

Report on	Correspondence to Council – September 2017
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	Provide an update on correspondence received for attention of Council.
2.0	Background
2.1	This paper makes reference to correspondence received to be brought to the attention of Council. Items are referred to in 3.0 below.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>Correspondence from NILGA – Minibus Licencing</p> <p>At the July meeting of Council members carried a motion concerning the proposed changes to minibus licensing arrangements and their impact on the wider community;</p> <p><i>“That this council considers the current crisis threatening the future of Mid Ulster’s Rural Community Transport Partnerships, and shall make representations to the Permanent Secretary or the Minister for Infrastructure, whichever is applicable, citing our opposition to elements of the proposed changes to minibus driver licensing and opposing the unworkable timetable. And extend the Northern Trust enhanced dial a lift service to the Southern Trust Area”</i></p> <p>It was further agreed to write to NILGA to seek support from all councils to oppose the changes being put forward by the Department. Appendix A is correspondence received from NILGA</p>
3.2	<p>Correspondence from Translink – Cookstown Bus Station</p> <p>At the September meeting of Council a motion was carried concerning the opening hours and arrangements at Cookstown Bus Station.</p> <p>Appendix B is correspondence received from the Chief Executive’s office of Translink offering a meeting with the Chair and councillors at a Public Consultation/Information Event scheduled to take place on Saturday 4th November from 10am to 12noon in Cookstown Bus Station.</p>

4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	<u>Financial & Human Resources Implications</u> Financial: Not applicable Human: Not applicable
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	That Council notes and consider, as necessary, the correspondence received.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix A NILGA: Minibus Licencing Appendix B Translink: Cookstown Bus Station