



13 September 2022

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Environment Committee to be held in The Chamber, Magherafelt and by virtual means Council Offices, Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, BT45 6EN on Tuesday, 13 September 2022 at 19:00 to transact the business noted below.

A link to join the meeting through the Council's remote meeting platform will follow.

Yours faithfully

Adrian McCreesh  
Chief Executive

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## AGENDA

### OPEN BUSINESS

1. Notice of Recording  
This meeting will be webcast for live and subsequent broadcast on the Council's You Tube site [Live Broadcast Link](#)
2. Apologies
3. Declarations of Interest  
Members should declare any financial and non-financial interests they have in the items of business for consideration, identifying the relevant agenda item and the nature of their interest.
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#### Matters for Decision

19. Extension to contracts for processing of dry recyclables
20. Amendment to inscription for memorial tree application
21. Application for Memorial Bench on Council Property
22. Service Level Agreement – Structural Engineering Services
23. Off Street Car Parking: Quarter 1 2022/2023 and Agency Agreement 01/11/22 to 31/10/23
24. Electric Vehicle Charging Points Update
25. Gribben's Bar Entertainment licence application
26. Murley Road Footpath, Fivemiletown
27. IST Award Greenvale Sports Hall Refurbishment
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31. Capital Framework – ICT Contracts Update
32. Capital Framework – IST Contracts Update
33. Capital Projects – Scoping Contracts Update
34. Peace IV-Towns Shared Spaces

<b>Report on</b>	Renaming and Renumbering Existing Streets Survey Results
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	T Scullion, AD Property Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	P J Fox, Principal Building Control Officer

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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To advise Members on the result of a survey undertaken on all applicable residents on a road in response to a Street Renaming request.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	In accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) NI Order 1995 – Article 11 the Council is tasked with the responsibility of renaming and renumbering existing streets where requested.
2.2	The Policy on Street Naming and Numbering – Section 6.0, as adopted (See Appendix 1) forms the basis for considering requests for renaming and renumbering of existing streets/roads.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	<p>The Building Control Service within the Strategic Directorate of the Environment received a valid request for the renaming of the street as noted below:</p> <p><b>From:</b></p> <p>Stewartstown Road, Coalisland, Dungannon</p> <p><b>To</b></p> <p>Moss Road, Coalisland, Dungannon</p>
3.2	The road in question is a branch road linking the main Stewartstown Road with Mullaghmoyle Road in the townlands of Mullaghmoyle and Shanliss Lower (see Appendix 2).
3.3	Approval was sought and given at the May 2022 Environment Committee to proceed to survey regarding this Street Renaming request.

3.4	<p>The Building Control Service subsequently issued occupiers correspondence seeking their views on the request to rename the street. Completed surveys were received by the return date and the outcome is as follows:</p> <p><b><u>Stewartstown Road – Renaming to Moss Road - Survey Results</u></b></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>Survey Request Provided to Environment Committee</b></td><td>10<sup>th</sup> May 2022</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Survey Issued Date</b></td><td>31<sup>st</sup> May 2022</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Survey Return Date</b></td><td>28<sup>th</sup> June 2022</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Number of letters sent</b></td><td>7</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Number of letters returned</b></td><td>7</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Number Yes</b></td><td>7</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Number No</b></td><td>0</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Number Invalid</b></td><td>0</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Number of Valid returns</b></td><td>7</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Percentage of Yes</b></td><td>100%</td></tr> </table>	<b>Survey Request Provided to Environment Committee</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	<b>Survey Issued Date</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> May 2022	<b>Survey Return Date</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	<b>Number of letters sent</b>	7	<b>Number of letters returned</b>	7	<b>Number Yes</b>	7	<b>Number No</b>	0	<b>Number Invalid</b>	0	<b>Number of Valid returns</b>	7	<b>Percentage of Yes</b>	100%
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3.5	<p>In accordance with the Policy on Street Naming and Numbering (see Appendix 1) where all occupiers (100 %) in the affected street agree with the proposed name change, a recommendation will be presented to the Environment Committee to approve the change.</p>																				
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>																				
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	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None																				
	Rural Needs Implications: None																				
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>																				
5.1	Members are requested to note the report content and recommend renaming of the Stewartstown Road (branch road), Coalisland, Dungannon to Moss Road, Coalisland, Dungannon.																				
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>																				
6.1	Appendix 1 – Policy on Street Naming and Numbering – Section 6.0 & Appendix C : Renaming and Renumbering Existing Streets																				
6.2	Appendix 2 – Map indicating Road relating to Street Renaming Survey																				







## Policy on Street Naming and Numbering

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## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Mid Ulster District Council resolved that a policy and associated procedures be developed to guide the Council in accordance with the provisions of Article 11 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1995("the 1995 Order"), referenced in Appendix A to this policy, on;

- (i) Naming of New Streets and Housing Developments;
- (ii) Renaming and Re-numbering existing streets

## **2.0 Policy Aim & Objectives**

2.1 **Policy Aim:** To ensure the naming of New Streets and Housing Developments is delivered in a fair, equitable and consistent manner.

### **2.2 Policy Objectives:**

- To facilitate Mid Ulster District Council in meeting its statutory obligations with regard to local government Street Naming requirements
- To confirm the mechanism and process by which Mid Ulster District Council will name new streets and housing developments
- To provide residents with a process whereby they may request the renaming of their street
- To ensure street names are reflective of localities within which they are being proposed and engagement of all affected residents of streets where requests have been received to rename

## **3.0 Policy Scope and Legislative Framework**

3.1 This policy relates specifically to the naming of New Streets/ Housing Developments and processing requests for the erection of nameplates expressing the name of the street in a language other than English. The statutory basis for this policy is contained within Article 11 of the 1995 Order.

- 3.2 This legislation empowers Council to authorise the naming of streets within its respective District. The 1995 Order provides for street naming, street numbering and the provision of street signs. It also provides the Council with a discretionary power to erect dual language street signs or second nameplates in a language other than English via Section 1a and 1b. A copy of the relevant statute is included in Appendix A.

### **Interpretation and Definitions**

- 3.3 For purposes of this Policy the following interpretation/ definitions apply as set out within the 1995 Order:

- Nameplate - defined as a means of 'signifying a name in writing'
- Street - defined as 'any road, square, court, alley, passage or lane'.

### **4.0 Linkage to Corporate Plan**

- 4.1 Referring to Mid Ulster District Council's Corporate Plan 2015-2019, this policy contributes toward the delivery of Corporate Theme 1 *Delivering for Our People*.

### **5.0 Naming of New Streets**

- 5.1 Proposals for new Street names linked to traditional place names will be favorably considered and that if such a place name is traditionally in a language other than English, that name may also be considered as the name by which that place may be known. The procedure that will apply in relation to proposal under this [policy] is contained in Appendix [B]. Building names are not controlled by statute and do not form part of this Policy.
- 5.2 Criteria - General

To maintain the heritage and identity of the area administered by Mid Ulster District Council in naming a new Street and/ or Housing Development the following criteria shall be adhered to. The name chosen shall;

1. Reflect the local townland name, or a local geographical/ topographical, social or historical feature.
2. The name shall not use the townland name within which the street and/ or the housing development is situated. The townland name shall still form part of the postal address.

3. The name should not mark any historical or political event or any individual or family, living or deceased.
4. The prefix of the name can only be the same as an existing Street or Road name prefix in the locality if it is accessed from that street or road.
5. To avoid confusion over addresses the name should not sound similar to an existing Street or Road name in that District Electoral Area.
6. The erected nameplate shall express the name in English; and may express that name in any other language other than English in accordance with Article 11 of the 1995 Order.
7. Although not prescriptive or exhaustive the running order/hierarchy for Street naming should follow an easily understood pattern, for example:
  - Road–Street–Avenue–Mews–Drive–Lane–Close–Alley

## **6.0 Renaming and Renumbering Existing Streets**

- 6.1 Provision shall be made for the renaming and renumbering of existing Streets within the Mid Ulster District Council area, where instances as noted in 7.2 below require that that this be undertaken to maintain a consistent approach to street naming. The 1995 Order empowers Council to authorise Street names within the area they administer. The procedure that will apply in relation to a proposal under this policy is contained in Appendix C.

### **6.2 Criteria - General**

The renaming or renumbering of an existing street shall normally only be considered;

- To remove similar or the same street name in the immediate locality
- Where a street name has been 'lost'
- To correct an incorrectly spelt name
- If emergency services have reported problems in identifying and locating the street
- If postal services or other statutory agencies has reported problems in identifying and locating the street
- Where a request has been received by the Council and signed by not less than 50% of the occupiers of a street to which a change is being sought. This would be based on 1 occupier per premises on the relevant street

## **7.0 Roles and Responsibilities**

- 7.1 **Director of Public Health and Infrastructure:** shall have responsibility for implementation of this policy by Mid Ulster District Council, through the Building Control Service.
- 7.2 **Building Control Service:** shall be responsible for implementing arrangements to administer; (i) requests to name New Streets and Housing Developments and (ii) requests to rename existing Streets.
- 8.0 Impact Assessments**
- 8.1.1 Equality Screening & Impact**
- 8.1.1 This policy has been subject to equality screening in accordance with the Council's equality scheme screening process. It has been 'screened out' for an Equality Impact Assessment.
- 8.2 Rural Needs Impact**
- 8.2.1 This policy has been subjected to a rural needs impact assessment and thus can demonstrate regard to rural needs when delivering this public service.
- 8.3 Staff & Financial Resources**
- 8.3.1 No issues have been identified which will impact on the delivery of Council business as a result of this policy being implemented. Valid requests for determination will be brought to attention of Committee.
- 9.0 Support and Advice**
- 9.1 Advice and guidance on the implementation of this should be sought from the Head of Building Control
- 10.0 Communication**
- 10.1 The Building Control Service within the Public Health & Infrastructure Department of Council is responsible for the communication, delivery and adherence to this policy
- 11.0 Monitoring and Review Arrangements**



- 11.1 Implementation of this policy will be routinely monitored and a formal review undertaken 4 years from its effective commencement date.

**Appendix A**  
**Article 11, Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern**  
**Ireland) Order 1995**

*Street names and numbering of buildings*

**Powers of councils in relation to street names and numbering of buildings**

11.—(1) A council may erect at or near each end, corner or entrance of any street in its district a nameplate showing the name of the street; and a nameplate erected under this paragraph—

- (a) shall express the name of the street in English; and
- (b) may express that name in any other language

(2) A council may, immediately adjacent to a nameplate erected under paragraph (1) which expresses the name of a street in English only, erect a second nameplate expressing the name of the street in a language other than English.

(3) Neither this Article nor anything done by a council thereunder authorises or requires the use of the name of a street expressed in a language other than English as, or as part of—

- (a) the address of any person; or
- (b) the description of any land; for

the purposes of any statutory provision.

(4) In deciding whether and, if so, how to exercise its powers under paragraph (1)(b) or (2) in relation to any street, a council shall have regard to any views on the matter expressed by the occupiers of premises in that street.

(5) Any person who—

- (a) obscures, pulls down or defaces any nameplate erected under paragraph (1) or (2);
- (b) erects in any street any nameplate showing as the name of the street a name different from that in any nameplate erected in the street under paragraph (1) or (2); or
- (c) erects in any street any nameplate purporting to show the name of the street, without the authorisation of the council for the district in which the street is situated,

shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(6) Where a council has exercised its powers under paragraph (1) in relation to any street, the occupier of each house or other building in that street shall ensure that that house or building is at all times marked with such number as the council may approve for the purposes of this Article.

(7) Where a person fails to comply with paragraph (6) the council may serve on him a notice requiring him to comply with that paragraph within 7 days from the date of service of the notice.

(8) A person who fails to comply with a notice served on him under paragraph (7) shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(9) Where a person fails to comply with a notice served on him under paragraph (7) in respect of any house or other building, the council may itself do anything which he has failed to do and may recover from that person summarily as a civil debt any expenses thereby reasonably incurred by it.

(10) In this Article—  
“nameplate” includes any means of signifying a name in writing; “street” includes any road, square, court, alley, passage or lane.

(11) The power of a council to erect a nameplate under paragraph (1) or (2) includes power—

- (a) to erect it on any building or in such other manner as the council thinks fit; and
- (b) to cause it to be erected by any person authorised in that behalf by the council.

(12) The following statutory provisions shall cease to have effect, namely—

- (a) sections 64 and 65 of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act 1847<sup>F6</sup>;
- (b) in section 38 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854<sup>F7</sup> the words “naming the streets and numbering the houses and also so much thereof as relates to”;
- (c) section 21 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907<sup>F8</sup>;
- (d) section 19 of the Public Health and Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 1949<sup>F9</sup>; and
- (e) so much of any local Act as relates to the naming of streets or the numbering of houses or buildings;

## **Appendix B**

### **Naming of New Streets and Housing Developments: *Procedure***

1. Developers should submit an application for a new Street/ Development naming to the Council's Building Control service within the Public Health and Infrastructure Department ("the Department") before any promotional activity on the sale of properties commences.
2. The applicant should recommend at least 2 but no more than 3 names per street for consideration, outlining how they consider the proposed names comply with the criteria referred to within Section 5.2 above. To ensure compliance, applicants should consider contacting local historical/community groups where available, which may be beneficial on receiving advice on names which would be relevant for proposed names of a new road/street in the locality.
3. If the Department determines that the name(s) does not conform to the criteria within 5.2 of this Policy, the developer/applicant will be informed of this and asked to submit an alternative name(s) and/or written representations as to why they disagree. When the Council receives an alternative name(s) and the Council Officer deems that it meets the criteria then it will be recommended to the Council's Environment Committee for consideration.
4. If the developer/applicant is not in agreement with the Department's evaluation they can make written representations which will be considered at the next available meeting of the Environment Committee.
5. The developer/ applicant will be informed of the approved name following approval of the Environment Committee minutes at the next available Council meeting of Mid Ulster District Council
6. Should the Committee not accept any of the presented options the applicant/ developer will be informed of the Council's decision
7. If following the non-acceptance of a proposed name the applicant/ developer does not resubmit an alternative name to the Council within 8 weeks of the date of the decision letter, the Council may identify a name and notify the applicant/ developer of their intention to approve that name. The Council shall allow four weeks to elapse from the date of the notification of the name before presenting it to the next available Environment Committee
8. If a street name has been approved by the Council it shall not be considered for change within 6 months from the date of approval, unless in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders.
9. Names shall be shown on nameplates which will include the townland where relevant and erected in line with current Guidance.
10. New buildings will be allocated numbers consecutively with odd numbers to the right hand side and even numbers to the left hand side.



## **Appendix C**

### **Renaming Existing Street Name: Procedures**

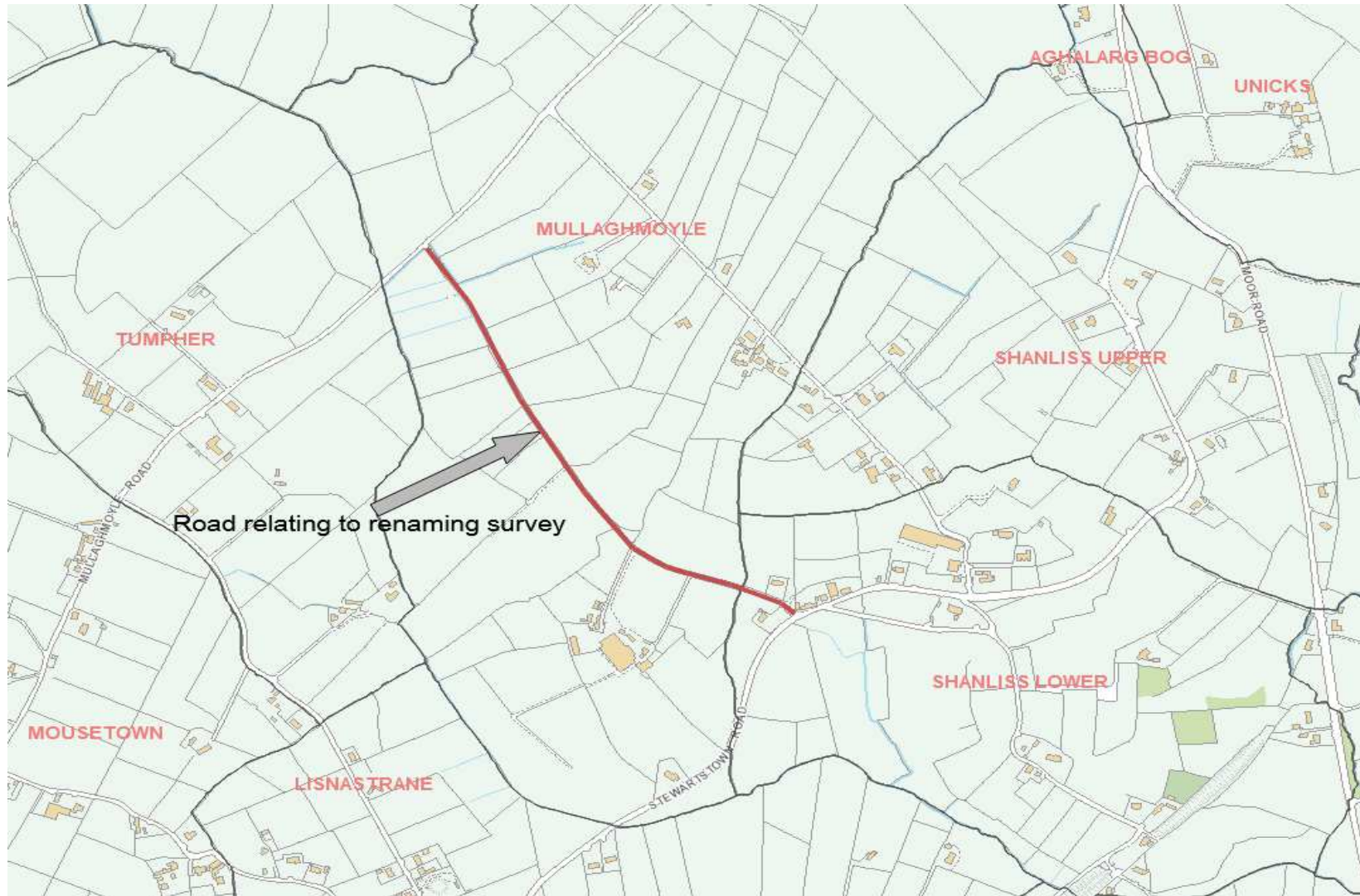
This procedure provides guidelines for the procedure for renaming of existing street/road names which the 1995 Order empowers councils to authorise. The following procedure for canvassing the views of occupiers and the criteria to be applied in deciding whether to rename a street with an alternative in English shall be:

1. Upon receipt of a petition, signed by not less than 50% of the householders (based on one resident per household over the age of 18) of the street/road ("a Petition") the Council will consider a survey of the street/road in relation to the desired name change and reason for same.
2. The proposed name must meet the criteria set down in this policy for the naming of New Streets, as detailed within 5.2 of this policy.
3. If the Department considers the new name meets the criteria, approval to undertake the survey will be sought from the Environment Committee.
4. The Council will survey, by post, to the occupier(s) of each of the properties listed on the Electoral Register and one survey per established business as appears on the Non-Domestic Valuation List of that street/road or the part of a street/road affected at that time; seeking their views on the request to change the name. The survey shall be carried out by the Council's Building Control service.
5. Residents of the existing street being surveyed to be made aware at time of survey of issues which will arise if the street is successfully renamed.
6. Replies will be by way of a supplied self-addressed envelope and must be returned by the date specified in the correspondence giving notification of the survey and reason for same . Only replies received from registered occupiers by that date will be considered
7. The outcome of the survey will be presented to the Environment Committee and only where all occupiers (100 %) in the affected street agree with the proposed name change, will a recommendation be presented to approve the change.
8. Where a request is not approved any further request will not be considered until the expiry of a 12 month period from the date of the Environment Committee meeting where the outcome of the survey was considered.
9. Where a Petition to have an existing street renamed is not approved then the occupiers will be notified of this.

10. Where a new nameplate is erected. The decision to remove an existing nameplate will be made by Property Services, where deemed necessary to do so.
11. Historical nameplates may remain in place where they are fitted to an existing wall (or dwelling), where they will not affect directional issues. This shall be at the discretion of Property Services.
12. Where the Department receives a request from the emergency services, mail delivery services or other statutory bodies who have difficulty locating the street to rename it. They shall inform residents as noted above and consider to survey and rename the street upon the agreement of all households on that street. Such requests shall be notified to and approval sought from Environment Committee and outcome of survey reported to same.

