclair, in her 92nd year, beloved wife of the late John and much loved mother of Janne and Irene, a dearly loved Gran and Great-Gran, sadly missed by all. Owing to current restrictions a private funeral service was held at Carrick Cemetery on October 8.

MCMILLAN - Peacefully at Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, on October 5, 2020, Archibald Graham McMillan (Archie) in his 86th year, 13 Meadowpark, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of the late Nan McMillan, much loved dad of Archie and Billy, father-in-law of Mhairi and Karen, loving granda of Graham, Stuart, Jennifer, Joanne and Robbie and great-granda to Lauren, Grace, Christina, Aimee and Liam. Funeral service private in line with current government guidelines. Archie's funeral will take place on Thursday, October 8. The cortege will leave the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church at 11.30 a.m. We

will turn left from the Church onto Longrow, heading to Aqualibrium Avenue, past the Cross and along the Dual Carriageway on our way to Kilkerran Cemetery. Anyone wishing to pay their last respects to Archie may do so along our route. Please remember to observe social distancing.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

BELL - Fraser and family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for the kind expressions of sympathy including cards, letters and flowers following the death of Sandra. Also for the amazing turn out of villagers on the A83. Thanks also to Rev. Robert MacLeod for his words of comfort at the graveside. The collection for Parkinson's UK raised the sum of £300.

CAMPBELL - Alice, Jan and all the family would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours in Park Terrace and Davaar Ave for their cards, flowers, hampers and phone calls received on the recent loss of Nicky. Thanks also to the district nurses who helped Nicky in his final days. To Kenny and staff at T. A Blair Ltd for their professionalism and help. To Rev W Crossan for a comforting service and lastly to all who came out to pay their respects to Nicky on route to Kilkerran Cemetery.

MACKINNON - The family of the late Connie MacKinnon would like to thank all relatives, friends, neighbours and work colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards, visits, messages and phone calls received following their recent sad loss. We are so grateful for the care and support given to Connie from all the members of staff involved at the Mid Argyll Community Hospital, and in particular Dr. Claire Harris, and the district nursing team of Barry, Joan and Kenza for their care and compassion not just to Connie, but to the whole family. Our heartfelt thanks are given to everyone who paid their respects on Tuesday, while the cortege made its way to Achnabreac Cemetery. Connie would have been so humbled by the turnout. We would also like to thank Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their professionalism and considerate arrangements with a special thank you to Cameron for a most personal and fitting tribute

to Connie; to Craig Lang for piping; and to Morna for the beautiful floral tributes. Donations received this far have raised over £300 for Secondary 1st (Breast Cancer).

MCCHEYNE - The family of the late William (Billy) Anderson McCheyne would like to thank all friends, neighbours and family who turned out to say farewell on Billy's last journey round Furnace. Our hearts go out to all the family who couldn't be there. Thanks to Mid Argyll hospital and community nurses for their care. A special thanks to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional arrangements and personal touches especially John Hunt who piped Billy to rest. Our sincere thanks to Rev Robert MacLeod for his prayers and comforting words at the graveside. To the community of Furnace, your kindness and compassion helped us through this difficult time and will always be remembered.

RALSTON - The family of the late Margaret (Maggie) Gemmell Barbour, would like to thank neighbours, relatives and friends for the lovely flowers, cards, baking and messages of sympathy received following mum's passing. We greatly appreciated the kind gesture of those who lined the route to the graveside. Special thanks to all the carers from Carers Direct, Carr Gomm, all the medical staff from Campbeltown Hospital, and especially Mandy and Fiona for taking such good care of mum over recent years. Thank you also to Rev. William Crossan for a comforting and fitting service. Finally, our grateful thanks to Kenneth Blair and staff for their professionalism and compassion shown to us.

SEMPLER - Callum's family would like to thank everyone for their beautiful flowers, cards, letters and phone calls received since Callum's passing and have found great comfort in the

lovely thoughts and memories that you have of him. Sincere thanks to the Beatson Hospital for their long term care of Callum also to Southend Surgery and Campbeltown Hospital. Special thanks to Marilyn Sheddin whose uplifting service and comforting words, love and support will stay in our hearts always and to Molly for playing the bagpipes at the graveside. Thank you to Frances and Ian for the wonderful catering at Callum's house. We would also like to show appreciation to the Blair family for accommodating Callum's wishes on the day and for their friendship with Callum over the years, you are Simply The Best. Huge thanks to every one of you who stood to pay your respects to Callum on the day of his funeral and special mention to Andrew's football team friends. As a family we found it very supportive and comforting to see so many of you there.

IN MEMORIAM

DAWSON - Jack, Mamie and Gladys, dearly loved, greatly missed.
- Bill Dawson and family.

HUNTER - Treasured memories of our dear mum and granny, Agnes, who passed away October 10, 1995.
Loved, missed and remembered every day Norma, Michelle, Alistair and all the family.

