Appendix 1

# Corporate Improvement Projects 2017-18 Quarter One & Quarter Two

Six Month Progress Update

# Mid Ulster District Council's Corporate Improvement Projects for 2017-18 and 2018-19

Project One (A Mc Creesh):	<b>To assist the growth of the local economy by increasing the number of visitors to our district</b> –Links to Economic Growth & Sustaining Our Economy
Project Two (A Cassells):	<b>To help manage our waste amd environment by reducing the amount of waste going to landfill –</b> Links to Infrastructure & Delivering for Our People
Project Three (JJ Tohill):	<b>To improve the accessibility of our services by increasing the number available online</b> - Links to Health & Wellbeing & Delivering for Our People
Project Four (AM Campbell)	: To support people to adopt healthier lifestyles by increasing the usage of Council recreational faiclities – Links to Health and Wellbeing & Delivering for Our People

# Key: Improvement Activity Status Colours and Descriptors

Green	Signifies everything is on track in terms of activity, deliverables, scope, budget, &
	timeframe. Performance is moving in the right direction.
Amber	Signifies performance is moving away from target, some items may need corrective
	action, are still within tolerance.
Red:	Signifies there is a problem shift in the wrong direction, which requires response from
	senior management.
Grey:	Not due to have started
Blue	Signifies PI, target, outcome achieved/completed
Purple:	Information not available

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Action Number	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target		Sta	tus		Delivery Dates & Improvement	
(SIPS								Outcomes in 2017-	Comments
(SIPS link)								2019	
link)				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019	
CIP1/	Performance and Quality	(i) Audit Complete &	31/10/2017					01/0417 - 31/03/19	Internal Audit template designed to be
A001	Framework developed for all Visitor	(ii) Improvement	31/03/18					Enhance and extend	completed by October 2017, one to one
	Information Centres (VIC's): -(i)	Action Plan complete.	51/05/18					visitor information	meetings with the managers have taken
	Audit baseline figures all visitors	(iii) TNI min standards	31/03/19						place. Met with Visit Derry who are taking a
	VIC's, develop associated	achieved	- , - , -					offering	people first approach (3)Formalised Stat
	Performance Management	(iv) 90% Mystery	Annually						sheet designed with the installation of
	Framework, (ii) prepare	Shopping satis							Electronic Eyes in all VIC's. The second
	improvement action plan for all								Quarterly VIC staff meeting has taken place,
	current & prospective VIC's (iii) attain								the next meeting is scheduled for 15th
	TNI minimum standards by 2020 all								November 2017. The VIC Audit has been
	VIC centres, provision1 more VIC								designed and information from the study
	SHHP to standard subject funding ,								will create the Action Plan. Audit to be
	(iv)achieve 90% satisfaction rate								completed by October 2017. Mystery
	Mystery Shopping events at all								shoppers currently visiting all VIC's between
	current VIC's 2017/18.								June - September 2017, evidence from
									these will support the audit and feed into
									the action plan .
CIP1/	Achieve World Host Status (WHS)	(i) Clogher Valley	(i) 31/03/19.					01/04/17 - 31/03/21	Two Tourism Development Officers have
A002	for Clogher Valley & Cookstown by	World Host Status &	(;;) 24 (02 (24					Successfully	successfully completed training and are
	2021 :(25% of local Clogher Valley	(ii) Cookstown World	(ii) 31/03/21					achieving WorldHost	licenced WorldHost Facilitators
	businesses achieve WHS) by 2019 &	Host Status						Recognition.	
	Cookstown by 2021 and 2 MUDC								
	staff qualify as WH trainers &								

# CIP 1: To assist in the Growth of the Economy by increasing the number of visitors to our district - (Adrian Mc Creesh).

Ref.	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures	Target		Sta	tus		Delivery Dates &	
Number		& Levels of Service						Improvement	<b>6</b>
(SIPS								Outcomes in 2017-	Comments
link)				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019	
CIP1/ A003	"Digital First" - Digital Tourism Strategy in place by June 2017: Useable Trade Hub & Customer Facing Website in place	Digital Strategy Complete. Percentage of MUDC Tourism businesses accessing & utilising hub	June 2017 60% by March 2018					01/06/17 - 31/03/18 Positive feedback from the trade and public that are using the hub. (2) 60% of all MUDC tourism businesses accessing and utilising the Industry Hub March 2018. Identify Industry Digital	<ul> <li>(1) Industry Hub to be completed and live by Oct.</li> <li>(2) Due to extra work to be carried out by contractor the Digital strategy will be completed Oct 2017</li> <li>.</li> </ul>
								Needs and develop and deliver training.	
CIP1/ A004	Appoint External consultancy to undertake audit of customer experience journeys: at all MUDC Heritage, Culture/Arts/Visitor attractions & Tourism Related facilities.	No. of Completed Customer Experience Audits of MUDC Heritage, Culture, Arts, Visitor Attractions & Tourism Related Facilities by	March 2019 – in all 17 Audits completed:- Ranfurly, SHHP, Burnavon, TullyHogue Fort, & MUDC Leisure Centres, Dungannon Park Round Lake, Maghera Walled Garden, Davagh Forest, Manor Park, Lough Fea					01/07/17 - 31/03/19 Increased understanding of customer experiences, customer journeys and customer offerings.	<ol> <li>Project meeting has taken place to discuss the audit. Officers asked to complete a tender specification to appoint a consultant to complete the audit.</li> <li>awaiting budget confirmation to progress in 2018/19</li> <li>This action is being aligned to the recommendations as per MUDC's Culture and Arts Strategy</li> </ol>

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link) CIP1/	Develop Visitor Experience &	SMART Visitor	March 2018	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019 01/04/17 - 31/03/18	(1) To be progressed upon confirmation of
A005	Customer Journeys Improvement Plans: for Council's Heritage, Culture & Arts facilities, Visitor attractions and Tourism related facilities by March 2018	Experience & Customer Journeys action Plan developed						Focused and innovative facilities and products	funding within 2018-2019 budget.
CIP1/ A006	Heart of Ancient Ulster Phase 1 - 2: - Landscape Plans developed by 11/18. Submit stage 2 application fund Heritage Lottery Fund (Develop projects in conjunction with Mid Ulster Heritage Cluster); set and agree targets for Mid Ulster Council (Nov 18) & 2 New Officers in place by 08/17	Application, associated plans & targets for stage 2 HLF Officers recruited	By November 2018. August 2017					01/04/17 - 30/11/18 To develop and submit a stage 2 application to HLF by November 2018 To set and agree targets for Mid Ulster Council by Nov 2018 under the Landscape HLF programme	Received letter to proceed and staff appointed. Working up stage 2 application

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CIP1/ A007	Complete Phase 2 of US Grants to achieve 4/5 star TNI grading by 31 March 2019: - source funding complete project for access & external signage & review & upgrade white/brown signage by March 2018 & undertake TNI grading on site Dec 2018. Site to be included on Ulster Ireland International Appalachian (IAT) Trail March 2019	US Grants TNI Grade Funding sourced & Signage audited TNI grading achieved. IAT inclusion for International Market Site to be included on the Ulster Ireland International Appalachian Trail Increase Visitor no.s to US Grants	31/03/2019 . 4/5 grading by 31/03/18. 31/03/19 2000 by 2020					01/04/17 - 31/03/19 Enhance and extend visitor information offering	<ul> <li>(1) Funding to be sourced for Phase 2</li> <li>Development at USG including upgrading white on brown road signage</li> <li>.</li> </ul>
CIP1/ A008	Launch the upgraded Carleton Trail by Sept. 17: increase out of district visitors to trail by 10% p.a. and launch Carleton Trail Self Guiding App. by March 2018 & eastablish 1 literary event p.a. around Carleton	Upgraded Carleton Trail Launch. Carleton Trail App Establish no. of Carleton Literary Event	30/09/2017 30/04/18 One event by 31/03/19					01/04/17 - 31/03/19 To increase out of district visitors using the Carleton Trail by 10% per year.	<ul> <li>(1)Carleton Trail will be completed and launched at Carleton Summer School in September 2017</li> <li>(2) The Carleton Trail was launched on Friday 15 September 2017 alongside the opening of the Carleton Summer School 2017 which took place from 15-17 September 2017.</li> </ul>