## Appendix 2

### Map indicating location of Stewartstown Road (Branch Road) proposed for street renaming survey





<b>Report on</b>	Street Naming and Property Numbering
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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	For Members to consider the naming of new streets within residential Housing Developments within Mid Ulster District Council.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	In accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) NI Order 1995 – Article 11 the Council is tasked with the responsibility of approving Street Naming and Numbering of buildings erected thereon.
2.2	The Policy for Street Naming and Numbering, as adopted (see Appendix 1) forms the basis for considering proposals for the street naming of new developments.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	<p>The Building Control Department has received requests for the naming of streets within proposed residential developments as follows:</p> <p><b><u>Development 1 - Site off Moss Road, Ballymaguigan, Magherafelt</u></b></p> <p>Moss Contracts Ltd has submitted an application for the naming of a new street within a residential development off Moss Road, Ballymaguigan, Magherafelt.</p> <p>The options submitted are as noted below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Sally Gardens</b></li> <li><b>2. Blackthorn Close</b></li> </ol> <p>As the options submitted are linked to the locality in each case, it is considered that each option demonstrates compliance with the policy as adopted.</p>

3.2	<p><b><u>Development 2 - Site off Annagher Road, Coalisland</u></b></p> <p>Western Building Systems have submitted an application for the naming of a new street within a residential development off Annagher Road, Coalisland.</p> <p>The options submitted are as noted below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Annagh View</b></li> <li>2. <b>Annagh Heights</b></li> <li>3. <b>Annagh Crescent</b></li> </ol> <p>As the options submitted are linked to the locality in each case, it is considered that each option demonstrates compliance with the policy as adopted.</p>
4.0	<b>Other Considerations</b>
4.1	<p><b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b></p> <p>Financial: None</p> <p>Human: None</p> <p>Risk Management: None</p>
4.2	<p><b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b></p> <p>Equality &amp; Good Relations Implications: None</p> <p>Rural Needs Implications: None</p>
5.0	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	<p>It is recommended that consideration is given to the approval of one option of each of the following proposals for Street Naming within new residential developments within Mid Ulster District Council:</p> <p><b><u>(a) Site off Moss Road, Ballymaguigan, Magherafelt</u></b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Either    Sally Gardens Or        Blackthorn Close</p> <p><b><u>(b) Site off Annagher Road, Coalisland</u></b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Either    Annagh View Or        Annagh Heights Or        Annagh Crescent</p>

	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 - Policy for Street Naming and Numbering
6.2	Appendix 2 - Pro-forma containing street naming proposals, location map and site layout plan for new street off Moss Road, Ballymaguigan, Magherafelt
6.3	Appendix 3 - Pro-forma containing street naming proposals, location map and site layout plan for new street off Annagher Road, Coalisland



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## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Mid Ulster District Council resolved that a policy and associated procedures be developed to guide the Council in accordance with the provisions of Article 11 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1995("the 1995 Order"), referenced in Appendix A to this policy, on;

- (i) Naming of New Streets and Housing Developments;
- (ii) Renaming and Re-numbering existing streets

## **2.0 Policy Aim & Objectives**

2.1 **Policy Aim:** To ensure the naming of New Streets and Housing Developments is delivered in a fair, equitable and consistent manner.

### **2.2 Policy Objectives:**

- To facilitate Mid Ulster District Council in meeting its statutory obligations with regard to local government Street Naming requirements
- To confirm the mechanism and process by which Mid Ulster District Council will name new streets and housing developments
- To provide residents with a process whereby they may request the renaming of their street
- To ensure street names are reflective of localities within which they are being proposed and engagement of all affected residents of streets where requests have been received to rename

## **3.0 Policy Scope and Legislative Framework**

3.1 This policy relates specifically to the naming of New Streets/ Housing Developments and processing requests for the erection of nameplates expressing the name of the street in a language other than English. The statutory basis for this policy is contained within Article 11 of the 1995 Order.

- 3.2 This legislation empowers Council to authorise the naming of streets within its respective District. The 1995 Order provides for street naming, street numbering and the provision of street signs. It also provides the Council with a discretionary power to erect dual language street signs or second nameplates in a language other than English via Section 1a and 1b. A copy of the relevant statute is included in Appendix A.

### **Interpretation and Definitions**

- 3.3 For purposes of this Policy the following interpretation/ definitions apply as set out within the 1995 Order:

- Nameplate - defined as a means of 'signifying a name in writing'
- Street - defined as 'any road, square, court, alley, passage or lane'.

### **4.0 Linkage to Corporate Plan**

- 4.1 Referring to Mid Ulster District Council's Corporate Plan 2015-2019, this policy contributes toward the delivery of Corporate Theme 1 *Delivering for Our People*.

### **5.0 Naming of New Streets**

- 5.1 Proposals for new Street names linked to traditional place names will be favorably considered and that if such a place name is traditionally in a language other than English, that name may also be considered as the name by which that place may be known. The procedure that will apply in relation to proposal under this [policy] is contained in Appendix [B]. Building names are not controlled by statute and do not form part of this Policy.
- 5.2 Criteria - General

To maintain the heritage and identity of the area administered by Mid Ulster District Council in naming a new Street and/ or Housing Development the following criteria shall be adhered to. The name chosen shall;

1. Reflect the local townland name, or a local geographical/ topographical, social or historical feature.
2. The name shall not use the townland name within which the street and/ or the housing development is situated. The townland name shall still form part of the postal address.



3. The name should not mark any historical or political event or any individual or family, living or deceased.
4. The prefix of the name can only be the same as an existing Street or Road name prefix in the locality if it is accessed from that street or road.
5. To avoid confusion over addresses the name should not sound similar to an existing Street or Road name in that District Electoral Area.
6. The erected nameplate shall express the name in English; and may express that name in any other language other than English in accordance with Article 11 of the 1995 Order.
7. Although not prescriptive or exhaustive the running order/hierarchy for Street naming should follow an easily understood pattern, for example:
  - Road–Street–Avenue–Mews–Drive–Lane–Close–Alley

## **6.0 Renaming and Renumbering Existing Streets**

- 6.1 Provision shall be made for the renaming and renumbering of existing Streets within the Mid Ulster District Council area, where instances as noted in 7.2 below require that that this be undertaken to maintain a consistent approach to street naming. The 1995 Order empowers Council to authorise Street names within the area they administer. The procedure that will apply in relation to a proposal under this policy is contained in Appendix C.

### **6.2 Criteria - General**

The renaming or renumbering of an existing street shall normally only be considered;

- To remove similar or the same street name in the immediate locality
- Where a street name has been 'lost'
- To correct an incorrectly spelt name
- If emergency services have reported problems in identifying and locating the street
- If postal services or other statutory agencies has reported problems in identifying and locating the street
- Where a request has been received by the Council and signed by not less than 50% of the occupiers of a street to which a change is being sought. This would be based on 1 occupier per premises on the relevant street

## **7.0 Roles and Responsibilities**

- 7.1 **Director of Public Health and Infrastructure:** shall have responsibility for implementation of this policy by Mid Ulster District Council, through the Building Control Service.
- 7.2 **Building Control Service:** shall be responsible for implementing arrangements to administer; (i) requests to name New Streets and Housing Developments and (ii) requests to rename existing Streets.
- 8.0 Impact Assessments**
- 8.1.1 Equality Screening & Impact**
- 8.1.1 This policy has been subject to equality screening in accordance with the Council's equality scheme screening process. It has been 'screened out' for an Equality Impact Assessment.
- 8.2 Rural Needs Impact**
- 8.2.1 This policy has been subjected to a rural needs impact assessment and thus can demonstrate regard to rural needs when delivering this public service.
- 8.3 Staff & Financial Resources**
- 8.3.1 No issues have been identified which will impact on the delivery of Council business as a result of this policy being implemented. Valid requests for determination will be brought to attention of Committee.
- 9.0 Support and Advice**
- 9.1 Advice and guidance on the implementation of this should be sought from the Head of Building Control
- 10.0 Communication**
- 10.1 The Building Control Service within the Public Health & Infrastructure Department of Council is responsible for the communication, delivery and adherence to this policy
- 11.0 Monitoring and Review Arrangements**

- 11.1 Implementation of this policy will be routinely monitored and a formal review undertaken 4 years from its effective commencement date.

**Appendix A**  
**Article 11, Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern**  
**Ireland) Order 1995**

*Street names and numbering of buildings*

**Powers of councils in relation to street names and numbering of buildings**

11.—(1) A council may erect at or near each end, corner or entrance of any street in its district a nameplate showing the name of the street; and a nameplate erected under this paragraph—

- (a) shall express the name of the street in English; and
- (b) may express that name in any other language

(2) A council may, immediately adjacent to a nameplate erected under paragraph (1) which expresses the name of a street in English only, erect a second nameplate expressing the name of the street in a language other than English.

(3) Neither this Article nor anything done by a council thereunder authorises or requires the use of the name of a street expressed in a language other than English as, or as part of—

- (a) the address of any person; or
- (b) the description of any land; for

the purposes of any statutory provision.

(4) In deciding whether and, if so, how to exercise its powers under paragraph (1)(b) or (2) in relation to any street, a council shall have regard to any views on the matter expressed by the occupiers of premises in that street.

(5) Any person who—

- (a) obscures, pulls down or defaces any nameplate erected under paragraph (1) or (2);
- (b) erects in any street any nameplate showing as the name of the street a name different from that in any nameplate erected in the street under paragraph (1) or (2); or
- (c) erects in any street any nameplate purporting to show the name of the street, without the authorisation of the council for the district in which the street is situated,

shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(6) Where a council has exercised its powers under paragraph (1) in relation to any street, the occupier of each house or other building in that street shall ensure that that house or building is at all times marked with such number as the council may approve for the purposes of this Article.

(7) Where a person fails to comply with paragraph (6) the council may serve on him a notice requiring him to comply with that paragraph within 7 days from the date of service of the notice.

(8) A person who fails to comply with a notice served on him under paragraph (7) shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(9) Where a person fails to comply with a notice served on him under paragraph (7) in respect of any house or other building, the council may itself do anything which he has failed to do and may recover from that person summarily as a civil debt any expenses thereby reasonably incurred by it.

(10) In this Article—  
“nameplate” includes any means of signifying a name in writing; “street” includes any road, square, court, alley, passage or lane.

(11) The power of a council to erect a nameplate under paragraph (1) or (2) includes power—

- (a) to erect it on any building or in such other manner as the council thinks fit; and
- (b) to cause it to be erected by any person authorised in that behalf by the council.

(12) The following statutory provisions shall cease to have effect, namely—

- (a) sections 64 and 65 of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act 1847<sup>F6</sup>;
- (b) in section 38 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854<sup>F7</sup> the words “naming the streets and numbering the houses and also so much thereof as relates to”;
- (c) section 21 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907<sup>F8</sup>;
- (d) section 19 of the Public Health and Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 1949<sup>F9</sup>; and
- (e) so much of any local Act as relates to the naming of streets or the numbering of houses or buildings;

## **Appendix B**

### **Naming of New Streets and Housing Developments: *Procedure***

1. Developers should submit an application for a new Street/ Development naming to the Council's Building Control service within the Public Health and Infrastructure Department ("the Department") before any promotional activity on the sale of properties commences.
2. The applicant should recommend at least 2 but no more than 3 names per street for consideration, outlining how they consider the proposed names comply with the criteria referred to within Section 5.2 above. To ensure compliance, applicants should consider contacting local historical/community groups where available, which may be beneficial on receiving advice on names which would be relevant for proposed names of a new road/street in the locality.
3. If the Department determines that the name(s) does not conform to the criteria within 5.2 of this Policy, the developer/applicant will be informed of this and asked to submit an alternative name(s) and/or written representations as to why they disagree. When the Council receives an alternative name(s) and the Council Officer deems that it meets the criteria then it will be recommended to the Council's Environment Committee for consideration.
4. If the developer/applicant is not in agreement with the Department's evaluation they can make written representations which will be considered at the next available meeting of the Environment Committee.
5. The developer/ applicant will be informed of the approved name following approval of the Environment Committee minutes at the next available Council meeting of Mid Ulster District Council
6. Should the Committee not accept any of the presented options the applicant/ developer will be informed of the Council's decision
7. If following the non-acceptance of a proposed name the applicant/ developer does not resubmit an alternative name to the Council within 8 weeks of the date of the decision letter, the Council may identify a name and notify the applicant/ developer of their intention to approve that name. The Council shall allow four weeks to elapse from the date of the notification of the name before presenting it to the next available Environment Committee
8. If a street name has been approved by the Council it shall not be considered for change within 6 months from the date of approval, unless in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders.
9. Names shall be shown on nameplates which will include the townland where relevant and erected in line with current Guidance.
10. New buildings will be allocated numbers consecutively with odd numbers to the right hand side and even numbers to the left hand side.



## **Appendix C**

### **Renaming Existing Street Name: Procedures**

This procedure provides guidelines for the procedure for renaming of existing street/road names which the 1995 Order empowers councils to authorise. The following procedure for canvassing the views of occupiers and the criteria to be applied in deciding whether to rename a street with an alternative in English shall be:

1. Upon receipt of a petition, signed by not less than 50% of the householders (based on one resident per household over the age of 18) of the street/road ("a Petition") the Council will consider a survey of the street/road in relation to the desired name change and reason for same.
2. The proposed name must meet the criteria set down in this policy for the naming of New Streets, as detailed within 5.2 of this policy.
3. If the Department considers the new name meets the criteria, approval to undertake the survey will be sought from the Environment Committee.
4. The Council will survey, by post, to the occupier(s) of each of the properties listed on the Electoral Register and one survey per established business as appears on the Non-Domestic Valuation List of that street/road or the part of a street/road affected at that time; seeking their views on the request to change the name. The survey shall be carried out by the Council's Building Control service.
5. Residents of the existing street being surveyed to be made aware at time of survey of issues which will arise if the street is successfully renamed.
6. Replies will be by way of a supplied self-addressed envelope and must be returned by the date specified in the correspondence giving notification of the survey and reason for same . Only replies received from registered occupiers by that date will be considered
7. The outcome of the survey will be presented to the Environment Committee and only where all occupiers (100 %) in the affected street agree with the proposed name change, will a recommendation be presented to approve the change.
8. Where a request is not approved any further request will not be considered until the expiry of a 12 month period from the date of the Environment Committee meeting where the outcome of the survey was considered.
9. Where a Petition to have an existing street renamed is not approved then the occupiers will be notified of this.



10. Where a new nameplate is erected. The decision to remove an existing nameplate will be made by Property Services, where deemed necessary to do so.
11. Historical nameplates may remain in place where they are fitted to an existing wall (or dwelling), where they will not affect directional issues. This shall be at the discretion of Property Services.
12. Where the Department receives a request from the emergency services, mail delivery services or other statutory bodies who have difficulty locating the street to rename it. They shall inform residents as noted above and consider to survey and rename the street upon the agreement of all households on that street. Such requests shall be notified to and approval sought from Environment Committee and outcome of survey reported to same.

# MID ULSTER DISTRICT COUNCIL

## New Street Name Proposals



Applicants Name & Address: **MOSS CONTRACTS LTD.**  
**36 MOSS ROAD BALLYMAGUIRE MAGHERA BT45 6LZ.**

Description: **DWELLINGS**

Ref:

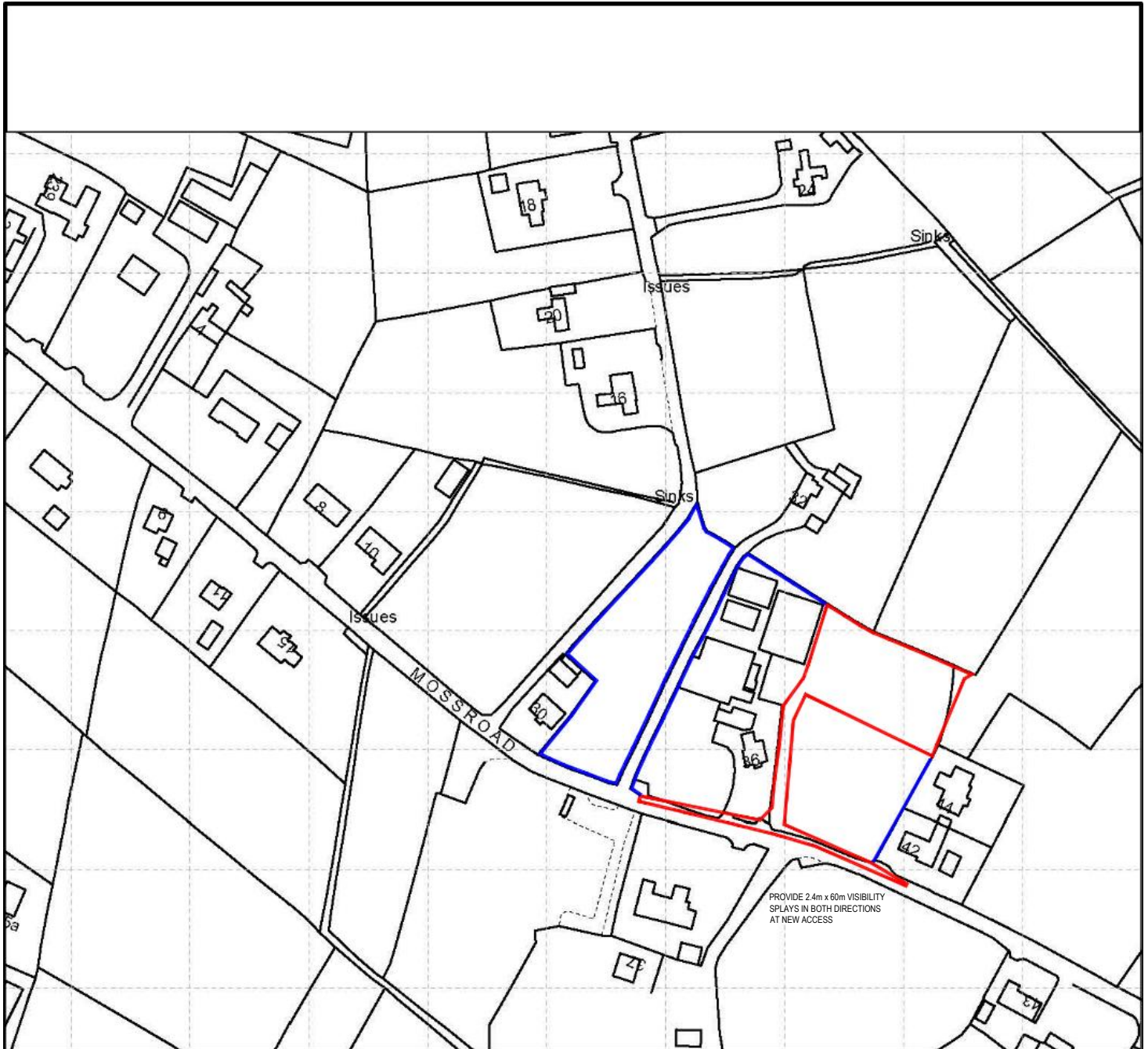
	Proposed Street Name	Linkage to Locality	Reason for Choice
Option 1	SALLY GARDENS	SALLY TREES (WILLOWS) NATIVE TO LOUGH SHORE AREA. THIS AREA IS KNOWN FOR SALLY'S SPROUTING UP EVERYWHERE	A NOD TO OUR NATIVE TREES WHICH WOULD COVER THE AREA IF LEFT TO GROW WILD.
Option 2	BLACKTHORN CLOSE	NATURAL HEDGES IN ALL THE FIELDS HERE HAVE BLACKTHORN.	SAME AS ABOVE.
Option 3			

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Please note that street naming proposals should be in accordance with Mid Ulster Council Policy (Attached)

Signed 

Dated **29/01/2022**



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MR SEAN CASSIDY

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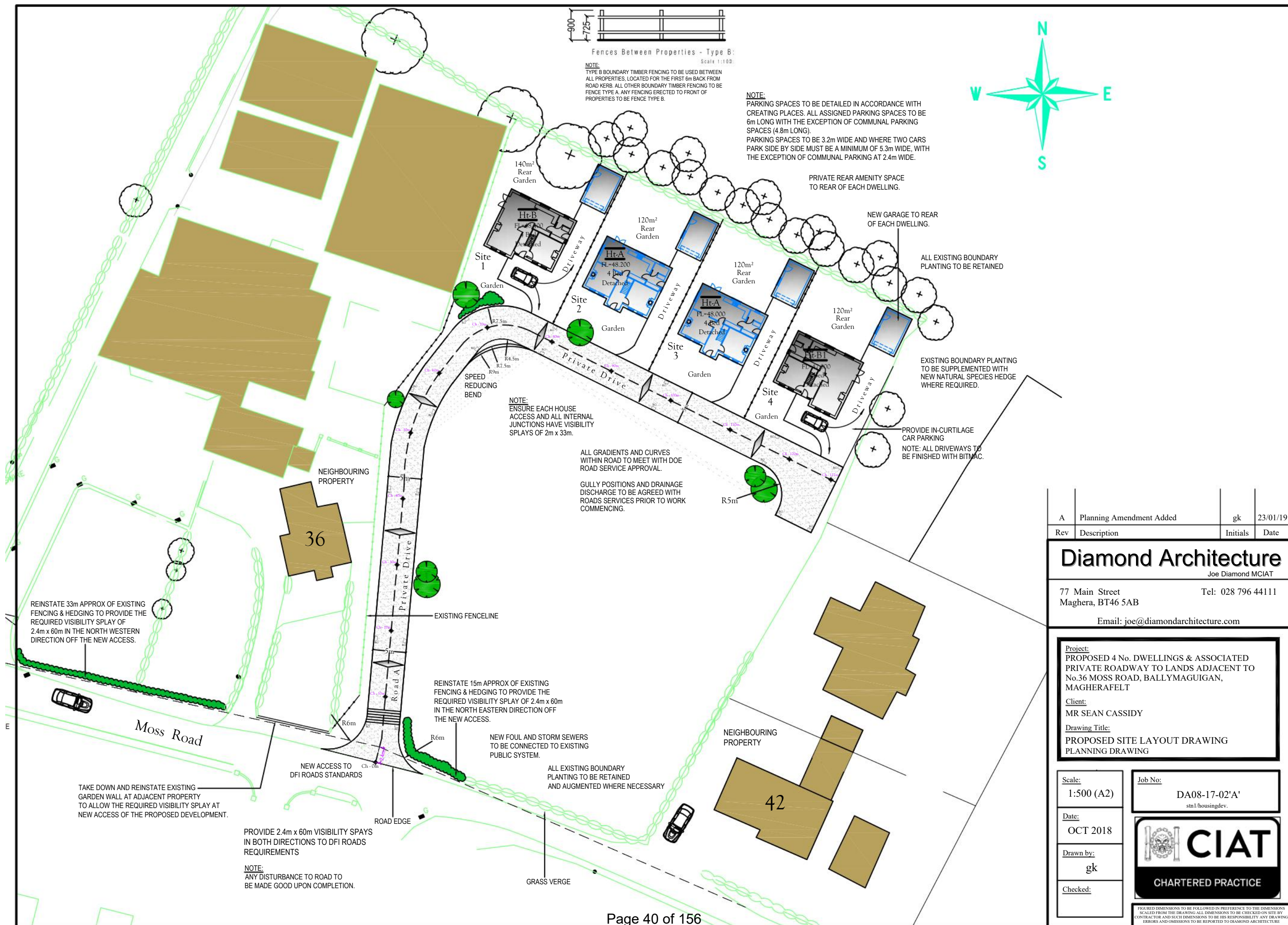
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BALLYMAGUIGAN, MAGHERAFELT

