



04 July 2022

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Environment Committee to be held in The Chamber, Dungannon and by virtual means Council Offices, Circular Road, Dungannon, BT71 6DT on Monday, 04 July 2022 at 19:00 to transact the business noted below.

A link to join the meeting through the Council's remote meeting platform will follow.

Yours faithfully

Adrian McCreesh
Chief Executive

AGENDA

OPEN BUSINESS

1. Notice of Recording
This meeting will be webcast for live and subsequent broadcast on the Council's You Tube site [Live Broadcast Link](#)
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19. Parking Provision Request at Union Street, Magherafelt Off Street Car Park

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21. Multi Council MSRF Project Update
22. Capital Framework - ICT Contracts Update
23. Capital Framework - IST Contracts Update
24. Capital Projects - Scoping Contracts Update

Report on	Cemetery Improvement Works
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2022
Reporting Officer	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
Contact Officer	Eunan Murray, Grounds & Cemeteries Manager

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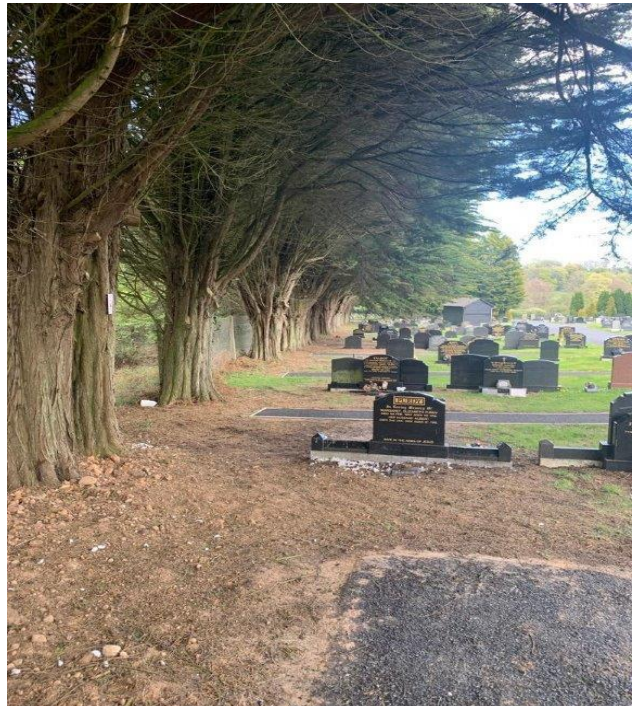
1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To seek approval to undertake cemetery capital improvement works.
2.0	Background
2.1	<p>Council has five operational cemeteries across the district, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polepatrick, Magherafelt • Forthill, Cookstown • Cottagequinn, Dungannon • Drumcoo, Dungannon • Coolhill, Dungannon
2.2	Significant enhancements works have recently been completed at Forthill and Polepatrick cemeteries in order to increase burial capacity and improve access.
2.3	Further essential capital improvement works are now required at Coolhill Cemetery in order to address maintenance and health & safety concerns.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Coolhill Cemetery is the Council's second busiest burial ground in Dungannon. During the period the site has been open the trees along the boundary of the site (110 No.) have grown to such an extent that there is now no grass growth in the vicinity of the nearby plots (270 No.) and the birds nesting in same cause a very significant nuisance/mess to the adjacent headstones (see photos at appendix 1)
3.2	In addition to the aesthetic drawback of not having grass on some of the graves the issue with continual/excessive bird droppings on headstones is causing distress to the families concerned.
3.3	There are also health and safety issues with the trees, highlighted in a previous inspection/audit, with storm damage causing branches to fall on nearby plots.

3.4	Last year the trees on the western boundary were cut and thinned to allow company lorries to access the adjacent factory site safely. However this has resulted in the weight of the trees leaning to the cemetery side thus increasing the risk of falling trees/branches (see photos at appendix 2).
3.5	The landscape of the site is very uneven resulting in undulations to over 400 plots in the cemetery (see photos at appendix 3). As well as complaints from families, maintenance teams also regularly report difficulty in maintaining these plots to a consistent standard. Making the rows more even would enhance all the affected plots and improve maintenance efficiency for the Grounds team/staff.
3.6	The shrubbery beds have also become outdated and overgrown over time (see photos at appendix 4) and require an enhancement in line with the rest of the site/works to make it a more welcoming and aesthetically pleasing environment.
3.7	<p>The proposals below estimate the investment required to address these issues</p> <p>Proposal 1 Maintenance works in respect of health and safety issues to remove the perimeter trees from the site and replace with a fence Estimated Cost £100,000</p> <p>Proposal 2 Addressing the plots where no grass is growing as a result of the trees and repairing the undulations</p> <p>Option 1 – Repair and reseed the affected areas Estimated Cost £19,000</p> <p>Option 2 (preferred) – Repair, supply and lay roll out turf to the affected areas to give immediate impact/results Estimated Cost £47,000</p> <p>Proposal 3 Remove existing shrubbery beds and replace with a Portuguese Laurel Hedging at the front to maintain privacy and enhance the bed at the side trees. Estimated Cost £12,000</p>
3.8	On the separate issue of anti-social behavior whilst there have been very few recorded instances of theft or damage to graves across the cemeteries, it is something that is regrettably on the rise. Due to its rural location Cottagequinn is a site where reports of rallying has taken place at night and weekends, which resulted in the gates having to be opened and closed daily for a period of time.
3.8	Investigations have been undertaken by a CCTV specialist at the cemeteries in relation to the installation of cameras. During the visits it was highlighted that covering entire sites with wired surveillance would prove very difficult due to the amount of open space, trees, headstones etc. as fibre and power cables would need to be installed.
3.9	Furthermore even if this proved possible the quality of the images captured may not be of a high enough standard to identify individuals particularly as there is minimal lighting at the sites at night when incidents are more likely to occur.

3.10	<p>A comparison of the estimated costs of providing cameras to cover the entire sites as opposed to the alternative of only erecting cameras to cover the main entrances/car park areas is shown below:</p> <table><tr><th>Costs</th><th>To cover entrance/car park only</th><th>Entire Site</th></tr><tr><td>1. Forthill</td><td>£6,000</td><td>£15,000</td></tr><tr><td>2. Poleptarick</td><td>£6,000</td><td>£12,000</td></tr><tr><td>3. Cottagequinn</td><td>£2,000</td><td>£ 8,000</td></tr><tr><td>4. Coolhill</td><td>£5,000</td><td>£10,000</td></tr><tr><td>5. Drumcoo</td><td>£2,000</td><td>£ 5,000</td></tr></table>	Costs	To cover entrance/car park only	Entire Site	1. Forthill	£6,000	£15,000	2. Poleptarick	£6,000	£12,000	3. Cottagequinn	£2,000	£ 8,000	4. Coolhill	£5,000	£10,000	5. Drumcoo	£2,000	£ 5,000
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3.11	<p>However in addition to the cost implications consideration needs to be given to the impact on families/visitors. The vast amount of cameras required to fully cover a cemetery the size of Polepatrick or Forthill could be viewed as intrusive by visitors to what are obviously deemed sensitive areas for private reflection.</p>																		
3.12	<p>Taking all of the above into consideration it is proposed that cameras should only be installed at the entrance of Cottagequinn (see photos at appendix 5) in order to help deter anti-social behaviour and allow the site to remain accessible 24/7. However CCTV at the other sites would not be considered appropriate.</p>																		
4.0	Other Considerations																		
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications																		
	<p>Financial:</p> <p>Provision of £275,000 has been made for Cemetery works in 2022/23 in the Council Capital Programme from which these proposed works can be funded.</p>																		
	<p>Human:</p> <p>Staff resources to procure, deliver and supervise works as detailed, time to manage and coordinate the work, and minimise inconvenience to front line Cemetery operations. Engagement with Council's Communications team regarding advance communications to cemetery users, deed holders and Funeral Directors to minimise any inconvenience as a result of the work.</p>																		
	<p>Risk Management:</p> <p>As the burial authority in control of municipal cemeteries bound by the conditions of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 Part III; Burial Grounds Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 Part II No. 5; to ensure its burial grounds are safe places to work and visit. Risks associated with the improvement works will be managed by both the Cemetery and Grounds Maintenance Officers to ensure all works are carried out safely and respectfully and that all efforts are made to inform the relevant deed holders in advance of the works and that all environmental issues are considered when removing the trees.</p>																		

4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are requested to approve the completion of the works as outlined at a total estimated cost of £177k exc. VAT (including 10% contingency) subject to a procurement process; funded from the Council Capital Programme for 2022/23.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Photos of perimeter trees and the effects on nearby plots
6.2	Appendix 2 – Photos of the tree works in 2021 on the western boundary
6.3	Appendix 3 – Photos of the undulations across the plots
6.4	Appendix 4 – Photos of front and side shrubbery beds
6.5	Appendix 5 – Photos of Cottagequinn entrance for CCTV coverage

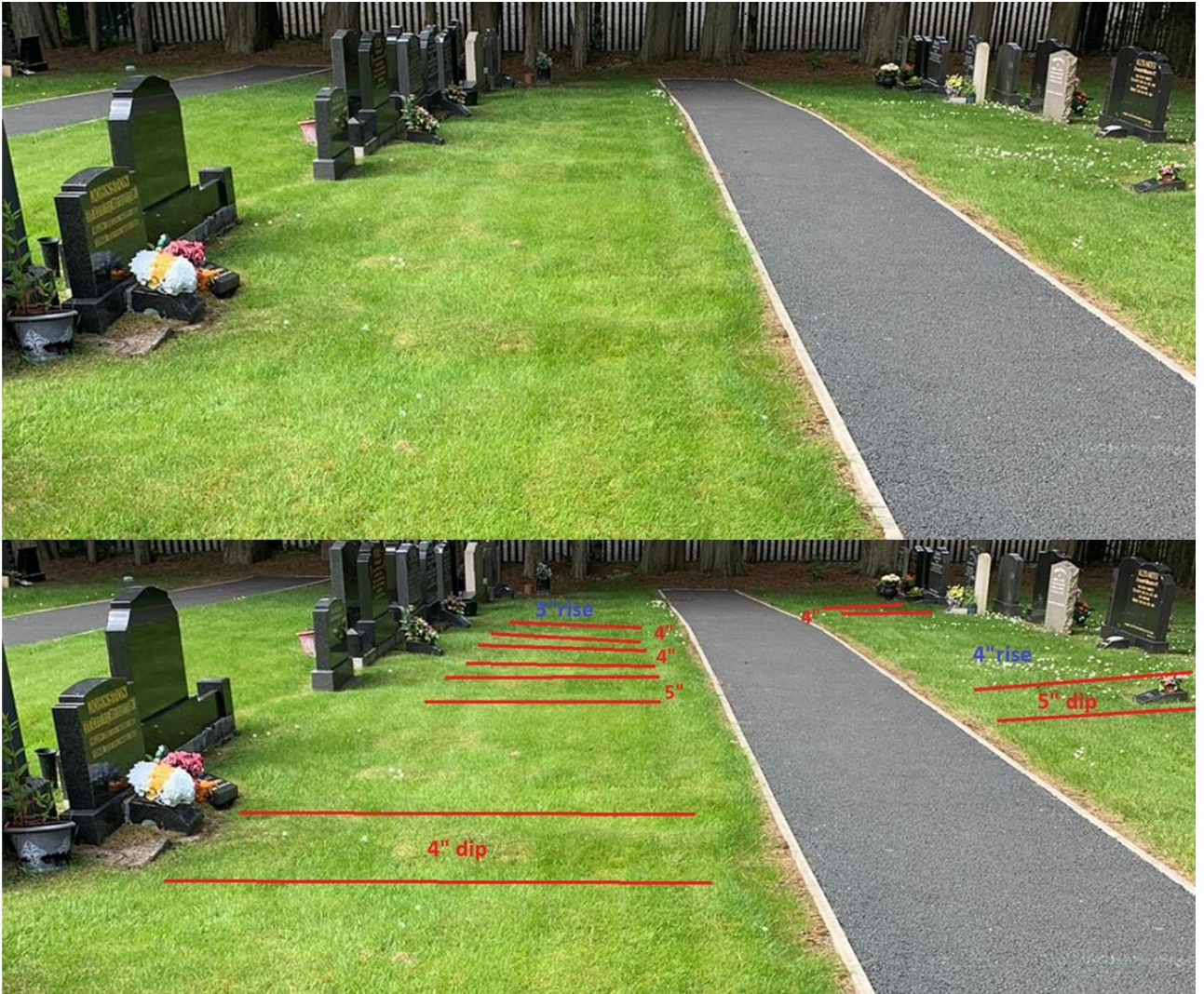
Appendix 1 – Photos of the perimeter trees and the effects on nearby plots