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CIP1/ A009	Deliver 20 Corporate Strategic Events p.a. to 2019 attracting an increase of 5% attendance figures on 2016.17 (attendance fig 16.17 were 95,100)	Deliver No. of Corporate Strategic Events. Increase annually attendance figures at Annual Coporate events to 2019	20 p.a. Over 2 years . Attendance figures achieved by March 2019 of 99,855 (cumulative)	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019 01/04/17 - 31/03/19 Attract and grow hallmark events, thereby raising the profile of the area and bringing economic benefits to the district.	The following Corporate events were delivered during Q2. Lumarina 18th-20th Aug. which has grown in number each year, attracted 4,000 visitors. Picnic in the Park a one day event held on 28th Aug. which attracted 2,500 visitors, numbers were down of the previous year due to inclement weather. Walled Garden Maghera held in Maghera on 26th August which attracted 4,000, event was at capacity in its current format.
CIP1/ A010	Extend Trade Participation at at major trade and consumer promotions: - World Travel Market (WTM) - new no.s in attendance & reporting on new sales & Balmoral Show, upskill trade & staff through Learning & Development (L & D sales & promotion), extra space booked at shows	No of new trade participants at WTM show. No. of trade & staff upskilled in sales & promotion Purchase additional space at Pavilion Balmoral Show and Inside Desk WTM	3 20 upskilled by March 2018 By 31/03/19					01/04/17 - 31/03/19 Widen & enhance the commercial tourism skills both in the private sector and MUDC staff. Purchase extra space and shows to accommodate tourism businesses Three new business participating in WTM and reporting on new sales	Training needs analysis completed online Sept 17 with 40 businesses responding. Staff and Business Engagement Plan developed focussing on Networking, Funding, Packaging, Communication and Sales skills for 17/18 and 1st training for staff in Facilitation Skills delivered 04/09/17. 5 further training / networking events planned to 2/18 plus working co- operatively with Econ Dev and highlighting Business/Social Media Breakfast events to tourism trade. Staff & trade have attended 5 consumer shows in NI, ROI and Scotland.

Ref. Numbe r (SIPS	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target		Status			Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017-	Comments
link) CIP1/ A011	Generate Support for 5 Tourism Clusters via Toursim Development Group: - Clusters are: (1) Seamus Heaney, (2) Outdoor Rec., (3) Events, (4)Archaeology Culture & Heritage, (5) Good Food & develop Communications and engagement plans with agencies, stakeholders and residents	No. of Cluster group meetings p.a. Each meeting achieves % attendance rate No. of Cluster Group 1 yr. Action plans in place. No. of Comms.& Engagement plans developed	6 meetings – 70% attendance rate. 1 Comms & Engagement Action Plan by March 2018 2 residents Comms. plans by Mar18	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019 01/04/17 - 31/03/19 6 meetings held and report to 6 TDG meetings each year. Plan developed, resourced and delivered by March 2018.	All cluster meetings progressing as planned through September and October 17.
CIP1/ A012	Lead the Dark Skies Devagh Forest Project: DAERA invite MUDC to complete application and submit economic appraisal, amend Business case & economic appraisal by June 2017. Watching brief of Observatory Planning Approval maintained in relation to the re-instatement of additional blanket bog. Develop tender spec for Design Consultant "Interpretation Dark Skies Observatory" Establish Dark Skies within the Heritage cluster to ensure action plan progresses and develop tender spec. for consultant to attain (a) Dark Skies Status and (b) a Management Plan for Davagh Forest	<ol> <li>Application to funders DAERA</li> <li>Observatory Planning Material Approval watching brief for re- instatement to blanket bog Develop tender spec for consultant "Interpretation of Dark Skies Observatory". Dark Skies Action Plan established within Heritage Cluster Develop tender spec for consultant to attain (a) Dark Skied status (b) Management Plan Davagh Forest Park.</li> </ol>	June 2017 TBC March 2018					01/05/17 - 31/03/19 Develop and deliver a unique and outstanding tourism proposition for Mid Ulster that spans over the Heritage and Outdoor Hubs themes.	<ul> <li>(1) Plans and EA being updated regarding re advise received from DEARA</li> <li>(2) DEARA put out call for applications for the end of Nov 2017.</li> </ul>

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CIP1/ A013	Achieve 4 and 5 star TNI visitor attraction grading (Phase 1) for 3 MUDC venues: Seamus Heaney HomePlace , Burnavon, Ranfurly House and Hill of the O'Neill by 2019	Achieve Visitor Attraction Grading HomePlace Achieve Visitor Attraction Grading Burnavon. Achieve Visitor Attraction Grading Ranfurly Hill of the O'Neill.	March 2019 March 2019 March 201					01/04/17 – 31/03/19 Achieve an exceptional or outstanding rating that will be measured by Tourism NI under their rating system at all locations by September 2018.	<ul> <li>(1) Meeting held at SHHP -site visit carried out and Actions established to achieve 5*star status.</li> <li>(2)WorldHost Principles of Customer Service training arranged of staff on 14th November 2017.</li> <li>(3) Meeting held with Joanne Robinson HOTH &amp;RH on 25th September 2017, and actions agreed. Awaiting funding opportunity from Tourism NI to progress.</li> </ul>
CIP1/ A014	Design, deliver and launch Seamus Heaney Home Ground Trails Project	Trails developed and operational by	01/09/2018					01/06/17 - 01/09/18 Enhance and develop the customer/visitor experience delivered through the Seamus Heaney HomePlace facility in Bellaghy.	Update report submitted to HLF for their review detailing current position with Seamus Heaney Living Past project. Currently awaiting confirmation from Dfl if Magherafelt town centre project has green light to proceed. LPS engaged to provide valuations of lands to be leased/acquired as part of the project. Further meetings with Transport NI required on site at both Forge location and St Marys Church/Bellay locations to clarify and discuss Transport NI Conditions.

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CIP2/	Recycle/Compost at least 51% of	(1) Quarterly WDF	(1) 51% of					01/04/17 - 31/03/18	58.32% or 11,443 tonnes recycled Target
M001	houshehold waste by	returns to NIEA	household					(1) Docusing is	exceeded (more than 50%) during Q1.
	(1) Processing addtional residual	(2) Quarterly reports	waste recycled					(1) Recycling is	
	waste by diverting waste from	to Environment						more sustainable	Awaiting Q2 figures expected 30/11/17
	landfill and extracting more	Committee						than landfill.	
	recyclates		(2) Approx.					(2) The overall cost	
	(2) Diverting residual waste to other		38,000 tonnes					of recycling is lower	
	waste streams							than landfill and	
								creates greater	
								economic benefits.	
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CIP2/	Restrict the amount of household	(1) Quarterly WDF	(1) No more					01/04/17 - 31/03/18	34.56% or 5,741 tonnes landfilled
M002	waste landfilled as a percentage of	returns to NIEA	than 35% of					Demonstrates the	13.1% of 2017/2018 NILAS allowance
	total amount to no more than 35%		household					Council's	utilisedTarget exceeded (less than 35%)
	(26,514 tonnes based on 2016/2017	(2) Our stand, some state	waste landfilled.					commitment to	during Q1.
	tonnages)	(2) Quarterly reports to							
		Environment	(-) -					Sustainable	Awaiting Q2 figures expecetd 30/11/17
		Committee	(2) Approx.					Development and	
			26,000 tonnes					the Circular	
								Economy.	
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# CIP 2: To help manage our waste and environment by reducing the amount of waste going to landfill-(Andrew Cassells).

Ref. Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target		Status		Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017 -2019	Comments	
,				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
CIP2/ A003	Relaunch the brown bin scheme to increase the amount of food waste collected for composting through Education & Awareness Campaigns including the provision of information to all households and on vehicle advertising Key Actions: Promote Food Waste in Brown Bins on a District wide basis (2) Procure and implement vehicular advertising panels on RCV's (3) Intensive PR and Communications Plan	<ul> <li>(1) Distribution of</li> <li>'Recycling to the Max'</li> <li>information packs to all</li> <li>residents across the</li> <li>District.</li> <li>(2) Installation of new</li> <li>Food Waste Livery on</li> <li>RCV's</li> <li>(3) Promotional</li> <li>literature and free</li> <li>compostable caddy</li> <li>liners were issued to</li> <li>residents</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) 54,000 No of recycling packs distributed during the months of Apr - Sept</li> <li>(2) Food waste livery placed on 18 No. RCV's</li> </ul>					01/04/17 – 31/03/18 Demonstrates the Council's commitment to Sustainable Development and the Circular Economy	In excess of 54,000 Recycling Packs distributed thus far (2) New Food Waste Livery installed on 18 No. Refuse Vehicles during. Funding application submitted to WRAP/DAERA to support Phase 2 of the Food Waste Communication (3) Appropriate photo-calls, interviews, updates on website and Council magazine features to highlight the campaign was also undertaken Note: Q1: Appx 10% reduction in waste collected in black bins with a corressponding increase in material collected in Brown Bins.Second strand of the Waste Compositional Analysis underway
CIP2/ A004	Close Magheraglass Landfill Site (and to award the contract for the final capping of the site) Key Actions: (1) Implement closure plan (2) Procure and deliver final phase of capping (4th)	<ul> <li>(1) Cease landfilling operations and utilise the site for transfer facilities only</li> <li>(acceptance of black, blue and brown bin waste collected in the Cookstown area)</li> <li>(2) Procure and deliver a final capping contract</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) Landfilling operations to cease in May 2017</li> <li>(2) Capping contract to be delivered during 2018/19</li> </ul>					01/06/17 – 31/03/18 Demonstrates the Council's commitment to Environmental Regeneration, Sustainable Development and the Circular Economy	During Q1 - Site Closed on 20th May 2017 and Work ongoing on the re-grading of the site in advance of the capping contract (2) Report to Environment Committee on 13th June 2017 and Contract documents being prepared.