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PROPOSED 4 NO. DWELLINGS & ASSOCIATED PRIVATE ROADWAY TO LANDS ADJACENT TO NO.36 MOSS ROAD, BALLYMAGUIGAN, MAGHERAFELT

**Client:**  
MR SEAN CASSIDY

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# MID ULSTER DISTRICT COUNCIL

## New Street Name Proposals

Applicants Name & Address:

Declan McCloskey & Melissa Canavan, 11 Mountjoy Road, Coalisland, Co. Tyrone BT71 5DA

Description: New Development at Annagher Road, Coalisland, Co. Tyrone BT71 5DA

Ref: F/2021/1810/MAST



Comhairle Ceantair  
**Lár Uladh**  
**Mid Ulster**  
District Council

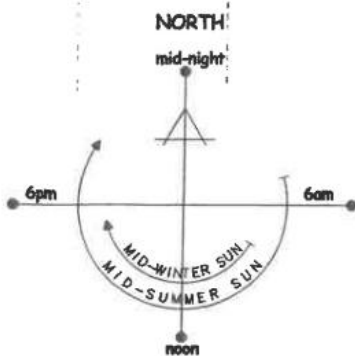
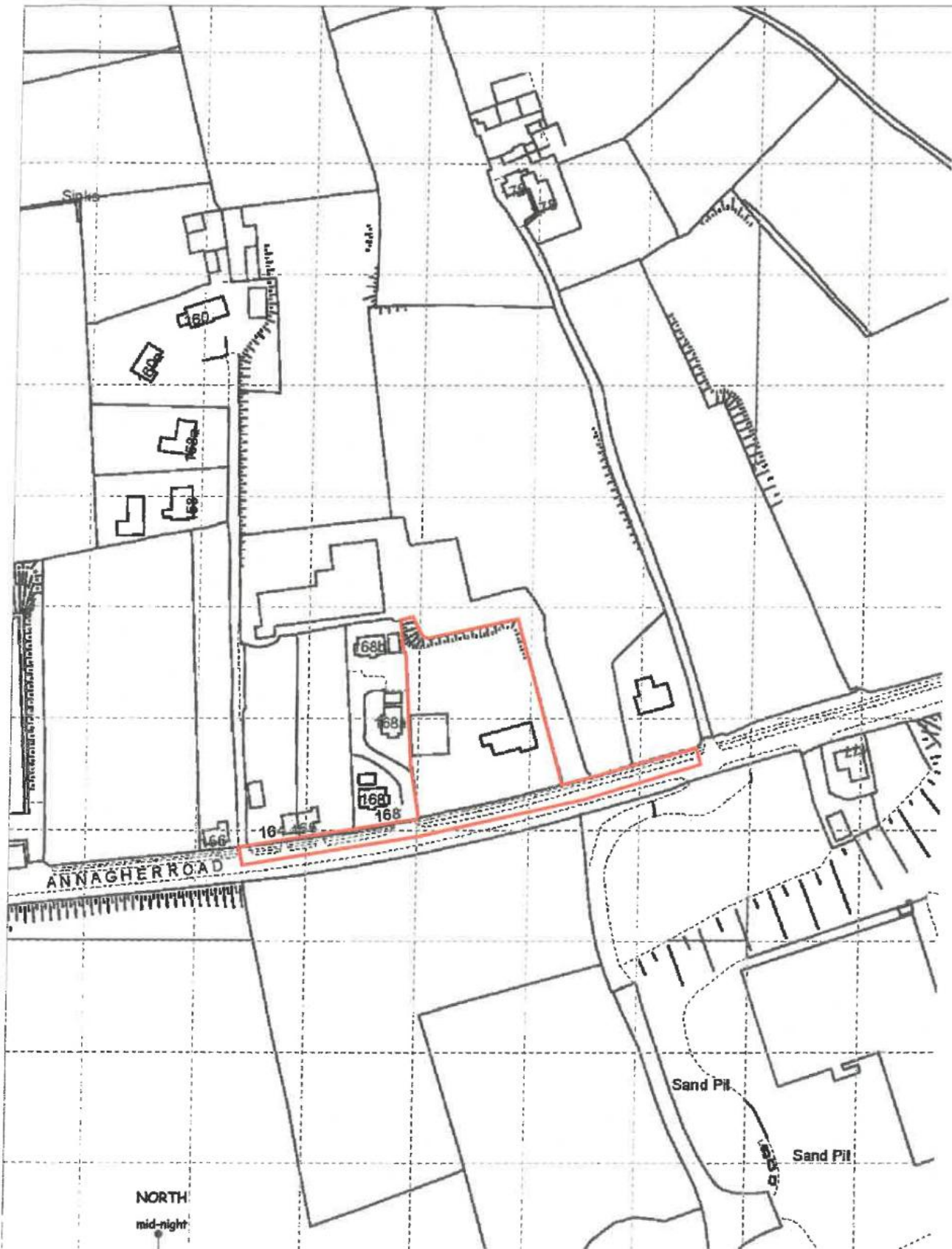
	Proposed Street Name	Linkage to Locality	Reason for Choice
Option 1	Annagh View	Site is located off the Annagher Road, in the Townland of Annagher	link to Townland and site is situated on a hill with scenic views of the area
Option 2	Annagh Heights	Site is located off the Annagher Road, in the Townland of Annagher	link to Townland and site is situated on a hill with scenic views of the area
Option 3	Annagh Crescent	Site is located off the Annagher Road, in the Townland of Annagher	link to Townland and site is situated on a hill with scenic views of the area

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Please note that street naming proposals should be in accordance with Mid Ulster Council Policy (Attached)

Signed .....  
*Melissa Canavan*

Dated .....  
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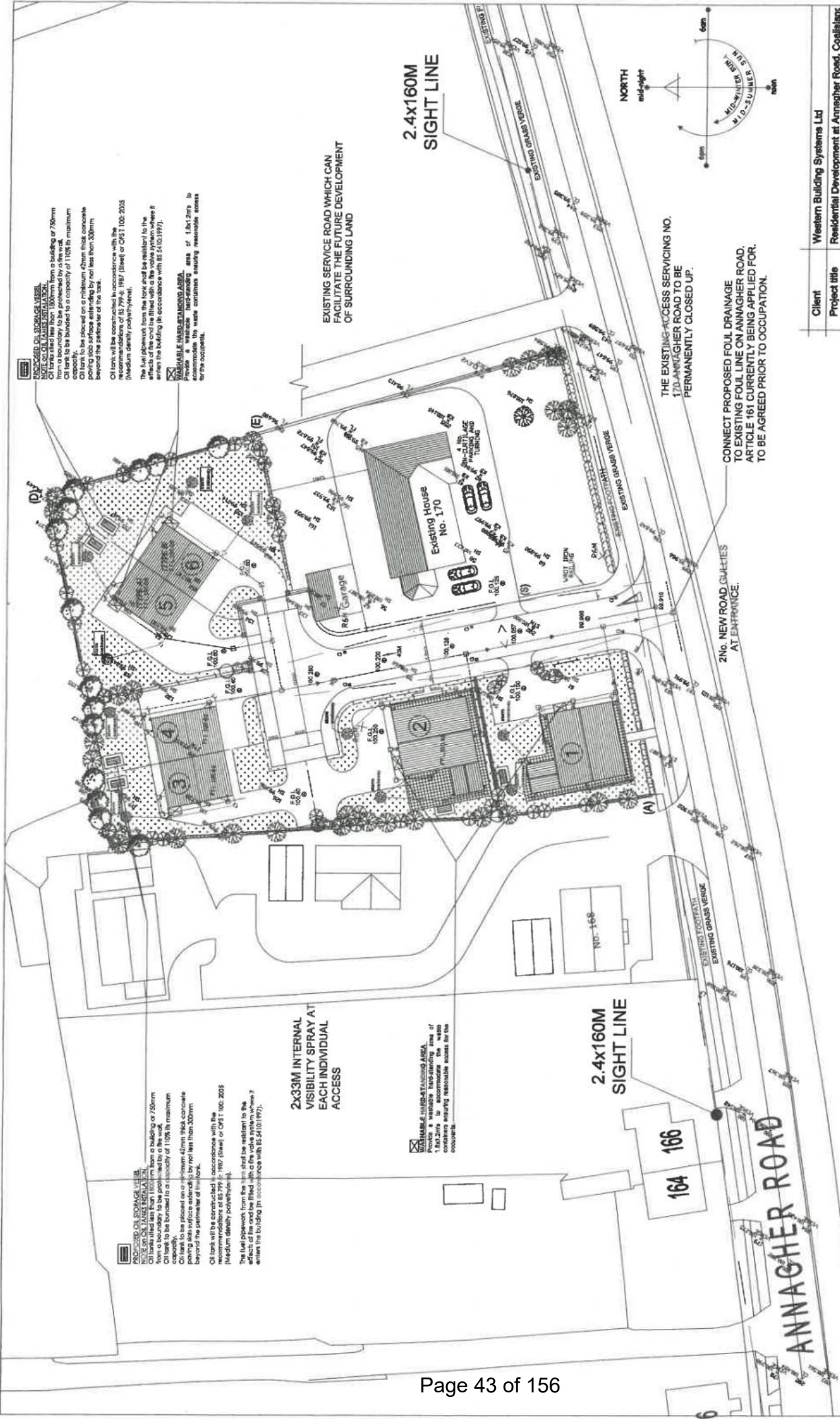


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**PROPOSED OIL STORAGE VESSEL**  
NOTES ON OIL TANKS INSTALLATION  
Oil tanks must be protected by a fire wall.  
Oil tanks must be bonded to a capacity of 110% in maximum capacity.  
Oil tanks to be placed on a minimum 42mm thick concrete paving slab surface extending by not less than 300mm beyond the perimeter of the tank.  
Oil tanks will be constructed in accordance with the recommendations of BS 7994: 1997 (steel) or CEN 1100: 2005 (Medium density polyethylene).  
The fuel pipework from the top of the tank will be isolated to the effects of fire and be filled with a fire stop material where it enters the building in accordance with BS 5410: 1997.  
**VALUABLE HAND-STANDING AREA**  
Provide a valuable hand-standing area of 1.5m x 2m to accommodate the waste containers ensuring reasonable access for the occupants.

EXISTING SERVICE ROAD WHICH CAN FACILITATE THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF SURROUNDING LAND

2.4x160M SIGHT LINE

THE EXISTING ACCESS SERVICING NO. 170 ANNAGHER ROAD TO BE PERMANENTLY CLOSED UP.

CONNECT PROPOSED FOUL DRAINAGE TO EXISTING FOUL LINE ON ANNAGHER ROAD. ARTICLE 161 CURRENTLY BEING APPLIED FOR. TO BE AGREED PRIOR TO OCCUPATION.

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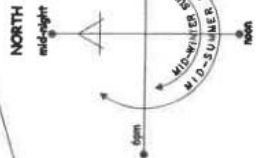
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Provide a valuable hand-standing area of 1.5m x 2m to accommodate the waste containers ensuring reasonable access for the occupants.

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ANNAGHER ROAD



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**Minutes of Meeting of Environment Committee of Mid Ulster District Council  
held on Monday 4 July 2022 in Council Offices, Circular Road, Dungannon and  
by virtual means**

**Members Present**

Councillor S McGuigan

Councillors Buchanan, Burton, Brown, Cuthbertson,  
Glasgow\*, Kearney, N McAleer, B McGuigan\*,  
McNamee\*, Milne\*, Oneill\*, Totten\*, Wilson

**Officers in  
Attendance**

Mrs Campbell, Strategic Director of Environment  
Mr Lowry, Head of Technical Services\*\*  
Mr McAdoo, Assistant Director of Environmental  
Services\*\*  
Mr Scullion, Assistant Director of Property Services\*\*  
Mr McKeown, ICT Support  
Mrs Grogan, Democratic Services Officer

\* Denotes members and members of the public present in remote attendance

\*\* Denotes Officers present by remote means

\*\*\* Denotes others present by remote means

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm

*The Chair, Councillor S McGuigan welcomed everyone to the meeting and those watching the meeting through the Live Broadcast. Councillor S McGuigan in introducing the meeting detailed the operational arrangements for transacting the business of the committee in the chamber and by virtual means, by referring to Annex A to this minute.*

**E168/22 Notice of Recording**

Members noted that the meeting would be webcast for live and subsequent broadcast on the Council's You Tube site.

**E169/22 Apologies**

Councillors Graham and S McAleer.

**E169/22 Declarations of Interest**

The Chair reminded Members of their responsibility with regard to declarations of interest.

**E170/22 Chair's Business**

The Chair wished to reflect that within the past month, the Council had lost one of its valued Technical Services employees. He advised that this was a young man with a young family and wished to pass on his sympathy on behalf of this committee to his family.

Councillor Brown said he wished to echo the Chair's sentiments and pass on his sympathy to the young man's immediate family at this very sad time.

## **Matters for Decision**

### **E171/22 Cemetery Improvement Works**

The AD: Environmental Services presented previously circulated report which sought approval to undertake cemetery capital improvement works.

Councillor Cuthbertson thanked the AD: Environmental Services for bringing this report forward but wished to raise a number of issues which he had sought representation on this last few years; namely trees, uneven graves, water logged graves, grass not growing on graves and the much publicised matter of antisocial behaviour at Cottagequinn cemetery where cars enter the graveyard at the dark of night preforming donuts and rallying about. He felt the report covers everything well and although it was something we do not like doing in removing trees, Coolhill has left the Council with no option but to remove them as they are faced onto industrial site side and has left where a person can see through the trees and heavy at one side which runs the risk of falling over on top of particular graves.

He said that it would be beneficial if the AD: Environmental Services could elaborate on what kind of fencing would be erected at the site. He said that he was mindful that the Council do not turn it into an industrial site, unfortunately over the years the Planners had permitted industrial units to be built right up close and beside the graveyard and cemetery which was unfortunate but we are where we are and important to tone down the industrial settings around it.

He also raised the fact that he had been approached about a pair of nesting herons in a few of the trees and nesting times and asked that consideration be taken on board to protect them going forward. He said that the grass was not growing on the graves and was a very sore point and extremely distressing for family members and suggested proceeding with an immediate effect with the implementation of roll-out turf to even out the hollows in the grave. He stated that consideration needs to be given to the family and assurances that no damage will be done to their loved ones graves whilst work was being completed.

He welcomed CCTV cameras greatly in relation to Cottagequinn and agreed that other locations were different and did not lend themselves to CCTV, but other Councillors may have a difference of an opinion on that, but felt that Cottagequinn was an area which seems to have an element of antisocial behaviour at night time in relation to cars and would be important to get this stopped.

The AD: Environmental Services advised that he would certainly take on board concerns raised in regards to the nesting herons.

He reply member's query regarding the fence, he advised that the proposed fence at Cottagequinn was anticipated to be a 7<sup>th</sup> high wooden panelled fence.

Councillor Burton said that it was very important to maintain the trees at these locations as the last thing we need was for someone to get injured going to visit a loved one's grave. She advised that she had been strongly campaigning about trees on the side of roads and there was an onus on the Council to make sure where we have trees that they are properly maintained.

Councillor Wilson paid tribute to all the staff who were involved in all the work in Cookstown Cemetery. He referred to a few issues which were still arising at Forthill in Cookstown and said that there were some trees in the graveyard with the roots growing through the graves and appreciated that although they were there for quite some time, enquired if there was any possibility of investigating them for removal as they were also cutting up the pathway.

He also referred to the ongoing concern regarding dog-fouling at the cemetery where people let their dogs off the lead. He said that he had received a complaint last week from a member of the public who had been up visiting a loved one which had recently deceased and a dog had fouled beside the grave in which they were visiting. He said that he was aware that it was very difficult to control this and said that all the Council can do was publicise the importance for dog owners to keep their dogs on the lead and to lift the foul.

He advised that when a grave was dug and filled in and did appreciate that it takes time to settle, but during bad weather a number of graves have become waterlogged at Forthill and had raised it previously if the Council could acquire artificial grass in the short-term to take away the bad look especially after a funeral.

The AD: Environmental Services said that he would be content to look at all the issues raised by members.

Proposed by Councillor Cuthbertson  
Seconded by Councillor Burton and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve the completion of the works as outlined at a total estimated cost of £177k exc. VAT (including 10% contingency) subject to a procurement process; funded from the Council Capital Programme for 2022/23.

## **E172/22 Street Naming and Property Numbering**

The AD: Property Services presented previously circulated report which advised of requests for naming of new streets within residential Housing Developments within Mid Ulster District Council. The Building Control Department has received a request for the naming of a street within a proposed residential development as follows:

Councillor Cuthbertson in referring to site of Thomas Street recalled being present at a site meeting out of a planning committee in relation to this and it was his thinking that the entrance was off Thomas Street rather than Castle Lane itself as he

recollected this being one of the concerns from objectors in relation to extra traffic on Castle Lane. He said that he thought this was off Thomas Street unless the plans had changed since the site meeting.

The Chair advised that this request was from the Developer and the options were in front of committee tonight for decision.

- Development 1 – Site off Thomas Street, Dungannon

The options submitted are as noted below:

1. *Castle Lane Mews*
2. *Castle Lane Close*

Proposed by Councillor Brown  
Seconded by Councillor S McGuigan

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to go with the preferred option of Castle Lane Mews.

- Development 2 – Site off Oaks Road, Dungannon

The options submitted are as noted below:

1. *Oaks Avenue*
2. *Oaks Drive*
3. *Bloomfield Avenue*

Proposed by Councillor Brown  
Seconded by Councillor S McGuigan

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to go with the preferred option of Oaks Avenue.

- Development 3 – Site off Killyfaddy Road, Magherafelt

The options submitted are as noted below:

1. *Hillside Manor*
2. *Hillside Way*
3. *Hillside Drive*

Proposed by Councillor Totten  
Seconded by Councillor Brown and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to go with the preferred option of Hillside Drive.

## **E173/22 Chewing Gum Task Force Grant Scheme**

The AD: Environmental Services presented previously circulated report to update members on a successful application to the Chewing Gum Grant Scheme. Approval was sought for the acceptance of the £19,990 funding offered from the scheme.

Councillor Cuthbertson thanked the AD: Environment Services for his report and said that this was a no brainer as no-one would be refusing to accept a £20k investment. He referred to the time of the new public realm scheme in Dungannon and within a few weeks the footpaths were polluted with chewing gum and said that it was good to see this machine being introduced to Mid Ulster.

Councillor Wilson said that he was delighted to see this being introduced to Mid Ulster.

Councillor McNamee said that he welcomed the introduction of the machine but wondered if WISE had penalised anyone for discarding chewing gum as they were very proactive in penalising people for discarding cigarette butts and even less for dog fouling. He said that he could not recollect anyone being penalised for discarding gum but would be raising the issue at the forthcoming Development Committee.

Proposed by Councillor Cuthbertson  
Seconded by Councillor Wilson and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to note the contents of the report and approve the acceptance of the £19,990 funding offered from the Chewing Gum Task Force Grant Scheme.

### **Matters for Information**

#### **E174/22 Environment Committee minutes of meeting held on 14 June 2022**

Members noted minutes of Environment Committee held on 14 June 2022.

#### **E175/22 Mid Ulster Big Spring Clean 2022**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided an update on the Mid Ulster Big Spring Clean Campaign 2022.

The Chair commended the groups and officers on their assistance in relation to the Big Spring Clean.

#### **E176/22 Eco Schools Green Flag Awards 2022**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided an update on the Eco Schools Green Flag Awards Ceremony for Mid Ulster.

Councillor B McGuigan said that he had attended the event on the day at the Hill of The O'Neill, not as a Councillor but as a member of the local Board of Governors from local schools who had received the Green Flag for the first time. He said that it was a really good event and great to see that there were 23 schools across Mid Ulster who were involved, either receiving Green Flags or official awards. He said that there was another award "Our Ambassador - Green Flag Awards" with 3 of our schools receiving that award as they obviously had been involved over a number of years with the Green Flag with continuous good work. Two of the other schools

within his parish received the Green Flags for the first time, resulting in five from that area. He commended each school on their tremendous effort as he did not realise the amount of work these schools had done and was great to see.

Councillor Kearney said that as a former teacher, the other statistic which was very relevant was that every school within Mid Ulster was involved in the Eco School scheme and goes to show the work involved and stated that every school was a good school.

## **E177/22      Ulster in Bloom**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided an update on the Ulster in Bloom 2022 competition entries.

Councillor Burton commended Council staff on the work which they put in when the list is looked at with the towns and villages going forward. She said that sadly Castlecaulfield was not going forward due to illness within the team and wished them a speedy recovery. She said that it was important for Council to ensure that help and assistance was provided to help those towns and villages as it was widely known when judges were due to arrive. In the past there was a generosity amongst other towns and villages to share flowers and felt that this should be fed back to the groups on how support was greatly welcome from other villages and towns and whilst it was a competition, new groups have popped up which have been helped and encouraged by some of the other areas which are taking part in the competition.