Appendix 2 – Photos of the tree works on the factory side in 2021



Appendix 3 – Photos of the undulations across the plots



Appendix 4 – Photos of the Front & Side Shrubbery beds



(Side shrubbery bed to be removed and replaced with trees)



(Front shrubbery bed to be removed and replaced with Portuguese laurel hedging)

Appendix 5 – Photos of Cottagequinn Entrance and Carpark (Proposed CCTV Coverage)



Report on	Street Naming and Property Numbering
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2022
Reporting Officer	Terry Scullion, AD of Property Services
Contact Officer	P J Fox, Principal Building Officer

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	For Members to consider the naming of new streets within residential Housing Developments within Mid Ulster District Council.
2.0	Background
2.1	<p>In accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) NI Order 1995 – Article 11 the Council is tasked with the responsibility of approving Street Naming and Numbering of buildings erected thereon.</p> <p>The Policy for Street Naming and Numbering, as adopted (see Appendix 1) forms the basis for considering proposals for the street naming of new developments.</p>
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>The Building Control Department has received requests for the naming of streets within proposed residential developments as follows:</p> <p><u>Development 1 - Site off Thomas Street, Dungannon</u></p> <p>An application has been submitted by Farasha Properties Ltd for the naming of a new street within a residential development off Thomas Street, Dungannon.</p> <p>The options submitted are as noted below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Castle Lane Mews 2. Castle Lane Close <p>As the options submitted are linked to the locality in each case, it is considered that each option demonstrates compliance with the policy as adopted.</p>

	<p><u>Development 2 - Site off Oaks Road, Dungannon</u></p> <p>An application has been submitted by Sandale Developments Ltd for the naming of a new street within a residential development off Oaks Road, Dungannon.</p> <p>The options submitted are as noted below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Oaks Avenue 2. Oaks Drive 3. Bloomfield Avenue <p>As the options submitted are linked to the locality in each case, it is considered that each option demonstrates compliance with the policy as adopted.</p> <p><u>Development 3 - Site off Killyfaddy Road, Magherafelt</u></p> <p>An application has been submitted by JFM Construction Ltd for the naming of a new street within a residential development off Killyfaddy Road, Magherafelt.</p> <p>The options submitted are as noted below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hillside Manor 2. Hillside Way 3. Hillside Drive <p>As the options submitted are linked to the locality in each case, it is considered that each option demonstrates compliance with the policy as adopted.</p>
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: None
	Human: None
	Risk Management: None
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: No

5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	<p>It is recommended that consideration is given to the approval of one option of each of the following proposals for Street Naming within new residential developments within Mid Ulster District Council:</p> <p><u>Site off Thomas Street, Dungannon</u></p> <p>Either Castle Lane Mews Or Castle Lane Close</p> <p><u>Site off Oaks Road, Dungannon</u></p> <p>Either Oaks Avenue Or Oaks Drive Or Bloomfield Avenue</p> <p><u>Site off Killyfaddy Road, Magherafelt</u></p> <p>Either Hillside Manor Or Hillside Way Or Hillside Drive</p>
	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 - Policy for Street Naming and Numbering
6.2	Appendix 2 - Pro-forma containing street naming proposals, location map and site layout plan for new street off Thomas Street, Dungannon
6.3	Appendix 3 - Pro-forma containing street naming proposals, location map and site layout plan for new street off Oaks Road, Dungannon
6.4	Appendix 4 - Pro-forma containing street naming proposals, location map and site layout plan for new street off Killyfaddy Road, Magherafelt

Policy on Street Naming and Numbering

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Mid Ulster District Council resolved that a policy and associated procedures be developed to guide the Council in accordance with the provisions of Article 11 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1995("the 1995 Order"), referenced in Appendix A to this policy, on;

- (i) Naming of New Streets and Housing Developments;
- (ii) Renaming and Re-numbering existing streets

2.0 Policy Aim & Objectives

2.1 **Policy Aim:** To ensure the naming of New Streets and Housing Developments is delivered in a fair, equitable and consistent manner.

2.2 Policy Objectives:

- To facilitate Mid Ulster District Council in meeting its statutory obligations with regard to local government Street Naming requirements
- To confirm the mechanism and process by which Mid Ulster District Council will name new streets and housing developments
- To provide residents with a process whereby they may request the renaming of their street
- To ensure street names are reflective of localities within which they are being proposed and engagement of all affected residents of streets where requests have been received to rename

3.0 Policy Scope and Legislative Framework

3.1 This policy relates specifically to the naming of New Streets/ Housing Developments and processing requests for the erection of nameplates expressing the name of the street in a language other than English. The statutory basis for this policy is contained within Article 11 of the 1995 Order.

- 3.2 This legislation empowers Council to authorise the naming of streets within its respective District. The 1995 Order provides for street naming, street numbering and the provision of street signs. It also provides the Council with a discretionary power to erect dual language street signs or second nameplates in a language other than English via Section 1a and 1b. A copy of the relevant statute is included in Appendix A.

Interpretation and Definitions

- 3.3 For purposes of this Policy the following interpretation/ definitions apply as set out within the 1995 Order:

- Nameplate - defined as a means of 'signifying a name in writing'
- Street - defined as 'any road, square, court, alley, passage or lane'.

4.0 Linkage to Corporate Plan

- 4.1 Referring to Mid Ulster District Council's Corporate Plan 2015-2019, this policy contributes toward the delivery of Corporate Theme 1 *Delivering for Our People*.

5.0 Naming of New Streets

- 5.1 Proposals for new Street names linked to traditional place names will be favorably considered and that if such a place name is traditionally in a language other than English, that name may also be considered as the name by which that place may be known. The procedure that will apply in relation to proposal under this [policy] is contained in Appendix [B]. Building names are not controlled by statute and do not form part of this Policy.
- 5.2 Criteria - General

To maintain the heritage and identity of the area administered by Mid Ulster District Council in naming a new Street and/ or Housing Development the following criteria shall be adhered to. The name chosen shall;

1. Reflect the local townland name, or a local geographical/ topographical, social or historical feature.
2. The name shall not use the townland name within which the street and/ or the housing development is situated. The townland name shall still form part of the postal address.

3. The name should not mark any historical or political event or any individual or family, living or deceased.
4. The prefix of the name can only be the same as an existing Street or Road name prefix in the locality if it is accessed from that street or road.
5. To avoid confusion over addresses the name should not sound similar to an existing Street or Road name in that District Electoral Area.
6. The erected nameplate shall express the name in English; and may express that name in any other language other than English in accordance with Article 11 of the 1995 Order.
7. Although not prescriptive or exhaustive the running order/hierarchy for Street naming should follow an easily understood pattern, for example:
 - Road–Street–Avenue–Mews–Drive–Lane–Close–Alley

6.0 Renaming and Renumbering Existing Streets

- 6.1 Provision shall be made for the renaming and renumbering of existing Streets within the Mid Ulster District Council area, where instances as noted in 7.2 below require that that this be undertaken to maintain a consistent approach to street naming. The 1995 Order empowers Council to authorise Street names within the area they administer. The procedure that will apply in relation to a proposal under this policy is contained in Appendix C.

6.2 Criteria - General

The renaming or renumbering of an existing street shall normally only be considered;

- To remove similar or the same street name in the immediate locality
- Where a street name has been 'lost'
- To correct an incorrectly spelt name
- If emergency services have reported problems in identifying and locating the street
- If postal services or other statutory agencies has reported problems in identifying and locating the street
- Where a request has been received by the Council and signed by not less than 50% of the occupiers of a street to which a change is being sought. This would be based on 1 occupier per premises on the relevant street

7.0 Roles and Responsibilities

- 7.1 **Director of Public Health and Infrastructure:** shall have responsibility for implementation of this policy by Mid Ulster District Council, through the Building Control Service.
- 7.2 **Building Control Service:** shall be responsible for implementing arrangements to administer; (i) requests to name New Streets and Housing Developments and (ii) requests to rename existing Streets.
- 8.0 Impact Assessments**
- 8.1.1 Equality Screening & Impact**
- 8.1.1 This policy has been subject to equality screening in accordance with the Council's equality scheme screening process. It has been 'screened out' for an Equality Impact Assessment.
- 8.2 Rural Needs Impact**
- 8.2.1 This policy has been subjected to a rural needs impact assessment and thus can demonstrate regard to rural needs when delivering this public service.
- 8.3 Staff & Financial Resources**
- 8.3.1 No issues have been identified which will impact on the delivery of Council business as a result of this policy being implemented. Valid requests for determination will be brought to attention of Committee.
- 9.0 Support and Advice**
- 9.1 Advice and guidance on the implementation of this should be sought from the Head of Building Control
- 10.0 Communication**
- 10.1 The Building Control Service within the Public Health & Infrastructure Department of Council is responsible for the communication, delivery and adherence to this policy
- 11.0 Monitoring and Review Arrangements**

- 11.1 Implementation of this policy will be routinely monitored and a formal review undertaken 4 years from its effective commencement date.

Appendix A
Article 11, Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1995

Street names and numbering of buildings

Powers of councils in relation to street names and numbering of buildings

11.—(1) A council may erect at or near each end, corner or entrance of any street in its district a nameplate showing the name of the street; and a nameplate erected under this paragraph—

- (a) shall express the name of the street in English; and
- (b) may express that name in any other language

(2) A council may, immediately adjacent to a nameplate erected under paragraph (1) which expresses the name of a street in English only, erect a second nameplate expressing the name of the street in a language other than English.

(3) Neither this Article nor anything done by a council thereunder authorises or requires the use of the name of a street expressed in a language other than English as, or as part of—

- (a) the address of any person; or
- (b) the description of any land; for

the purposes of any statutory provision.

(4) In deciding whether and, if so, how to exercise its powers under paragraph (1)(b) or (2) in relation to any street, a council shall have regard to any views on the matter expressed by the occupiers of premises in that street.