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CIP2/ A005	Close/Mothball Tullyvar Landfill Site Key Actions: (1) Undertake NI Wide Landfill Capacity study to inform the decision making process	Remaining Void Capacity in existing Cell	Zero Void by September 2018	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	01/04/17 - 30/06/2018 Demonstrates the Council's commitment to Environmental Regeneration, Sustainable Development and	Landfill Capacity study commissioned with result due back by end of October 2017. Phase III Interim Capping contract awarded. Report to Committee in September. Works due to commence in October. Proposed to retain remaining void for MUDC only after 31 March 2018. Landfill Capacity Report completed. Under review by Working Group.
CIP2/ A006	Construct a Waste Transfer Station at Drumcoo Recycling Centre, Dungannon in preparation for the closure of Tullyvar Landfill Site Key Actions: (1) Secure Planning (2) Engage design consultants and procure contractor to deliver project	<ul> <li>(1) Acquisition of planning approval for the facility</li> <li>(2) Award contract for construction of the waste transfer station</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) Planning approval to be secured during Q1</li> <li>(2) Select list of contractors to be appointed during Q2</li> <li>(3) Construction contract to be awarded during Q3 .</li> </ul>					the Circular Economy. 01/04/17 - 30/06/2018 Demonstrates the Council's commitment to a more Sustainable Waste Collection Service by reducing vehicle mileage and by bulking waste close to its source.	<ul> <li>(1) Planning approval for facility agreed at Mid Ulster Council Planning Committee on 4th July. Tender Report to be submitted to Committee in November</li> <li>(2) List of 6 No. contractors selected to tender for construction of facility on 5th September</li> <li>(3) Invitation to tender issued on 12th September (closing date for tenders 25th October)</li> </ul>

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link) CIP2/ A007	To deliver the annual Recycling Awareness Communications Plan to local schools/communities Key Actions: (1) Develop Communications Plan	<ul> <li>(1) New contract</li> <li>awarded residual</li> <li>waste treatment .</li> <li>(2) New contract</li> <li>awarded for bio waste</li> <li>(3) New contract</li> <li>awarded for mixed dry</li> <li>recyclables processing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) Award</li> <li>residual waste</li> <li>contract during</li> <li>Q4</li> <li>(2) Award new</li> <li>bio waste</li> <li>contract during</li> <li>Q2</li> </ul>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019 01/04/17 - 31/03/2018 Demonstrates the Council's commitment to more sustainable waste treatment by utilising third party processes	<ul> <li>(1) New bio waste contractual arrangements approved at Environment Committee meeting on 3rd July (to take affect on 1st Jan 18. MDR Tender Evaluation scheduled</li> <li>(2) New mixed dry recyclables contract advertised (in conjunction with NWRWMG) w/c 11th September (closing date 20th October 2017) Note that both these procurement avarations were partial out initial with Denry.</li> </ul>
			(3) Award new mixed dry recyclable contract during Q3					and contracts to increase recycling rates	exercises were carried out jointly with Derry City & Strabane DC, Causeway & the Glens BC and in the case of MDR also Fermanagh & Omagh DC (3) Residual Waste Contract: Contract Documents currently being prepared Q1. Residual Waste Contract due to be advertised by December 2017
CIP2/ A008	To deliver the annual Recycling Awareness Communications Plan to local schools/communities Key Actions: (1) Develop Communications Plan	<ul> <li>(1) Number of visits to schools, community groups etc.</li> <li>(2) Number of "themed" promotional weeks supported</li> <li>(3) Number of competitions organised</li> </ul>	(1) As per Recycling & Environmental Annual Communication Plan					01/04/17 - 31/03/2018 Heightens the awareness of schools and communities to the environmental & economic benefits of landfill diversion & recycling & the ongoing contribution to a circular economy.	<ul> <li>(1) Eco Speak Competition held 27th April</li> <li>.Recycle Week - 25th September. Report</li> <li>to Committee in November</li> <li>(2) Compost Awareness Week 8th to 12th</li> <li>May (3) WEEE Recycling Competition 1st</li> <li>to 8th July (4) Clogher Valley Show stand</li> <li>26th July</li> </ul>

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CIP3/ A001	Complete scoping exercise in order to develop project plan :(1) Lead Officer with small task team undertake a scoping exercise based on four broad principles, namely: Challenge: Why, how and by whom the service is currently provided Compare – our performance with that of other local Councils providing a similar service. Consult – with staff , service users and other stakeholders	(1) Scoping exercise completed	(1) CIP3 Smart Action Plan 2017-2018 agreed by May 2017	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	01/04/17 – 31/05/17 Route map designed to achieve objective	Action plan developed
CIP3/ A002	Milestone: Undertake an analysis/examination of good/next practice of online services and then complete a review and an assessment of Council's online service provision. Lead Officer with small task team to conduct and research a good/next practice benchmark excercise in relation to online service provision/offerings: 1. Industry standards, channel shift, accessibility, navagation Review of other digital standards/plans/strategies 3. Potential initial additional online capabilities	Research findings and recommendations paper on good/next practice with recommendations for service improvement completed by Aug 2017	Good/Next Practice Findings Report with recommendatio ns for service improvement completed by August 2017					01/05/17 – 31/08/17 To define designing online services and systems around customers rather than ourselves	Desktop reserach has been undertaken cross referencing with like public sector orgbaisations/public authorities with responsibility for provision of Direct Services to customers by viewing and navigating through websites/online outlets and comparing with existing arrangements, developed folloiwing transition. Activity to be undertaken, has fallen short of planned completion, but action will be undertaken to produce good practice findings and a recommendatsions report by end Oct 2017.

# CIP 3: To improve the accessibility of our services by increasing the number available online - (JJ Tohill).

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CIP3/	Undertake an analysis/examination of	Review and findings	Current Online					01/05/17 - 30/10/17	Being completeed inconjunction with
A003	good/next practice of online services	report on current	Service						SMART Action plan for completion in
	and then complete a review and an	online service	Provision Report					To understand	november 2017 Date to be adjusted.
	assessment of Council's online service	provision with	with options for					service demand and	
	provision.Lead Officer with small task	appraised options	service					customer transaction	
	team conduct an assessment of current	developed	improvement					process in detail	
	online provision:Navigation Accessibility		completed by						
	Current Council analytic websie		October 2017						
	provision. Website site map and its								
	contract Permission levels admin.								
	rights/web authors,Marketing/PR								
	associated with Council's online service								
	provison, Technical capailiities.								
	Accessibility issues (section 75) –								
	Review of compliance with legislation,								
	Data Protection, information security,								
	good practice in data quality, payments								
	financial aspects of online transactions,								
	Equality, Information Comissioner								
	compliance.								
	Review of best practice in relation to								
	CIP3/A002 and identify gaps								

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CIP3/ A004	Develop an informed prioritised programme of work/SMART Action Plan to automate digitise servies	Prioritised Programme of work SMART action plan developed	SMART Action Plan completed by Nov 2017					01/07/17 – 31/10/17 A plan to automate and make digital online services where practicable	A revised date of 31/11/17 has been requested. Plan in Progress for completion in November
CIP3/ A005	Implement an online facility to pay invoices : Lead Officer to (1) Establish Gateway and Merchant Services together with associated online forms to facilitate online payment.(2) Implement User Acceptance Testing (UAT) and confirm PCI/DSS Compliance prior to 'go live'. Research and confirm back office processes in both service department and finance department to ensure that information flow is appropriate (4) Publicise facility to pay invoices online via appropriate channel (5) Go live - 31 January 2017 (Contingency of two months pre 31 March 2018	<ul> <li>(1) Gateway and Merchant Services</li> <li>established</li> <li>(2) Online forms</li> <li>developed</li> <li>(3) User Acceptance</li> <li>Testing completed</li> <li>(4) PCI/DSS</li> <li>compliance</li> <li>confirmed</li> <li>(5) Back office</li> <li>process in service</li> <li>department and</li> <li>finance in place</li> <li>(6) Facility to pay</li> <li>online invoices</li> <li>publicised</li> <li>(7) Live system live</li> </ul>	Back office process in service department and finance established. Online facility to pay invoices publicised and system live by June 2018					01/07/17 – 30/06/18 Mid Ulster District Council website operating a payment interface for customer	<u>_</u> Scope of exercise and process map complete for payment in progress. Online payment form designed and to be signed off with finance. Online Merchant ID to be organsied and back office processes agreed