She referred to Caledon where work had been done by the Housing Executive where they had flagged up a garden as hogweed and said it was important that this was investigated as it would be unfair for them to lose points regarding this.

## **E178/22      Maintenance of Roundabouts**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided an update on the current arrangements for the maintenance of roundabouts.

Councillor Cuthbertson wanted to voice his disappointment again regarding Tamnamore not being included on the list. He stated that Tamnamore was the gateway into Mid Ulster travelling from the East to the West and was the first junction into Mid Ulster and yet the grass areas around Tamnamore was growing wild and disappointed that it wasn't on the list.

In relation to grass cutting, he became aware of the Housing Executive's contractor no longer cutting steep banks due to insurance and health and safety purposes. He said that they have now purchased a robotic mower and something this Council should investigate funding towards if they haven't done so already.

He referred to an issue which had been raised with him last week regarding historic graveyards, with a person showing visitors around Clogher Cathedral and reported that the grass did not seem to be cut for a long time. He enquired if Council were still maintaining those 6 or 7 graveyards as he was aware of discussions regarding this over the past number of years. He said that it was his understanding that this

service was still in place and would be grateful if this particular one was checked out to see if it had been overlooked.

The AD: Environmental Services advised this graveyard would be investigated and confirmed that Council were still maintaining old historical graveyards.

In relation to query regarding the steep banks, the AD: Environmental Services advised that the member was correct in the fact that most of the work was contracted out but confirmed that this could be potentially looked at in the future.

Councillor Burton said that she was aware of ongoing work in Tourism in relation to the Cathedral and the Fourth Chapel in that area, with a lot of bus trips visiting these places of interest in the summer, especially as it was one of the oldest graveyards within our district. She said that there was an onus on Council to make sure that it was safe for the public to go through.

She referred to roundabouts and was aware of people ending up in the middle of the new Ballygawley roundabout and asked how Council could ensure that some work was being done there or at least flagged to DfI as there was a particular part of the year where it was messy with weeds which was unsightly for the whole gateway into the Clogher Valley. She advised that it was the Clogher Valley Show in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of July which attracted a huge crowd, with a lot of people passing through Ballygawley roundabout and felt it was important to have it as presentable as we possibly can to welcome visitors to the area.

Councillor Burton advised that she had been contacted by a resident from Castle Place in Castlecaulfield regarding the grass not being maintained at the back of her property and asked if this could be flagged up to see if this can be investigated as weeds and grass had grown out of control.

The AD: Environmental Services in reply to concern regarding Castle Place advised that this would need to be investigated as it could potentially be a Housing Executive site.

In relation to Clogher, he stated that he would make sure that the village was looking its best as possible to attract people to the show.

Councillor Burton asked how Council could proceed with Ballygawley roundabout as there was a need for a process to be put in place as she was constantly told that it was a dangerous location. She said that when it was originally being constructed that there must have been some plan on how they were going to maintain it and if they hadn't, then they should have had and wondering how it could be maintained and kept looking its best as possibly can.

The SD: Environment advised that Officers would liaise with DfI Roads to see what their plans are and what can possibly done to elevate this problem.

Councillor Wilson referred to Castledawson Roundabout and enquired if the report would be brought back to committee before any agreement was made.

The AD: Environment advised that a report would be brought back on the discussions as there was significant indications that Council would be taking on the maintenance responsibilities at this site.

#### **E179/22      Building Control Workload**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on the workload analysis for Building Control.

#### **E180/22      Dual Language Signage Surveys**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on the result of surveys undertaken on all applicable residents on the streets/roads in response to Dual Language Signage Nameplate requests.

#### **E181/22      Dual Language Signage Requests**

Members noted previously circulated report which advised of requests for Dual Language Signage from residents on the streets/roads in question.

#### **E182/22      Entertainment Licensing Applications**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on Entertainment Licensing applications across Mid Ulster District Council.

*Live broadcast ended at 7.35 pm.*

### **Local Government (NI) Act 2014 - Confidential Business**

Proposed by Councillor Buchanan  
Seconded by Councillor Brown and

**Resolved** In accordance with Section 42, Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014 that Members of the public be asked to withdraw from the meeting whilst Members consider items E183/22 to E190/22.

#### **Matters for Decision**

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| E183/22 | Contracts regarding Sweeping and Inert Wastes – Temporary Surcharges       |
| E184/22 | Procurement Framework – Fire Extinguishing Installation and Equipment      |
| E185/22 | Parking Provision Request at Union Street, Magherafelt Off Street Car Park |



**Matters for Information**

E186/22	Environment Confidential Minutes of Meeting held on 14 June 2022
E187/22	Multi Council MSRF Project Update
E188/22	Capital Framework – ICT Contracts Update
E189/22	Capital Framework – IST Contracts Update
E190/22	Capital Projects – Scoping Contracts Update

*Councillor Cuthbertson left the meeting at 7.35 pm.*

**E191/22      Duration of Meeting**

The meeting was called for 7.00 pm and ended at 8.05 pm.

CHAIR \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

## Annex A – Introductory Remarks from the Chairperson

Good evening and welcome to the Council's [Policy & Resources/Environment/Development] Committee in the Chamber, [Dungannon/Magherafelt] and virtually.

I specifically welcome the public watching us through the Live Broadcast. The Live Broadcast will run for the period of our Open Business but will end just before we move into Confidential Business. I let you know before this happens.

Just some housekeeping before we commence. Can I remind you:-

- If you have joined the meeting remotely please keep your audio on mute unless invited to speak and then turn it off when finished speaking
- Keep your video on at all times, unless you have bandwidth or internet connection issues, where you are advised to try turning your video off
- If you wish to speak please raise your hand in the meeting or on screen and keep raised until observed by an Officer or myself
- Should we need to take a vote this evening I will ask each member to confirm whether they are for or against the proposal or abstaining
- When invited to speak please introduce yourself by name to the meeting
- For any member attending remotely, if you declare an interest in an item, please turn off your video and keep your audio on mute for the duration of the item
- If referring to a specific report please reference the report, page or slide being referred to
- Lastly, I remind the public and press that taking photographs of proceedings or using any means to enable anyone not present to see or hear proceedings, or making a simultaneous oral report of the proceedings are not permitted

Thank you and we will now move to the first item on the agenda - apologies and then roll call of all other Members in attendance.

<b>Report on</b>	Building Control Workload
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Terry Scullion, AD Property Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	P J Fox, Principal Building Control Officer

<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 provide Members with an update on the workload analysis for Building Control across Mid-Ulster District Council.		
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>		
2.1	<p>Building Control applications are received in three different forms:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a Full Applications - submitted with detailed working drawings.</li> <li>b Building Notices - minor work not usually requiring detailed plans, e.g. provision of insulation to roof space, etc.</li> <li>c Regularisation Applications – where work has been carried out without an approval, an application must be submitted for retrospective approval.</li> </ul>		
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>		
3.1	<b>Workload Analysis</b>	<b>July/August 2022</b>	<b>Accumulative 2022/23</b>
	Total number of Applications	<b>422</b>	<b>936</b>
	Full plans applications received	<b>198</b>	<b>438</b>
	Building Notices applications received	<b>193</b>	<b>436</b>
	Regularisation applications received	<b>26</b>	<b>57</b>
	Estimated value of works submitted	<b>£164,049,450</b>	<b>£221,251,064</b>
		<b>1251</b>	<b>2971</b>

	Number of inspections carried out by Building Control Officers		
	Commencements	<b>327</b>	<b>789</b>
	Domestic Dwellings	<b>87</b>	<b>219</b>
	Domestic alterations and Extensions	<b>192</b>	<b>483</b>
	Non-Domestic work	<b>48</b>	<b>87</b>
	Completions	<b>258</b>	<b>602</b>
	Domestic Dwellings	<b>72</b>	<b>181</b>
	Domestic alterations and Extensions	<b>168</b>	<b>371</b>
	Non-Domestic work	<b>18</b>	<b>50</b>
	Property Certificates Received	<b>364</b>	<b>813</b>
3.2	It should be noted from the Workload Analysis in 3.1, that the full range of applications are being received and administered in accordance with our procedures and performance criteria.		
3.3	It can also be noted that strong demand for the service continues, despite the volatile economic climate.		
3.4	A significant number of applications over and above the normal had been received prior to changes in the Building Regulations that came into effect on 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2022		
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>		
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>		
	Financial: Within Current Resources		
	Human: Within Current Resources		
	Risk Management: None		
<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	Members are requested to note the content of this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 – List of significant applications received by the Building Control Service



## Appendix 1

### Significant Developments September Report 2022

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Location of Development</b>	<b>Details of Development</b>	<b>Estimated value of development</b>
Felix O'Hare & Co. Ltd	Holy Trinity College, 9-29 Chapel Street, Cookstown.	Replacement of Secondary School (Floor area 15,912m <sup>2</sup> ) B.C. fee - £75,373.00	£22,810,105
Landmark Homes NI	Off Killymeal Grange, Dungannon.	Erection of 81 Dwellings (Average Floor area 120m <sup>2</sup> ) B.C. fee - £13,391.48	£7,008,039
FP McCann Ltd	Laurelbrook, Magherafelt.	Erection of 57 Dwellings (Average Floor area 115m <sup>2</sup> ) B.C. fee - £10,500.98	£6,181,650
PK Murphy	Larden Meadows, Donaghmore.	Erection of 45 Dwellings (Average Floor area 163m <sup>2</sup> ) B.C. fee - £8,414.18	£5,311,881
Ganson UK Ltd	Phoenix Integrated Primary School, 80 Fountain Road, Cookstown	Erection of a Primary and Nursery School B.C. fee - £20,845.51	£5,057,917

J & V Construction Ltd	Rear off Knockmoy Park, Gortgonis, Coalisland.	Erection of 66 Dwellings (Average Floor area 94m2) B.C. fee - £12,323.41	£4,392,225
Felix O'Hare & Co. Ltd	120 Dungannon Road, Cookstown	Erection of Training Warehouse (Floor area 2384m2) B.C. fee - £9,136.81	£4,243,228
NK Construction Ltd	Off Sixtowns Road, Draperstown.	Erection of 45 Dwellings (Average Floor area 120m2) B.C. fee - £12,323.41	£3,904,200
Canavan Construction Ltd	Off Cove Close, Ballyronan.	Erection of 39 Dwellings (Average Floor area 110m2) B.C. fee - £7,645.73	£3,101,670
Coleman Construction Ltd	Kilcronagh Business Park, Cookstown.	Erection of 38 Portal Framed Units (Floor area 4880m2) B.C. fee - £18,937.00	£2,923,120
Newpark Developments	Off Crannog Way, Dungannon.	Erection of 33 Dwellings & 9 Apartments (Average Floor area 110m2) B.C. fee - £8,794.88	£2,613,645



Oaks Development Solutions (NI) Ltd	The Oaks, Derrychrin, Cookstown	Erection of 30 Dwellings (Average Floor area 115m2) B.C. fee - £6,355.58	£2,494,350
Fir Tree Developments	Off Tullyvar Road, Aughnacloy.	Erection of 26 Dwellings (Average Floor area 100m2) B.C. fee - £5,598.88	£2,418,798
BH Furb	Off Church View, Ballygawley.	Erection of 23 Dwellings (Average Floor area 128m2) B.C. fee - £5,168.83	£2,362,764
F. Campbell	East & Adj to 109 Brackaville Road, Coalisland.	Erection of 24 Dwellings (Average Floor area 135m2) B.C. fee - £5,587.13	£2,347,581
Fir Tree Developments	Off Roughan Road, Newmills, Dungannon.	Erection of 23 Dwellings (Average Floor area 135m2) B.C. fee - £5,077.18	£2,207,319
Henry Brothers Ltd	17 Rainey Street, Magherafelt.	Erection of Mixed User Complex incorporating 1no. Retail, 2no. Offices & &no. Apartments (Floor area 1279m2) B.C. fee - £9,293.51	£2,100,500

MDK Construction	Roxborough Manor, Moy.	Erection of 22 Dwellings (Average Floor area 126m2) B.C. fee - £5,300.43	£2,004,156
NI 031025	Lands at Brookfield, Dungannon.	Erection of 25 Dwellings (Average Floor area 106m2) B.C. fee - £5,638.83	£1,982,466
Alskea Contracts	Off Lisnamonaghan Road, Castlecaulfield.	Erection of 24 Dwellings (Average Floor area 110m2) B.C. fee - £5,403.83	£1,908,720
N & R Devine Ltd	Off Moneymore Road, Cookstown.	Erection of 23 Dwellings (Average Floor area 110m2) B.C. fee - £5,168.83	£1,829,190
Loughview Developments	Ardean Park, Ardean, Cookstown.	Erection of 21 Dwellings (Average Floor area 110m2) B.C. fee - £4,882.13	£1,670,130
Mid Ulster District Council	22 Gortgonis Road, Coalisland.	Erection of a Leisure Centre (Floor area 1254m2) B.C. fee - £7,502.51	£1,588,864

Gortavoy Feeds & Farm Supplies	72 Shanmaghery Road, Pomeroy.	Extension & Alterations to Farm Supplies Shop (Floor area 2302m2) B.C. fee - £7,015	£1,450,000
DTL Construction	Off Mullagh Road, Maghera.	Erection of 18 Dwellings (Average Floor area 100m2) B.C. fee - £4,708.23	£1,301,400
T & M Scullion	Adj to Ballyronan Road. Magherafelt	Erection of 15 Apartments (Floor area 1550m2) B.C. fee - £4,341.63	£1,298,900
FP McCann Ltd	Bracken Bawn, Magherafelt.	Erection of 10 Dwellings (Average Floor area 115m2) B.C. fee - £2,931.63	£1,192,950
Newpark Homes	Off Fintona Road, Clogher.	Erection of 14 Dwellings (Average Floor area 110m2) B.C. fee - £4,059.63	£1,168,368
M. Berryman	Off Ballinderry Bridge Road, Coagh.	Erection of 12 Dwellings (Average Floor area 125m2) B.C. fee - £3,587.28	£1,082,172

PD Construction Ltd	SW of 44 Dungannon Road, Moy.	Erection of 8 Dwellings (Average Floor area 180m2) B.C. fee - £2,344.13	£1,032,444
N & R Devine Ltd	Gallion Glen, Cookstown.	Erection of 11 Dwellings (Average Floor area 115m2) B.C. fee - £3,213.63	£914,595
DTL Construction	Off Main Street, Bellaghy.	Erection of 11 Dwellings (Average Floor area 112m2) B.C. fee - £3,305.28	£890,736
DM Investments	East of Ashbrook Nursing Home, Moor Road, Coalisland.	Erection of 12 Dwellings (Average Floor area 101m2) B.C. fee - £3,220.68	£879,168
J. Donnelly	Church Mews, Cookstown	Erection of 11 Dwellings (Average Floor area 100m2) B.C. fee - £3,213.63	£795,300
Fermac Properties Ltd	Ash Mount, Swatragh.	Erection of 7 Dwellings (Average Floor area 150m2) B.C. fee - £2,096.20	£759,150

J. Donnelly	Unit K, Ronan Valley Business Park, Magherafelt.	Erection of Industrial Unit (Floor area 1267m2) B.C. fee - £4,215	£754,900
DB Contracts	Mullaghadun Park, Dungannon.	Erection of 5 Dwellings (Average Floor area 140m2) B.C. fee - £1,508.70	£748,305
Mackles Pet Food	33 Main Road, Moygashel, Dungannon.	Extension to Factory (Floor area 1168m2) B.C. fee - £3,940	£699,632
Compton Group NI	Adj to 212 Ballynakilly Road, Coalisland.	Erection of 4no. Industrial Units (Floor area 290m2) B.C. fee - £3,875	£686,966
P. Bradley	Off Coolshinney Road, Magherafelt	Erection of 5 Dwellings & Garages (Average Floor area 185m2) B.C. fee - £1,600.35	£668,775
Western Building Systems	West of 11 Mountjoy Road, Coalisland.	Erection of Industrial Units (Floor area 1045m2) B.C. fee - £3,570	£625,955

Bell Contracts & Co Ltd	10 Derryloran Industrial Estate, Cookstown	Extension & Alterations to Existing Factory to create 6 Commercial Units B.C. fee - £3,525	£617,000
O'Kane Developments NI Ltd	Adj to Shanmullagh Park, Draperstown.	Erection of 7 Dwellings (Average Floor area 121m2) B.C. fee - £2,371.15	£613,104
Smallwood Contracts Ltd	Tobin Drive, Ardean, Cookstown.	Erection of 7 Dwellings (Average Floor area 120m2) B.C. fee - £2,279.50	£607,320
Bridge Developments Ltd	Lough Lane, Ballyronan More. Magherafelt	Erection of 7 Dwellings (Average Floor area 109m2) B.C. fee - £2,004.55	£551,649
J. Keatley	Off Queens Avenue, Magherafelt.	Erection of 5 Dwellings (Average Floor area 133m2) B.C. fee - £1,692	£480,795
FP McCann Ltd	Sites Adj. to Aughrim Road, Magherafelt.	Erection of 5 Dwellings & Garages (Average Floor area 130m2) B.C. fee - £1,692	£469,950

TG Developers	Shanmoy Downs, Eglish, Dungannon	Erection of 6 Dwellings (Average Floor area 108m2) B.C. fee - £1,756.63	£468,504
N & R Devine	Gallion Glen, Cookstown.	Erection of 6 Apartments (Ave Floor area 92m2) B.C. fee - £2,031.58	£461,570
L. McGuigan	Opposite 9 Cabragh Road, Cabragh, Dungannon.	Erection of 6 Dwellings (Average Floor area 105m2) B.C. fee - £1,756.63	£455,490
Rainey Old Boys RFC	7 Meadowbank Road, Magherafelt	Extension & Alterations to Clubhouse Facility (Floor area 460m2) B.C. fee - £2,495	£410,713
C. Eastwood	76-78 Burn Road, Cookstown.	Alterations to Existing Shop B.C. fee - £2,490	£409,664





<b>Report on</b>	Entertainment Licensing Applications
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Terry Scullion, AD Property Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Colm Currie, Principal Building Officer

<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 update Members on Entertainment Licensing applications across Mid Ulster District Council.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	The Council has responsibility for licensing places of entertainment in accordance with The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985. Entertainment Licensing applications are received on a continued basis across the District. Statutory consultations are carried out with PSNI and NIFRS for each Entertainment Licence application (grant or renewal) submitted.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	As previously agreed a list of applications for all grant/renewal of Entertainment Licences in Mid Ulster District Council is attached (see Appendix 1). The number of applications received on a monthly basis will vary depending on the date of expiry of the current licence.
3.2	<p>Each application is accompanied by the following documentation:</p> <p>1 A current Fire Risk Assessment detailing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) means of escape from premises</li> <li>(b) management responsibilities for day to day safety aspects</li> <li>(c) details of review on an annual basis</li> </ul> <p>The fire risk assessment submitted is audited by the inspecting officer.</p> <p>2 Electrical certification is required for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) General electrical installation</li> <li>(b) Emergency lighting system</li> <li>(c) Fire alarm system</li> </ul>

	<p>3 Details of current public liability insurance for premises</p> <p>4 Copy of public advertisement in local press</p>
3.3	Following the application for the Grant/Renewal of an Entertainment Licence being submitted and validated, an inspection is carried out to ensure that the premises are in compliance with all relevant guidance and legislation.
3.4	<p>Areas which would be inspected are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Means of escape from the venue i.e. Final Exit Doors and Easy Opening Devices are satisfactory and escape routes are free from obstruction etc.</li> <li>2. All floor, wall, and ceiling coverings are in compliance and in good condition</li> <li>3. All firefighting equipment are correctly positioned and serviced as required</li> <li>4. The general condition of the premises is satisfactory</li> <li>5. All management documentation is in place</li> </ol>
3.5	Entertainment licensing applications have continued to be processed where possible including statutory consultations with external Bodies as required by legislation.
3.6	Licences have been issued where inspections had been completed and all points requiring attention have been addressed.
3.7	Inspection of venues have continued where possible to do so and specifically where issues in relation to any Covid-19 Guidance in place at the time can be achieved.
3.8	From 26 January 2022 some Covid-19 restrictions had been lifted which included the reopening of nightclubs and these premises are permitted to operate up to their maximum occupancy numbers.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: Within Current Resources
	Human: Within Current Resources
	Risk Management: Within Current Resources

<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	Members are requested to note the content of this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 – Schedule of applications received for the Grant/Renewal of Entertainment Licences.
6.2	Appendix 2 – Schedule of Entertainment Licence applications which have been granted/renewed.