(5) Any person who—

- (a) obscures, pulls down or defaces any nameplate erected under paragraph (1) or (2);
- (b) erects in any street any nameplate showing as the name of the street a name different from that in any nameplate erected in the street under paragraph (1) or (2); or
- (c) erects in any street any nameplate purporting to show the name of the street, without the authorisation of the council for the district in which the street is situated,

shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(6) Where a council has exercised its powers under paragraph (1) in relation to any street, the occupier of each house or other building in that street shall ensure that that house or building is at all times marked with such number as the council may approve for the purposes of this Article.

(7) Where a person fails to comply with paragraph (6) the council may serve on him a notice requiring him to comply with that paragraph within 7 days from the date of service of the notice.

(8) A person who fails to comply with a notice served on him under paragraph (7) shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(9) Where a person fails to comply with a notice served on him under paragraph (7) in respect of any house or other building, the council may itself do anything which he has failed to do and may recover from that person summarily as a civil debt any expenses thereby reasonably incurred by it.

(10) In this Article—
“nameplate” includes any means of signifying a name in writing; “street” includes any road, square, court, alley, passage or lane.

(11) The power of a council to erect a nameplate under paragraph (1) or (2) includes power—

- (a) to erect it on any building or in such other manner as the council thinks fit; and
- (b) to cause it to be erected by any person authorised in that behalf by the council.

(12) The following statutory provisions shall cease to have effect, namely—

- (a) sections 64 and 65 of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act 1847^{F6};
- (b) in section 38 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854^{F7} the words “naming the streets and numbering the houses and also so much thereof as relates to”;
- (c) section 21 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907^{F8};
- (d) section 19 of the Public Health and Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 1949^{F9}; and
- (e) so much of any local Act as relates to the naming of streets or the numbering of houses or buildings;

Appendix B

Naming of New Streets and Housing Developments: *Procedure*

1. Developers should submit an application for a new Street/ Development naming to the Council's Building Control service within the Public Health and Infrastructure Department ("the Department") before any promotional activity on the sale of properties commences.
2. The applicant should recommend at least 2 but no more than 3 names per street for consideration, outlining how they consider the proposed names comply with the criteria referred to within Section 5.2 above. To ensure compliance, applicants should consider contacting local historical/community groups where available, which may be beneficial on receiving advice on names which would be relevant for proposed names of a new road/street in the locality.
3. If the Department determines that the name(s) does not conform to the criteria within 5.2 of this Policy, the developer/applicant will be informed of this and asked to submit an alternative name(s) and/or written representations as to why they disagree. When the Council receives an alternative name(s) and the Council Officer deems that it meets the criteria then it will be recommended to the Council's Environment Committee for consideration.
4. If the developer/applicant is not in agreement with the Department's evaluation they can make written representations which will be considered at the next available meeting of the Environment Committee.
5. The developer/ applicant will be informed of the approved name following approval of the Environment Committee minutes at the next available Council meeting of Mid Ulster District Council
6. Should the Committee not accept any of the presented options the applicant/ developer will be informed of the Council's decision
7. If following the non-acceptance of a proposed name the applicant/ developer does not resubmit an alternative name to the Council within 8 weeks of the date of the decision letter, the Council may identify a name and notify the applicant/ developer of their intention to approve that name. The Council shall allow four weeks to elapse from the date of the notification of the name before presenting it to the next available Environment Committee
8. If a street name has been approved by the Council it shall not be considered for change within 6 months from the date of approval, unless in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders.
9. Names shall be shown on nameplates which will include the townland where relevant and erected in line with current Guidance.
10. New buildings will be allocated numbers consecutively with odd numbers to the right hand side and even numbers to the left hand side.

Appendix C

Renaming Existing Street Name: Procedures

This procedure provides guidelines for the procedure for renaming of existing street/road names which the 1995 Order empowers councils to authorise. The following procedure for canvassing the views of occupiers and the criteria to be applied in deciding whether to rename a street with an alternative in English shall be:

1. Upon receipt of a petition, signed by not less than 50% of the householders (based on one resident per household over the age of 18) of the street/road ("a Petition") the Council will consider a survey of the street/road in relation to the desired name change and reason for same.
2. The proposed name must meet the criteria set down in this policy for the naming of New Streets, as detailed within 5.2 of this policy.
3. If the Department considers the new name meets the criteria, approval to undertake the survey will be sought from the Environment Committee.
4. The Council will survey, by post, to the occupier(s) of each of the properties listed on the Electoral Register and one survey per established business as appears on the Non-Domestic Valuation List of that street/road or the part of a street/road affected at that time; seeking their views on the request to change the name. The survey shall be carried out by the Council's Building Control service.
5. Residents of the existing street being surveyed to be made aware at time of survey of issues which will arise if the street is successfully renamed.
6. Replies will be by way of a supplied self-addressed envelope and must be returned by the date specified in the correspondence giving notification of the survey and reason for same . Only replies received from registered occupiers by that date will be considered
7. The outcome of the survey will be presented to the Environment Committee and only where all occupiers (100 %) in the affected street agree with the proposed name change, will a recommendation be presented to approve the change.
8. Where a request is not approved any further request will not be considered until the expiry of a 12 month period from the date of the Environment Committee meeting where the outcome of the survey was considered.
9. Where a Petition to have an existing street renamed is not approved then the occupiers will be notified of this.

10. Where a new nameplate is erected. The decision to remove an existing nameplate will be made by Property Services, where deemed necessary to do so.
11. Historical nameplates may remain in place where they are fitted to an existing wall (or dwelling), where they will not affect directional issues. This shall be at the discretion of Property Services.
12. Where the Department receives a request from the emergency services, mail delivery services or other statutory bodies who have difficulty locating the street to rename it. They shall inform residents as noted above and consider to survey and rename the street upon the agreement of all households on that street. Such requests shall be notified to and approval sought from Environment Committee and outcome of survey reported to same.

MID ULSTER DISTRICT COUNCIL



New Street Name Proposals

Applicants Name & Address: FARASHA PROPERTIES LTD.
34 CULREVOG ROAD DUNSTOWN BT11 7PY.
 Description: 8 NO DWELLINGS.
 Ref: F/2022-6594/MAST

	Proposed Street Name	Linkage to Locality	Reason for Choice
Option 1	CASTLE LANE MEWS.	Property is adjacent to Castle fields.	REFLECTING A LOCAL HISTORICAL FEATURE
Option 2	CASTLE LANE CLOSE	As above	As above.
Option 3			

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Please note that street naming proposals should be in accordance with Mid Ulster Council Policy (Attached)

Signed

Dated 1/6/22





Project: **Proposed Apartments at 63 Thomas street Dungannon**

Client: **Farasha Properties Ltd**

Drawing: **Location Map**

Job No: **3315-01**

Revisions:

Drawn By: Aidan

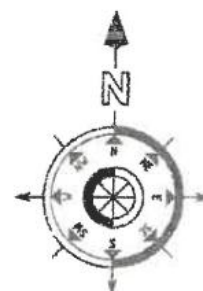
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New Street Name Proposals

Applicants Name & Address: Sandale Developments Ltd, c/o Garvagh House, 8 Garvagh Road,
Donaghmore BT 70 3LS

Description: 29 Dwellings at Oaks road, Dungannon

Ref: F/2022/0919

	Proposed Street Name	Linkage to Locality	Reason for Choice
Option 1	Oaks Avenue	Connection with Oaks Road or other natural forms	The beauty of oak trees along Oaks Road and their presence and contribution to the landscape of the local area. Street name has references to oak trees.
Option 2	Oaks Drive	Connection with Oaks Road or other natural forms	The beauty of oak trees along Oaks Road and their presence and contribution to the landscape of the local area. Street name has references to oak trees.
Option 3	Bloomfield Avenue	Colour of locality and surrounding landscape	Description of the colour of locality and surrounding green and open landscape

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Please note that street naming proposals should be in accordance with Mid Ulster Council Policy (Attached)

Signed *pp. John Lee*

Dated *2/6/2022*

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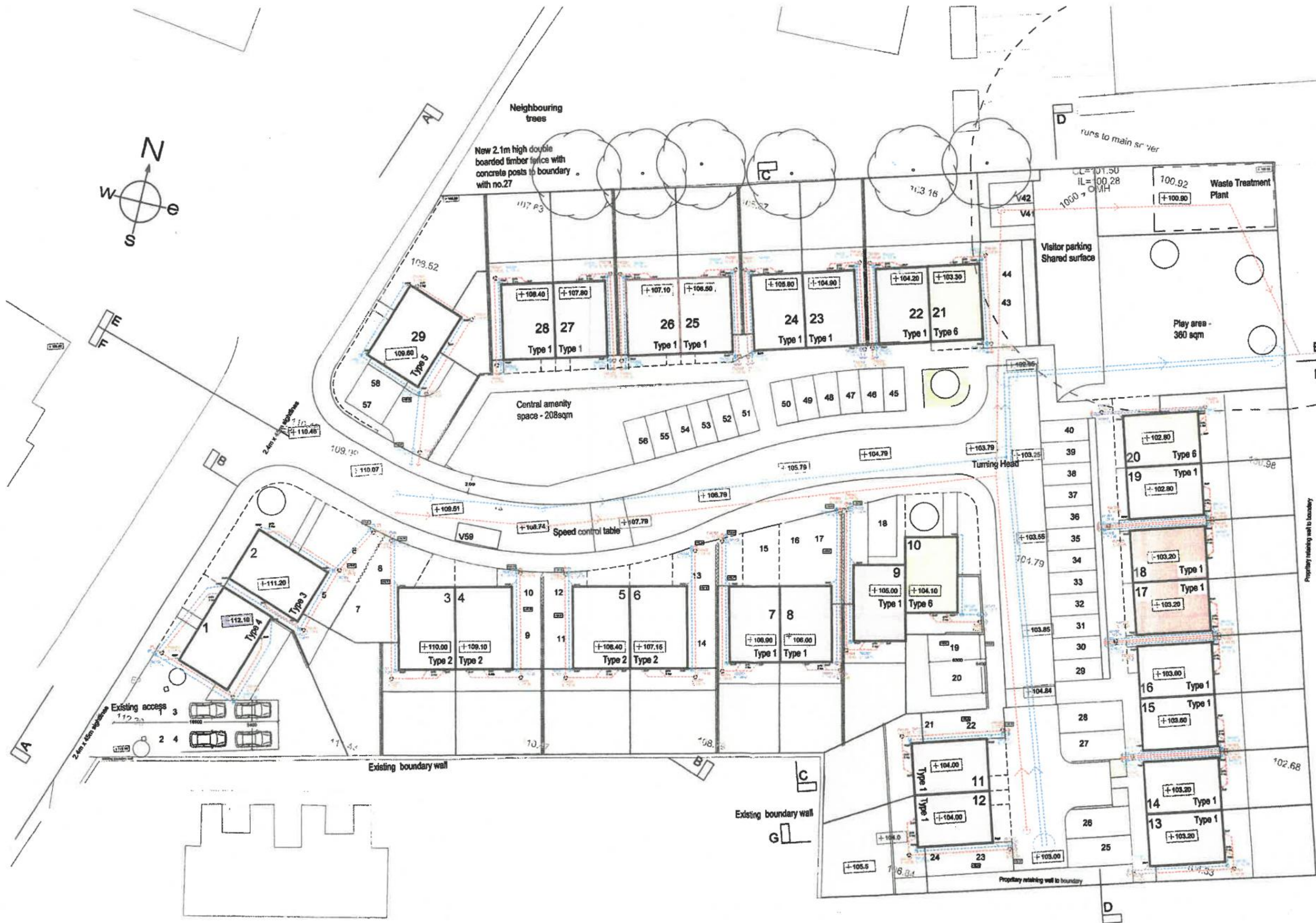
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client	SANDALE	date	11/04/2022
job title	Oaks Road, Dungannon	drawn/checked	JJ/MG
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drawing title	Site Location Plan	project no.	8712
		drawing no.	WD01
		revision	-

