Report on	Consultations Notified to Mid Ulster District Council
Date of Meeting	27 February 2020
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## Is this report restricted for confidential business?

If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon

Yes No x

1.0	Purpose of Report			
1.1	To update members on the consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council for comment.			
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 that 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	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications			
	Financial: N/A			
	Human: N/A			
	Risk Management: N/A			
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments			
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None			
	Rural Needs Implications: None			
5.0	Recommendation(s)			
5.1	Members review and note consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council.			

Appendix A: Details of Current Consultations

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Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed	
Department of Education (DE)	Consultation on Update to Nutritional Standards for School Food	The Department of Education in Northern Ireland is consulting on draft updated Nutritional Standards for Food in grant-aided schools. The updated standards will meet current government guidance on healthy eating (as outlined in the Eatwell Guide 2016).	27 March 2020		
	Link to Consultation	https://www.education-ni.gov.	v.uk/consultations		
	<b>Delegated Authority</b> required to be granted to a Not applicable Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?				
Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed	
Newry, Mourne & Down Distric Council	Draft Equality Action Plan and Draft Disability Action Plan 2020-2023	Newry, Mourne & Down District Council is consulting on new Equality and Disability Action Plans for the period 2020-2023. Reponses can be provided via an online survey.	10 April 2020		
	Link to Consultation	https://www.newrymournedown.org/public-consultations			
	<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)?		Not applicable		

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Hate Crime Review team	Independent Review of legislation for dealing with hate crime in Northern Ireland	This Review has been commissioned by the Department of Justice to consider whether existing hate crime legislation represents the most effective approach for the justice system to deal with criminal conduct motivated by hatred, malice, ill will, or prejudice, including hate crime and abuse that takes place online.	31 March 2020	
	Link to Consultation	https://www.hatecrimereview survey	ni.org.uk/news/l	aunch-online-
	<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)?		Not applicable	9