**Appendix 1 – Schedule of applications received for the Grant/Renewal of Entertainment Licences September 2022**

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours proposed</b>	<b>Max Number of Patrons</b>
P Quinn	The Battery Bar	201 Battery Road Cookstown	Annual	Monday to Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00  Sunday From 12.00 To 01.00	270
Mid Ulster District Council	Hill of O'Neill and Ranfurly House - Towers and Good Weather Space	26 Market Square Dungannon	Annual	Monday to Sunday From 08.00 To 02.00	3850
R Forbes	Thirsty J's	86 Chapel Street Cookstown	Annual	Monday to Sunday From 12.00 To 01.00	130

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours proposed</b>	<b>Max Number of Patrons</b>
J McAdoo	Royal British Legion	54b Scotch Street Dungannon	Annual	Monday To Wednesday From 18.00 To 23.00  Thursday From 15.00 To 23.00  Friday From 17.00 To 23.00  Saturday From 12.00 To 23.00	150
M Brown	McKinney Memorial Hall	33 Main Street Tobermore	14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Sunday From 08.00 To 01.00	270
Mid Ulster District Council	Hill of O'Neill and Ranfurly House	26 Market Square Dungannon	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 08.00 To 02.00	1534

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours proposed</b>	<b>Max Number of Patrons</b>
Moneyneena & District Development Initiative	An Rath Dubh	53 Moneyneany Road, Draperstown	Annual	Monday To Thursday From 11.00 To 00.00  Friday To Sunday From 11.00 To 01.00	300
M Roulston	Ardara Country House	8 Gorteade Road, Maghera	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 18.00 To 01.00	100
P Gervin	Gervin's Bar	1 Barrack Square, Coalisland	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11:30 To 01:00  Sunday From 12:00 To 00:00	339
E O'Neill	St Mary's Hall	West Street, Stewartstown	14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Sunday From 10.00 To 01.00	200

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours proposed</b>	<b>Max Number of Patrons</b>
L Richardson	Old Clubhouse	20 Maghera Road, Tobermore	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11:00 To 01:00  Sunday From 11:00 To 01:00	500
K Corley	Aghaloo Community Centre	70 Moore Street, Aughnacloy	Annual	Monday to Thursday From 09:00 To 23:00  Friday And Saturday From 09:00 To 00:00  Sunday From 09:00 To 23:00	460
V Stewart	Lissan Parish Hall	69 Turnaface Road, Moneymore	14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Sunday From 0900 To 0100	255



<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours proposed</b>	<b>Max Number of Patrons</b>
H Downey	Downey's Bar	26-28 Queen Street, Magherafelt	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11:30 To 01:00  Sunday From 12:30 To 01:00	330
B O'Hanlon	Todds Leap Activity Centre	30 Todds Leap Road, Ballygawley	Annual	Monday to Sunday From 0800 To 23.30	88
P Murray	Moygashel Orange Hall	59 Main Street, Dungannon	Annual	Monday To Friday From 09:00 To 01:30  Saturday From 09:00 To 23:59	100
B McAnenly	The Auction Rooms	24 The Square, Moy	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 11:30 To 01:00	262

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours proposed</b>	<b>Max Number of Patrons</b>
D & L Salley	Salley's Bar and Lounge	86 Moore Street, Aughnacloy	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 11:30 To 01:30	200
H & T McGlone	Mary's Bar	10 Market Street, Magherafelt	Annual	Monday - Saturday From 11.30 To 03.00  Sunday From 12.30 To 03.00	560
D Devlin	Cavanakeeran Community Hub	38 Cavanakeeran Road, Pomeroy	14 Unspecified Days	Monday to Sunday From 0900 To 0100	500

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**Appendix 2 – Schedule of Entertainment Licence applications which have been Granted/Renewed/Varied in September 2022**

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type Of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours Granted</b>
W McCracken	Desertcreat Church Hall	4 Desertcreat Road, Coosktown	Any 14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Sunday From 09.00 To 00.00
W L Richardson	Richardsons Bar	9 Main Street, Tobermore	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00  Sunday From 12.30 To 01.00
M Brown	McKinney Memorial Hall	33, Main Street, Tobermore	Any 14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Sunday From 08.00 To 01.00
R Martin	Eglis St Patrick's GAA	109 Killyliss Road, Dungannon	Any 14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Sunday From 18.00 To 02.00

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type Of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours Granted</b>
Rev A Dolan PP	St Mary's Parochial Hall	1 Tamlaghtduff Park, Bellaghy	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 10.00 To 01.00
C Eastwood	Dunleath Bar	58-66 Church St, Coosktown	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00  Sunday From 12.30 To 00.00
P Kidd	St Martin's GAC	51 Longfield Road, Desertmartin	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 10.00 To 01.00
A McGuckin	MacFlynn Suite	75 Castledawson Road, Magherafelt	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 08.00 To 23.00
M Davison	Davison's Bar	44-46 Main Street, Castlecaulfield	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 11.00 To 01.00

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type Of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours Granted</b>
K Conlon	Ballinderry Community Hub	91a Ballinderry Bridge Road, Coagh	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 20.00 To 12.30
Carntogher Community Association	An Coire	132A Tirkane Road, Maghera	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 09.00 To 01.00
C Eastwood	The Rusty Keg	64-66 Main Street, Pomeroy	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00  Sunday From 12.30 To 00.00
T McMullin	Royal British Legion Upperlands	67 Kilrea Road, Upperlands	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 12.00 To 11.30  Sunday From 11.00 To 22.00

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type Of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours Granted</b>
Upperlands Community Development	The Linenhall Centre	67 Kilrea Road, Upperlands	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 01.00 To 02.00
Rev John Gates	Magherafelt Parish Centre	24 King Street, Magherafelt	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 08.00 To 01.00
Mid Ulster District Council	The Bridewell	6 Church Street, Magherafelt	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 09.00 To 00.00
G Booth	Railway Bar Beer Garden	67 Union Street, Cookstown	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 12.00 To 00.00
B McNeice	Tomney's Bar	9-10 The Square, Moy	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00  Sunday From 12.30 To 01.00

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type Of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours Granted</b>
B McNeice	Tomney's Bar Courtyard	9-10 The Square, Moy	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00  Sunday From 12.30 To 00.00
L Knox	Molesworth Church Hall	69-71 Molesworth Street, Cookstown	Any 14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Friday From 18.00 To 01.00  Saturday From 18.00 To 00.00
R Patton	Dungannon Rugby Football Club	36 Moy Road, Dungannon	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.00 To 23:00 Sunday 11.00 to 23.00
A Robson, A Beacom & H McCleary	Corick House and Spa	20 Corick Road, Clougher	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 09.00 To 02.00

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type Of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours Granted</b>
D Friel	Friels Bar & Restaurant	2-4 Kilrea Road, Swatragh	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01:00  Sunday From 12.30 To 01.00
B Ruddy	Rock St Patrick's GAC Community Hub	5-29 Tullyodonnell Road, Dungannon	Any 14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Sunday From 09.00 To 01.00
M Scott	Adjacent to Guagers Inn	99 Shore Road, Magherafelt	Outdoor	Saturday 27 August 2022 From 17.00 To 00.30



<b>Report on</b>	Dual Language Signage Surveys
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Terry Scullion, AD Property Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Colm Currie, Principal Building Officer

<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 advise Members on the result of surveys undertaken on all applicable residents on the streets/roads in response to Dual Language Signage Nameplate requests.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	In accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) NI Order 1995 – Article 11 the Council is tasked with the responsibility to erect dual language signs or second nameplates, adjacent to the nameplate in English.
2.2	The Policy for Street Naming and Dual Language Signage – Section 6.0, as adopted forms the basis for considering requests expressing the name in a language other than English, to both existing and new streets.
2.3	In accordance with the Policy as adopted, all occupiers as listed on the Electoral Register residing on the streets/roads as noted below were canvassed, by post seeking their views on the request to erect dual-language street nameplates in the Irish Language as requested in each case.

<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>																																																				
3.1	<p>The Building Control Service within the Strategic Directorate of Environment issued occupiers of the undernoted streets, correspondence seeking their views on the request to erect a dual-language street nameplate.</p> <p>Completed surveys were received by the return date and the outcome is as follows in each case:</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>Name of Street</td><td>Rainey View, Magherafelt</td></tr> <tr><td>Language Requested</td><td>Irish</td></tr> <tr><td>Date Request Validated</td><td>16/05/2022</td></tr> <tr><td>Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee</td><td>14/06/2022</td></tr> <tr><td>Surveys Issued</td><td>28/06/2022</td></tr> <tr><td>Surveys returned by</td><td>26/07/2022</td></tr> <tr><td>Survey Letters Issued</td><td>7</td></tr> <tr><td>Survey Letters Returned</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Replies in Favour</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Replies not in Favour</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>Invalid</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>Valid Returns</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Percentage in Favour</td><td>100%</td></tr> </table> <p>In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Rainey View, Magherafelt will be erected.</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>Name of Street</td><td>Rugby Court, Magherafelt</td></tr> <tr><td>Language Requested</td><td>Irish</td></tr> <tr><td>Date Request Validated</td><td>16/05/2022</td></tr> <tr><td>Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee</td><td>14/06/2022</td></tr> <tr><td>Surveys Issued</td><td>28/06/2022</td></tr> <tr><td>Surveys returned by</td><td>26/07/2022</td></tr> <tr><td>Survey Letters Issued</td><td>18</td></tr> <tr><td>Survey Letters Returned</td><td>13</td></tr> <tr><td>Replies in Favour</td><td>11</td></tr> <tr><td>Replies not in Favour</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Invalid</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>Valid Returns</td><td>12</td></tr> <tr><td>Percentage in Favour</td><td>92%</td></tr> </table> <p>In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in</p>	Name of Street	Rainey View, Magherafelt	Language Requested	Irish	Date Request Validated	16/05/2022	Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	14/06/2022	Surveys Issued	28/06/2022	Surveys returned by	26/07/2022	Survey Letters Issued	7	Survey Letters Returned	2	Replies in Favour	2	Replies not in Favour	0	Invalid	0	Valid Returns	2	Percentage in Favour	100%	Name of Street	Rugby Court, Magherafelt	Language Requested	Irish	Date Request Validated	16/05/2022	Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	14/06/2022	Surveys Issued	28/06/2022	Surveys returned by	26/07/2022	Survey Letters Issued	18	Survey Letters Returned	13	Replies in Favour	11	Replies not in Favour	1	Invalid	1	Valid Returns	12	Percentage in Favour	92%
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Name of Street	Foxfield Park, Magherafelt
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	16/05/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	14/06/2022
Surveys Issued	28/06/2022
Surveys returned by	26/07/2022
Survey Letters Issued	146
Survey Letters Returned	59
Replies in Favour	43
Replies not in Favour	15
Invalid	1
Valid Returns	58
Percentage in Favour	74%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Foxfield Park, Magherafelt will be erected.

Name of Street	Glendale Manor, Maghera
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	08/02/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	08/03/2022
Surveys Issued	31/03/2022
Surveys returned by	28/04/2022
Survey Letters Issued	37
Survey Letters Returned	6
Replies in Favour	6
Replies not in Favour	0
Invalid	0
Valid Returns	6
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Glendale Manor, Maghera will be erected

Name of Street	Ardmore Road, Coalisland
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	14/02/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	08/03/2022
Surveys Issued	31/03/2022
Surveys returned by	28/04/2022
Survey Letters Issued	27
Survey Letters Returned	7
Replies in Favour	6
Replies not in Favour	0
Invalid	1
Valid Returns	6
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Ardmore Road, Coalisland will be erected

Name of Street	Coolnafranky Park, Cookstown
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	16/02/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	08/03/2022
Surveys Issued	31/03/2022
Surveys returned by	28/04/2022
Survey Letters Issued	166
Survey Letters Returned	21
Replies in Favour	21
Replies not in Favour	0
Invalid	0
Valid Returns	21
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Coolnafranky Park, Cookstown will be erected.

Name of Street	Old Rectory Heights, Cookstown
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	21/03/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	04/04/2022
Surveys Issued	31/03/2022
Surveys returned by	28/04/2022
Survey Letters Issued	41
Survey Letters Returned	8
Replies in Favour	8
Replies not in Favour	0
Invalid	0
Valid Returns	8
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Old Rectory Heights, Cookstown will be erected.

Name of Street	Greenagh Bridge Road, Dungannon
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	18/02/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	04/04/2022
Surveys Issued	31/03/2022
Surveys returned by	28/04/2022
Survey Letters Issued	25
Survey Letters Returned	7
Replies in Favour	6
Replies not in Favour	1
Invalid	0
Valid Returns	7
Percentage in Favour	86%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Greenagh Bridge Road, Dungannon will be erected.

<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: Within Current Resources
	Human: Within Current Resources
	Risk Management: None
<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 Members note the results of the surveys for application of Dual Language Nameplates in Irish for the streets/roads as detailed below.
5.2	Where more than 51% of occupiers that respond indicated that they were in favour of the erection of a dual language signage, nameplates will be erected.  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rainey View, Magherafelt</li> <li>2. Rugby Court, Magherafelt</li> <li>3. Foxfield Park, Magherafelt</li> <li>4. Glendale Manor, Maghera</li> <li>5. Ardmore Road, Coalisland</li> <li>6. Coolnafranky Park, Cookstown</li> <li>7. Old Rectory Heights, Cookstown</li> <li>8. Greenagh Bridge Road, Dungannon</li> </ol>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 – Dual Language Nameplate Translation for each street/road

Appendix 1 - Dual Language Nameplate Translation for each street/road

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Rugby Court, Magherafelt	Cúirt Rugbaí
Townland	Town Parks of Magherafelt	Páirceanna Baile Mhachaire Fíolta

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Foxfield Park, Magherafelt	Páirc an tSionnaigh
Townland	Coolshinny	Cúil Sionnaigh

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Rainey View, Magherafelt	Cúirt Rainey
Townland	Town Parks of Magherafelt	Páirceanna Baile Mhachaire Fíolta

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Glendale Manor, Glen Road, Maghera	Mainéar an Ghleanna
Townland	Craigmore	An Chreag Mhór

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Ardmore Road, Coalisland	Bóthar an Aird Mhóir
Townland	Gortgonis	Gort an Ghamhna

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Coolnafranky Park Cookstown	Páirc Chúil Tí Freangan
Townland	Coolnafranky	Cúil Tí Freangan

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Old Rectory Heights Cookstown	Arda Sheanteach an Reachtaire
Townland	Glebe (Derryloran)	An Ghléib (Doire Lúráin)



	<b>Current Name</b>	<b>Irish Translation</b>
<b>Road</b>	<b>Greenagh Bridge Road Dungannon</b>	<b>Bóthar Dhroichead Chríonaigh</b>
<b>Townland</b>	<b>Greenagh</b>	<b>Críonach</b>



<b>Report on</b>	Dual Language Signage Requests
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Terry Scullion, AD Property Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Colm Currie, Principal Building Officer

<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 advise Members of requests for Dual Language Signage from residents on the streets/roads in question.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	In accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) NI Order 1995 – Article 11 the Council is tasked with the responsibility to erect dual language signs or second nameplates, adjacent to the nameplate in English.
2.2	The Policy for Dual Language Nameplate Signage as adopted forms the basis for considering requests expressing the name in a language other than English, to both existing and new streets.
2.3	In accordance with the Policy as adopted, the Environment Committee will be informed of requests which have been validated and are proceeding to survey.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	The Building Control Service have received valid letters signed by occupiers of the street in each case requesting signage to be erected in a second language being "Irish" in the following case adjacent to the nameplate in English as follows:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Castlevue Manor, Castlecaulfield</li> <li>2. Derrycloony Road, Augher</li> </ul>
3.2	The occupiers signing the requests in each case have been confirmed as residents of their particular street which has been evidenced by their listing on the current Electoral Register as required in accordance with the Policy as adopted, see letters of request attached in Appendix 1 - 2
3.3	It should also be noted that the Electoral Office are still only permitting access to members of the public including Officers of the Council for 60 minutes per visit. In addition, the time required to gain the necessary information has increased

	considerably due to the number of individuals that have been recently added to the Electoral Register.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: Within Current Resources
	Human: Within Current Resources
	Risk Management: None
<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 Members note the content of this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1- Letter received from a resident of Castlevue Manor, Castlecaulfield
6.2	Appendix 2 – Letter received from a resident of Derrycloony Road, Augher

Appendix 1 – Letter received from a resident of Castlevue Manor, Castlecaulfield

Castlevue Manor  
Castlecaulfield  
County Tyrone  
BT70 3DW

Mid Ulster District Council  
- 1 JUN 2022  
Building Department

To whom it may concern

My name is [REDACTED] and I am currently the owner occupier of [REDACTED] Castlevue Manor, Castlecaulfield, BT70 3DW. I have been at this Residence for over 3 years and am currently on the Electoral Register At this address.

I am officially sending this letter in to apply for Dual Language street sign For our housing Estate because as of yet there is still no street sign allocated or erected as of today 19/05/2022

Castlevue Manor  
Castlecaulfield  
BT70 3DW

The proposal is for the sign to contain both IRISH and ENGLISH, this would Also help in keeping with the current road servicing our estate also having A dual language sign of IRISH and ENGLISH on Frenchmans Lane.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely, [REDACTED]

Appendix 2 – Letter received from a resident of Derrycloony Road, Augher

A Chara,

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of Derryclooney Road, Augher, County Tyrone, BT77 0ED, write to petition Mid Ulster Council that the Irish language be provided for on dual language signage on the Derryclooney Road, Augher, County Tyrone

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<b>Report on</b>	Maghera Walled Garden Green Flag Award
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Eunan Murray, Grounds & Cemeteries Manager

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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update members on the success for Maghera Walled Garden at the Green Flag Awards.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	The Green Flag Award Scheme recognises and rewards well managed green spaces, setting the benchmark standard for the management of recreational outdoor spaces.
2.2	The Green Flag Awards are judged annually by green space experts, who volunteer their time to visit applicant site sites and assess them against eight strict criteria, ranging from horticultural standards, cleanliness, sustainability and community involvement.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	Council previously submitted Green Flag entries for four sites in the District, including Maghera Walled Garden and significant maintenance work was undertaken at the facility in preparation for the 2022 judging.
3.2	It is very pleasing to report that Maghera Walled Garden has maintained its Green Flag status as announced at the awards event held on 26 July in Brownlow House Lurgan (photograph taken at award ceremony with Council Chair included at appendix 1).
3.3	This standard has given external verification that good practice has been demonstrated by Council staff with evidence of this good practice having a positive effect on visitor experience to the garden over the summer period. For example on 23 <sup>rd</sup> August the facility hosted an environmentally friendly gardening event organised in conjunction with the Conservation Volunteers, Y.Z. 'Feels to be True' and Council's Bio Diversity Officer.
3.4	The event was a huge success and on the day participants were guided in small groups around a number of information stalls to:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn about companion planting with herbs and edible flowers</li> <li>• Exchange ideas with fellow gardeners and tips/advice on later summer planting</li> <li>• Find out how to attract pollinators into the garden</li> <li>• Gather ideas for establishing simple bee and bug homes</li> </ul>
3.5	<p>Feedback was very positive with one participant quoted as follows;</p> <p><i>"I just want to say thank you for a wonderful afternoon! I enjoyed it immensely. I learned so much from the wonderful experts. Please pass on my thanks to them and all who organised this event".</i></p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: Within Environmental Services Budget.
	Human: Staff time in maintaining delivery standards.
	Risk Management: None
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members are requested to note the content of this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 – Photo of the presentation of the Green Flag Award in Lurgan on 26/07/22
6.2	Appendix 2 – Photos of the Environmental Gardening Event at MWG on 23/08/22



## Appendix 1

### Presentation of the Green Flag Award – 26<sup>th</sup> July 2002





## Appendix 2

### Environmentally Friendly Gardening Event at MWG – 23<sup>rd</sup> August



<b>Report on</b>	Northern Ireland Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste Management (LACMW) Report for January to March 2022
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Karl McGowan, Waste Disposal and Contracts Manager

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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update members on the Council's performance in relation to recycling and landfill diversion targets as outlined in the NIEA Northern Ireland Local Authority Waste Management Statistics Report for Quarter 4 of 2021/22 from January to March 2022.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	<p>The above (provisional) report was published on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022 by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA). The data in the report is based on quarterly returns made to WasteDataFlow, a web-based system, used by all local authorities throughout the UK to report on local authority collected municipal waste (LACMW). This publication provides information on local authority collected municipal waste from household and non-household sources and recycling and landfill rates in Northern Ireland.</p> <p>Headline figures are shown in the attached infographic with the full report available via the below link:</p> <p><a href="https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/northern-ireland-local-authority-collected-municipal-waste-management-statistics-january-march-2022">https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/northern-ireland-local-authority-collected-municipal-waste-management-statistics-january-march-2022</a></p>

3.0

Main Report

3.1

Key Points:

- Northern Ireland’s councils collected 229,396 tonnes of waste during January to March 2022, an 8.3 per cent decrease compared to January to March 2021.
- During January to March 2022, 45.4 per cent of waste collected by councils was sent for recycling, 1.1 per cent lower than the recycling rate for January to March 2021.
- The landfill rate for waste collected by councils was 25.2 per cent in January to March 2022, a fall from 76.5 per cent in January to March 2007, but similar to that recorded during January to March 2021.
- Over a quarter (27.7 per cent) of waste arisings were sent for energy recovery in January to March 2022, higher than the 25.7 per cent reported in January to March 2021, and an increase from the 1.2 per cent rate during the same quarter in 2010.
- Household waste accounted for 87.3 per cent of all waste collected during this period.
- The recycling rate for household waste was 45.8 per cent in January to March 2022, lower than the 46.6 per cent recorded during the same quarter of 2021. The landfill rate for household waste was 25.0 per cent, similar to the rate recorded in January to March 2021.