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- Boundary treatments:**
- 1 1800(h) Timber fence
 - 2 1200(h) Timber fence
 - 3 1200(h) Steel railings
 - 4 Timber fence on retaining wall
 - 5 1800(h) brick wall
 - 6 1200(h) brick wall

- EXISTING LEVELS**
- PROPOSED LEVELS**
- Existing Trees
 - New small trees

- HOUSE TYPE KEY**
- TYPE 1 - General Needs House - 67 sqm
3 Person/2-Bed
x18
 - TYPE 2 - General Needs House - 94 sqm
5 Person/3-Bed
x4
 - TYPE 3 - General Needs House - 94 sqm
5 Person/3-Bed
x1
 - TYPE 4 - General Needs House - 94 sqm
5 Person/3-Bed
x1
 - TYPE 5 - General Needs House - 94 sqm
5 Person/3-Bed
x1
 - TYPE 6 - General Needs House - 76 sqm
3 Person/2-Bed
x3

- SOUND REDUCTION MEASURES:**
Refer to planning conditions, M+E info and window notes.
- 1) Oaks Road facing elevations of dwellings 1, 2 & 29, to have glazing units providing 34 dB RTn.
 - 2) The rear of dwellings of 1, 2 & 29, plus front and rear of 3-8 and 21-26 to have glazing units providing 30 dB RTn.
 - 3) The rear elevation of dwellings of 13-20, to have glazing units providing 17 dB RTn.

- Drainage Key:**
Diagrammatic only - see drainage drawings
See notes
- Proposed foul drainage
 - Proposed storm drainage

No. Revisions
STATUS: Building Control

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Oaks Road, Dunganon

Proposed site Plan

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New Street Name Proposals

Applicants Name & Address: JFM Construction Ltd, 75 Loughbeg Rd, Toomebridge, BT41 3TS

Description: New Development site off Killyfaddy Rd, Magherafelt, BT45 6EX

Ref: F/2022/0016



	Proposed Street Name	Linkage to Locality	Reason for Choice
Option 1	Hillside Manor	Hillside - The site has great changes of contours	Manor - represents the prestige houses approved
Option 2	Hillside Way	same as above	Way - representing the through road
Option 3	Hillside Drive	same as above	Drive - represents the through road drive

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Signed

Dated 21/06/22



HYGIENIC STORAGE OF WASTE
Provide hardstanding area for waste bin storage as indicated on plan. Hardstanding to be minimum 1.2m x 1.2m to facilitate at least 30s, wheeled bin type containers in accordance with Section 2, Technical Booklet 1.2042.

UNFORESEEN CONTAMINANTS / INFRASTRUCTURE
Where unforeseen contaminants / infrastructure are found on site the contractor is responsible for making the local council & the environment agency aware of these at once & the necessary action taken following consultation with the proper statutory body.

SITE CLEARANCE
Existing building, structures etc -
Existing vacant buildings, sheds, plant rooms etc to be demolished and disposed of entirely including all fixtures, fittings, services installations, underground foundations, drainage etc. Contractor to carry out all necessary demolitions to enable the new construction works.
- refer to any specialist surveys and reports as necessary to carry out the works in a safe control manner.

EXISTING GROUND LEVELS ETC
Clear existing site of any vegetation, soils, gravels, hard surfacing & handmade materials etc necessary to complete the works - refer to specialist surveys and reports accordingly. Reduce site levels as necessary and remove & dispose of any existing ground materials as detailed and specified by civil engineer and accompanying specialist surveys and reports.

LEVELS
All proposed levels to be reviewed by Civil Engineer & adjusted accordingly.
Retaining structures to be designed by engineer with corresponding boundary finish over.

EXISTING ABOVE GROUND & UNDERGROUND DRAINAGE
Remove & dispose of as necessary.

EXISTING FOUNDATIONS, KERBING, PATHS & STEPS
Remove & dispose of as necessary. Submit proposals for any reuse of any existing ground materials as detailed and specified by civil engineer and accompanying specialist reports.

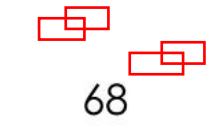
TEMPORARY FENCING & SCREENING
Provide as necessary suitable temporary site fencing as necessary to secure the site and protect existing site features. make good disturbed existing landscape / surfacing on completion.

DRAINAGE - PRIVATE WITHIN OWN PLOTS
100 mm diameter PVC drainage pipes to BS4660 laid in pea gravel to manufacturers instructions. Where a flexible pipe has less than 300mm cover under an area other than a vehicular areas, it shall have concrete paving slabs laid as bridging on minimum 75mm pea gravel fill above the top of the pipe, to be surrounded in minimum 50mm flexicell packing to pipe. All drainage falling within 1000mm of structure to be encased in concrete. Drains passing through a wall to have min. 50mm clearance all round. Provide lintels over all pipes passing through walls. Minimum fall 1:60.

Drainage omitted for clarity. Contractor is to determine best drainage run positions on site depending on site conditions. Manholes are to be kept to hardstanding locations where possible & out of future garage positions.

DISABLED ACCESS, APARTMENTS, HOUSES & SITE
The point of entry from the site (site entrance) to the common entrance of apartments and to the entrance of dwellings shall have a level approach with a gradient not exceeding 1:20 in accordance with technical booklet R of the current building regulations, where the level approach has a crossfall it shall not exceed 1:40.
All principle entrances shall have a level access threshold also in accordance with technical booklet R.

KEY:



PROPOSED FLOOR LEVEL

PLOT NUMBER

DWELLING TYPE WITH FINISH
r - RENDER / b - BRICK



1.2m HIGH BRICK WALL (0.8) WITH GALVANIZED TAILING OVER (0.4)



1.8m HIGH BRICK WALL (1.4) WITH GALVANIZED TAILING OVER (0.4)



PROPOSED 1.8m CLOSE BOARDED FENCE



PROPOSED 0.9m CLOSE BOARDED FENCE



RETAINING STRUCTURE TO ENGINEERS DESIGN WITH FENCING OVER



HEDGES RETAINED



VEGETATION REMOVED



BUFFER PLANTING - REFER TO LANDSCAPE CONSULTANTS SPEC



PROPOSED GARAGE



ROAD / FOOTPATH - REFER TO CIVIL ENGINEERS DESIGN

General Notes:
All site dimensions to be checked on site prior to construction by the contractor and any discrepancies or omissions to be reported to the architect immediately. Do not scale dimensions from this drawing.

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Client: **JFM Group**

Project Title: **Proposed housing development to the southeast of No.1 Park Lane, Killyfaddy Road, Magherafelt**

Drawing Title: **Proposed Site Plan**

Date: 16/12/21 Scale: 1:500 @ A1 Drawn By: NH Checked By: KC

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Report on	Chewing Gum Task Force Grant Scheme
Date of Meeting	4 July 2022
Reporting Officer	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
Contact Officer	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services

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 a successful application to the Chewing Gum Grant Scheme.
2.0	Background
2.1	A Chewing Gum Task Force has been set up by DEFRA and the Gum manufacturers, with Keep Britain Tidy as administrator, to award grants to Councils to clean up gum litter staining, alongside behavioural interventions to encourage people to bin their gum.
2.2	The Chewing Gum Task Force brings together some of the country's major chewing gum producers, including Mars Wrigley and Perfetti Van Melle, as well as some producers of nicotine replacement therapy gum. Under the scheme the firms will invest up to £10 million over five years to help reduce chewing gum pollution.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The Chewing Gum Task Force Grant Scheme opened for applications on 9th May 2022 for Councils across the UK who wish to clean the gum off the pavements in their local areas and invest in long-term behaviour change to prevent gum from being dropped in the first place. In the first year of the scheme, more than £1.7 million has been invested by chewing gum producers.
3.2	Grants of up to £20,000 are available to individual councils to fund street cleansing and/or the purchase of cleaning equipment. As part of the scheme councils will also benefit from a bespoke gum litter prevention package, including targeted behaviour change signage and advice to encourage people to bin their gum.
3.3	An application was submitted (by the deadline of 23rd May) based on the purchase of a chewing gum removal machine (as shown in the photograph included at appendix 1).
3.4	On 27 th June notification was received from the Chewing Gum Task Force that our application had been successful that they are able to offer Mid Ulster District Council a single council cleansing grant to the value of £19,990.
3.5	The conditions of funding include that the cleansing work must be completed by 31st October 2022 and targeted behaviour change signage installed within 3 days of cleaning.

4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: The cost of the chewing gum removal machine will be covered by the £19,990 funding.
	Human: The operation of the machine will be carried out using existing employees/resources.
	Risk Management: None
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are asked to note the content of this report and approve the acceptance of the £19,990 funding offered from the Chewing Gum Task Force Grant Scheme.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Photo of proposed chewing gum removal machine (mobile steam cleaner)

SINGLE AXLE SELF CONTAINED MOBILE STEAM CLEANER

These units are designed to clean where neither power or water supply is available. They are mounted in a sound proofed galvanised trailer.

The front and rear of the unit are hinged to allow easy access for daily operation, routine maintenance and storage facilities.

The hood is also lockable for security. The steam generator is driven by either a diesel or petrol engine fitted with electric start and easy to use control panel.

Completely suited for street cleansing in pedestrianised areas, this unit offers the advantages of being mobile and self contained, making the single axle trailer a flexible and secure option for these cleaning applications, including the removal of gum and graffiti.

The galvanised trailer is equipped with a hot water high pressure washer with a hose that can be extended to 90 metres for extra reach.



Each vehicle is fitted with a Karcher HDS 1 000 DE hot pressure washer.

- Unobtrusive design is ideal for pedestrianised areas.
- Gum & graffiti removal. street cleansing and power washing
- Up to 2.5 hours - with the option for continual use
- A secure, lockable storage facility
- Self contained and mobile

Specifications

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| • Trailer: | Galvanized |
| • Engine: | Yanmar Diesel |
| • Temp: | 0-150 Degree C Variable |
| • Water Tank: | 720 L |
| • Flow Rate: | 300-900 L/hr |
| • Bar: | 200 |

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|----------------------|------------------------------|
| • Hose Length: | 30m extendable to 90m |
| • DB Rating: | 70 |
| • Dimensions: | L 2900mm W 1750mm |
| • Chemical Injector: | High Pressure |
| • Unladen Weight: | 750kg |
| • Gross Weight: | 1450kg |

**Minutes of Meeting of Environment Committee of Mid Ulster District Council
held on Tuesday 14 June 2022 in Council Offices, Ballyronan Road,
Magherafelt and by virtual means**

Members Present

Councillor S McGuigan

Councillors Buchanan, Burton, Brown*, Cuthbertson, Glasgow* (7.17pm), Graham, Kearney, N McAleer, S McAleer*, B McGuigan, McNamee*, Milne, Oneill*, Totten, Wilson

Officers in Attendance

Mrs Campbell, Strategic Director of Environment
Mr Fox, Principal Building Control Officer**
Mr Lowry, Head of Technical Services**
Mr McAdoo, Assistant Director of Environmental Services**
Mr Scullion, Assistant Director of Property Services**
Mrs Forde, Member Support Officer

* Denotes members and members of the public present in remote attendance

** Denotes Officers present by remote means

*** Denotes others present by remote means

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm

The Chair, Councillor S McGuigan welcomed everyone to the meeting and those watching the meeting through the Live Broadcast. Councillor S McGuigan in introducing the meeting detailed the operational arrangements for transacting the business of the committee in the chamber and by virtual means, by referring to Annex A to this minute.