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CIP3/ A006	Implement an online facility to pre-pay and account manage commercial waste disposal at the main Recycling Centres i.e. Cookstown, Drumcoo & Magherafelt Lead Officer prepare requirements spec. (hardware and software including online facilities) for tender purposes, Issue tender doc.'s Evaltuate & award tender. Implement solution at each of 3 sites according to agreed programme.	(1) Tender Specification complete and issued (2) Tender exercise completed and awarded (3) Implementation schedule agreed (4) System operational at each of 3sites (Cookstown, Drumcoo and Magherafelt	<ul> <li>(1) 1 August</li> <li>2017</li> <li>(2) 30</li> <li>September 2017</li> <li>(3) 30 Octber</li> <li>2017</li> <li>(4) February</li> <li>2018</li> </ul>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019 01/07/17 – 30/06/18 Prepaid operational online customer portal for civic amenity site commercial waste disposal	Specification completed and quotations for systen sought w/c 9th October. Contract to be awarded in November.
CIP3/ A007	Increase utilisation of existing online services for Dog Licensing, Actions: Lead officer to develop and implement a plan that will:- Increase the number online Dog Licensing transactions	Increase in total dog licensing transactions received online	Improved processing times and administration efficiencies					01/04/17 – 31/03/18 Improved processing times and administration efficiencies - 2.5% Increase Year 1 and 5% in total trasactions received online for dog licensing per year for 2 years	01/04/17-30/09/17 810 online licences issued. Projected online licences= 1620. Target online licences 1352 for year 2017/18. The figures are therefore well on target to achieve a percentage increase well in excess of 2.5%. This has been achieved by increased promotion by the Enforcement Officers, Distribution of Online Licensing Leaflets with reminder letters, promotion at local events such as Clogher Show.

Ref. Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target	Status			Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017- 2019	Comments	
CIP3/ A008	Increase utilisation of existing online services for, Building Notices and Regularisation Applications Actions. Lead officer to develop and implement a plan that will: - Increase the number of online Building Notices and Regularisation Applications	Increase in total Building Notices and Regularisation Applications received online	2.5% per year for 2 years of total transactions received for Building Notices and Regularisations Applications received online	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019 01/04/17 – 31/03/18 Improved processing times and administration efficiencies - 2.5% per year for 2 years of total transactions received for Building Notices and Regularisations Applications received online	The total number of manual Building Notices received for the MUDC area in 2016/2017 was 1005 and manual Regularisation applications received was 296. The online portal was launched at the end of 2016/2017.Currently the percentage of Building Notices and Regularisation applications being receieved online has increased to 8%.
CIP3/ A009	Implement an online facility to submit service requests for Environmental Health . Actions:Lead Officers to progress the development, testing and implementation of an online facility that will enable the following:- Environmental Health Service Requests e.g complaints and new premises registrations (CIP3/07/A001)	Online service request form developed, back office process established, User Acceptance Testing complete and system implemented for Environemental Health service requests e.g complaints and new premises registrations	System developed and implemented by May 2018					01/07/17 – 31/03/18 An online service in place that will facilitate Environmental Health service requests	Online Service request form currently being developed to ensure Environmental Health Service requests can be facilitated online. Account Meeting with Tascomi, Env Health, , ICT was scheduled to scope development within the Council Direct Portal. arranged for 10/10/17 but had to be rescheduled to 09/11/17

Ref. Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target			Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017- 2019	Comments		
CIP3/ A010	Implement an online facility to submit service requests for Building Control. Actions: Lead Officers to progress the development, testing and implementation of an online facility that will enable the following: Online Building Control Inspections Requests (CIP3/07/A002)	Online service request form developed, back office process established, User Acceptance Testing complete and system implemented for Building Control Inspection requests	System developed and implemented by May 2018	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	01/07/17 – 31/03/18 An online service in place that will facilitate Building Control inspections	. It is envisaged that the online service request facility will be in place by May 2018. Meeting with Tascomi, Building Control, ICT was scheduled to scope development within the Council Direct Portal. arranged for 10/10/17 but had to be rescheduled to 09/11/17
CIP3/ A011	Consistent presentation of ALL Council online services. Actions - Lead officer to: (1) Identify all online services offerings and the accessibility of their presentation on all device types i.e. mobile, PC etc. (2) Develop an agreed consistent presentation of above (3) Implement presentation and test	<ul> <li>(1) Identification of all online services</li> <li>(2) Agree presentation of all online services</li> <li>(3) Implemetation and testing of presentation</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Online services documented</li> <li>Consistent presentation of online services agreed</li> <li>Implementation and tests completed satisfactorily for all services by June 2018</li> </ol>					01/07/1701/06/18 Consistently presented online services which are easily found, user friendly and responsive to mobile devices	<ul> <li>(1) All on-line services dentified by individual departments grouped into 5 categories</li> <li>(transactional, online service requests, online applications, online directories &amp; apps). (2) Where the info. is hosted directly on the Council's web site, the presentation of all material is consistent with Council's branding. Where online service is hosted externally &amp; based on a 1/3<sup>rd</sup> party supplier's templates, presentation is likely to be inconsistent with Council's agreed brand guidelines. Where possible, a 'skin' is developed which closely mirrors the Council's branding and where not possible, at a min. the Council's brandmark (or facility mark) should be included.</li> <li>(3) Within the confines of (2), a review of externally provided online services will be undertaken audit how the Council's branding is being applied. Additions &amp; enhancements will then be made where possible.</li> </ul>

Ref. Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target		Status			Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017- 2019	Comments
CIP3/ A012	Transact with suppliers electronically Action Lead Officer to progress the rollout of the E-orders module of Council finance system	Issue of orders electronically	70% of all orders raised from implementation to the end of the financial year issued electronically	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	01/04/17 – 31/03/18 Electronic orders issued directly to suppliers in a more accurate and precise manner that enhances the efficiencies of invoice payment processing	<ul> <li>Revised go live date request for 12/10/17</li> <li>1. Total has completed the configuration of the e-ordering module to meet Mid Ulster Council's requirements by end of quarter 1</li> <li>2. The e-ordering module has been running on the test environment and comprehensive testing has been carried out by the procurement team during July and August</li> <li>3. Training manuals and documentation have been completed by Total and reviewed by the procurement team by end of week 1 in September.</li> <li>4. Meeting has been scheduled 21/22 September with Director of Leisure and Recreation to agree going live time-table for her department as lead pilot.</li> <li>5. Following initial meeting with D L&amp;R further meeting required before timetable can be agreed.</li> <li>6. ICT department have now taken lead as pilot - training of ICT staff completed and went live for ICT orders on 12/10/17.</li> </ul>

Ref. Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target			itus		Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017- 2019	Comments
CIP3/ A013	Leisure services accessible online - Greenvale Leisure Centre,Online functionality is maintained post Septmeber 2017. Actions: Lead Officer to - Put in place and implement a plan to ensure that the Greenvale Leisure Centre online functionality is maintained post September 2017	(1) Availability of customers to access leisure facilities online for Greenvale Leisure Centre	100% availability of existing online facilities for Greenvale Leisure post Sept 2017	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	01/06/17 – 30/09/17 Continuation of Greenvale Leisure Centre's online facility offering	Has been completed. Exerp has been purchased by MUDC and will be used until decision taken on purchase of a new system across all Leisure Centres.
CIP3/ A014	Leisure services accessible online - Greenvale Leisure Centre, Meadowbank Sports Arena and Dungannon Leisure Centre Lead Officer to - Coordinate and implement a consistent advertising and booking opportunity for bookable activities across all facilities i.e. Meadowbank Sports Arena and Dungannon Leisure Centre consistent with Cookstown Leisure Centre	(2) The extension of the online booking function available for Cookstown Leisure Centre to Meadowbank Sports Arena and Dungannon Leisure Centre	Meadowbank Sports Area and Dungannon Leisure Centre to have consistent online service offerings as per Cookstown Leisure Centre					01/07/17 – 30/09/18 Consistent online leisure facility offering across all 3 leisure centres	Requires an STA to be approved by SMT and Council for purchase of Dimensions for Dungannon LC, Meadowbank SA and Maghera LC. The STA is now being written.