3.2

Waste to Recycling:

Jan - Mar 22

Jan - Mar 21

0%

10%

20%

30%

40%

50%

60%

Antrim & Newtownabbey

Ards & North Down

Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon

Belfast

Causeway Coast & Glens

Derry City & Strabane

Fermanagh & Omagh

Lisburn & Castlereagh

Mid & East Antrim

Mid Ulster

Newry, Mourne & Down

arc21

NWRWMG

Northern Ireland

Authority	Jan - Mar 22 (%)	Jan - Mar 21 (%)
Antrim & Newtownabbey	55.0	54.0
Ards & North Down	43.0	42.0
Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon	50.0	49.0
Belfast	40.0	39.0
Causeway Coast & Glens	47.0	46.0
Derry City & Strabane	43.0	42.0
Fermanagh & Omagh	45.0	44.0
Lisburn & Castlereagh	45.0	44.0
Mid & East Antrim	47.0	46.0
Mid Ulster	53.0	52.0
Newry, Mourne & Down	49.0	48.0
arc21	45.0	44.0
NWRWMG	42.0	41.0
Northern Ireland	45.4	46.5



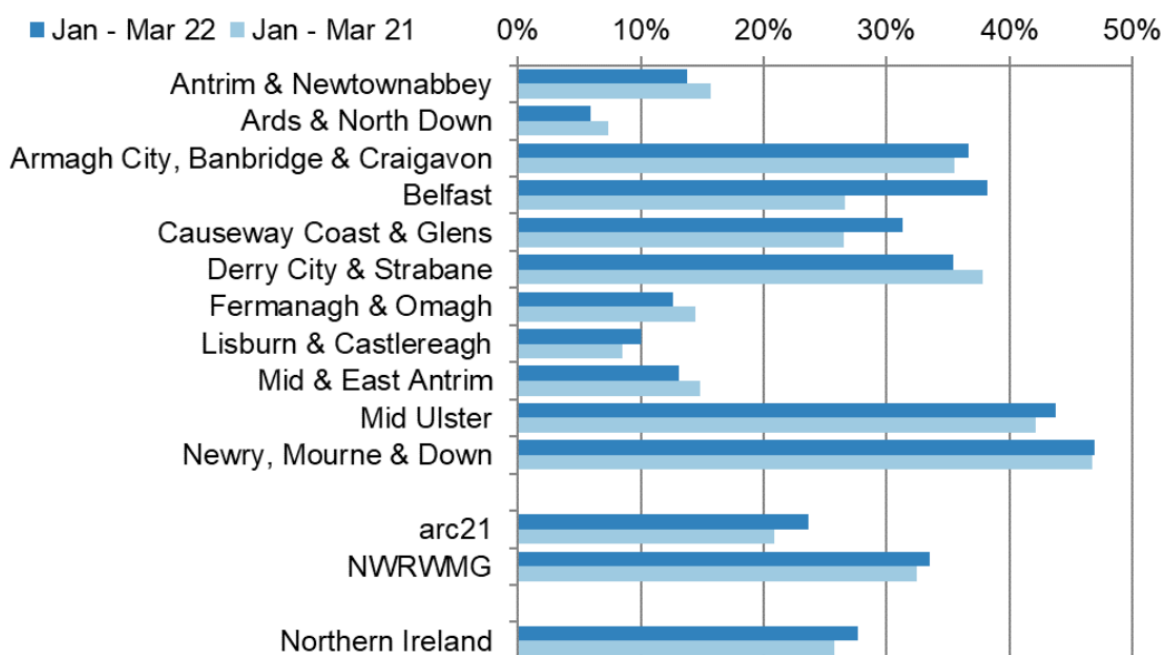
There were 104,080 tonnes of waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting between January and March 2022. The waste recycling rate was 45.4 per cent. This was slightly lower than the 46.5 per cent of waste sent for recycling between January and March 2021.

The recycling rate for Mid Ulster for the quarter was 52.9 per cent (a decrease of 1.9 per cent compared to January and March 2021). This was the second highest rate achieved by any of the eleven Councils (as illustrated in the graph above):

### 3.3 Waste to Energy Recovery

Between January and March 2022, 63,434 tonnes of waste arisings were sent for energy recovery. This produced a waste energy recovery rate of 27.7 per cent, higher than the 25.7 per cent rate reported for the same period in 2021. For each period, the majority of energy recovery was from mixed residual waste, with a smaller proportion from specific streams, e.g. wood.

The energy recovery rate for Mid Ulster for the quarter was 43.8 per cent (an increase of 1.6 per cent compared to January to March 2021). This was the second highest rate achieved by any of the eleven Councils (as illustrated in the graph below):



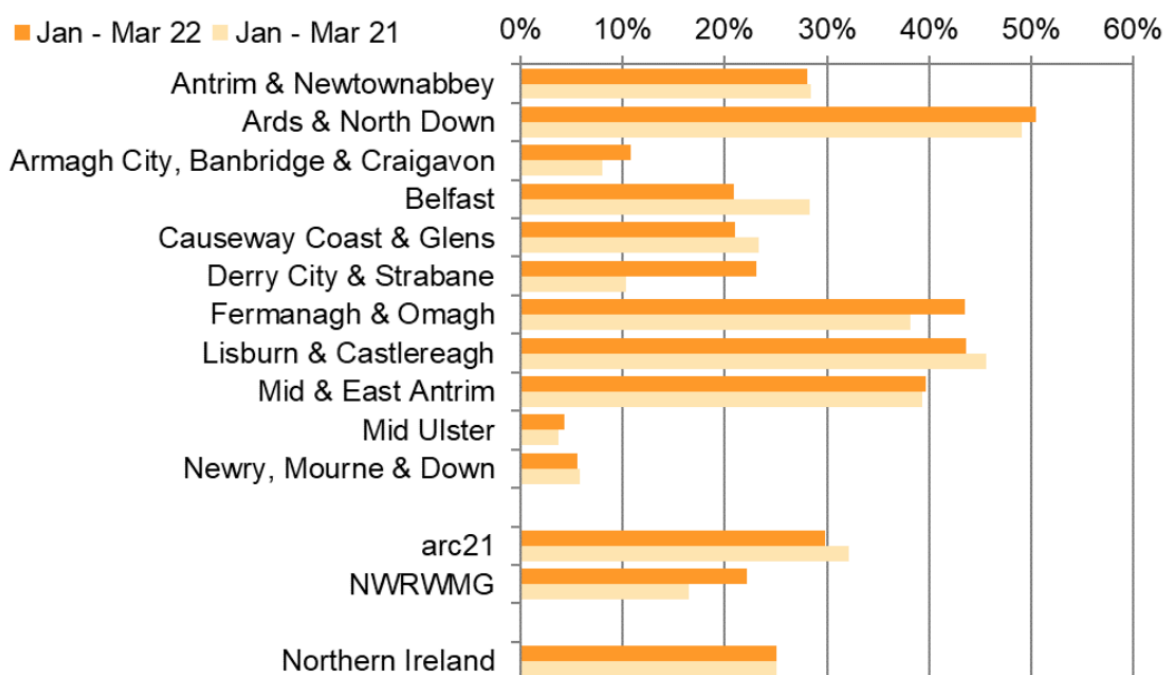
### 3.4 Waste to Landfill:

The quantity of municipal waste sent to landfill decreased by 7.8 per cent, from 62,570 tonnes during January to March 2021 to 57,712 tonnes between January to March 2022. This gave a quarterly landfill rate of 25.2 per cent, similar to the 25.0 per cent recorded during the same quarter of 2021.

The long term trend has seen the January to March household waste landfill rate fall from 74.9 per cent in 2007 to a low of 24.7 per cent in 2020. It has remained at a similar level in both the January to March periods since. Note that the landfill rate

exhibits seasonality and the April to June and July to September quarters tend to have lower rates than October to December and January to March. The seasonality stems from the higher level of compostable garden waste arising during spring and summer.

The landfill rate for Mid Ulster for the quarter was 4.3 per cent of household waste (an increase of 0.6 per cent compared to January to March 2021). This was the lowest rate achieved by any of the eleven Councils (as illustrated in the graph below):



#### 4.0 Other Considerations

##### 4.1 Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications

Financial: Failure to meet waste targets could result in penalties.

Human: A significant amount of time is spent by the Recycling Officers in gathering, collating and submitting the necessary data for quarterly WasteDataFlow returns.

Risk Management: Failure to meet waste targets would result in reputational damage.

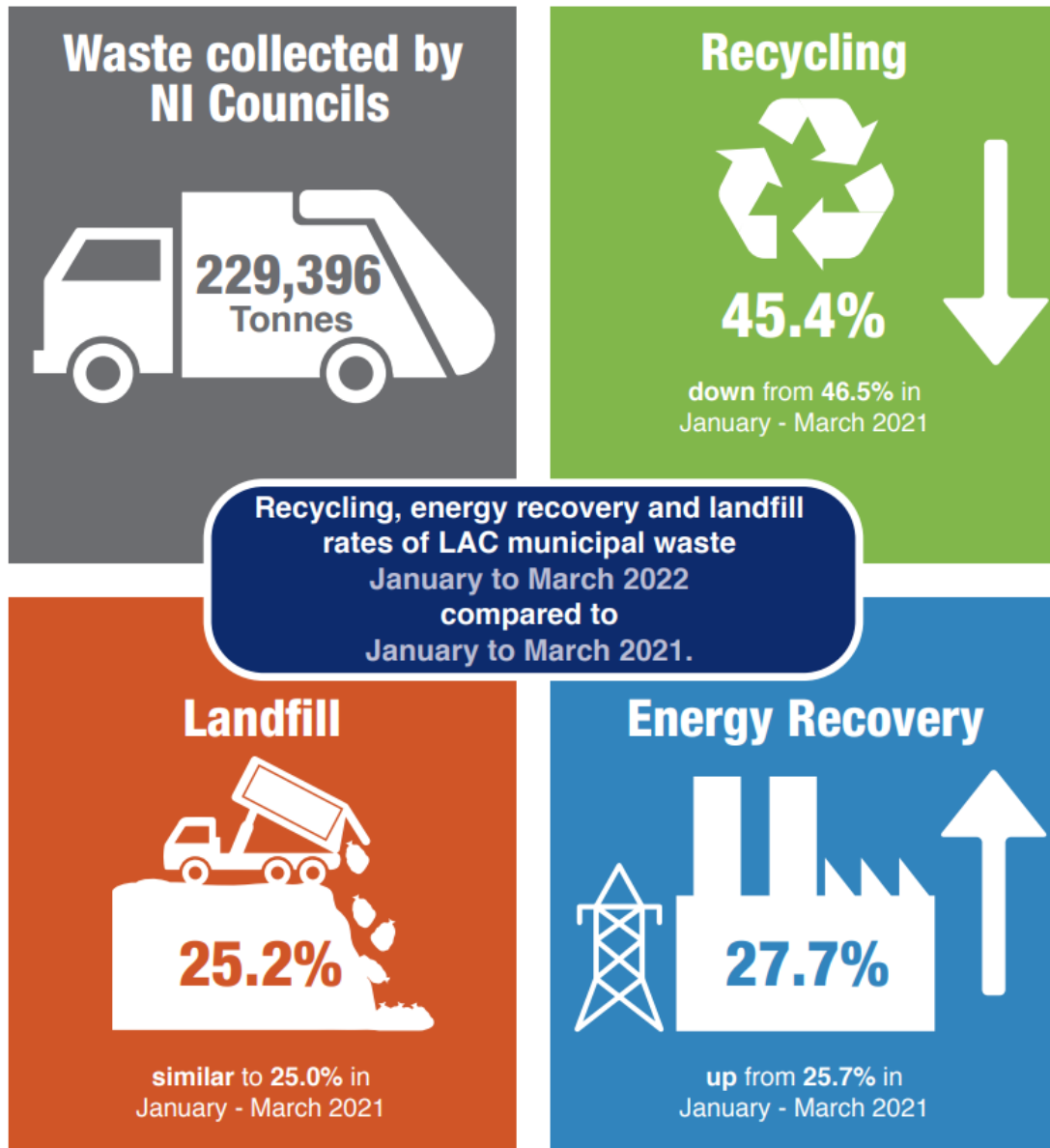
##### 4.2 Screening & Impact Assessments

Equality & Good Relations Implications: None

Rural Needs Implications: None

<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members are asked to note the performance of the Council as outlined in this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 – Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste Infographic Q4 2021-22.

## Waste Collections by NI Councils January to March 2022



*Sustainability at the heart of a living, working, active landscape valued by everyone.*



<b>Report on</b>	Update on refuse collection route optimisation project
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	David Richardson, Assistant Cleansing Operations Manager

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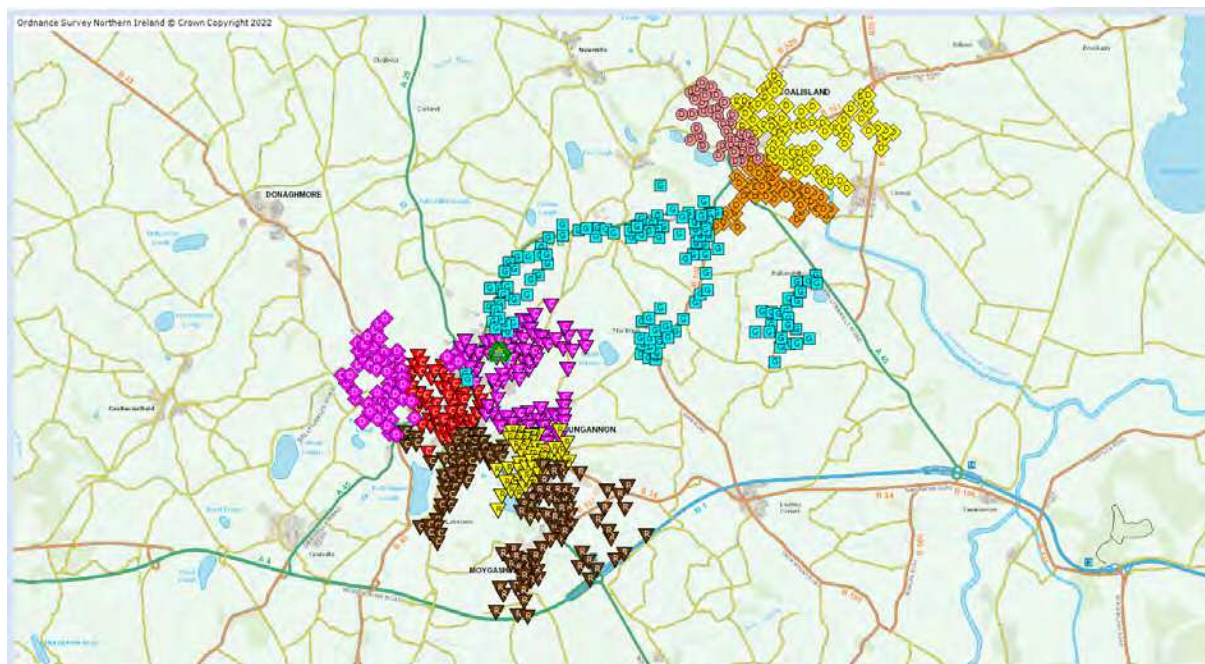
<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update members on route optimisation and changes to the refuse collection service.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	As members will be aware Environmental Services is involved in an ongoing programme of route optimisation and changes to refuse collection service delivery across the district.
2.2	This transformative programme primarily involves the roll-out from the north to south of the district of one-armed collection vehicles (OAVs) to empty bins on most rural roads. Following the introduction of the first OAVs and a new 32 tonne refuse collection vehicle in the Dungannon area three months ago (as reported to June Committee) the service is now in a position to move to the next phase involving the optimisation of urban collections in Dungannon and Coalisland towns using standard 26 tonne refuse collection vehicles.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	The collection of bins in the towns of Dungannon and Coalisland have typically been carried out on routes incorporating some urban and rural collections as the routes were originally designed when vehicles were tipping at Tullyvar landfill site. With the new waste transfer station now located/operational in Dungannon and many rural areas now having been incorporated into OAV routes there is now an opportunity to optimise the collections in urban settlements located closer to the transfer station using standard 26 tonne RCVs with a shorter travel time permitting two daily tips and thus more bins to be collected per vehicle per day.
3.2	In summary during the coming weeks we will be implementing changes to the collection of bins from around 10,000 households located primarily within the 30mph limits of Dungannon and Coalisland as well as Moygashel, The Bush, Ballnakelly and the housing developments located between Dungannon and

	<p>Coalisland along the A45 (a map showing those areas affected is included at Appendix 1).</p>
3.3	<p>The changes are scheduled to take place during week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022 and affected residents will be informed via a letter delivered directly to their homes detailing the changes to their collection arrangements (see sample letter included at Appendix 2).</p>
3.4	<p>It is aimed to minimise disruption to collection sequences / days where possible however some residents will experience a change of collection day and many will have a change to the week on which their brown bin is collected (as all brown bins in the areas affected will now be emptied on blue bin week).</p>
3.5	<p>All households affected by these changes will receive a collection calendar confirming their collection day and change to their brown bin collection week. Given the most significant changes i.e. change to collection day and week is to a relatively small number of residents, broad, untargeted communication e.g. via social media is likely to be counter-productive and direct communication as described above is the preferred option.</p>
3.6	<p>These changes will also allow a second operative to be allocated to these routes due to the higher number of bins being collected which was a key aim of the overall project.</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	<p>Financial: This latest phase of route optimization will not lead to a reduction in vehicles or a related saving in maintenance and fuel costs. However by adding more bins to each route, it is hoped this efficiency will enable the growing number of households in the district to be serviced without an increase in budget i.e. doing more with the same level of resources</p>
	<p>Human: It is important to highlight that there are no staff savings associated with the OAV roll out because the single loaders previously utilized on vehicles on rural routes are being redeployed to standard refuse collection vehicles on built up/urban routes where previously only one loader was deployed but where two are now required due to the continued increase in new houses/additional developments i.e. a rebalancing of resource.</p>
	<p>Risk Management: It is vital to reinforce the primary purpose of OAVs is the health and safety of operatives who will no longer be exposed to the hazard of collecting bins on very busy rural roads.</p>
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	<p>Equality &amp; Good Relations Implications: None</p>

	Rural Needs Implications: None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members are asked to note the contents of this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Attachment(s)</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 - Map showing the areas affected by the latest phase of route optimisation
6.2	Appendix 2 - Sample letter to be issued to affected households



## Proposed 26T RCV Urban Routes in/around Dungannon and Coalisland





Dear Resident

***A change to your bin collection day.***

We are making a change to the bin collection day for your black, blue and brown bins commencing **October 2022**.

From the first week in October your bins will be emptied on a **Monday** commencing with your **black bin** on **Monday 3 October**.

Your **brown bin** will be emptied on the same day as your **blue bin** commencing **Monday 10 October**, this sequence will continue fortnightly thereafter.

The calendar below shows your bin collection sequence for October 2022 to January 2023. You should keep this letter for reference as it details the bin collections over the Christmas and New Year holiday period.

October 2022	November 2022	December 2022	January 2023
Mon 3 	Mon 7  	Mon 5  	Mon 2  
Mon 10  	Mon 14 	Mon 12 	Mon 9 
Mon 17 	Mon 24  	Mon 19  	Mon 16  
Mon 24  	Mon 28 	Sat 24 instead of Mon 26 	Mon 23 
Mon 31 			Mon 30  

Please remember also to continue to leave your bins out by 7:30am on your collection day as the time the lorry arrives at your property is likely to change.

If you have any queries or questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us on 03000 132 132, E: [environmentalservices@midulstercouncil.org](mailto:environmentalservices@midulstercouncil.org).

Yours sincerely



David Richardson  
Assistant Cleansing Operations Manager

<b>Report on</b>	Update on new Waste Management Strategy and Plan
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director – Environmental Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director – Environmental Services

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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update on the development of a new Waste Management Strategy and Plan.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	The draft Environment Strategy for Northern Ireland includes a commitment to publish a new Waste Management Strategy by 2023. The Department of the Environment, Agriculture and Rural Affairs (DAERA) recently published the closure report for the previous Waste Management Strategy for N Ireland (copy attached).
2.2	The publication of the Closure report formally closes the previous - Delivering Resource Efficiency - Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy which commenced in October 2013. The Department has now confirmed that work is underway on the development a new Waste Management Strategy for N Ireland.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	The Closure Report concluded that over the lifetime of the previous Strategy there have been significant improvements in key headline waste indicators, including diversion from landfill and recycling. The introduction of the carrier bag levy is also a significant success. Of the 2013 Strategy's 44 actions and targets a total of 36 (82%) were achieved, beyond the target date, or superseded or alternative action taken with achievements identified including, the achievement of a 50% household waste recycling rate and landfilling no more than 220,000 tonnes of biodegradable Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste (BLACMW).
3.2	Despite these successes there are new challenges and targets arising from our need to tackle climate change and develop a circular economy. Indeed significant reforms are already underway in the waste sector including on extended producer responsibility (EPR) and a deposit/return scheme (DRS) for drinks containers.
3.3	DAERA has recently provided a high level plan to inform Councils of the proposed timescale for the development of the new Strategy. This summary development plan (copy attached) includes milestones and indicative timelines for the various steps to be taken to allow a new Strategy to be published by December 2023.

