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<b>Report To:</b>	<b>Environment &amp; Regeneration Committee</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>16 June 2022</b>
<b>Report By:</b>	<b>Head of Legal &amp; Democratic Services</b>	<b>Report No:</b>	<b>CM/LS/052/22</b>
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<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Regeneration of Shore Street, Gourock – Request by Councillor McCluskey</b>		

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## 1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee of a request received from Councillor McCluskey, as an Elected Member who is not a Member of the Environment & Regeneration Committee, in the following terms:

1.2 “Residents of Gourock have raised concerns regarding the disrepair of Shore Street and several historic buildings on the street. Gourock contains a quarter of all listed buildings in Inverclyde and Shore Street alone contains three.

“Shore Street is a key entrance to Gourock town centre. It contains many residential and retail properties, and its future is crucial to the future success of the town. The street is ranked 497 out of 6976 SIMD data zones in Scotland, meaning that residents are among the 10% most deprived in Scotland.

“Organisational Priority 7 of the Council's Corporate Plan is to "protect and enhance our natural and built environment” and with the launch of Historic Scotland's People and Place fund in March 2022, there is a strong case to be made in seeking external funding for the regeneration of Shore Street.

“Therefore, the Committee asks the Interim Director, Environment & Regeneration to bring a report to a future meeting of the committee on the options available for the regeneration of Shore Street, Gourock, including feasibility of applying for external funding from Historic Scotland's People and Place programme and any other potential external funding stream.”

1.3 Standing Order 60 of the Inverclyde Council Standing Orders and Scheme of Administration as published in March 2022 outlines the process by which a Councillor can submit a Member's Request to a Committee of which they are not a member.

## 2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Committee considers the request by Councillor McCluskey.