Ref. Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target		Sta	tus		Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017-	Comments
CIP3/ A015	Provision of mobile responsive tourism industry and customer related digital platforms. Lead Officer to develop: (1) Provision of digital Tourism Industry HUB project. (2) Provision of Tourism Local Information Portal (3) Provision of Tourism Visitor Information Portal.	<ul> <li>(1) Provision of digital Tourism</li> <li>Industry HUB project.</li> <li>(2) Provision of Tourism Local</li> <li>Information Portal</li> <li>(3) Provision of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) System</li> <li>implemented by</li> <li>Dec 2017</li> <li>(2) System</li> <li>implemented by</li> <li>Dec 2017</li> <li>(3) System</li> <li>implemented by</li> </ul>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019 01/07/17 – 31/12/18 Engaging portal for tourism industry, visitors and citizens across Mid Ulster	<ul> <li>(1) Industry Hub to be completed and live by end of Oct 17.</li> <li>(2) Local Tourism Information portal being developed live Dec 17</li> <li>(3) Visitor Information Portal delayed due to additional work needed to be carried out by contractor, request new completion date of March 18</li> </ul>
CIP3/ A016	<ul> <li>(4) Provision of Digital Carleton and Heaney trails</li> <li>Provide work placement opportunities online . Lead Officer to</li> </ul>	Tourism Visitor Information Portal (1) Areas available for work placements	Dec 2017 (Carleton Trail Dec 18) (1) No. of work placements areas					01/07/17 - 31/03/18	<ul> <li>(4) Carlton Trail Digital app being developed still on track to be live Dec 17</li> <li>To be raised at HOS meeting as a first step on 17th October to ascertain depts.</li> </ul>
	(1) Confirm service areas available for work placements for the next 12 months e.g. Environemental Health, Leisure Centres	for next 12 months identified (2) Create link from Council website to	identified for the next 12 mnths (2) Link established from Council website to					Consistent and transparent online advertisement of work placement opportunities.	interested in providing x no. of placements & which specific areas re: opportunities to students etc. Once areas/budget/bursary agreed, will set to work on placement description & linking to careers profile
	<ul><li>(2) Create linkages from Council website to relevant online portal</li><li>(3) Ensure that all work placements are advertised on relevant online portal</li></ul>	relevant online portal (3) Work placements advertised on relevant online portal	relevant online portal. (3) Work placements areas for the next 12 mnths advertised on relevant online portal March 18						

Ref. Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target		Status			Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017- 2019	Comments
CIP3/	Extend E Tenders NI application to	(1) Percentage of	(1) 100% tenders	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	01/04/17 - 30/09/17	.All tender exercises from the1 April have
A017	all tenders. Lead officer to rollout e tenders to all Council tenders	tender opportunities advertised by E tenders NI (2) Number of tender opportunities advertised	advertised by E Tenders NI - 2017- 2018					Consistent and transparent online advertisement of tender opportunities.	been advertised on E-Tenders NI or other e- tendering platforms (eg frameworks) with the exception of Moneymore Rec as PQQ had commenced as a manual exercise prior to the 1 April and ITT then had to be done manually as system didn't allow joining mid-way through process
CIP3/ A018	Conduct a review of SMART Action Plan for improving accessibility of online services - review and revise for year 2 and beyond	(1) Review of Year 1 and Year 2 SMART Action Plan and revised plan for year 2	(1) Review of Year 1 and Year 2 SMART Action Plan completed and Year 2 Plan in place by Mar 2017					01/02/18 – 31/03/18 Fit for purpose prioritised plan	Not due to have started

# CIP 4: To support people to adopt healthier lifestyles by increasing the usage of Council Recreational facilities - (AM Campbell).

Ref. Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target		Sta	itus		Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017-	Comments
CIP4/ A001	Audit of Planned Health & Well Being Programmes Key Actions: (1) Audit local health & well being programmes planned by department services and teams throughout the organisation to ensure a co ordinated approach. (2) Review existing programmes to determine pathways for progression and continuous improvement.	<ul> <li>(1) Creation of a current baseline of programme provision</li> <li>(2) Production of a co ordinated programme plan</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) Develop baseline of current H&amp;WB programmes by</li> <li>September 2017</li> <li>(2) Develop a plan of aligned future programmes by</li> <li>December 2017</li> </ul>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019 01/05/17 – 31/12/17 Increased participation and healthier lifestyles by greater numbers attending Health and Wellbeing programmes	<ul> <li>(1) Baseline of current H&amp;WB programmes developed</li> <li>(2) Future programmes being developed Baseline created</li> </ul>
CIP4/ A002	Audit of facility Usage: Key Actions: (1) Audit of footfall/visitor numbers at facilities/events/programmes and analysis patterns of facility usage. (2) Identify opportunities to co ordinate programming, events/attractions a (3) Appointment Sales Officer (4) Audit of participation among traditionally underrepresented groups which include: Women & girls,People with a disability; & Those living in areas of greatest social need	<ul> <li>(1) Compile data of facility visitor numbers/footfall, complaints and mystery visit and survey information.</li> <li>(2) Audit of potential activity and promotions</li> <li>(3) Officer appointed</li> <li>(4) Production of facility programme plans</li> </ul>	(1a) Baseline report of usage stats. established by Mar 2018 (1b) Audit undertaken of facility usage for women/girls, disabled, those living in areas of social need by Mar 2018 (2) Audit of potential activity & promotions completed by March '18.(3)Appoint Sales Officer by Sept.17 (4a) Customer survey developed for users and non users by Sept 2017 (4b) Facility programmes plan developed by Sept 17					01/04/17 – 31/09/17 Increased participation and healthier lifestyles by greater numbers attending Health and Wellbeing programmes	(1a and b) usage statistics being established (2) Audit being undertaken (3) Delay in appointing sales advisor - delay due to review of memberships and role of SA in Greenvale LC (4a and b) Customer survey developed for users, review of approach to be agreed for non users. Facilities plan developed for facilities for next 3 months. Appointment of sales officer delayed. Facilities programme plans produced

Ref. Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	& Levels of Service			Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017-	Comments			
CIP4/ A003	Review Marketing Strategy. Key Actions: (1) Review existing Marketing Strategy and action plans. (2) Develop appropriate Leisure Marketing Strategy and action plans for facilities, programmes and events. (3) Develop appropriate Parks Marketing Strategy and action plans for facilities, programmes and events	(1) Marketing strategy and plans in place for Leisure, Parks and Programmes	(1a) Leisure marketing review complete by end June 2017. (1b) Revised leisure marketing strategy (if required) & assoc. marketing action plans complete by Nov. 17 for implementation from Apr 2018. (1c) Develop Parks marketing strategy/ action plans by Jan. 18	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019 01/04/17 – 31/01/18	(1a and b) Marketing review complete for leisure (2) Work ongoing with Parks. Leisure marketing review complete
CIP4/ A004	and events. Development of proposals for Key Capital Projects. Key Actions: (1) Appoint consultancy teams to develop proposals for Key Capital Projects including Gortgonis, Dungannon Leisure Centre and Railway Park. (2) Appoint consultancy team to develop inclusive play and strategic play investment programme.	(1) Consultancy Teams appointed and Project Designs programme of work established for Key Capital projects including (a) Gortgonis,(b) Dung. L/Centre (c) Railway Park (2) Consultancy Teams appointed and Project Designs programme of work established for Key Capital projects including (a) Play Parks (b) Parks	<ul> <li>(1) By March 2018</li> <li>establish programme</li> <li>of work for Key</li> <li>Capital Schemes:(a)</li> <li>Gortgonis</li> <li>(b) Dungannon</li> <li>Leisure Centre</li> <li>(c) Railway Park</li> <li>(2) By March 2019</li> <li>establish programme</li> <li>of work for Key</li> <li>Capital Schemes</li> <li>including</li> <li>(d) Play Parks (e)</li> <li>Parks</li> </ul>					01/05/17 – 31/03/19 Improved quality recreational facilities in MUDC	<ul> <li>(1) Programme of work established.</li> <li>Projects at various stages</li> <li>(2) Parks and Play parks strategy at draft stage. Programme of actions will develop from this.</li> <li>Consultancy team being appointed for Gortgonis and Dungannon LC improvements. Consultancy team appointed for DLC option study and Railway park</li> </ul>

