

<b>Report on</b>	Consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	25 July 2019
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<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	x

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update members on the consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council for comment.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	Council is a consultee for many government departments, statutory agencies and other bodies, and as such receives consultation documentation inviting commentary on a wide range of issues that may be pertinent to council services and/or the District.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	Documentation relating to the aforementioned consultations can be accessed via the links provided in the table provided in Appendix A.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: N/A
	Human: N/A
	Risk Management: N/A
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members review and note consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
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Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
Department for Communities (DfC)	Definition of Affordable Housing	The DfC has published a consultation paper entitled "Definition of Affordable Housing" to inform its engagement on proposals for a revised definition of affordable housing for Northern Ireland. The aim is to agree a new definition that can be applied consistently in legislation, policy, local plans and in practice.	13 September 2019	Planning
	Link to Consultation	Consultation document and Rural Impact Assessment - <a href="https://www.communities-ni.gov.uk/consultations/definition-affordable-housing">https://www.communities-ni.gov.uk/consultations/definition-affordable-housing</a>  Draft EQIA - <a href="https://www.communities-ni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/communities/dfc-equality-definition-of-affordable-housing.pdf">https://www.communities-ni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/communities/dfc-equality-definition-of-affordable-housing.pdf</a>		
	<b>Delegated Authority</b> required to be granted to a Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?			
	Yes/No (delete as appropriate)			
Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
Department of Agriculture, Environment & Rural Affairs (DAERA)	Options for Basic Payment Scheme Entitlement Unit Values post 2019	DAERA is undertaking a stakeholder engagement exercise to seek views on options for Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) entitlement unit values post 2019. The BPS provides direct support to farmers under Pillar 1 of the Common	30 September 2019	

		Agricultural Policy. This follows a stakeholder engagement exercise last year on a possible high-level framework for agricultural policy in Northern Ireland following the UK's exit from the EU.		
	<b>Link to Consultation</b>	<a href="https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/consultations/options-basic-payment-scheme-entitlement-unit-values-post-2019">https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/consultations/options-basic-payment-scheme-entitlement-unit-values-post-2019</a>		
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