

Report on	Consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council
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Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	X

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To update members on the consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council for comment, since the last meeting of Council.
2.0	Background
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 which may be pertinent to council services and/or the District.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Documentation relating to the aforementioned consultations can be accessed via the links provided in the table provided in Appendix A.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	<u>Financial & Human Resources Implications</u> Financial: N/A Human: N/A
4.2	<u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u> Not Applicable
4.3	<u>Risk Management Implications</u> Not Applicable
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members review and note consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
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Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
Department for Infrastructure	Consultation on Minibus Driving Licence Requirements	This consultation focuses on proposed changes to section 10B permits and guidance on minibus driving.	17 November 2017	
	Link to Consultation	www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/consultations		
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Department for Communities	A Fundamental Review of Social Housing Allocations	The document makes proposals for change to ensure the Housing Selection Scheme meets housing need efficiently and effectively while remaining fit for purpose for the future. Consultation events are being held throughout November.	21 December 2017	
	Link to Consultation	www.communities-ni.gov.uk/allocations-review		
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Department for the Economy	Mineral Development Act (Northern Ireland) 1969	This consultation relates to an application from Karelian Diamond Resources for mineral prospecting rights under section 11 of the Mineral Development Act (Northern Ireland) 1969 in respect of the lands in Counties Fermanagh and Tyrone (an outline map is available as is a brief on the company) Consideration is at present being given to the issue of 1 licence over this area for a period of 6 years in respect of all such minerals as are vested in the Department. Part of the land included in the application comes within Council's jurisdiction.	10 November 2017	Yes, by Council Planning Dept

		Under Section 11(3) of the Act, the Department is required to publish notice of its intention to grant prospecting facilities and to consider representations which are made by interested persons. Accordingly, a Press Notice will appear in the following local papers for 2 weeks, week beginning 2 October 2017: Impartial Reporter, Fermanagh Herald, Ulster Herald, Mid-Ulster Mail, Tyrone Courier & Tyrone Constitution		
	Link to Consultation	https://www.economy-ni.gov.uk/articles/minerals-licensing		
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Department of Agriculture, Environment & Rural Affairs	Consultation on Revised Requirements for Radiological Protection: Regulation of Public Exposures and the Justification of Practices.	DEARA are seeking views on the proposals for implementing the requirements of the Directive in relation to planned and existing public exposure situations and the justification of practices involving ionising radiation. The proposals will be of particular interest to a wide range of commercial and public sector organisations that work with radioactive substances or which generate or manage radioactive waste.	15 November 2017	
	Link to Consultation	https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/consultations/consultation-revised-requirements-radiological-protection-regulation-public-exposures-and		
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Heritage Lottery Fund	Equality Scheme	The Heritage Lottery Fund wish to consult with our stakeholders and interested parties and consider those responses in agreeing those plans.	05 January 2018	
	Link to Consultation	https://www.hlf.org.uk/equality-scheme-hlf-northern-ireland		

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Radius Housing	Equality Scheme	Radius Housing was established following the merger of Fold Housing Association and Helm Housing Association in April. They are now consulting upon their new Equality Scheme.	12 December 2017	
		https://www.radiushousing.org/publications		
Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
Translink	Cookstown Bus Station Consultation	Translink is asking for public feedback on weekend closure of facilities within Cookstown Bus Station. There is also a public engagement session on Saturday 4th November, 10 – 12noon.	10 December 2017	
		http://www.translink.co.uk/COOKSTOWN/		