

<b>Report on</b>	Recycling Education and Environmental Awareness Activities
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> November 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 Recycling for Schools Education programme and other Environmental Awareness initiatives carried out since the start of the 2019 calendar year.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	Environmental Services carries out a wide range of recycling education and environmental awareness activities throughout the Mid Ulster Council area to promote recycling and reduce waste to landfill, thus helping to achieve statutory recycling and landfill diversion targets and to enhance the environment in general e.g. through raising littering awareness.
2.2	An annual Recycling and Environmental Awareness Communications Plan has been approved previously by Committee. This includes a number of annually held events including Eco Speak Competition, Compost Awareness Week and the Big Spring Clean.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	<p>Educational visits and environmental awareness events carried out from January to August 2019 included the following:</p> <p><b>January 2019</b>  Donaghey PS – Battery Recycling  Ballylifford PS – Eco Schools Green Flag meeting  St Patrick's Academy, Dungannon – Presentation on Env Services at Council Offices  St Joseph's PS, Galbally – Assembly &amp; Eco Council Recycling Talk  St Joseph's College, Coalisland – Battery Recycling  Visit to Drumcoo Recycling Centre – St Mary's PS, Lisbuoy Eco Team  Sperrin Integrated HS, Magherafelt- meeting with Eco- Schools group  St. Mary's PS, Bellaghy - Recycling Talk  Alternative Angles, Magherafelt - Recycling Talk  St. Mary's PS, Greenlough - Recycling Talk</p> <p><b>February 2019</b>  RNIB Group, Cookstown Day Centre – Recycling Talk  St Mary's PS, Ballygawley – Battery Recycling  St Malachy's PS, Ballygawley – Battery Recycling</p>

St Mary's PS, Cabragh – Recycling Talk  
Derrygortreavy & Benburn MU – Recycling Talk  
Sperrinview Special School – Recycling Talk  
St Patrick's College, Dungannon – Eco Team Recycling Talk / Action Plan  
Cloisters, Killyman Rd, Dungannon – Recycling info to apartments with Habinteg  
New Row PS, Castledawson - Eco-Schools meeting  
Crossroads PS - Recycling Talk  
Ballyscullion Young at Heart Club - Tour of Magherafelt Recycling Centre

### **March 2019**

Magherafelt PS – Eco Schools Green Flag assessment  
Moneymore PS – Recycling Talk  
Aughamullan PS – Recycling Talk  
St Mary's PS, Lusbuoy – Battery Recycling  
Moy WI – Recycling Talk  
Bush PS – Battery Recycling  
Crossdernot MU – Recycling Talk  
Recycled Teenagers, Annagh Centre – Recycling Talk  
Launch of Irish Language Recycling Leaflet, Burnavon  
St. Mary's PS Bellaghy - Recycling Workshop  
Kilronan School, Magherafelt - Recycling Talk  
St. Brigid's PS Mayogall - Tour of Magherafelt Recycling Centre  
St. Pius X College - Tour of Magherafelt Recycling Centre  
St. Swithin's Senior Citizens - Recycling Talk  
Spires Integrated PS - Tour of Magherafelt Recycling Centre  
St Columb's PS Cullion - Tour of Magherafelt Recycling Centre

### **April 2019**

South West College – Recycling Talk  
Cookstown High School – Recycling Talks  
Orritor Primary School – Recycling Talk  
Oaks Centre, Seniors event – Recycling info stand  
St. Mary's PS and Maghera PS - Cross community event in Maghera Walled Garden  
Magherafelt Day Centre - Recycling talk to Magherafelt Carers group

### **May 2019**

Culnady PS – Eco Schools Green Flag assessment  
Windmill Integrated PS, Dungannon – Battery Recycling  
Geda Construction, Coalisland – Recycling Talk  
Aughnacloy PS – Eco Schools Assessment  
St Brigid's PS, Brockagh – Recycling Assembly  
Walker Memorial PS, Castlecaulfield – Eco Schools Assessment  
Derrygortreavy Vintage Rally – Recycling info stand  
Magherafelt Scouts - Recycling talk in Sperrin integrated HS

### **June 2019**

Eco Speak Competition, Burnavon  
Visit to Cookstown Recycling Centre, Stewartstown PS  
ASDA community event re plastics  
St Mary's PS. Bellaghy – Eco Schools Green Flag assessment

Pomeroy Mens Shed – Recycling Talk  
Visit to Magherafelt Council Chamber, Woods PS environmental presentation  
Cookstown Superstars Club – Recycling Talk  
Clogher WI – Recycling Talk

	<p>St Mary's PS, Aughnacloy – Eco Schools Assessment  PCSP Event, Ballygawley Community Association – Recycling Talk  STEP Community Event, Junction, Dungannon – Recycling info stand  St Ciaran's College, Ballygawley – Recycling info to staff  Royal School, Dungannon – Recycling info to staff  Magherafelt Scouts - Tour of Magherafelt Recycling Centre,  St Mary's PS - Recycling stand and recycling games annual school festival  Maghera PS – Recycling games at annual school festival  Glenavon House Hotel – Recycling Info Stand at Good Relations Community Event  St. Columb's PS Sports Day, Cullion - Recycling Games  Recycling games to launch of the Largantogher Walk Way in Maghera  St Lurach's Church, Maghera – Recycling Games at Vintage Rally and Fun Day</p> <p><b>July 2019</b>  Ardnaskea, Coalisland – Recycling info to residents in conjunction with Clanmill  Fiddess Court, Aughnacloy - Recycling info to residents in conjunction with Clanmill  Clogher Valley Show – Recycling info stand</p> <p><b>August 2019</b>  Castlecaulfield Horticultural Show – Recycling info stand  Church Mews, Dungannon - Recycling info to residents in conjunction with Clanmill</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: The costs of the annual Recycling and Environmental Awareness Communications Plan activities are included in the Environmental Services budget.
	Human: Considerable staff time is spent by the Recycling/Education Officers on programme delivery.
	Risk Management: N/A
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: The Education and Awareness Programme is available to all schools and groups across the Mid Ulster District.
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members are asked to note the contents of this report and success of the activities.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Photographs of Recycling/Education Officers attendance at various events.