

Report To:	Inverclyde Council	Date:	22 September 2022
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Subject:	Wemyss Bay Station – Request by Councillor Cassidy		

1.0 PURPOSE AND CONSIDERATIONS

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Council of a request received from Councillor Cassidy relative to Wemyss Bay Station.
- 1.2 The terms of Councillor Cassidy's request are set out in appendix 1 to the report.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That the Council considers the request by Councillor Cassidy.

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Head of Legal & Democratic Services

WEMYSS BAY STATION NAMED ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL IN THE WORLD

The Council is asked to:

- (1) Welcome the news that Wemyss Bay Railway Station has been named one of the most beautiful train stations in the world, by the House & Garden List.
- (2) Notes that the station claimed 34th place out of 37 stations recognised for their architecture, that it was the only station in Scotland to feature on the list, where it was listed alongside internationally famous stations such as Amsterdam Central, New York Grand Central Station, and Kings Cross.
- (3) Understand that the Edwardian Grade A Listed building was designed by James Miller and opened in 1865 with it being completely rebuilt in 1903 by Caledonia Railway to accommodate the growing number of travellers, that between 2014-2016 a major refurbishment was carried out by Network Rail and Inverclyde Council to ensure it continued use into the future.
- (4) Further note that this award recognises the hard work that volunteer group Friends of Wemyss Bay Station and ScotRail station staff put into keeping the building maintained and recognises that this significant achievement will only help to increase tourism to Inverclyde by putting the area onto the world stage.