Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers guidance document noted.

5 The Joint Committee noted a guidance document by the Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers entitled “Delivery of Public Benefit and Social Value Guidance for Archaeology in the Planning Process”, the intention of which was to set out the full range of core and secondary activities of public benefit that archaeological works undertaken within the context of the planning system could deliver to meet the policy aim of National Planning Framework 4.

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6 Councillor Boyd referred to the proposed demolition of the Foregate Multi-storey Car Park in Kilmarnock and outlined that a section of former road surface from before the redevelopment of the town centre had been located in the basement of the car park.

Councillor Boyd noted that Peter Drummond Architects (conservation architects) had visited the site to give an opinion on its historical significance and had suggested that some archaeological intervention might be appropriate given the age of the deposits under the cobbled surface.

The WoSAS Manager informed the Joint Committee that staff at East Ayrshire Council had contacted him to scope out options for archaeological intervention before demolition.

It was agreed that the WoSAS Manager liaise with Councillor Boyd outwith the meeting to discuss the issues further.