



POSTPONED: COMMUNITY MEETINGS FOR NEW ISLAY FERRY

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Community meetings on the specification of a new ferry to operate between Kennacraig and Islay have been postponed due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

Following revised guidance from the Scottish and UK Governments this week, Caledonian Maritime Assets Limited (CMAL) has decided to postpone the meetings, which were due to take place on 23 March at Ionad Chalum Chille Ìle (ICCI) in Bowmore, 24 March at Ramsay Hall in Port Ellen, and 25 March at Jura Village Hall.

The meetings will be rescheduled to later in the year and CMAL will provide an update as soon as new dates are confirmed.

The public meetings were being held by CMAL, in partnership with Transport Scotland and CalMac, to engage communities on ferry user needs during the early planning and feasibility stages.

The new Islay ferry is the next major vessel to be ordered for the Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Service. It will complement the service provided by MV Finlaggan.