3.4	Engagement with key stakeholders, including local Councils, on the development of the new Strategy is due to commence at the end of September. This will include implementation of new recycling and landfill reduction targets for municipal waste.
3.5	Related to the above process is also a requirement for Councils to update their Waste Management Plans (the Waste Framework Directive states that waste management plans must be evaluated every 6 years and revised as appropriate).
3.6	DAERA had previously commissioned the Waste Resources Action Programme (WRAP) to undertake a review of the current plans and to identify changes and other updates required in terms of legislation, policy etc. This review has undertaken across all chapters of the Waste Management Plans and will be used as a basis for producing an addendum to the existing plans which will ensure they are technically/regulatory compliant until a full and complete review is undertaken.
3.7	Members will be kept updated on the development of the new Strategy and Plan.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
4.1	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: Cost of producing addendum to Plan to be shared between Councils (£5-£7k ea.)
	Human: Staff time in engaging on the development of the new Strategy and Plan.
	Risk Management: Failure to produce a new Strategy or Plan could result in fines.
4.2	<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	Members are asked to note the content of this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 – Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy 2013 Closure report
6.2	Appendix 2 – New Waste Management Strategy Summary Development Plan



# **Closure Report: Delivering Resource Efficiency – The Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy 2013**



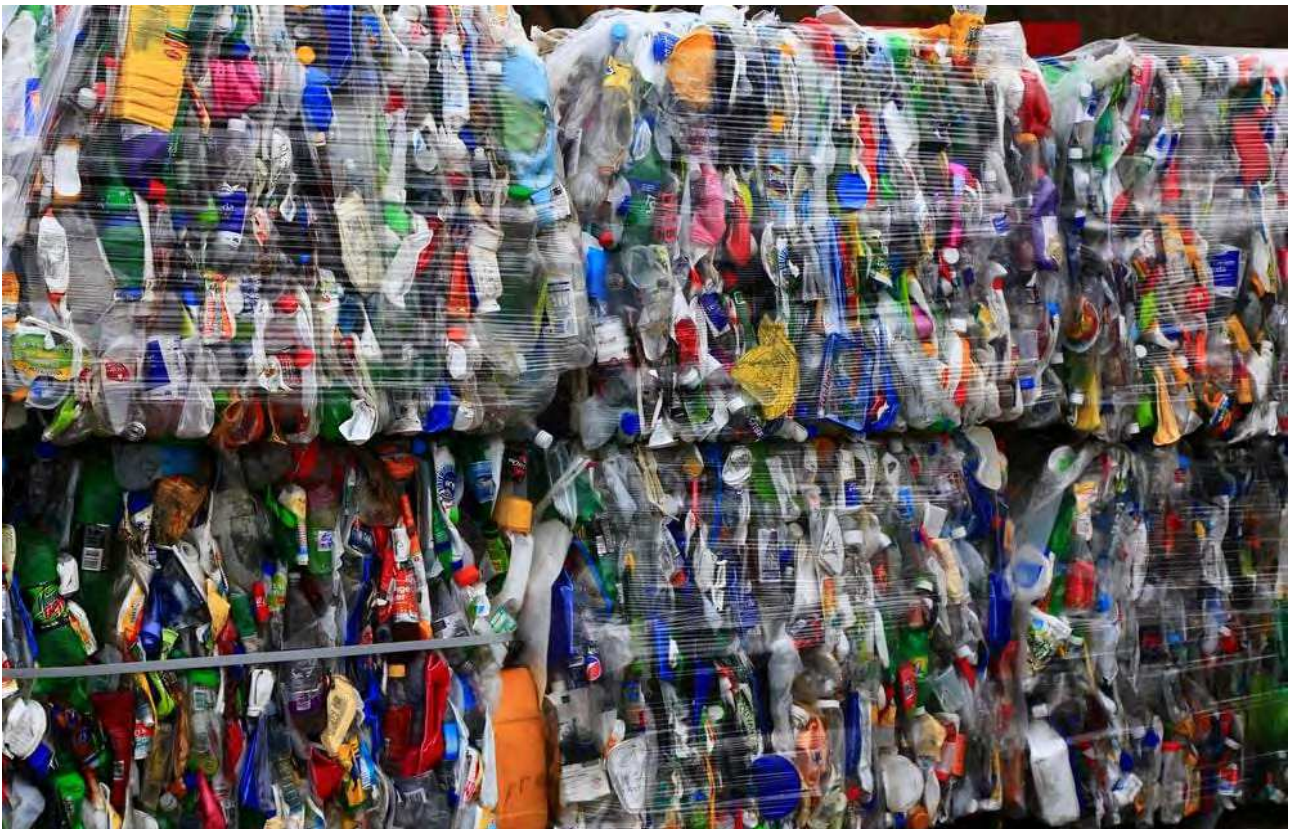
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**Closure Report: Delivering Resource Efficiency – The Northern Ireland  
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## Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Term
DAERA	Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs
2013 Strategy	Delivering Resource Efficiency – Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy
WFD	The Waste Framework Directive
LACMW	Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste
BLACMW	Biodegradable local authority collected municipal waste
NILAS	Northern Ireland Landfill Allowance scheme

## **Executive Summary**

This paper formally closes *Delivering Resource Efficiency* - Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy (2013 Strategy) which commenced in October 2013.

To move beyond objectives of previous strategies *Delivering Resource Efficiency* focused on using resources effectively while minimising environmental impacts. The strategy had an increased emphasis on waste prevention, including re-use, preparing for re-use, recycling and landfill diversion in accordance with the Waste Hierarchy. Increasing the efficiency of how we use our natural resources and facilitating increased re-use and recycling provides benefits for the NI economy and supports green jobs as well as improved environmental outcomes.

Following this vision the 2013 Strategy is structured to align with the priority order for waste treatment as set out in the Waste Hierarchy.:

- **Waste Prevention**
- **Preparing for Re-use**
- **Recycling**
- **Other Recovery**
- **Disposal**
- **Better Regulation and Enforcement**
- **Communication and Education** – with a particular focus on waste prevention

### **How the Strategy was delivered**

To deliver on its ambitions in each of the sections there are a total of 27 actions and 17 targets. Together these formed a plan for government action to meet the strategy's objectives as well as measurable indicators to monitor and evaluate progress. A full list of all actions and targets included in Annex A.

Implementation was predicated on working closely with key delivery partners including local authorities, private business and the community and voluntary sectors. A number of the actions and targets included elements of: regulation, fiscal incentives, schemes to promote producer responsibility, grant funding and communication and education.

### **Outcome**

Overall, of the 2013 Strategy's 27 actions and 17 targets, a total of 36 (82%) were either achieved, achieved beyond the target date, or superseded or alternative action taken. A full analysis of the delivery of the actions and targets is included in Annex B.

Over the lifetime of the Waste Management Strategy two headline objectives were achieved:

- To reduce the amount of biodegradable waste going to landfill to 35% of 1995 levels by 2020; and
- To achieve a recycling rate of 50% for waste from households by 2020.

The achievement of these targets meant that, during the lifetime of the Strategy, the percentage of municipal waste that is recycled overtook the amount sent to landfill with the result that we now recycle more than we throw away.

Another notable achievement was the introduction of the carrier bag levy which has resulted in an 80% reduction in the consumption of single use carrier bags.

### **Future Direction**

Any lessons to be learned from the Strategy, including where achievements fell short of targets, will be fed into a new waste management strategy following this report.

There have been many changes since the strategy was published in 2013 most notably new legislation and policy initiatives to develop a Circular Economy. The new Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy will take account of these developments.

### **Conclusion**

The vast majority of the actions and targets of the 2013 Strategy have been achieved or significant improvements have occurred over the lifetime of the Strategy. The new waste strategy will build on the success of *Delivering Resource Efficiency* and help move NI towards a circular economy.



## 1. Introduction

This report formally closes *Delivering Resource Efficiency* - Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy (2013 Strategy) which was published October 2013. In doing so the report formally finalises governance arrangements for the 2013 Strategy including completion of its monitoring and reporting arrangements. It also represents the starting point for DAERA's work to replace it with a new Waste Management Strategy.

The 2013 Strategy set the strategic direction for waste management in Northern Ireland. It focused on waste prevention (including re-use), preparing for re-use and recycling, and moved the emphasis of waste management to resource efficiency. The 2013 Strategy also informed the development of the three Council Waste Management Plans.

The purpose of the three Council Waste Management Plans was to set out the arrangements for the management of controlled wastes arising within the joint council geographical area. Each of the three Council Waste Management Plans provided key details regarding waste management infrastructure, including major disposal and recovery installations. They also covered the types and quantities of waste (household, commercial and industrial, including construction and demolition, hazardous, packaging etc.) managed in their council areas.



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The 2013 Strategy replaced the Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy, *Towards Resource Management*, published in 2006 following the first Northern Ireland Waste

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Management Strategy in 2000. In 2011 the then Department of the Environment<sup>3</sup> carried out a scoping exercise which included a review of the 2006 Strategy and it was agreed it should be revised to cover all relevant EU Directive requirements and provide a coherent approach to the waste policy framework for Northern Ireland. Following a period of extensive stakeholder engagement in early 2012, a public consultation which took place between October 2012 and January 2013 the new Strategy was published in October 2013.

The 2013 Strategy follows the priority order for waste treatment set out in the Waste Hierarchy, the cornerstone of waste management policy and legislation:

- **Waste Prevention**
- **Preparing for Re-use**
- **Recycling**
- **Other Recovery**
- **Disposal**
- **Better Regulation and Enforcement**
- **Communication and Education**

The 2013 Strategy moved beyond previous strategies to shift the focus of waste policy from resource management – in particular Landfill diversion – to resource efficiency – using resources effectively while minimising environmental impacts. This incorporated an increased focus on waste prevention (including re-use), preparing for re-use and recycling. Increasing the efficiency of how we use our natural resources by facilitating increased re-use and recycling provides benefits for the NI economy supporting ‘green jobs’ as well as improved environmental outcomes.

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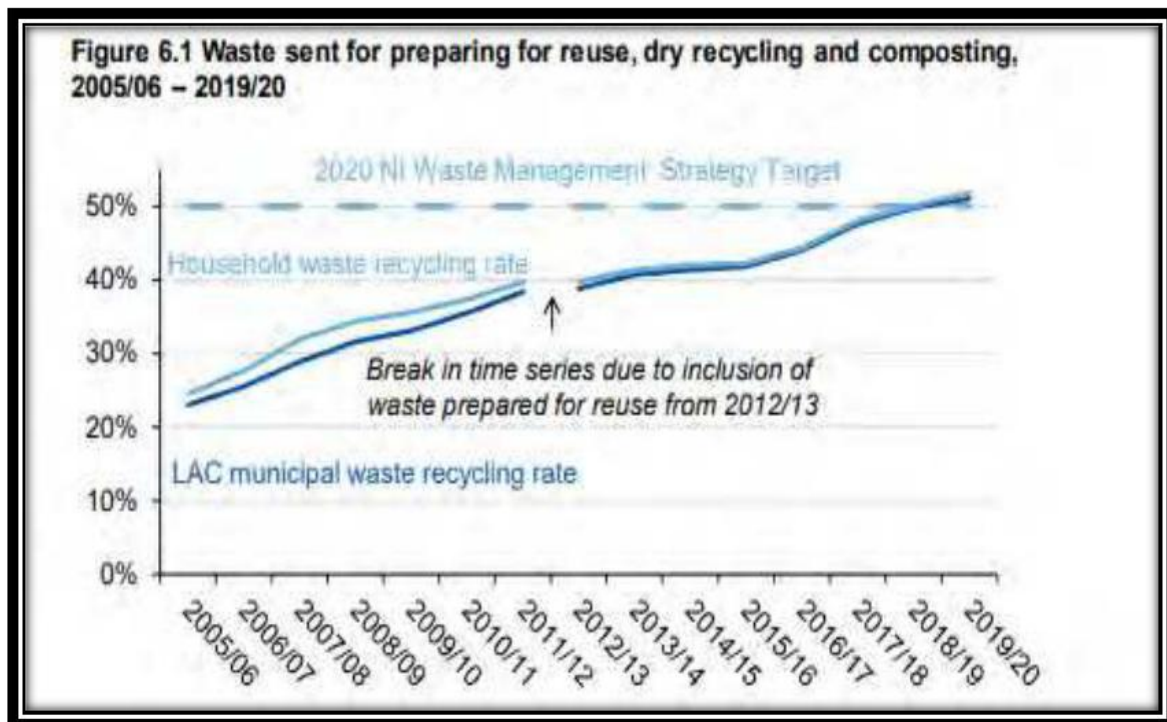
<sup>3</sup> Under the [Departments Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2016](#) the Department of the Environment was dissolved and its functions waste policy functions absorbed in to the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA)



## 2. Evolution of key waste indicators during the strategy

Below are set out graphs showing the changes in some of the key waste indicators over the life of the 2013 strategy. Overall it can be seen that there been significant high level improvements over the period in landfill volumes, recycling rates and Biodegradable local authority collected municipal waste (BLACMW). These improvements must also be considered against more detailed indicators as well as the targets and actions of the 2013 strategy.

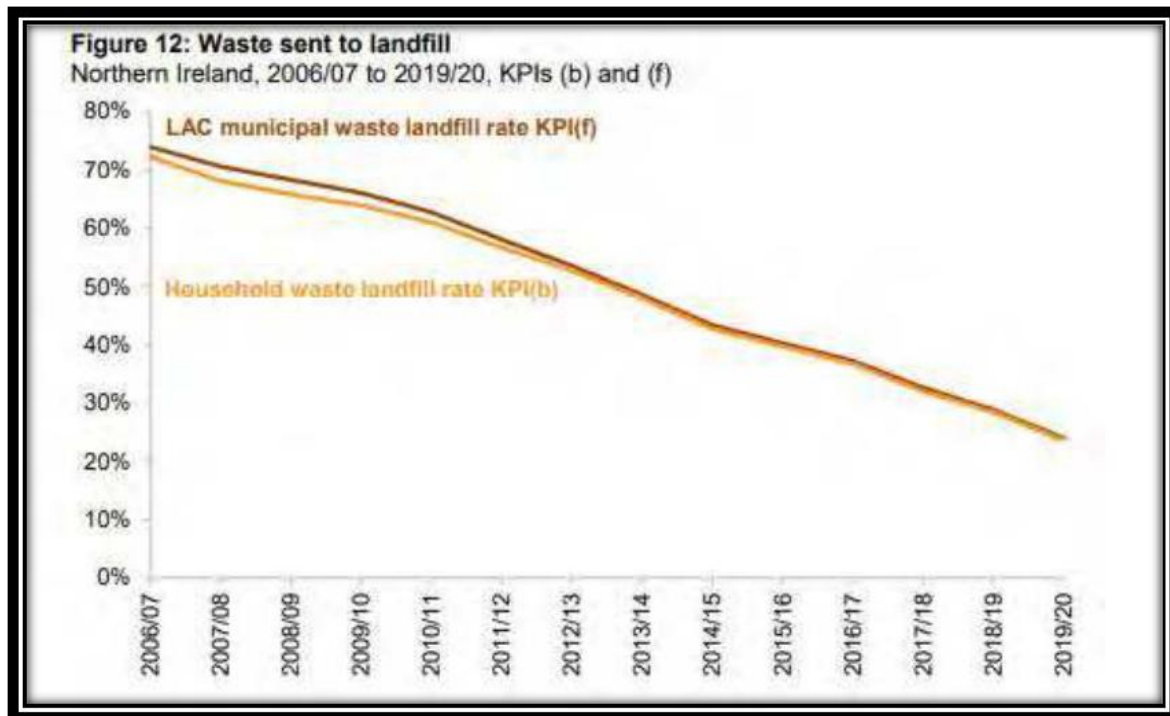
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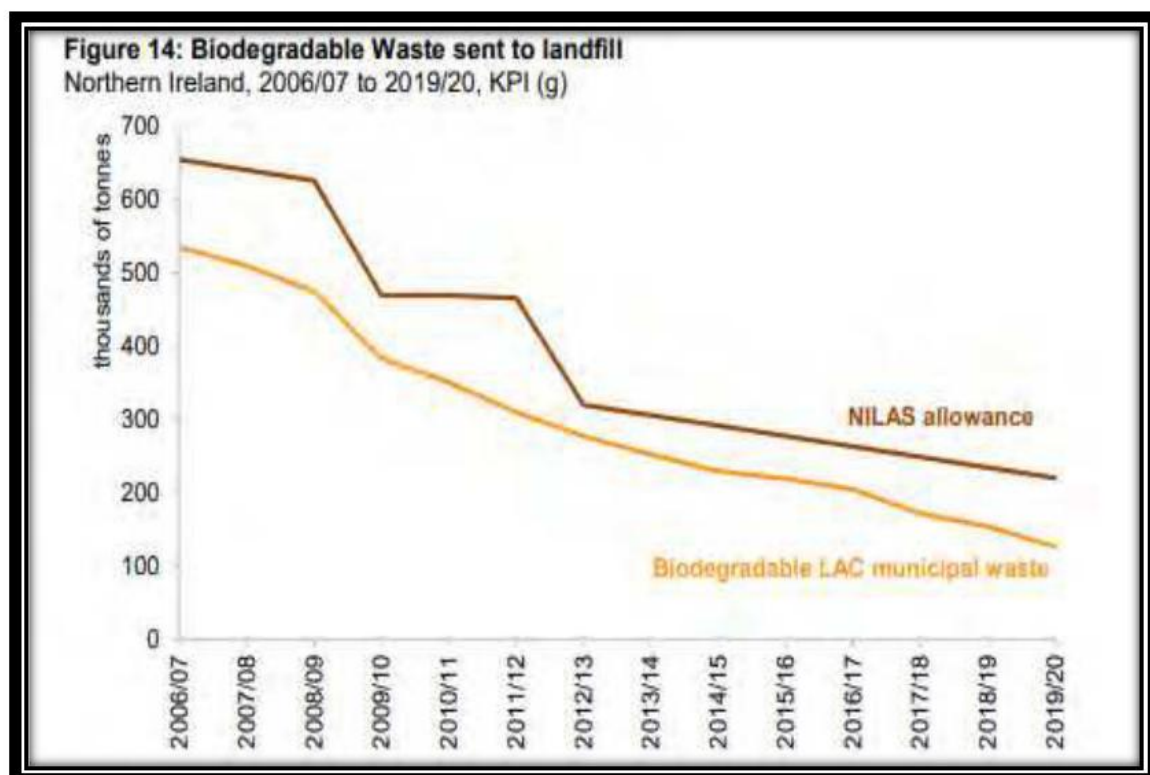
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Figure 2: Waste sent to landfill Northern Ireland, 2006/07 to 2019/20, KPIs (b) and (f)



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Figure 3: Biodegradable Waste sent to landfill Northern Ireland, 2006/07 to 2019/20, KPI (g)



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<sup>5</sup> <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/daera/lac-municipal-waste-2019-20-report.pdf> page 17

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/daera/lac-municipal-waste-2019-20-report.pdf> page 19

### 3. Summary of actions and targets

The 2013 Strategy contains a total 27 actions and 17 targets split over the 7 sections as follows:

- **Waste Prevention:** (1 Target and 2 Actions);
- **Preparing for Re-use:** No specific targets or actions but a general commitment that the Department would support the development of a certifiable re-use voluntary quality assurance scheme and work with DECLG (now DECC) in Ireland in assessing the feasibility of introducing a scheme on an all-island basis;
- **Recycling:** (14 Targets and 9 Actions);
- **Other Recovery:** (7 Actions);
- **Disposal:** (2 Targets and 4 Actions);
- **Better Regulation and Enforcement:** (4 Actions); and
- **Communication and Education:** (1 Action).

The purpose of the majority of the targets was to improve resource efficiency, and meet EU requirements through a focus on improvements in waste prevention and enhanced recycling. The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA)<sup>7</sup>, councils, businesses and third sector organisations such as WRAP all play an important role in delivering these actions and targets. Some measures were:

- Regulation – legal targets for recycling, landfill, and local council guidance on separate collections;
- Schemes to promote producer responsibility in areas like packaging, batteries and electrical equipment;
- Fiscal incentives – introduction of the Carrier Bag Levy, NI Landfill Allowance Scheme (NILAS), producer responsibility schemes;
- Grant funding – funding to improve recycling through Collaborative Waste Programmes with councils, funding for 3<sup>rd</sup> sector repair and reuse programmes, support for Fairshare NI to reduce food waste;
- Communication and Education – Rethink Waste Campaign, Eco-Schools programme.

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<sup>7</sup> Prior to commencement of the [Departments Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2016](#) on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2016, delivery was the responsibility of the Department of the Environment



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#### 4. Achievements

Of the 2013 Strategy's 27 actions and 17 targets a total of 36 (82%) were achieved, beyond the target date or superseded or alternative action taken. A full analysis of the delivery of the actions and targets is included in Annex B however key examples include:

##### Achieved

**Target 12:** To achieve a recycling rate of 50% (including preparing for re-use) of Household waste by 2020

This target was set by the Waste Framework Directive (WFD) and was a statutory target which must be met in order to comply with the WFD. The final published 2019/20 household waste recycling rate for Northern Ireland was 51.9%, up 1.9 percentage points from 2018/19. The target has now been met for the first 2 fully validated years.

##### Achieved beyond the action/target date

**Action 6:** 'The Department will consult on proposals for a code of practice for materials recycling facility operators by December 2013

This action was achieved, outside the target date as the relevant consultation was completed but in March 2015.

##### Superseded or Alternative action taken

**Action 20:** The Department will submit a business case to the Department of Finance and Personnel on the potential for Landfill Tax to be devolved by September 2014

This action was not progressed but was superseded as there were concerns that Northern Ireland would have to bear prohibitive fiscal consequences of any decision to devolve Landfill Tax from HM Treasury.

#### 5. Areas for improvement

In total 18% (8) of the actions and targets of the 2013 Strategy are not categorised as achieved. However, actions were taken and progress was made. Key examples include:

##### Partially achieved

**Target 2:** To achieve the recovery and recycling rates for individual packaging waste streams as set out in the table by 2017

This target was based on the 6 UK Business Targets for recycling and recovery across Steel, Wood, Paper, Aluminium, Glass and plastic. The Steel, Wood and Paper targets were achieved, however Aluminium and Glass were not achieved and plastic was partially achieved as its recovery figure met the relevant target but its recycling figure did not.



## Not achieved but Improvements made

**Target 1:** To reduce consumption of single use carrier bags by 80% within the first year of operation

This target was not achieved as although consumption of single use carrier bags dramatically decreased within the first year of operation (by 71.8%), it did not decrease by 80%.

**Target 14:** To achieve a recycling rate of 60% (including preparing for re-use) of Local Authority Collected (LAC) Waste by 2020.

This target was not achieved as the LAC waste recycling rate 50% in 2020/21. However this still represented an increase of 10.3% from the rate in 2012/13 at the beginning of the strategy.

**Action 26:** The Department, in partnership with key stakeholders, will implement a programme of action to repatriate illegally landfilled waste originating from Ireland.

This action was not fully achieved as there are still 5 sites which remain to be cleared and the waste repatriated to Ireland. Nevertheless there has been significant progress with 12 of the 17 successfully cleared prior to the Irish Government ceasing work in February 2016.

