ROYAL BURGH OF WIGTOWN & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONSULTATIONS REPORT September 2020

CURRENT CONSULTATIONS

a) <u>Further Consultation</u> on the Review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community
 Councils in Dumfries and Galloway (September 2020) – Dumfries & Galloway Council.
 Closing date: 17 September 2020

The Council decided to review the 'Scheme' because of feedback from the implementation phase of the current Scheme, and a desire to further develop the use of virtual and remote methods and they consulted on proposed amendments. At a Special Meeting of the Council on 27 August it was agreed to amend the Scheme and that this would come into effect on 1 September 2020.

At the same Special Meeting, Members were advised that since the publication of the meeting papers, additional advice had been received in relation to the proposed wording at Paragraph 9.2 Frequency of Meetings and 13.7.2 Failure to hold sufficient ordinary meetings. Because of this the Council are having to consult again on proposed changes to these two paragraphs.

The outcome of the consultation will inform a report due to be presented to a Special Meeting of Dumfries and Galloway Council on Thursday, 24 September 2020.

Details of the further changes can be found in the **Response Form**.

- b) Major Festivals and Events Strategy 2018-2021 Research Project Dumfries & Galloway Council. Closing date: 17 September 2020 Dumfries and Galloway Council is collecting the views of Community Councils, Community Resilience groups and other locally based tourism groups and development trusts on the possibility of smaller scale festivals and events in the region restarting and taking place. They have prepared a short survey to get up-to-date views on this issue across Dumfries and Galloway, to help inform how they use their events budget in the next 18 months.
- c) Proposed Changes to Pre-Application Consultation Requirements in Planning Scottish Government. Closing date: 6 November 2020

 This consultation relates to proposed changes to the existing requirements for pre-application consultation (PAC) with local communities on national and major developments. The consultation paper seeks views on the detailed legislative proposals for PAC, the approach to engagement with disabled people during PAC, and on the content of guidance on PAC. It also seeks views on impact assessments in relation to the proposed changes.

The results of consultation can then assist in finalising the changes to legislation and guidance on PAC. Read the consultation paper.

FORTHCOMING CONSULTATIONS

NONE