



**North Ayrshire Council**  
Comhairle Siorrachd Àir a Tuath

## **Ayrshire Economic Partnership Board**

A meeting of the **Ayrshire Economic Partnership Board** of North Ayrshire Council will be held remotely on **Friday, 29 January 2021** at **14:00** to consider the undernoted business.

### **Arrangements in Terms of COVID-19**

In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be held remotely in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 2003. The meeting will not be live streamed/recorded for access by the public.

#### **1 Welcome and Introductions**

#### **2 Apologies**

#### **3 Minutes**

The accuracy of the Minutes of meeting of the Partnership Board held on 14 September 2020 will be confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (copy enclosed).

#### **4 Workstream Reports**

##### **4.1 Food and Drink**

Submit report and receive presentation by Alastair Dobson on the Food and Drink Workstream (copy enclosed).

##### **4.2 Visitor Economy**

Submit report and receive presentation by Malcolm Roughead on the Visitor Economy Workstream (copy enclosed).

- 4.3 Ayrshire Tourism Action Plan**  
Submit report and receive presentation by Karen Yeomans, Director (Growth and Investment) North Ayrshire Council on the Ayrshire Tourism Action Plan (copy enclosed).
- 4.4 Space and Aerospace**  
Submit report and receive presentation by Simon Foster on the Space and Aerospace Workstream (copy enclosed).
- 4.5 Clean Growth**  
Submit report by Theresa Correia on the Clean Growth Workstream (copy enclosed).
- 4.6 Digital**  
Receive a verbal update by Theo Leijser on the Digital Workstream.
- 4.7 Skills**  
Submit report by Andrea Glass on the Skills Workstream (copy enclosed).
- 5 COVID-19 – Ayrshire Wide Business Support Update**  
Submit report by the Ayrshire Executive Group on the approach being taken across Ayrshire by the three local authorities, Scottish Enterprise and VisitScotland to support local businesses during the ongoing Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic and in the adjustment period following the UK's exit from the European Union (copy enclosed).
- 6 Regional Business Support**  
Submit report by the Ayrshire Executive Group on the work being progressed to develop Business Support offers at a regional and local level (copy enclosed).
- 7 Freeports**  
Submit report by Craig Hatton, Chief Executive North Ayrshire Council on the establishment of Freeports in the UK (copy enclosed).
- 8 Community Wealth Building**  
Submit report by Craig Hatton, Chief Executive North Ayrshire Council on regional Community Wealth Building activities (copy enclosed).
- 9 Ayrshire Growth Deal**
- 9.1 Programme Update**  
Submit report by David McDowall, Interim Head of Planning and Economic Development East Ayrshire Council on the Ayrshire Growth Deal (copy enclosed).

**9.2 Working for a Healthy Economy Project**

Receive Presentation by Head of Service (Economic Development & Regeneration) North Ayrshire Council on the Working for a Healthy Economy Project.

**9.3 Community Wealth Building Project**

Receive Presentation by Head of Service (Economic Development & Regeneration) North Ayrshire Council on the Community Wealth Building Project.

**10 Strategic Transport Projects Review Update (STPR2)**

Receive Presentation by Head of Service (Economic Development & Regeneration) North Ayrshire Council on the Strategic Transport Projects Review.

**11 Urgent Items**

Any other items which the Chair considers to be urgent.

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## Ayrshire Economic Partnership Board Sederunt

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### **South Ayrshire Council**

Peter Henderson (Chair)  
 Siobhian Brown  
 Brian Connolly  
 Eileen Howat  
 Donald Gilles  
 Theo Leijser

Chair:

Apologies:

### **North Ayrshire Council**

Joe Cullinane  
 Marie Burns  
 Alex Gallagher  
 Craig Hatton  
 Karen Yeomans

Attending:

### **East Ayrshire Council**

Tom Cook  
 John McGhee  
 Douglas Reid  
 Eddie Fraser  
 David McDowall  
 Katie Kelly  
 Allison Craig

Euan Baird	Scottish Government
Morag Goodfellow	Highlands and Islands
Enterprise	
Alastair Dobson	Taste of Arran
Simon Foster	Spirit AeroSystems
Adrian Gillespie	University of Strathclyde
Craig Hume	Utopia Computers
Katie Hutton	Skills Development
Scotland	
Alison Irvine	Transport Scotland
Hisashi Kuboyama	Federation of Small
Businesses	
Alan McGregor	University of Glasgow
Craig Mahoney	University of West of
Scotland	
Mark Newlands	Scottish Enterprise
Malcolm Roughead	Visit Scotland
Val Russell	Ayrshire Chamber of
Commerce	
Carol Turnbull	Ayrshire College
Ian Welsh	Third Sector