E144/22 Notice of Recording

Members noted that the meeting would be webcast for live and subsequent broadcast on the Council's You Tube site.

E145/22 Apologies

None

E146/22 Declarations of Interest

The Chair reminded Members of their responsibility with regard to declarations of interest.

E147/22 Chair's Business

Councillor S McGuigan extended thanks to the previous Chair Councillor Brown and Deputy Chair for their work in the past year. He welcomed Deputy Chair Councillor Graham to her role. The Chair, Councillor S McGuigan extended thanks to staff for ongoing work.

Matters for Decision

E148/22 Bus Shelters Update

The Head of Technical Services presented previously circulated report which provided update on current bus shelter status.

In response to Councillor N McAleer the Head of Technical Services advised that officers were seeking transfer of lands, awaiting a valuation from Lands and Property Services but that he would follow up with Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

Councillor Cuthbertson referred to proposed bus shelter at Millix Road and stated it would be nice to have it in place for September.

Councillor Kearney drew attention to the possible need of an alternative site regarding shelter at Innishrush Village and said he would liaise with officer regarding a possible alternative.

Councillor Burton requested that a review/tidy up of rural bus shelters take place prior to the schools resuming in September.

Proposed by Councillor Burton
Seconded by Councillor Wilson

Resolved That it be recommended to Council to

- (i) Move from stage 5 of the application process – 1Nr, Killeeshil Road, Ballygawley.
- (ii) 1nr application to move to approval to install stage - Millix Road, Ballygawley

E149/22 DfI Roads Proposal to MUDC - Parking and Waiting Restrictions in Coalisland

The AD: Director of Property Services presented previously circulated report which sought agreement in relation to a proposal from DfI Roads to introduce parking and waiting restrictions in Coalisland.

Councillor Cuthbertson welcomed this proposal and stated that Members had received notification in relation to the public realm.

Proposed by Councillor Cuthbertson
Seconded by Councillor Buchanan

Resolved That it be recommended to Council to endorse the proposal submitted by Department for Infrastructure Roads in relation to proposed introduction of parking and waiting restrictions in Coalisland.

E150/22 DfI Roads Proposal to Mid Ulster District Council - Reposition Proposed Disabled Persons' Parking Bay at Tullywiggan Cottages

The AD: Property Services presented previously circulated report which sought agreement in relation to a proposal from DfI Roads to reposition the proposed disabled persons' parking bay at Tullywiggan Cottages on Tullywiggan Road, Cookstown.

Proposed by Councillor Cuthbertson
Seconded by Councillor Buchanan

Resolved That it be recommended to Council to endorse the proposal submitted by Department for Infrastructure Roads in relation to proposed disabled persons' parking bay at Tullywiggan Cottages on Tullywiggan Road, Cookstown.

E151/22 Street Naming and Property Numbering

The AD: Property Services presented previously circulated report which advised of requests for naming of new streets with residential Housing Developments within Mid Ulster District Council. The Building Control Department has received a request for the naming of a street within a proposed residential development as follows:

- Site off Fairlea Heights, Moneymore

The options submitted are as noted below:

1. *Fairlea Manor*
2. *Fairlea Mews*
3. *Fairlea Park*

Proposed by Councillor Wilson
Seconded by Councillor Graham

Resolved That it be recommended to Council to go with the preferred option of Fairlea Manor

Matters for Information

E152/22 Environment Committee minutes of meeting held on 10 May 2022

Members noted minutes of Environment Committee held on 10 May 2022.

It was noted that Cllr S McAleer had attended the committee in person on 10 May 2022.

E153/22 Building Control Workload

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on the workload analysis for Building Control.

E154/22 Dual Language Signage Requests

Members noted previously circulated report which advised of requests for Dual Language Signage from residents on the streets/roads in question.

Councillor Cuthbertson drew attention to the three requests and stated that although for different areas they all appear to be from the same template. He also added that in previous submissions the address although redacted had been included but this did not appear to be so.

E155/22 Entertainment Licensing Applications

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on Entertainment Licensing applications across Mid Ulster District Council.

E156/22 Update on Refuse Collection Route Optimisation Project

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on route optimisation and changes to the refuse collection service.

Councillor Cuthbertson asked if there was only a driver operating the vehicle how bins would be checked for cross contamination.

In response the AD: ES stated that it was fair comment but as time had progressed there was less cross contamination of waste but advised the situation would be monitored.

Councillor B McGuigan stated that the system had been in operation in Magherafelt for some ten years and there had been no complaints thus must be working well.

E157/22 Updated Covid 19 Guidance – Funerals

Members noted previously circulated report which provided an update on the latest guidance from the Department of Health on the Handling of Infection Risks when Caring for the Deceased and Managing Funerals.

Councillor Cuthbertson welcomed the fact that procedures for funerals was going back to normal and referred to media coverage whereby allegations had been made towards another council in relation to burial grounds and the room in graves. He stated that the programme had referred to people having to pay for specialised digs

to ascertain if there was space in the graves. He sought clarity as to if this would impact Mid Ulster.

In response the AD:ES said he was unaware but would seek clarity regarding the matter.

E158/22 Environment Directorate Department Plan 2022/23

Members noted previously circulated report which provided an update on the content of the annual Departmental Plan for the Environment Directorate for the period 2022/23.

Live broadcast ended at 7.17 pm.

Local Government (NI) Act 2014 - Confidential Business

Proposed by Councillor B McGuigan
Seconded by Councillor N McAleer

Resolved In accordance with Section 42, Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014 that Members of the public be asked to withdraw from the meeting whilst Members consider items E159/22 to E166/22.

Matters for Decision

- E159/22 Contract for Hire of Heavy Plan at Council Waste Facilities
- E160/22 Biowaste Contract - Temporary Surcharges
- E161/22 Award of ICT for Dungannon Park Lake and Ballysaggart Lough Reservoirs

Matters for Information

- E162/22 Confidential Minutes of Environment Committee held on Tuesday 10 May 2022
- E163/22 Capital Framework - ICT Contracts Update
- E164/22 Capital Framework - IST Contracts Update
- E165/22 Capital Projects - Scoping Contracts Update
- E166/22 Off-Street Car Parking Update 2021-2022

E167/22 Duration of Meeting

The meeting was called for 7.00 pm and ended at 7.28 pm

CHAIR _____

DATE _____

Annex A – Introductory Remarks from the Chairperson

Good evening and welcome to the Council's [Policy & Resources/Environment/Development] Committee in the Chamber, [Dungannon/Magherafelt] and virtually.

I specifically welcome the public watching us through the Live Broadcast. The Live Broadcast will run for the period of our Open Business but will end just before we move into Confidential Business. I let you know before this happens.

Just some housekeeping before we commence. Can I remind you:-

- If you have joined the meeting remotely please keep your audio on mute unless invited to speak and then turn it off when finished speaking
- Keep your video on at all times, unless you have bandwidth or internet connection issues, where you are advised to try turning your video off
- If you wish to speak please raise your hand in the meeting or on screen and keep raised until observed by an Officer or myself
- Should we need to take a vote this evening I will ask each member to confirm whether they are for or against the proposal or abstaining
- When invited to speak please introduce yourself by name to the meeting
- For any member attending remotely, if you declare an interest in an item, please turn off your video and keep your audio on mute for the duration of the item
- If referring to a specific report please reference the report, page or slide being referred to
- Lastly, I remind the public and press that taking photographs of proceedings or using any means to enable anyone not present to see or hear proceedings, or making a simultaneous oral report of the proceedings are not permitted

Thank you and we will now move to the first item on the agenda - apologies and then roll call of all other Members in attendance.

Report on	Mid Ulster Big Spring Clean 2022
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2022
Reporting Officer	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
Contact Officer	Karen Brown, Recycling Education and Awareness Officer

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 Mid Ulster Big Spring Clean Campaign 2022.
2.0	Background
2.1	<p>Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful (KNIB) promotes the annual Big Spring Clean, which is Northern Ireland's biggest volunteer clean up. The Big Spring Clean supports local community clean ups across all 11 Council areas in Northern Ireland. It is open to schools, community groups and businesses wishing to clean their streets of litter.</p> <p>The aims of the annual Big Spring Clean are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To raise awareness of the problems that litter causes in our local area in a fun and practical way. • To reduce litter in Mid Ulster through increased understanding and awareness. • To improve the quality of our local environment by physically removing litter from our local schools, parks, roadsides and public places. <p>While promoted by KNIB, The Big Spring Clean is supported in the main by local Councils, which provide the equipment in the form of litter pickers and bags and collect and dispose of the rubbish that the local volunteers collect.</p>
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Despite the challenging times imposed as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, with lockdowns and restrictions in place until quite recently, this did not deter local groups from organising hugely successful, socially distanced clean ups across the entire Mid Ulster district last year. As normal routines begin to resume again now in 2022 and community Groups and schools return to their group activities, this year has once again seen a huge involvement from various groups, with many recurring groups carrying out clean-ups and also new participants organising a clean-up for the first time.
3.2	The Big Spring Clean officially takes place between 1st March and 31st May, Up until the end of May, 34 community clean ups involving approximately 2,200 volunteers were facilitated by the Council and as a result of those clean ups it is estimated around 3,500 bags of rubbish and various other miscellaneous items such as tyres and domestic white goods have been collected from our local towns, roadsides and countryside.

3.3	In most cases the Council helped facilitate the local clean ups by loaning the groups litter pickers, providing bags and removing the rubbish collected for disposal.																																							
3.4	Encouragingly, this year has seen a number of new community clean up events in areas that have not previously participated which shows that the message is spreading widely and more local communities are taking action to combat litter in their own local area.																																							
3.5	Clean ups ranged in size from small groups of concerned residents living in specific areas or estates cleaning an area close to them, to large community events organised by local community associations, sports clubs and businesses. There were also a number of schools organising clean ups around their schools grounds and the surrounding area.																																							
3.6	The organisations and schools which have organised clean-up so far this year are detailed in the below table:																																							
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	<p>Equality & Good Relations Implications: The opportunity to participate in a clean-up was open to all throughout Mid Ulster District.</p>
	<p>Rural Needs Implications: Clean ups are especially welcome in rural areas where littering is a particular problem.</p>
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are asked to note the content of this report and success of Big Spring Clean.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Selection of photographs from the various clean ups that took place.

