Report on	Capital Projects – Contract awards Delegated Authority request
Date of Meeting	12 th September 2023
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	For Council to approve awarding delegated powers for the award of Capital Contracts for the the following projects 1. Connecting Pomeroy – Civil Trail development (IST Contract) 2. Small Settlements – Castlecaulfield (ICT Contract) 3. Small Settlements – Moy (ICT Contract)
2.0	Background
2.1	MUDC Capital Programme has many funded projects, which aims to to enhance the district by delivering Capital investment into the towns and villages. In order to progress schemes which are ALL under extreme funding programme pressures this invloves council officers having to progress procurement awards to the various schemes as noted in section 1.1.
2.2	 The following are indicative Costs for these projects Connecting Pomeroy – Civil Trail development (IST Contract - £60k) Small Settlements – Castlecaulfield (ICT Contract - £100k) Small Settlements – Moy (ICT Contract - £100k)
3.0	Main Report
3.1	With the development of these schemes in getting schemes designed and developed, the community engagement etc unfortunately officers were unable to get projects to award stages in August were previous delegated authority had been granted to the CEO has been missed. The schemes are in procurement mode and will close at various stages throughout September and to progress the awards and maintain funding deadlines we seek the councils approval to award contracts at the October P&R or Environment Committee .
3.2	The end date for delivery of these projects is 31st December 2023 (Connecting Pomeroy) and 31st March 2024 for all other projects (Small Settlements)

Due to the limited timeframes involved, approval is therefore sought to delegate 3.3 authority to P&R or Environment Committee to authorise the award of these contracts to the successful tenderers. This will allow for progressing these schemes within the available funding deadline. This will assist in the completion dates for the programme delivery as detailed in Section 3.2. 4.0 Other Considerations 4.1 Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications Financial: As identified. Human: Within existing staffing structure or appointed Consultants as per each specific Project. Risk Management: Non-delivery of the project's completion will result in negative press for the Council, reduction in grant funding allocation and impact development of services in the District. 4.2 **Screening & Impact Assessments** Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A Rural Needs Implications: N/A 5.0 Recommendations It is recommend to Council that, pursuant to Section 7(1)(b) of the Local Government 5.1 Act (NI) 2014, that authority is delegated to P&R or Environment Committee to approve the award of contracts for the the following schemes. 1. Connecting Pomeroy – Civil Trail development (IST Contract) 2. Small Settlements – Castlecaulfield (ICT Contract) 3. Small Settlements – Moy (ICT Contract) 5.2 A full update report will be brought back to Members in November Committee/Council for Members information. 6.0 **Documents Attached & References** None.