LIPPE - Precious memories of Feuna Margaret Kerr, who died October 9th 1992, age 26 years. Deep in our hearts is a picture Worth more than silver or gold. It is a picture of you dear Feuna, Whose memory will never grow old.
Love you always,
- Mum, Iona, John, Paul and Feuna.
Love you always Mum,
- Peter John xxx

MEIKLE - In loving memory of Drew who died October 9, 2016. Tread softly cause you tread on my dreams. Miss you lots Lambsy.
- Catherine Ann.

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Smashed glass left at Islay football pitch

Islay Youth Football Club has appealed to the culprits to stop leaving beer bottles and smashed glass at a pitch used by children.

Coaches at the youth football club have turned up to



Bottles have been thrown over the perimeter fence.

Bowmore football pitches on two recent Saturdays to find glass bottles - thrown over the four-metre-high perimeter fence - lying on the pitch along with broken glass.

On Saturday October 3, youth coach Allan Logan posted on the Islay Community Noticeboard Facebook page: 'On behalf of all the coaches and kids of Islay Youth Football Club we would like to ask whoever thinks it's cool to be smashing glass bottles up at Bowmore football pitches and surrounding areas - it's not cool and if you see this post we ask you politely to stop.'

He added: '...the broken glass is obviously a safety hazard for children playing football and this means we have to clean up bottles/broken glass and scan every metre of the pitch for any

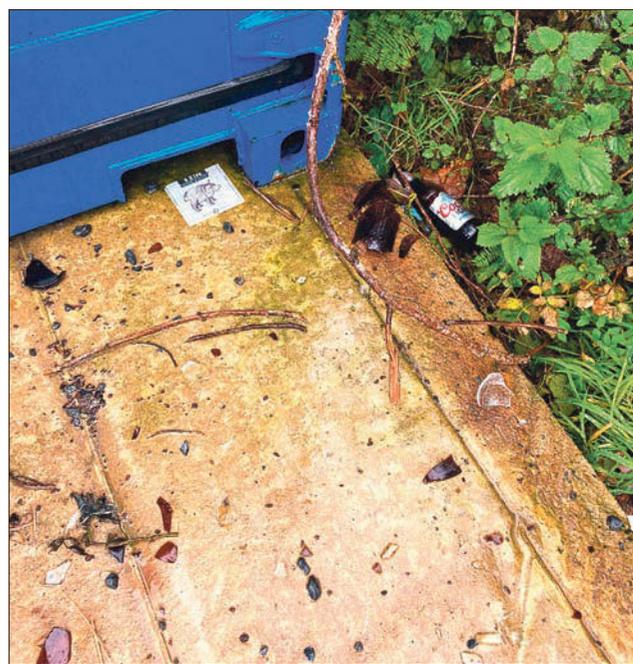
broken glass before we can let the kids on to play.

'It's hard enough at the moment making everything Covid compliant for the kids to play without having to clean up this every week.'

Councillor Alastair Redman said: 'It is plain wrong that the organisers should have to spend time carefully checking the pitch to ensure players come to no harm from shards of glass.'

'The club has appealed to whoever has done this to stop. I really hope the culprit gets the message and we see no repetition of this deplorable activity.'

The pitches have had to be searched and cleared of broken glass.



Red Star back in competitive action

Lochgilphead Red Star are back in action on Saturday when they take on Argyll rivals Campbeltown Pupils in the Argyll Group stage of the Centenary Cup.

The referee will be Peter Laing.

Tarbert, the other team in the group, have a free Saturday before taking on the Pupils at Cil Andries on October 17 before travelling to Ropework Park for a game against Red Star on October 24.

Unlike many other senior amateur leagues, the Scottish Amateur FL has not decided on a date for the start of league fixtures.

Breast cancer awareness day at Tarbert

Tarbert Golf Club's recent breast cancer awareness day raised £300.

The winning team, comprising Mrs Georgie Dickson, Eilidh from Kyles, Mike Harty and Duncan Johnstone, won the day with a score of 53.9.

This Saturday, October 10, sees the start of the winter league with a noon tee-off.

Game and first set to Ardrishaig weather

You may have noticed activity around Ardrishaig tennis courts - not people either side of a net hitting a ball - but men with rakes and wheelbarrows doing some serious manual labour.

At the end of June, workers from Balfour Beatty began what was meant to be an extensive renovation of the courts in an effort to benefit the community.

Curtailed

Their good work, however, coincided with the arrival of some serious amounts of rain, which curtailed their efforts.

Typically, all the good days have been at the weekend when no work crews were available, so progress has been limited. Now, with the nights



The Ardrishaig tennis courts - to be refurbished in 2021.

drawing in and autumn approaching, it's time to call a halt.

Weedkilling, a new red blaes surface, fence repairs and fresh tapes to mark out the courts will all now have to wait for springtime.

Having made such a determined start, those involved are equally determined to return afresh to the task and hopefully can bring about the necessary transformation in time for a good season of tennis next year.

Everyone who found a new enthusiasm for being more active outdoors during lockdown can look forward to the opportunity to play tennis on improved new courts.

Look out for further updates as the re-opening of the courts draws near.



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