## **6. Changing challenges**

There have been many changes since the strategy was published in 2013. During the life of the strategy there have been reforms to both local and central government in NI with the merging of the previous 26 local authorities to 11 in 2015 and transfer functions (including waste) from DoE to the DAERA in 2016. EU Exit has also been a significant factor in terms of resource pressures – though existing legislation had been preserved.

Notably there have been new legislation and policy initiatives to develop a Circular Economy. Legislation to transpose the EU Waste Circular Economy Package in 2020 (The Waste (Circular Economy) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 and The Waste (Circular Economy) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020<sup>9</sup> have made important changes. The new Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy will take account of these developments.

## **7. Lessons and future opportunities**

Overall in reviewing the Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy and its 27 actions and 17 targets there are a number of lessons and opportunities for consideration in the development of the future Waste Management Strategy going forward, these include:

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<sup>9</sup> <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2020/904/contents/made> and <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/nisr/2020/285/contents/made>



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#### Difficulties of Multiple (compounded) targets in a single action or a target

Having multiple targets in one of the 27 actions or 17 targets makes the later monitoring an evaluation of the action or target difficult. It was observed this was more likely to happen with targets although there are also examples of it occurring with actions.

For example in the case of Target 4:

**Target 4:** To achieve a collection rate of 45% of Electrical and Electronic Equipment placed on the market by 2016 increasing to 65% of Electrical and Electronic Equipment placed on the market by 2019.

This means that if the first target a collection rate of 45% by 2016 (in Target 4) is achieved but the second target, a collection rate of 65% by 2019 is not achieved it is difficult to clearly present an overall evaluation of 1 target.

Target 3 is a further example:

**Target 3:** To achieve an overall recovery rate of 79% and overall recycling rate of 72.7% of packaging by 2017.

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As is Target 11:

**Target 11:** To achieve a reduction in food and associated packaging waste by 5% and to increase the overall rate of such waste which is recycled, sent to Anaerobic Digestion or composted to 70% by 2015.

In the next Strategy it is recommended that instead of being combined there should be both additional discreet actions and targets or they should be separated into distinct sub targets such as 1.A and 1.B. This could help the future assessment of improvements and achievements.



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<sup>11</sup> <https://unsplash.com/photos/eV2x6Cmflns>



## The use of static tables as opposed to references to the regularly updated versions

An example of this in the 2013 Strategy is Target 2 which states:

**Target 2:** To achieve the recovery and recycling rates for individual packaging waste streams as set out in the table by 2017

Below is the table referenced in the Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy relation to this target:

Material	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Paper	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%	69.5%
Glass	81.0%	81.0%	81.0%	81.0%	81.0%	81.0%
Aluminium	40.0%	43.0%	46.0%	49.0%	52.0%	55.0%
Steel	71.0%	72.0%	73.0%	74.0%	75.0%	76.0%
Plastic	32.0%	37.0%	42.0%	47.0%	52.0%	57.0%
Wood	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%

This table was based on the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations (NI) 2007 ([link](#)) as last updated by the Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013 ([link](#)). However as legislation changes over the course of 5 years this table was updated in by The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017 this meant that the collection targets in legislation were as follows:

**Table 2**  
**Recycling targets**

Material	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Glass	77	77	78	79	80
Aluminium	52	55	55	55	55
Steel	75	76	76	76	76
Paper/Board	69.5	69.5	69.5	69.5	69.5
Plastic	49	51	53	55	57
Wood	22	22	22	22	22."

This meant that the glass and plastic targets in the Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy 2013 were different from the targets in the relevant legislation referenced (copied overleaf). This served to hamper the relevance and usefulness of the target which was no longer linked to the latest obligations.

Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy 2013 targets		The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Regulations (NI) 2007 targets	
Glass Target			
Glass target 2016	81%	Glass target 2016	77%
Glass target 2017	81%	Glass target 2017	77%
Plastic Target			
Plastic target 2016	52%	Plastic target 2016	49%
Plastic target 2017	57%	Plastic target 2017	51%

In future actions and targets should be (where applicable) derived from directly referencing the relevant legislation, thus building in the flexibility to respond to changing obligations. Alternatively if this was problematic (due to extremely frequent changes) the action or target could be drafted so that any tables referenced are themselves reviewed regularly as obligations change.



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<sup>12</sup> <https://unsplash.com/photos/GjCx5KhulZI>





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## 8. Conclusion

This report has identified that the vast majority of the actions and targets of the 2013 Strategy have been achieved. It has also examined the progress and improvements made in the actions and targets as well as suggesting lessons learnt for the development of the next Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy.



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Overall the closure report concludes that the 2013 Strategy has helped move Northern Ireland towards resource efficiency through waste prevention and enhanced recycling. This conclusion is supported by a number of examples; including:

- introducing legislation to reduce consumption of single use carrier bags from approximately 300 million bags in the year prior to the levy to 56.2 million bags in 2020/21 (the 8th year of the levy);
- a recycling rate of 50.6% (including preparing for re-use) of Household waste in Northern Ireland by 2019;
- a reduction in the landfill of biodegradable Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste from 251,951 tonnes in 2013/14 to 126,286 tonnes in 2019/2020; and
- Contributing to an overall re-use, recycling and recovery rate for end of life vehicles of 96.9% in the UK by 2015.

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<sup>14</sup> [https://unsplash.com/photos/F\\_EooJ3-uTs](https://unsplash.com/photos/F_EooJ3-uTs)

The report identifies a number of potential lessons around the formulation of targets, in the new strategy notably:

- Avoiding multiple actions or targets in one action or target, as this can make it difficult to judge overall success; and
- Ensuring an action or target that references something that can become out of date (for example a static table). Instead the action or target should try and reference the relevant legislation, acknowledging that this legislation may be subject to change.

Looking ahead, the Circular Economy package sets ambitious new targets for DAERA to go beyond the improvements achieved of the lifetime of the 2013 strategy. For example:

- Recycling 65% of municipal waste by 2035
- Only 10% of municipal waste is landfilled by 2035

.DAERA will begin planning and engagement with stakeholders on a new Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy in 2022.



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## Annex A - Closure status – summary of 2013 actions and targets

**Table 1:** Categorisation of the level of achievement of the actions and targets

Document Key	
Terms	Meaning
<b>Achieved</b>	<b>Achieved</b> means that the Action/Target has been achieved on target.
<b>Achieved beyond the target date</b>	<b>Achieved beyond the target date</b> means the Action/Target was not achieved within it's timeframe but within the time frame of the Waste Management Strategy 2013.
<b>Superseded or Alternative action taken</b>	<b>Superseded or Alternative action taken</b> means in light of new evidence and/or circumstances alternative action was taken rather than the action detailed in the 2013 Strategy.
<b>Partially Achieved</b>	<b>Partially Achieved</b> means that the Action(s) / Target(s) contained multiple Actions / Targets and they were partially achieved by the target date.
<b>Not achieved but Improvements made</b>	<b>Not achieved but Improvements made</b> means the Action/Target was not achieved but improvements were made towards achieving this action/target.
<b>Not Achieved</b>	<b>Not Achieved</b> means the Target was not achieved and no clear improvements were made towards achieving this Target.

**Table 2** below shows the percentage of actions and targets achieved.

Table 5 – Percentage of Actions and Targets achieved		
Status of Action/Target	Number	Percentage total
Achieved	22	82%
Achieved beyond the target date	10	
Superseded or Alternative action taken	4	
Partially Achieved	3	18%
Not Achieved but Improvements made	4	
Not Achieved	1	

**Figure 4:** Pie chart showing the percentage of actions and targets achieved



**Waste Management Strategy: summary development plan**

<b>Action</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Anticipated Completion</b>
Initiate information gathering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internal review of current and emerging waste strategies across the UK &amp; Rol.</li> <li>• Internal workshops and meetings to identify draft scope of strategy.</li> </ul>	June 2022
Internal Scoping Paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research and analysis of policy needs for the draft Strategy.</li> <li>• Examination of required changes from the 2013 Strategy based on information gathered on current and future policy requirements and sector innovation.</li> <li>• Identification of information or data gaps and options for filling these.</li> </ul>	August 2022
Pre-Consultation stakeholder engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare stakeholder engagement plan.</li> <li>• Undertake informal Stakeholder engagement.</li> </ul>	August – December 2022
Supporting documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-screening and development of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Consultation Paper</li> <li>○ Strategic Environmental Assessment</li> <li>○ Habitats Regulations Assessment</li> <li>○ Other screening assessments</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	September 2022 - February 2023
Draft strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Production of first draft based on information gathered internally and externally.</li> </ul>	December 2022



Consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public consultation on draft strategy</li> </ul>	March – June 2023
Formal Stakeholder engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholder engagement on draft strategy</li> </ul>	March 2023 – June 2023
Response to Consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summarise and analyse responses to Consultation</li> <li>Publication of Consultation response Stakeholder engagement</li> </ul>	September 2023
Refine Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refine draft strategy in light of consultation responses.</li> </ul>	November 2023
Final strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publication of final strategy</li> </ul>	December 2023



<b>Report on</b>	Internal Bi-lingual Signage Mid Ulster District Council Facilities
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Raymond Lowry
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Ross McCullough

<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 update members on the new bi-lingual signage for Mid Ulster District Council facilities accessed by the public.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	The Mid Ulster District Council Irish Language Policy was approved and adopted by Council in December 2015.
2.2	Guiding Principle 7 of the Irish Language Policy: <i>Visibility Of Irish</i> , states that Mid Ulster District Council will “devise a phased implementation plan for the erection of English and Irish Internal and external signage on all Mid Ulster District Council owned properties”.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	To date Technical Services in conjunction with Culture & Arts and Irish Language Officers are tasked with the delivery of 34Nr buildings with bi-lingual signage over the year 2022-2023. Works have progressed with 8Nr council properties completed with a further 8 surveyed with proofs under review. Once final proofs have been agreed, installation will then take place.
3.2	The current process includes the following steps for each of the MUDC Properties; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Site visit with signage company to assess extent of the works.</li> <li>2. Draft layout of signs provided by signage company.</li> <li>3. Draft to be reviewed by Irish Language Officer.</li> <li>4. Signage company to make changes as advised by Irish Language Officer and Technical Services staff.</li> <li>5. Signage company to send final draft with costings as per tender.</li> <li>6. Final sign off by Technical Services.</li> <li>7. Installation of approved signs.</li> </ol>

3.3

The following below are a list of the council buildings / facilities with bi-lingual signage installed to date;

Dungannon Leisure Centre	2 floors + External
Moneymore Recreation Centre	2 floors + External
Ballyronan Marina	External
Roundlake, Fivemiletown	1 floor + External
Burnavon	2 floors + External
Davagh Forest	1 floor + External
Pomeroy Forest	External
Knckmanny Forest	External
Maghera LC	Internal + External

3.4

The following facilities below have had site inspections with drafts being provided to MUDC. It is anticipated that they will be installed within the next 4-6 weeks.

Magherafelt Council Offices	3 floors + External
Cookstown Council Offices	2 floors + External
Dungannon Council Offices	3 floors + External
Gardners Hall, Dungannon	2 floors + External
Hill of O'Neill	2 floors + External
Dungannon Park	3 Buildings + External
Greenvale Leisure Centre	2 floors + External
Meadowbank Leisure Centre	2 floors + External

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Once the above have been complete, the following council locations below will be the next to be carried out;

Swatragh Park
Tobermore Park
Washingbay
Windmill Wood

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Other Considerations

4.1

Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications

Financial: Within current budget frameworks
Human: N/A
Risk Management: N/A

<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	<p>Equality &amp; Good Relations Implications:</p> <p>Equality and Good Relations Implications were considered as part of the development of the Irish Language Policy.</p>
	<p>Rural Needs Implications: N/A</p>
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
5.1	<p>To update members on the progress of new bi-lingual signage for Mid Ulster District Council with members of the public being informed.</p>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	<p>Appendix 1 - Delivery Programme 2022 – 2023.</p>



Dual Language Signage Programme 2017-2019								YEAR 2022 - 2023											
Project Name	Complete	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Lesiure Centre Signage																			
Maghera LC																			
Greenvale LC																			
Mid Ulster Sports Arena ( MUSA )																			
Meadowbank LC																			
Dungannon LC																			
Cookstown LC	CP																		
Moneymore Recreation Centre																			
Parks Facilities																			
Ballyronan Marina																			
Dungannon Park																			
Round Lake, Fivemiletown																			
Depots, Recyling Centres																			
25 locations throughout the district																			
Council Offices																			
Cookstown	CP																		
Dungannon	CP																		
Magherafelt																			
Arts Venues																			
Event space																			
Ranfurly House & Visitor Centre																			
Burnavon Arts & Cultural Centre																			
Seamus Heaney HomePlace																			
Parks / Woodlands																			
Drumglass Wood																			
Glenoe																			
Maghera Walled Garden ( inc Largantogher Walkway )																			
Railway Park	CP																		
Swatragh Park																			
Tobermore Park																			
Traad Point	CP																		
Washingbay																			
Windmill Wood																			
Davagh Forest																			
Pomeroy Forest																			
Knockmanny Forest																			
Public Toilets																			
29 locations throughtout the district																			
Other Buildings																			
Battery Harbour																			
US Grants Ancestral Home																			
Draperstown Former Courthouse																			
Bridewell Centre																			
Gardners Hall / Parkers Hall																			
Playparks ( 106 )																			

Key

Approval Phase

Design Stage

Installation stage

CP- Capital project

Complete

Notes Projects under mayor Capital investment works to be delayed until end of their construction period

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<b>Report on</b>	Biodiversity – 6 month update – April-September 2022
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Raymond Lowry, Head of Technical Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Raymond Lowry, Head of Technical Services

<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>	Yes	
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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update the members on the main biodiversity activities over the last 6 months (April to September 2022).
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	The Biodiversity Officer post is shared between two departments, based with Technical Services 3 days per week.
2.2	The Biodiversity Officer's focus of activities has concentrated on community involvement in innovative biodiversity projects. Many of these involve a training element to provide local people with the skills to undertake biodiversity initiatives. Partnerships are created and developed to aid the provision of practical nature conservation activities. Underlying ALL activities is a focus on raising people's awareness of fundamental biodiversity issues.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	Actions within Service Improvement Plan:
3.2	<i>Increase biodiversity awareness among local community and wider public through delivery of Mid Ulster specific biodiversity activities.</i>
3.2.1	Mid Ulster Bird Ringing Project The Traad LNR Constant Effort Site (CES) continues to be a success with all 12 visits completed between the beginning of May and the end of August. The data gathered is vital in monitoring bird populations. This can be used for determining Priority Species, enabling conservation action to be appropriately targeted. For further information on this project, please see section in Appendix I.
3.2.2	All Ireland Daubenton's Bat Survey This is the 13th consecutive year this survey has been undertaken along the Torrent River/Coalisland Canal. The data collected from this survey feeds into the All Ireland Daubenton's Bat Survey through Bat Conservation Ireland. For further information on this project, please see section in Appendix I.

3.2.3	<p><b>All-Ireland Pollinator Plan</b></p> <p>With Mid Ulster District Council now an official partner of the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan, there are a number of actions to be undertaken each year to support the AIPP. As part of this, the Biodiversity Officer has delivered three workshops to local communities focussing on pollinators and how to take action to protect them. For further information on this project, please see section in Appendix I.</p>
3.2.4	<p><b>Biodiversity Recording</b></p> <p>Northern Ireland is vastly under-recorded in terms of biodiversity. The Biodiversity Officer continues to encourage people to record the wildlife they see and submit their records to the national database. This information helps build a better picture of how our local biodiversity is faring, enabling an assessment to be made on the health of our environment. For further information on this project, please see section in Appendix I.</p>
3.3	<p><i>Provide guidance to MUDC in complying with obligations under the Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (NI) 2011, in relation to council functions, ensuring council fulfil their Biodiversity Duty wherever possible.</i></p> <p>The Biodiversity Officer continues to provide guidance to try to ensure MUDC fulfil obligations under the Biodiversity Duty.</p>
3.4	<p><i>Provide advice and contribute to the development of Habitat Regulations Assessments (HRAs) for council projects</i></p> <p>The Biodiversity Officer continues to provide advice and assistance to the development of HRAs as requested.</p>
3.5	<p><i>Provide support across relevant council functions in relation to biodiversity matters.</i></p> <p>The Biodiversity Officer continues to provide advice and support on biodiversity issues across a range of council sections.</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: No additional financial resources over and above that already committed to biodiversity related projects/activities.
	Human: No additional resources required to continue with ongoing activities.
	Risk Management: Non-delivery of the actions will result in negative press for the Council.
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members to note the content of this report

<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 - Biodiversity Officer 6 Month Update Apr-Sep 2022



## APPENDIX 1

### Biodiversity Officer Update - April to September 2022

#### Projects and Raising Awareness

##### Mid Ulster Bird Ringing Project

The Traad LNR Constant Effort Site (CES) continues to be a success with all 12 visits completed between the beginning of May and the end of August. Biometrics of almost 500 birds were collected. This data has been submitted to the British Trust for Ornithology who monitor over 120 such CES sites across Britain and Ireland. Bird ringing is one of the most effective methods to study the biology, ecology, behaviour, movement, breeding productivity and population demography of birds. The information gathered is vital in monitoring bird populations and helps identify possible causes of population changes. Such data can be used for determining Priority Species, enabling conservation action to be appropriately targeted.



For the last number of years, Traad CES has been recognised as the best CES in Northern Ireland. This is not only through the vital data collected on a range of bird species, but also in terms of engaging with the public and the training opportunities it provides. Such has been the success at Traad that other organisations are now trying to establish similar schemes. Oxford Island CES started in 2021, and the RSPB and BTO have trialled the same at Portmore Lough for the 2022 season. Even with these other sites now operating, Traad CES is still considered to be the site to 'get to' in terms of the quality of training provided, which reflects well on MUDC.

To continue engagement with participants of the CES, it is planned to organise a few Winter Ringing sessions, prior to preparations for the 2023 CES season.

##### All Ireland Daubenton's Bat Survey

This is the 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive year this survey has been undertaken along the Torrent River/Coalisland Canal. The data collected from this survey feeds into the All Ireland Daubenton's Bat Survey through Bat Conservation Ireland. Over 600 sites have been surveyed across the island of Ireland since 2006. Coalisland Canal is one of a limited number that have been continuously surveyed for over 12 years. This long-term data not only provides an assessment of how Daubenton's bats are doing locally, but also makes a valuable contribution at a national scale. The data gathered through this survey will be submitted to Bat Conservation Ireland when the surveys have been completed.



##### All-Ireland Pollinator Plan



With Mid Ulster District Council now an official partner of the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan, there are a number of actions to be undertaken each year to support the AIPP. The Biodiversity Officer continues to work with other council sections to deliver these actions, in particular the creation of meadows through the Don't Mow, Let it Grow management system.



In addition, the Biodiversity Officer has delivered three workshops focussing on pollinators and how to take action to protect them. These actions fulfil the requirement for a Year 1 partner. The Biodiversity Officer will report the relevant activities to the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan before the end of 2022, when all activities have been completed.

#### Non-native Invasive Species

The Biodiversity Officer continues to work with other relevant council sections in relation to non-native invasive species. The Biodiversity Officer has coordinated responses to queries from the Northern Ireland Environment Agency regarding MUDC activities and obligations under “The Invasive Alien Species (Enforcement and Permitting) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019” in relation to grey squirrel management. This contentious issue will require ongoing consultation until a management programme can be agreed. The Biodiversity Officer continues to develop the partnership with the recently formed Mid Ulster Red Squirrel Group.



#### Biodiversity Recording



Northern Ireland is vastly under-recorded in terms of biodiversity. The Biodiversity Officer continues to encourage people to record the wildlife they see and submit their records to the national database. In addition to general wildlife records, local people are encouraged to take part in targeted ‘citizen science’ surveys such as the Big Butterfly Count. This information helps build a better picture of how our local

biodiversity is faring, enabling an assessment to be made on the health of our environment.

This will help guide specific action to help protect our most threatened habitats and species at both a local and national scale.



#### Corporate Improvement Plan – CIP1 Action 13

In accordance with the CIP, a questionnaire had been circulated to all council sections to try to establish a baseline as to the potential impacts each council function may be having on biodiversity, with the aim of looking at where impacts could be reduced, and ideally where biodiversity enhancement actions could be undertaken. Although several sections did reply, overall, there was a poor response.

This resulted in a rethink and a change in direction. The decision was taken to work with those areas where a difference could be made. The idea is to develop a toolkit to enable habitat assessments to be made on council properties and linked with the GIS system so these can be mapped. A small number of sites have been selected to trial this tool, and after review and any necessary amendments will eventually be rolled out to all council owned/managed properties. Following the habitat surveys, an assessment can be made as to potential actions that could be undertaken for biodiversity enhancement. The Biodiversity Officer is continuing to develop the methodology that best suits the council requirements.

## **Biodiversity Advice and Issues**

### **Mid Ulster District Council**

The Biodiversity Officer continues to provide advice to council on a range of biodiversity issues. This includes:

- Providing advice and biodiversity information on Habitat Regulation Assessments to be undertaken to ensure the council do not contravene relevant legislation (The Conservation (Natural Habitats etc.) Regulations (NI) 1995)
- Providing advice to ensure council do not infringe legal requirements under the Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (NI) 2011, and Wildlife (NI) Order 1985 (as amended 2011).
- Providing advice on fulfilling obligations under the Biodiversity Duty to “further the conservation of biodiversity” (Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (NI) 2011).
- Providing advice on council obligations under the “The Invasive Alien Species (Enforcement and Permitting) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019”.
- Providing advice on general biodiversity related enquiries from council staff.

### **General Public**

The Biodiversity Officer continues to provide advice to and respond to queries from the public on a wide range of biodiversity issues.

