



Dear Leonard Gow,

Argyll and Bute Council news round-up – 11 September 2020

Welcome to Argyll and Bute Council's weekly news round-up. Thank you for reading it. If you have ideas on how we could make it more useful for you, we'd love to hear them. Please let us know by emailing press@argyll-bute.gov.uk

"Treat Argyll and Bute well so others can enjoy it"

This is the message from Argyll and Bute Council to visitors following a rise in campers and touring motorhomes to the area.

The increase in visitors from people choosing to staycation in the UK is a welcome boost for the local economy as it starts to heal from the effects of the pandemic. With more people choosing to camp or tour with motorhomes, the council has also seen an increase in some irresponsible behaviour at local beauty spots and car parks.

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News

[John of Lorn Bequest now open for applications](#): People living in Oban are being invited to apply for funding from the town's John of Lorn Bequest.

[Timber funding supports roads' programme](#): The council has again made a successful application for grant funding to upgrade roads used for timber extraction, this year receiving £1.227M from the Scottish Timber Transport Scheme (STTS).

[Council prepares for winter](#): Members of the Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee on Thursday (10 September) approved the 2020-2021 Winter Service Policy which sets out priorities for treatment and pre-treating routes ahead of winter hazards.

[Dual purpose vehicles to fight flood and snow](#): Now businesses are back at work, procurement is underway for two multi-purpose vehicles that can clear out drainage channels during wet weather, and act as back up for breakdowns or in extreme snowy weather in the winter.

[Protect Scotland app](#): The Protect Scotland app from NHS Scotland's Test and Protect is a free, mobile phone app designed to help us protect each other, reduce the spread of coronavirus and avoid further lockdowns.

Did you know?

- [Scotland's Youth Guarantee](#) is £60m funding to ensure everyone aged between 16 and 24 has the opportunity of work, education or training
- Creative Scotland has a £3.5m fund to help secure the survival of [Scotland's independent cinemas](#)
- The [number of people who can gather together](#), indoors or outdoors, will be set at maximum of six, from two households, from 14 September
- Leading clinicians have provided [advice for college and university students](#)
- You can use [FACTS](#) to keep yourself and others safe.

Consultations

[Police Scotland](#) would like to hear the views and priorities of Scotland's diverse communities, especially important during the ongoing Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership is seeking the views of unpaid carers on how to improve the provision of Adult Support and Protection. You can take part here: <https://bit.ly/2QK1nUk>

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