

<b>Report on</b>	Draft Consultation Response to the Proposed Framework for Future Provision for Children in the Early Years with Special Educational Needs
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	24 May 2018
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Philip Moffett, Head of Democratic Services
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<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	x

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To inform elected members of the draft consultation response developed on behalf of Mid Ulster District Council in response to the Education Authority Consultation; Proposed Framework for Future Provision for Children in the Early Years with Special Educational Needs (SEN).
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	Members requested that a consultation response be developed on behalf of Council at April 2018 Council meeting.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	The public consultation seeks comment on the proposal by the Education Authority to develop a Proposed Framework for Future Provision for Children in the Early Years with Special Educational Needs (SEN).
3.2	This consultation forms part of the Strategic Review of Nursery Provision for children with SEN.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: N/A
	Human: N/A
	Risk Management: N/A
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>

5.1	That Council approve the draft response to Early Years Special Educational Needs consultation being undertaken by the Education Authority.
6.0	<p><b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b></p> <p>Appendix A:Draft Response to the Consultation on the Proposed Framework for Future Provision for Children in the Early Years with Special Educational Needs (SEN).</p>