Action Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target	Status								Delivery Dates & Improvement Outcomes in 2017- 2019	Comments
,				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019					
CIP4/ A005	Improve accessibility of online services Key Actions: (1) Liaise with CIP3 group (2) Undertake a review of current on- line service capabilities, collate metrics, identify and prioritise potential new online services and ensure these are supported by back office processes through to implementation.	<ul> <li>(1) LG working with</li> <li>CIP3 Group .</li> <li>(2) Review completed</li> <li>baseline of existing</li> <li>services provided</li> <li>online</li> </ul>	(1) No. of services being used by customers online .					01/04/17 – 31/03/19 Improved customer satisfaction by delivering efficient 24/7 online services.	<ul> <li>(1) Audit undertaken. IT system being improved in various leisure facilities which will improve online capability.</li> <li>(2) Review of baseline completed of online services</li> </ul>				
CIP4/ A006	<ul> <li>Review, revise and report end of year project plan (year one) and revise year 2 implementation</li> <li>Key Actions: <ul> <li>(1) Senior responsible Officer and</li> <li>Key members of project team review and report revise and amend project plan for year 2 by end of March 2018.</li> <li>(2) Senior responsible Officer and</li> <li>Key members of project team review and report on year 1 project plan progress by April 2018</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) Year 1 review</li> <li>report completed.</li> <li>(2) Year 2 project plan</li> <li>developed</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) Year 1</li> <li>review report</li> <li>completed by</li> <li>April 2018.</li> <li>(2) Year 2</li> <li>project plan</li> <li>developed by</li> <li>March 2018</li> </ul>					01/02/18 – 31/03/18 Implementation of developed project plan on target.	Not due to have started				

Action Number (SIPS link)	Service Improvement Objective	Success Measures & Levels of Service	Target	Status		Improvement Outcomes in 2017		Improvement Outcomes in 2017-	Comments
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2019	
CIP4/ A007	Establish Greenvale Leisure Centre under Council operation Key Actions: (1) Issue decision to Pulse. (2) Establish cross departmental working group and develop action plan by June 2017 (3) Implement actions by Sept 2018 (4) Greenvale LC in Council operation by Septemeber 2017	<ul> <li>(1) Greenvale LC</li> <li>under Council</li> <li>management.</li> <li>(2) Programmes,</li> <li>pricing, staffing</li> <li>structures reviewed</li> <li>and aligned.</li> <li>(3) Customer</li> <li>satisfaction</li> <li>maintained - low</li> <li>complaints</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) By September</li> <li>2017 Greenvale</li> <li>LC under Council</li> <li>management</li> <li>(2) Organisation</li> <li>structure and</li> <li>process in place</li> <li>by September</li> <li>2018</li> <li>(3) Roll out</li> <li>customer survey</li> <li>developed for</li> <li>other facilities by</li> <li>March 2018</li> </ul>					<ul> <li>(1) Started and completed by Sept</li> <li>2017 (2) Started and completed by Sept</li> <li>2018 (3) Started and completed by March</li> <li>2018</li> <li>Implementation of developed project</li> <li>plan on target.</li> <li>Harmonisation of service standards.</li> </ul>	(1) Greenvale LC under Council management from 10th September 2017.
CIP4/ A008	Strategy to provide direction for Parks, Play and Outdoor Recreation facilities and programmes Strategy developed Key Actions: (1) Strategy developed to provide direction for parks and play facilities by Sept 2017. (2) Strategy developed to provide direction for Outdoor Recreation facilities by Sept 2017.	<ul> <li>(1) Strategies</li> <li>approved</li> <li>(2) Action plans for</li> <li>recommendations</li> <li>developed</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(1) By Sept 2017</li> <li>Strategies</li> <li>approved.</li> <li>(2) By March 2018</li> <li>develop action</li> <li>plans - linked to</li> <li>capital</li> <li>programme</li> </ul>					<ul> <li>(1) Started and completed by Sept</li> <li>2017</li> <li>(2) Started and completed by March</li> <li>2018</li> <li>Improved quality recreational facilities in MUDC and accessible for all sections of society.</li> </ul>	(1) In draft format.

Appendix 2

# **Mid Ulster District Council**

# **Performance Improvement Plan 2017 to 2019**

# Statutory & Corporate Performance Improvement Indicators

**Six Month Progress Report** 

2017 – 2018

#### Performance Improvement Plan 2017 to 2019 - Statutory & Corporate Performance Indicators

#### **Statutory Indicators – Set for Us**

Statutory indicators and standards/targets have been set by the former Department of the Environment (now Department for Communities) as part of the performance improvement arrangements for district councils, there are currently seven in total. Performance measures have been specified for the functions of economic development, planning and waste management. The aim of the performance measures is to promote the improvement of service delivery for the functions specified.

#### **Corporate Performance Indicators – Set by Us**

During 2016/17, Council in the absence of an agreed region wide performance management framework, decided to concentrate on ensuring the data quality of three of its proposed "set by us" or "self-imposed" performance indicators, standards/targets, with the aim of improving service delivery, across the three indicators; namely:

- 1. Prompt Payments (Prompt payments speed up cash flow from the public sector to its suppliers, particularly SME's),
- 2. *Freedom of Information Requests (FOI) Responded to within 20 days,* (Council meets its statutory obligations, customer requests are met within specified timeframes and citizens can get information in a timely manner through a transparent process), and
- 3. *Percentage lost time rate of sickness absence* (shows the % of total time available that has been lost due to any type of absence during a certain time period. The indicator is based on full time equivalent (FTE) employees useful as a general measure of the significance of sickness absence levels for an organisation).

Data quality is a central part of the Council's operational business and performance management. Performance measures including Absence information, Freedom of Information Requests, and Prompt Payments information is used every day across the Council to help inform management decisions, plan services, benchmark performance and cost, and inform target setting.

Table 1.0 – Status Symbols and Interpretation Descriptors for Statutory and Corporate Performance Improvement Indicators

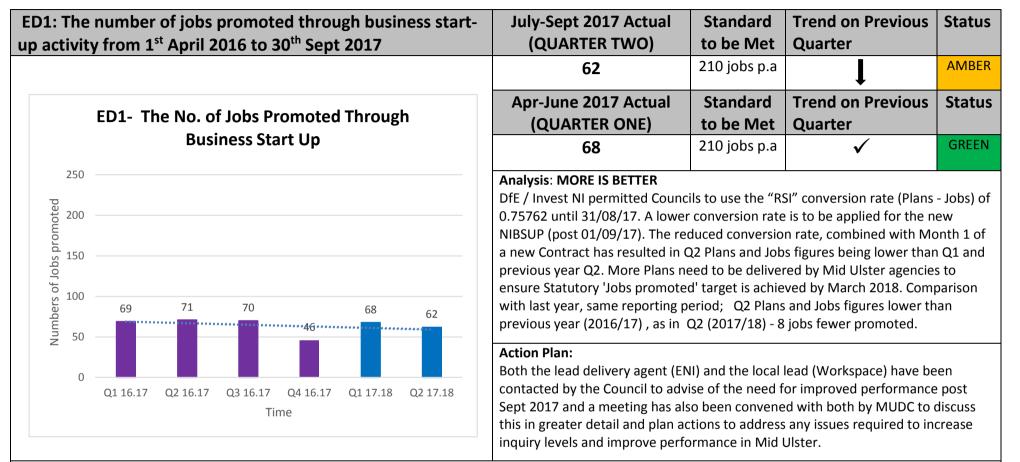
	Progress Status for Measures						
Colour	Symbol	Interpretation Descriptor					
Green		Signifies everything is on track in terms of activity, deliverables, scope, budget and timeframe. Performance is moving in the right direction or target/outcome achieved.					
Amber		Action: - Signifies Performance is trending away from target, that some particular items may need to be referred for advice /or assistance with the view to taking corrective action. Measure: - Trending away from target within % tolerance.					
Red		Signifies there is a problem/shift in the wrong direction, which may require a response from senior management.					
Blue		Signifies PI, Target, Outcome Achieved / Completed.					
Purple		Information not available, or in development					

#### Table 2.0 – Performance Trend



#### Table 3.0 – Target Direction

Target Direction	
More is better	A bigger value for this measure is best
Less is better	A smaller value for this measure is best