Appendix 1













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Report on	Eco Schools Green Flag Awards 2022
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2022
Reporting Officer	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
Contact Officer	Karen Brown, Recycling Education & Awareness Officer

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 Eco Schools Green Flag Awards Ceremony for Mid Ulster.
2.0	Background
2.1	Eco-Schools is an international award programme that guides participating schools on their sustainable journey, providing a framework to help embed these principles into the heart of school life. The Eco-Schools programme is an internationally recognised Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) programme now operating in 72 countries worldwide, representing more than 59,000 schools and 20 million pupils. Eco-Schools in Northern Ireland is administered by Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful (KNIB) with financial support from DAERA and all 11 local Councils.
2.2	The programme encourages and directs young people to think about litter, waste and recycling, climate action, energy saving, water conservation, transport options, biodiversity, marine life, healthy living and the natural environment they are custodians of, and make positive choices for a better future. By studying a combination of these topics and undertaking project work and activities around these, schools can work towards the prestigious Green Flag Award which is a recognised and respected eco-label for environmental education and performance.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	To recognise the schools across Mid Ulster who have achieved a Green Flag award during the 2021/22 academic year, an awards ceremony was hosted at Hill of The O'Neill, Dungannon on Thursday 16 th June. The event was coordinated by the Eco Schools Team with support including venue and catering costs covered by Council.
3.2	The event was attended by the Northern Ireland Children's Commissioner, Koulla Yiasouma, along with the Council Chair, Chair of the Environment Committee, Deputy Chief Executive and Strategic Director, Assistant Director and Recycling Officer.
3.3	A total of 23 schools, both primary and secondary, from across Mid Ulster were awarded a Green Flag, with 5 of these schools achieving Ambassador School Status and some others receiving special awards received as detailed below:

	<p>Green Flag Award</p> <p>Churchtown PS Coagh PS Dungannon PS Fivemiletown College Fivemiletown PS Gaelscoil na Speirini Holy Family PS, Magherafelt Holy Family PS, Aughamullan Howard PS, Dungannon Kilronan Special School, Magherafelt Moneymore PS New Row PS, Castledawson Phoenix Integrated PS, Cookstown Roan St Patrick's PS, Eglish Sperrin Integrated College, Magherafelt St Columba's PS, Straw St Eoghan's PS, Moneyneena St John Bosco PS, Ballynease St John's PS, Moy St Mary' PS, Draperstown St Patrick's College, Maghera St Trea's PS, Magherafelt Walker Memorial PS, Castlecaulfield</p>								
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	<p>All of the awarded schools have made fantastic efforts with their environmental work and many have extended this work beyond their school grounds into the wider community. A significant amount of both time and effort is required in order to achieve a Green Flag award and the schools achieving this during the 2021/22 academic year have worked tirelessly with great dedication during the past two years despite the challenges imposed upon schools as a result of Covid-19 restrictions and regulations. Green Flag awards are valid for a two year period after which time schools should submit a renewal application.</p>								
4.0	Other Considerations								
4.1	<p>Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications</p> <p>Financial: Venue hire £430 and catering £1115.50 so total cost to Council was £1545.50</p>								

	Human: Significant officer time assisting and liaising with schools on their journey towards a Green Flag award.
	Risk Management: Schools to carry out their own risk assessments for any projects/work where this is deemed necessary.
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: The opportunity to participate in the Eco Schools programme is open to all schools across Mid Ulster including Primary, Secondary and Special Needs.
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are asked to note the content of this report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Selection of photographs from Green Flag Awards Ceremony.

Appendix 1





Report on	Ulster in Bloom 2022
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2022
Reporting Officer	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
Contact Officer	Eunan Murray, Grounds & Cemeteries Manager

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 Ulster in Bloom 2022 competition entries.
2.0	Background
2.1	This annual competition promotes achievement and excellence in horticulture, amenity and environmental sustainability and is important in recognising the high quality local environments in which we live and work. The awards encourage towns and villages right across Northern Ireland to look their best and boost civic pride e.g. through floral displays
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>In January approval was granted to enter eleven towns and villages in the competition. Unfortunately Castlecaulfield has since withdrawn from the competition due to the personal circumstances of community group members leaving the following ten entries:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dungannon 2. Cookstown 3. Magherafelt 4. Coalisland 5. Maghera 6. Tobermore 7. Donaghmore 8. Swatragh 9. Caledon 10. Stewartstown
3.2	As part of the assessment process Council works with the community groups in each of the above areas to produce and submit below a Judges Pack (see appendix 1) in order to help inform the judges of ongoing work and to guide them around the respective areas.
3.3	The official launch for Ulster in Bloom 2022 took place on Tuesday 14 June in The Braid, Ballymena and judging on the ground will take place between 18 th July and 15 th August.
	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	<p>Financial:</p> <p>Within existing resources.</p>

	Human: Within existing resources.
	Risk Management: N/A
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are asked to note the contents of this report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Mid Ulster in Bloom 2022 Judges Information Pack
6.2	Appendix 2 – Translink Ulster in Bloom 2022 - list of entries for NI



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Mid Ulster In Bloom

Judges Information Pack



Chairs Foreword

Ulster In Bloom Judges Pack Chair's Foreword 2022

The Council continues to invest in and deliver excellent customer focused services, facilities and infrastructure that contributes to the development of the towns and villages throughout the district.

Working in partnership with the local community and other key stakeholders has resulted in significant benefits for residents and visitors, and Ulster in Bloom has always showcased what local councils and community groups can do together to improve and encourage civic pride in our towns and villages.

10 towns have been put forward this year for both the Ulster and Britain in Bloom competitions, and we hope that they can at least equal if not better last year's outstanding wins by Donaghmore (1st place village), Stewartstown (2nd place large village) and Magherafelt (3rd place town). Special community and floral display awards were deservedly given to Caledon Allotments and Friel's Bar and Restaurant in Swatragh respectively. Mid Ulster is no stranger to bloomin' success!

As human beings, we love to see flower displays, whether at home, in our gardens, in our village flowerbeds or in our town centre hanging basket; they help to lift our spirits and contribute to a better quality of life for all ages. Everyone's hard work and dedication (often given in their own time and with civic pride) in enhancing and preserving their areas is to be celebrated.

Plant and floral displays keep our towns and villages looking beautiful for our current residents and visitors alike, as well as encouraging new ones in the future as our district grows.

Finally, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our Grounds Team for their continued commitment and contribution to a high performing service, especially given the operational challenges which presented themselves to Council in 2021 – 2022.

I'll conclude by wishing all entries every success for 2022. We look forward to congratulating the winners in due course.

Councillor Paul McLean,
Chair, Mid Ulster District Council

Background

The District of Mid Ulster is one of the largest and covers about 14% of NI, spanning some 60 miles from Swatragh in the north to Fivemiletown in the south.

An important characteristic of Mid Ulster is its location, within an hour's drive of Northern Ireland's significant tourism regions – Including Causeway Coast, Derry/Londonderry, Fermanagh Lakes, Belfast, and also the cross-border link with Co. Monaghan.

Mid Ulster offers both locals and visitors a wide range of exciting activities and attractions for all ages and interest. The district contains some of the richest archaeological, historic and heritage sites and facilities in Northern Ireland, stretching from Mesolithic, Neolithic, pre-Christian, early Christian and medieval times to plantation era and up to the 2nd World War.

On a visit to the district, you can discover our notable ancestors, follow in the footsteps of artists, writers, and US presidents and marvel at some of the wondrous work left behind from people who walked our countryside thousands of years ago. If you enjoy beautiful scented, colourful gardens, Mid Ulster is blooming with glorious gardens. With restored Victorian walled gardens, historic houses and demesnes and delightful mature gardens, what better way to spend a day than wandering round secret paradises.

Mid Ulster in Bloom

Mid Ulster Council towns, villages and businesses have a great tradition in Ulster in Bloom throughout the area. Donaghmore topped their category last year whilst notable recognition were also awarded to Magherafelt, Caledon and Friels Bar in Swatragh.

The council have worked closely with groups and volunteers from all 10 towns & villages to enhance the local areas and instil a sense of pride into their communities.

Areas included in the submission:

- Caledon
- Coalisland
- Cookstown
- Donaghmore
- Dungannon
- Stewartstown
- Magherafelt
- Maghera
- Swatragh
- Tobermore

Caledon

Caledon is a small village and townland (of 232 acres) in the Clogher Valley on the banks of the River Blackwater, 7 miles from Armagh. It lies in the southeast of Tyrone and near the borders of County Armagh and County Monaghan. It is situated in the historic barony of Dungannon Lower and the civil parish of Aghaloo.

It is a designated conservation area. It was historically known as Kinnaird (Irish: Cionn Aird, meaning “head/ top of the height or hill”). Caledon was home to a railway station (on the narrow gauge Clogher Valley Railway) opened on 2 May 1887, but finally closed on 1 January 1942. Tynan and Caledon railway station on the mainline opened by the Ulster Railway on 25 May 1858. In 1876 the Ulster Railway merged with other railways companies to become the Great Northern Railway (Ireland). The station was finally closed on 1 October 1957.

Just outside the village is the private estate of Lord Caledon, which boasts herds of deer and many old fine estate houses. Close to the back gates of the estate on the Caledon to Armagh road (A28) stands the Dredge Suspension Footbridge which is unique in Ireland.



Flower displays in Caledon

- **Caledon in Bloom**

With all this history, heritage and culture, plus the attractive nature of the Georgian village of Caledon, it really lends itself to be a contestant in the 'Ulster in Bloom' Competition. It has so many features both of the built and natural environment, the amenities, (river walk, park and foot bridge) of the adjacent Blackwater River, plus its historic and architectural significance, that it can compete very keenly for a strong position among the villages and towns of Ulster.

Another important feature and attraction of the village is the new and improved Allotments, which are used extensively to grow fruit, herbs, flowers and vegetables. The allotments have become the hub of 'Caledon in Bloom' group who avail of these resources for growing and cultivating plants and flowers for window boxes, railing boxes and flower displays. The abundance of colour undoubtedly enhances the environment whilst attracting more bees, insects and butterflies, which are generally in decline due to insecticides and agricultural practices. The hub is where adults and children alike learn more about horticulture and nature itself, this the heartbeat of Caledon in Bloom.

- **Community Support**

The group liaise with other local groups Caledon Regeneration Partnership, Scouts/Guides/BB, Women's groups, the local football club, seniors, drama/music groups, and the two primary schools aiming to get the whole community involved for the benefit of all particularly as the weather improves and Covid regulations eased. Since its formation, the group have worked closely with the local schools to deliver education events.



Allotments in Caledon

The allotments were the main success story of the year. The individual plot holders maintained their crops of mostly fruit and vegetables. The greenhouse erected in 2019 was used for preserving some of the annual flowers and germinating seedlings. A shed was successfully erected for the storage of materials and the use of the group. Six barrel planters were purchased and placed to expand the area of interest to new locations in Mill Street, Castle Drive and Derrycourtney Road.

Caledon in Bloom has been received very well since its inception and has provided a fantastic platform for greater interaction between residents and neighbours that had never been in contact with one another before.

Part of the proceeds were used to re-model Pam's Garden.



Pam's Garden in Caledon



Pam's Garden at Christmas



Woodview Terrace – Neglected ground used for dumping.



Woodview Terrace – neglected ground used for dumping.



Woodview Terrace – now cleaned up and ready for pollinator planting.

Part Lottery Funded Woodview Terrace



Woodview Terrace – briars, undergrowth and rubbish removed awaiting new planting of pollinator plants



**For further information and a map detailing the key sites of the village please refer to Caledon in Bloom's individual pack.*

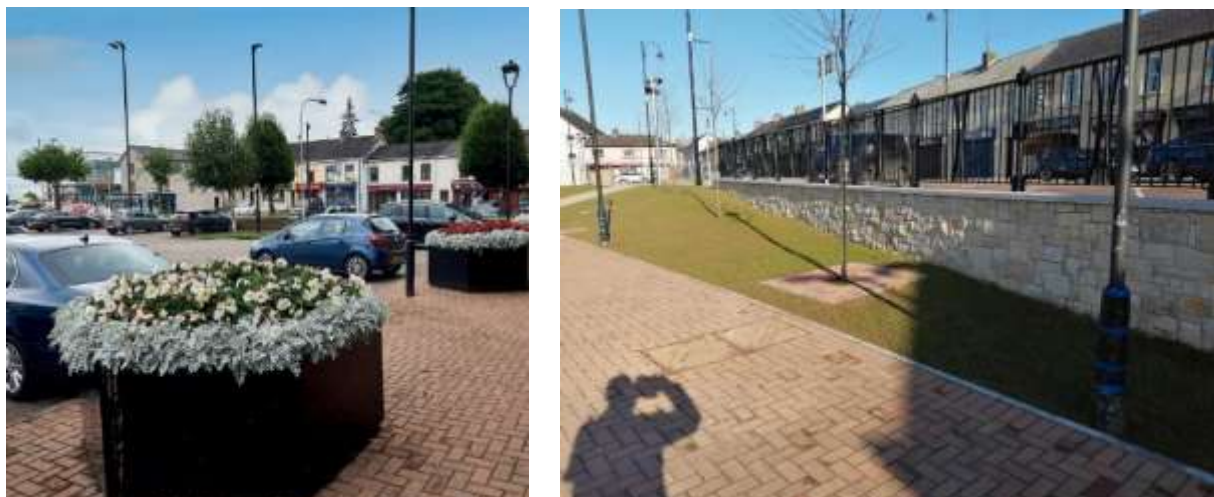
Coalisland

Coalisland was one of the earliest industrial communities and was once the terminus of a busy canal that conveyed coal and other traffic to and from Belfast. Coal deposits were discovered in the late 17th century. While it was possible to exploit these resources, the difficulty was getting the coal to market.

In 1744 work began on the Coalisland Canal thus linking the coalfields to Lough Neagh. The town grew up around the canal workings. The canal was opened in 1789 to bring coal from Coalisland to Dublin via the River Blackwater, Lough Neagh and Newry canal. Coalisland acted as an inland port with lighters carrying grain for the mills and provisions for the surrounding towns. Coalisland railway station was opened in July 1897 and closed for passengers in January 1956 and goods traffic in October 1959. There are no remains of the railway other than the bridge on the Derry Road and an old goods shed and grown over platforms.

The Craic Theatre and Arts Centre is built on the site of an old weaving factory. It provides opportunities and entertainment for people of the area through its in-house company Craic Players.

Dennis Taylor 1985 World Snooker Champion lived in the town.



Flower displays and new Civic Space in Coalisland

- **Coalisland in Bloom**

The planters and hanging baskets on the main street along with beds at the entrance to the town have been improved with additional colour added to bring more vibrancy along with the new landscaped civic space.

- **Community Support**

Council continues to engage with various partners to help enhance the area, these include the Chamber of Commerce, local businesses, Churches Forum and other voluntary and community groups. Council have delivered workshops to community groups on Recycling and Protecting the Environment. Coalisland's Men Shed continue to be proactive and work with individuals and group in horticultural activities and sustainable planting.

- **Additional Information**

£3.7m has been invested in Coalisland by Mid Ulster Council and the Department of Communities for a Public Realm Scheme and is due for completion end of May 2021. The condition of the town's paving and street furniture was dated and unappealing. Traffic flow and parking is causing congestion. All which created an unwelcoming and unattractive town centre.

The scheme has created a safe, high-quality pedestrian-friendly environment, it has enhanced the aesthetics and has revitalised and reinvigorated the town to help encourage more visitors and shoppers into the town centre. The creation of a landscaped area between Main Street and Cornmill car park, by removing an existing derelict building, has significantly improved the aesthetic of Main Street, therefore improving public perception of the town.

Works at the Canal in November 2021 to remove litter, vegetation has enhanced the site and improved the flow of the water.



Coalisland Canal – before and after.

In addition, a wildflower area has recently been established at the beginning of the canal near Newells Stores.

Cookstown

Cookstown was founded around 1620 when the townlands in the area were leased by an English ecclesiastical lawyer, Dr. Alan Cooke, from the Archbishop of Armagh, who had been granted the lands after the Flight of the Earls during the Plantation of Ulster. It was one of the main centres of the linen industry West of the River Bann, and until 1956, the processes of flax spinning, weaving, bleaching and beetling were carried out in the town.

Cookstown's famous main street (laid out from c.1735–c.1800), is 1.25 miles (2.01 km) long and 135 feet (41.15 m) wide, one of the longest, and widest in Ireland.

The town is famous for its Saturday Market, a tradition which has been going from 1628 when King Charles I granted a charter to form a market town. This gave permission to establish a market every Saturday and hold two fairs annually selling items such as grain, flax, linen and thread.

During the 1740's the basic layout of Cookstown was formed.



Cookstown Town Centre.

- **Cookstown in Bloom**

As one of the 5 main towns in the district, Cookstown continues to put its best foot forward in both the Ulster in Bloom & Best Kept Town competitions. Even more colour has been put into the main street with additional hanging baskets this year and the A29 has undergone development works. The £55K upgrade included new Cookstown branding being installed as well as updated signage, enhanced lighting, the installation of a new footpath and cleaning of the existing public art. The upgrade

enforces the strategic importance of the A29 roundabout as a key entry and exit point to Cookstown.

The central tree avenue continues to develop and provides an eye-catching spectacle with its Christmas lights for visitors during the festive period.

The amenity site and recycling centre continues to be heavily used by the public and are kept to a high standard by council staff.

The Bug Garden & Mud Pond at the Fairhill are becoming popular with the community and particular the local primary schools, who use it as an educational visit to help broaden the children's understanding of nature and decline in bee populations.

- **Community Support**

Whilst work in this particular area is ongoing there has been steady improvements over the past 12 months, the Chamber of Commerce, local businesses, Churches Forum and other voluntary and community groups are taking a more active role to enhance the area. Local schools are also involved and have assisted in clean ups and have attended the Bug Garden and Recycling Centre for educational purposes. Cookstown Gardening Club have undertaken sustainable planting activities at sites across the town.

Longstanding relationships with local businesses continue with sponsorship of beds.



A29 Roundabout in Cookstown.

Donaghmore

St Patrick is said to have founded a religious establishment here in the 5th century. The name for Donaghmore in Irish is Domhnach Mor meaning greatchurch.

In the 1731 Report on the State of Popery in Donaghmore, two mass houses were recorded. There was already a chapel here in 1806 but after Catholic Emancipation in 1829 things began to move again in the parish. Fr Neil McGuckian became parish priest in 1837 and he began to build schools and churches in the parish. The existing church was demolished in 1845 and St Patricks R C Church a larger church was built on the site.

A six metre tall cross dating from the 9th century stands at the end of the village. It is one of Ulster's finest Early Christian monuments and is a relic of the monastic settlement in Donaghmore which lasted from the 6th – 12th Century. The cross is a composite of two sandstone crosses that were found along the banks of the River Torrent in the 18th Century. It was erected in its present position by the Rev Richard Vincent in 1776. Carvings on the east face depict scenes from the New Testament and on the west face are scenes from the Old Testament.



Flower displays in Donaghmore.

- **Donaghmore in Bloom**

Donaghmore Horticultural Community (DHC) was formed in 2010 and is made up entirely of volunteers with the main aim to inspire the community to 'Do More for your village'.

The group has taken great strides over the past 11 years with their efforts being widely recognised in 2019 by winning the Best Village Award and one of their young volunteer receiving the Youth Award. The Village is also going on to represent NI in the prestigious Britain in Bloom

DHC are sensitive to the local heritage and culture. In their work they do their best to enhance the historic landmarks and preserve the natural environment of the village. It integrates with all key stakeholders and other community groups in the village and work together to preserve our local heritage.

During the pandemic the group kept the village tidy by implementing a "Walk & Weed" initiative and the group also created a video on how to plant up a container for St Joseph's Grammar School.



Flower displays in Donaghmore.

- **Community Support**

Donaghmore Horticultural Community received the QAVS (Queens Award for Voluntary Service) for the way they have transformed the village, and the range of projects they run for young and old. Our inclusive approach really brings the village together. DHC are a cross community organization.

In August of 2021 Lottery funding of £10,000 was secured to purchase Christmas lights for the village. Local residents were very appreciative of this project



Donaghmore are always looking to the future and continuing our partnerships with for example, Mid Ulster Council, the Bardic Theatre, The Women's Institute, No Limits Group, Donaghmore GAA, St Joseph's Convent, Donaghmore PS, St Patrick's PS, Castlecaulfield and Carland Primary Schools. This community involvement is what makes our group special and the sense of community cohesion that it promotes.

The group have been building on these connections for several years and they have proved to be a practical and inclusive way to gain community involvement. As the visual appearance of any place is an important part of encouraging respect in the community and creating 'Pride of Place' in the village.

They have managed projects funded by Peace Two, three and four to create our allotments, we have delivered the Bardic Blossoms project which received £20000 funding from Peace IV. This is possible due to the dedication of our committee and to their sense of duty to the community.

An indication of the respect that DHC is held by Donaghmore residents is reflected in the amount of sponsorship that is received each year. This sponsorship is what allows them to enter Ulster in Bloom, Britain in Bloom and Tidy towns. DHC are committed to supporting a more sustainable and prosperous society that respects the local environment.

Sustainability for the future is essential. They have ongoing recruitment of volunteers and encourage the youth of the village to partake in horticultural activities. This commitment to future planning and the seeking of funding to support initiatives, to aid in the regeneration of the village, is what gives life blood to their activities. A wide range of sponsors continue to support them.

Future plans include:

- To include more 'Art in the Landscape' with the addition of a sculpture incorporated into a green-space or display area. Theme appropriate to represent the Donaghmore area.
- Continue to execute our Bio-diversity plan
- Work with DDA and Torrent Complex with regard to completing the Donaghmore 10-year plan,
- Constantly review the local environment and liaise with other stakeholders to come up with new opportunities to improve the village environment through gardening and horticulture.
- Donaghmore believe they are well placed to continue to build on our successes to date.



**For further information and a map detailing the key sites of the village please refer to Donaghmore Horticultural Community individual pack.*

Dungannon

The name Dungannon comes from the Irish Dún Geanainn meaning “Geanann’s stronghold. For centuries it was the ‘capital’ of the O’Neill dynasty who dominated most of Ulster and built a castle on the hill. After the O’Neill defeat in the Nine Years’ War the English founded a plantation town on the site which grew into what is now Dungannon. The castle was burned in 1602 by Hugh O’Neill, 2nd Earl of Tyrone as Crown forces under Lord Mountjoy closed in on the Gaelic lords towards the end of the Nine Years’ War. In 1607 ninety-nine Irish chieftains and their followers, including Hugh O’Neill, set sail from Rathmullan, bound for the continent.

An interesting feature in the town is the former police station which is quite unlike any other barracks of a similar vintage in Ireland. The story goes that the rather curious design is due to a mix-up with the plans in Dublin which meant that Dungannon got a station designed for Nepal and they got a standard Irish barracks complete with a traditional Irish fireplace.



Flower displays in Dungannon Town Centre.