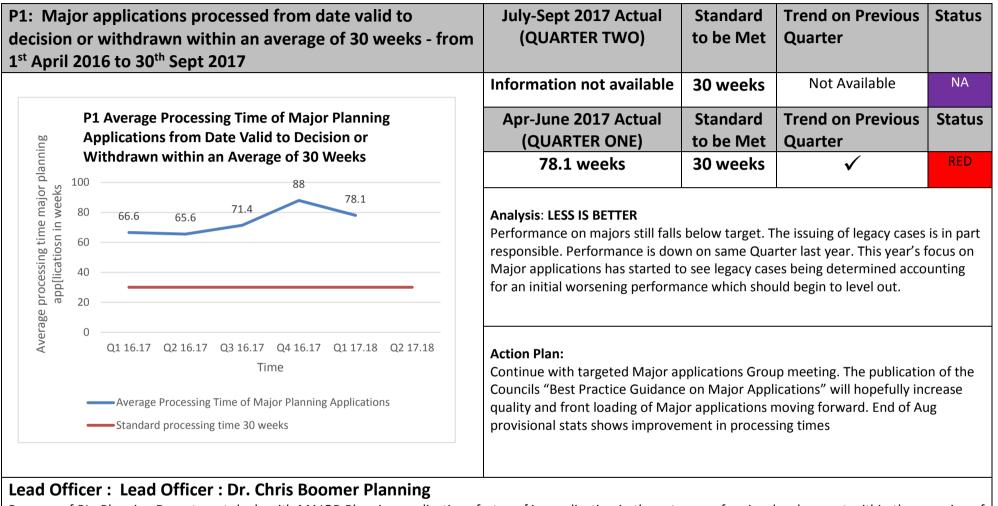


#### STATUTORY INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No. : ED1 - MORE IS BETTER

## Lead Officer : Adrian McCreesh Director Business & Communities

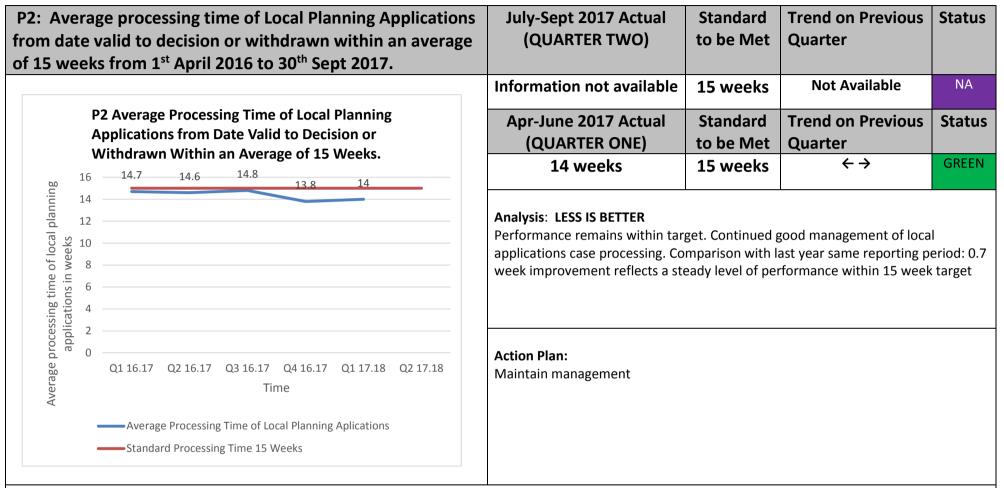
Purpose of PI: The number of jobs promoted through business start-up activity (Business start-up means the delivery of completed client led business plans under the Department of the Economy Regional Start Initiative or its successor Programmes).

#### STATUTORY INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No. : P1 - LESS IS BETTER



Purpose of PI: Planning Department deals with MAJOR Planning applications faster - [An application in the category of major development within the meaning of Planning (Development Management Regulations (NI) 2015(a)].

### STATUTORY INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No. : P2 - LESS IS BETTER



#### Lead Officer : Lead Officer Dr. Chris Boomer Planning

Purpose of PI. Planning Department deal with LOCAL Planning applications faster - Local applications means an application in the category of local development within the meaning of the (Development Management) Regulations (NI) 2015, and any other applications for approval or consent under the Planning Act (NI) 2011 (or any orders or regulations made under the Act).

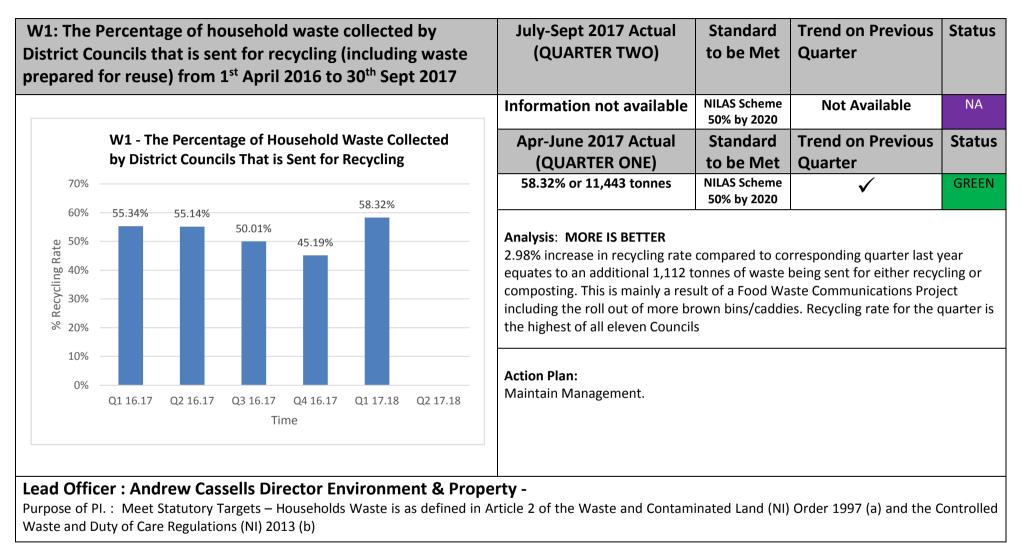
#### P3 : The percentage of planning enforcement cases July-Sept 2017 Actual Standard Trend on Previous Status processed within 39 weeks from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 to 30<sup>th</sup> Sept (QUARTER TWO) to be Met **Ouarter** 2017 85.9% GREEN 70% $\checkmark$ **P3** - The Percentage of Planning **Apr-June 2017 Actual** Standard **Trend on Previous** Status **Enforcement Cases Processed Within 39** (QUARTER ONE) to be Met Processed within 39 weeks Quarter Weeks. 84.1% GREEN 70% Time Analysis: MORE IS BETTER Q1 16.17 Q2 16.17 Q3 16.17 Q4 16.17 Q1 17.18 Q2 17.18 The 70% target for Q1 and Q2 has been met and exceeded. The figure for Q2 has 100.% 86.4% 85.9% 84.1% 81.6% not vet been validated. It is evident that there is an increase in performance since 90 % 76.0% 75.4% 80.% both Q1 and Q2 last year which is a positive position given that there has been a 70.% reduction in enforcement resources overall since that period. This is a positive Enforcement Cases 60.% trend which will hopefully continue and will mean that the cases being brought to 50.% target conclusion are being done so in a reduced period of time. This trend 40.% continues to improve the level and efficiency of service provided. Comparisons 30.% with last year same reporting period: There has been a continued increase in 20.% 10.% performance since Q1 and Q2 of 2016/17. 0.% % % Planning Enforcement Cases Processed Within 39 Weeks Action Plan: Figures are well on track for Q1 and Q2 and they are reviewed on a monthly basis Standard 70% Processed within 39 Weeks alongside team resources

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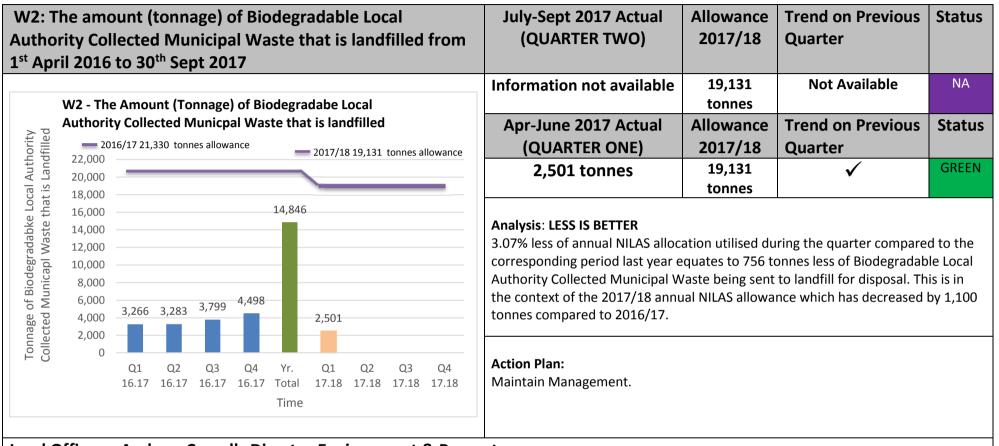
## Lead Officer : Dr. Chris Boomer Planning

Purpose of PI: Planning Department bring more enforcement cases to target conclusion within 39 weeks. Enforcement cases are investigations into alleged breaches of planning control under Part 5 of the Planning Act (NI) 2011 (or under any orders or regulations made under the Act.

#### STATUTORY INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No.: W1 - MORE IS BETTER



### STATUTORY INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No. : W2 - LESS IS BETTER



#### Lead Officer : Andrew Cassells Director Environment & Property -

Purpose of PI: Meet Statutory Targets -Local Authority collected Municipal Waste as defined in section 21 of the Waste Emissions Trading Act 2003 (c)

#### STATUTORY INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No. : W3 – LESS IS BETTER



#### Lead Officer : Andrew Cassells Director Environment & Property

Purpose of PI:. Meet Statutory Targets - Local Authority collected Municipal waste arisings is the total amount of local authority collected municipal waste which has been collected by a district Council

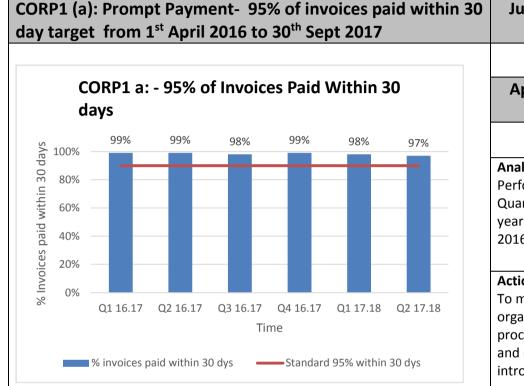
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GREEN

#### CORPORATE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No.: CORP 1a - MORE IS BETTER



July-Sept 2017 Actual (QUARTER TWO)	Standard to be Met	Trend on Previous Quarter	Status
97%	95%	Ļ	GREEN
Apr-June 2017 Actual	Standard	<b>Trend on Previous</b>	Status
Apr-June 2017 Actual (QUARTER ONE)	Standard to be Met	Trend on Previous Quarter	Status

#### Analysis: MORE IS BETTER

Performance in excess of the 95% target has consistently been achieved in both Quarter One and Quarter Two of 2017 - 2018 - this was the case in in the previous year were 98.75% of all invoices for the year were paid within 30 days during 2016/17.

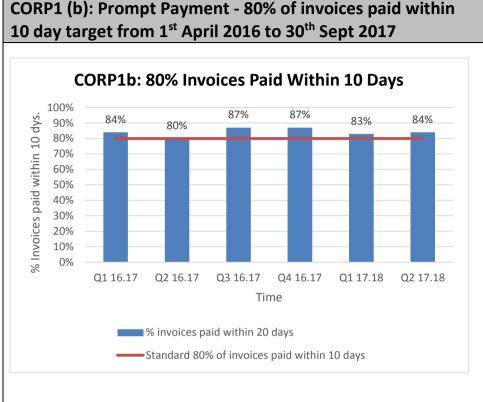
#### Action Plan:

To maintain good practice in relation to ensuring payment procedures are well organised, timesaving and sufficiently resources. Adherence to procedures processes, prioritisations disputed invoices through proactive resolution, monitor and regularly report on average payment times. New software has been introduced and staff training within and external to the section has been delivered

#### Lead Officer: JJ Tohill Director of Finance

Purpose of PI: Prompt payments speed up cash flow from the public sector to its suppliers, particularly SME's. Council recognises that late payments are a key issue for business, especially for smaller businesses as it can adversely affect their cash flow & jeopardises their ability to trade & we recognise that as a Public body we should set a strong example by paying promptly. Indicator that allows Council to have a "signal" that it has an effective prompt payment system delivery, has in place a clear framework for managing prompt payments, in order to support an environment in which ambitious businesses flourish. The Department for Communities requests information from councils at the end of each Quarter on the processing of invoices as detailed in the following circular <u>https://www.communities-ni.gov.uk/publications/circular-lg-192016-guidance-prompt-payments</u>

#### CORPORATE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No. : CORP 1b - MORE IS BETTER



July-Sept 2017 Actual	Standard	Trend on Previous	Status
(QUARTER TWO)	to be Met	Quarter	
84%	80%	$\checkmark$	GREEN
Apr-June 2017 Actual	Standard	Trend on Previous	Status
(QUARTER ONE)	to be Met	Quarter	
83%	80%	Ļ	GREEN

#### Analysis: MORE IS BETTER

Performance in excess of the 80% target has consistently been achieved in both Quarter One and Quarter Two of 2017 - 2018 - this was the case in in the previous year were 84% of all invoices for the year were paid within 10 days during 2016/17

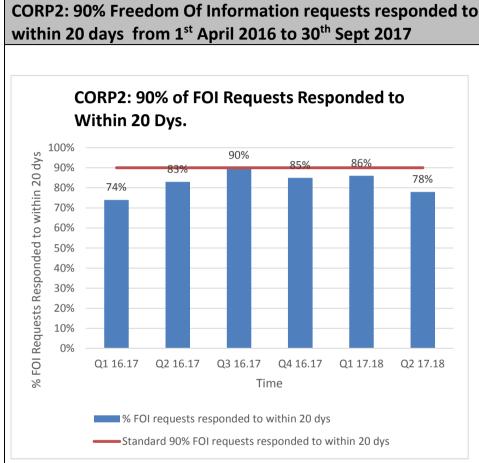
#### Action Plan:

In order to improve the 10 day out-turn we have set up 3 separate spreadsheets to identify cluster issues and are circulating these to Heads of Service and Business Support, Quarter One and Quarter Two of 2017- 2018 is still achieving performance above target.

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#### CORPORATE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No. : CORP 2 - MORE IS BETTER



)	July-Sept 2017 Actual	Standard	Trend on Previous	Status
	(QUARTER TWO)	to be Met	Quarter	
	78%	90%	Ļ	RED
	Apr-June 2017 Actual	Standard	<b>Trend on Previous</b>	Status
	(QUARTER ONE)	to be Met	Quarter	
	86%	90%	$\checkmark$	AMBER

#### Analysis: MORE IS BETTER

2017-18 in Q1 achievement was close to annual target but a falling back in Q2 performance has happened generating an overall achievement (cumulative) of 82% at Q2 end (Apr-Sept). Comparison with last year's same reporting period - although a marginal fall back in Q2's performance is still above the % performance at the same point last year.

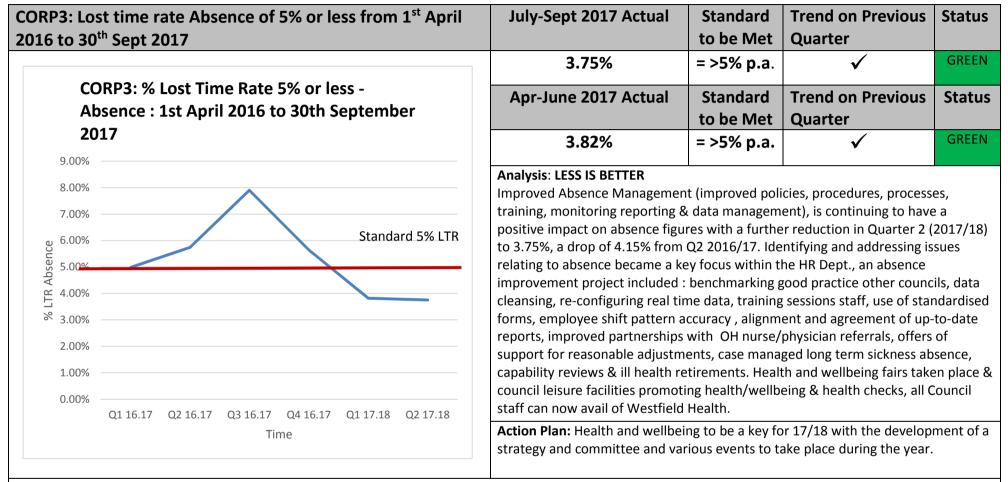
#### Action Plan:

The following is being deployed: (i) use of new council Customer Relationship Management System (CRM); (ii) Service Level Agreement (SLA) reminder alerts provided to officers assigned requests to ensure timelines met; (iii) all requests now being sent to departmental business support managers to co-ordinate and respond to the Head of Democratic Services/ Member Support Officer for Approval; (iv) Customised Performance Dashboard available to senior management within CRM

#### Lead Officer : Philip Moffett, Head of Democratic Services

Purpose of PI: The measure is needed to ensure that Council meets its statutory obligations and customer requests are met within a specified timeframes. Citizens can get information in a timely manner through a transparent process.

#### **CORPORATE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT INDICATOR & STANDARD Ref. No. : CORP 3 - LESS IS BETTER**



#### Lead Officer : Marissa Canavan, Director Organisational Development

Purpose of PI: Lost time rate which shows the % of total time available that has been lost due to any type of absence during a certain time period. The indicator is based on full time equivalent (FTE) employees - useful as a general measure of the significance of sickness absence levels for an organisation.