- **Dungannon in Bloom**

Dungannon has benefitted aesthetically from having additional planters in the town centre and at the Hill of the O'Neill. New for this year is the hanging baskets around the main shopping hub. The Green Flag site of the Hill of the O'Neill has seen its entrance banks undergo a major landscaping design that has enhanced the welcoming appearance. The Wild Flower Garden is now established and has been well received by groups and schools that use it for bio diversity and educational visits.

The new and improved amenity site and recycling centre continues to be heavily used by the public and are kept to a high standard by council staff.

- **Community Support**

Council continue to engage with various partners to help enhance the area, these include the Chamber of Commerce, local businesses, Churches Forum and other voluntary and community groups. Local schools are also involved and have assisted through Eco Schools in the Big Spring Clean ups within the schools and community.

Working in partnership with Northern Ireland Forest School Association (NIFSA), Schools & Youth Groups, the council delivers an educational programme at the Hill of the O'Neill Heritage Park & Dungannon Park which provides innovative activities to children to help them understand the importance of the natural environment and local heritage. In addition the Walk Ways at Windmill Wood have under gone a major tidy up which has proved very popular. Longstanding relationships with local businesses continue with a number of beds currently sponsored.

- **Additional Information**

New for this year has seen the transformation of the Hospital roundabout with new perennial beds replacing the seasonal planting and trees planted. The Butterflies have been relocated to the Wild Flower area of Dungannon Park.



New perennial beds and trees in Dungannon Town Centre.

Stewartstown

Stewartstown is an historic market town and owes its development to the local landlords Staples and Caulfield in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth century. It became a centre for the linen trade and boasted a busy market in agricultural produce.

The settlement was formerly known as 'Castlestewart' and it was established by the Scots planter Andrew Stewart at the time of the Plantation of Ulster in the early seventeenth century. In Gaelic times the area was the chief centre of the O'Doibhlin (Devlin) clan, trusted sub-chiefs of the O'Neill's.

The surrounding countryside is full of history and legend with a number of historical features in the vicinity including Crieve Lough, where Hugh O'Neill spent his last night before leaving the shores of Ireland.

Since the Early Christian period it has claimed links with St Patrick, Ireland's national apostle; place names such as Donagherry and Donaghrisk indicate ecclesiastical sites of great antiquity. Ballyclog – the place of the bell – can lay claim to strong links with the Bell of St Patrick and its richly-decorated shrine, both now in the National Museum, Dublin.



Flower displays in Stewartstown.

- **Stewartstown in Bloom**

Following their success in in Ulster in Bloom 2019 and 2021 the group continue be very active by providing much needed support to the community during and post Covid providing vibrancy in the village throughout the year.

- **Community Support**

Throughout the pandemic the group delivered gift & food parcels and letters of support to families within the community. At Christmas senior residents received Christmas cards and mince pies.

Despite being in its infancy and operating in a pandemic the group undertook seasonal planting in the village and developed a Community Garden with allotments. It also delivered a Big Clean Up of the village and made bird boxes and planters in conjunction with the special needs class in St Joseph's College.



Pupils from St. Joseph's College.

The group have formed partnerships with many local groups including, St Vincent de Paul Society, local schools, sports clubs, Mid Ulster District Council and the local businesses.



Flower displays in Stewartstown.

Additional Information

The Square in Stewartstown continues to be the main focal point as it is the central meeting point for everyone along with the new Community Garden which has become the working hub of the group on West Street, Stewartstown.

**For further information and a map detailing the key sites of the Village please refer to Stewartstown in Bloom Community individual pack.*

Magherafelt

Documented as a town since 1425 following the Plantation of Ulster a central diamond has formed the heart of the town. The name Magherafelt, according to some authorities, means the “Plain of Fegads Fort” while others have it “The Plain of Felta”. It was anciently “Tafelta” the house of Felta.

There is a tradition that St Patrick considered it of such importance that he worshipped in the old church and planted a stone at the bottom of the well opposite the church gate. It was believed that if the stone was lifted out the well would go dry until the stone was replaced. At this time the well was the main water supply for the town. A familiar landmark at the bottom of Broad Street, the site of the present Bridewell building used to be occupied by both the courthouse and the jail. The old cells and Bridewell walls have now been incorporated into the new building. It was here that local citizens were locked up for their misdemeanours unable to communicate with the outside world.



Flower displays in Magherafelt.

- **Magherafelt in Bloom**

One of the main towns in the district that continues to develop and enhance its image. The amenity site and recycling centre is one of the busiest in the district and are maintained to a high standard by council staff.

The reintroduction of hanging baskets has brought additional vibrancy and colour into the main shopping hub of the town and the development of the “Alleys Project”.

The project involved upgrading the surfaces on the alleyways, removing graffiti on the walls and installing a piece of public art to reflect the connection with Seamus Heaney.

The project is also part of the Seamus Heaney Open Ground Project which aims to develop the visitor experience for people visiting Seamus Heaney Home Place. Throughout Seamus Heaney's poetry many parts of Mid Ulster are mentioned and directly connect his inspiration to the landscape.

Magherafelt was chosen as one of the sites to be developed as part of the Seamus Heaney Open Ground project. Heaney's connection to Magherafelt is largely to do with memories of the bus station. In the poem "Two Lorries" he remembers his mother, her encounter with the city coalman, and the bombing of the bus station. He refers to a vision created by an overlapping of these memories.

The set aside areas and Wild Flower areas in Polepatrick continue to be popular with locals and visitors to the town. With the pond and the great array of trees and plants, Polepatrick is becoming popular with the community and particularly the local primary schools that use it as an educational visit to help broaden the children's understanding of nature as well as being the venue for the highly successful weekly Junior Parkrun.



Flower displays in Magherafelt.

- **Community Support**

Council continue to engage with various partners to help enhance the area, these include the Chamber of Commerce, local businesses, Churches Forum and other voluntary and community groups. Local schools are also involved and have assisted through Eco Schools in the Big Spring Clean ups within the schools and community.

Local schools have also supported information events on sowing wild flower and planting daffodil bulbs delivered by the council gardening team and the Bio Diversity Officer held at Polepatrick. Longstanding relationships with local businesses continues with sponsorship of beds.



Flower displays in Magherafelt.

Mid Ulster District Council continues to be the main driver behind Magherafelt in Bloom and the Council will strive to establish a 'Magherafelt in Bloom' volunteers group.

Maghera

The name Maghera means “plain of the ringfort.” The town of Maghera grew up around St Lurach’s Church which was founded in 500AD, originally as a monastery. The importance of the monastery was such that Maghera was a bishop’s seat in the 12th and 13th centuries. However the Church was raided by the Vikings and fell into disrepair and is now maintained by the Environmental Heritage Service. Within the ruins, in the west wall is a sculpture of the crucifixion, which is thought to date from the 10th century – making it one of the earliest surviving representations of the crucifixion in Ireland.

St Lurach is also the saint of the town. Seat of the Cenél nEoghain, Kindred of Owen, who claim descent from Eógan mac Néill, son of Niall of the Nine Hostages was said to be at Ráth Luraig.

In the town is the oldest linen mill in Ireland, the William Clark and Sons Company founded in 1736.



Flower displays in Maghera.

- **Maghera in Bloom**

Although one of the smallest of the main towns in the district, Maghera is no stranger to UIB with local business Walsh’s Hotel picking up an award for its floral display in 2019 and it continues to display beautiful floral tributes. Maghera Walled Garden is one of Mid Ulster’s crown Green Flag sites with an array of beautiful flowers, plants, vegetation and community beds. The garden hosts a number of family fun day events at Halloween, Christmas and Summer. Council regularly accommodates educational visits from local schools and community groups. Last year it held an Environmentally Friendly Gardening Day in conjunction with Conservation

Volunteers and the community have come on board and are managing 10 raised beds.



Event in Maghera Walled Garden.

The recently completed Largantogher Walkway is a 600m landscaped pathway connecting Maghera Walled Garden and the adjacent historic St Lurach's church with Maghera's Tobermore Road, creating more opportunities to enjoy open green space, with peaceful areas to rest along the way.

The local community have got involved and installed a piece of art at the beginning of the walkway depicting the wildlife that lives in the area (picture below). The additional entry point into the Garden from the Walkway will encourage higher footfall onto both sites.



Maghera Walled Garden.

The amenity site and recycling centre are busy and are maintained to a high standard by Council staff.

- **Community Support**

Council continue to engage with various partners to help enhance the area, these include the Maghera & District Horticultural Group, Chamber of Commerce, local businesses, Churches Forum and other voluntary and community groups. Local schools are also involved and have assisted through Eco Schools in the Big Spring Clean ups. Local schools and groups have also been involved in education and nature projects at the Walled Garden. In addition, an informal Friends Group of Maghera Walled Garden has been formed that participate in horticultural activities.

- **Additional Information**

Mid Ulster District Council continues to be the main driver behind Maghera in Bloom, council will strive to establish a 'Maghera in Bloom' volunteers group.



Flower displays in Maghera.

Swatragh

Swatragh in Irish is 'an Suaitreach' derived from a shortened form of 'Baile an tSuaitrigh' meaning 'townland of the billeted soldier'.

Friel's bar and restaurant, a listed building, is now run by the 5th generation of the Friel family. It was established in 1837 and was formerly a coach house, post office and doctor's surgery in its early years. It was used as a soup kitchen during the famine of the 1840's. An original famine pot is on display beside the window where the soup was served and the wooden bar counter and ceiling are original. The beautifully carved walking stick of local poet Mick McAtamney is on display in the bar.

The village has three churches; Roman Catholic, Church of Ireland and Presbyterian. The Catholic Church and Church of Ireland are listed buildings. Granaghan Old Chapel was in existence in 1770 with a long low thatched roof and a clay floor. Granaghan Private, Classical and English school was established in 1835 in the chapel.



Friel's Bar, Swatragh.

- **Swatragh in Bloom**

Swatragh is a very proactive community that works together to develop and enhance the Village. Comprising of local businesses, Churches, Sports Clubs, Schools, Playgroup, Granaghan and District Women's Group and local development enterprises. Last year Friels Bar picked up an award for its floral display.

Community Support

- This array of groups have already contributed to the following;
- The children of the school along the Women's Group, have taken part in planting bulbs in the park and along verges on the Kilrea Rd and Moneysharvin Road as part of the Live Here Love Here project in conjunction with Michael Davitt's GAC.
- Blooming Baths have been planted by the children of St. John's as way to brighten the environment and to recycle unwanted goods.
- A set-a-side area has been developed in the Playpark
- The children of the school have achieved their Green Flag as part of the Eco Schools Award. They have bat and bird boxes too. They are developing an African Keyhole Garden.
- The community makes great use of the recycling facilities at the rear of Friel's Bar.
- The local Maghera Historical Society as part of their Famine Project is planted potatoes near Friel's Bar where the original 'famine pot' attracts visitors.
- Spring and Summer Clean Ups.
- Wildflower areas strips have been planted along the new cycle path on the Garvagh road.



Work in Swatragh.

- **Additional Information**

The groups involved in Swatragh in Bloom work closely with other statutory organisations including Mid Ulster District Council and have further plans to improve the area in future years. New for this year has been the "Sow and Grow in the Swa" initiative and a new potting shed which has become the working hub for the group.

Tobermore

The name Tobermore means “The Great Well” although it has only been known as Tobermore for less than 100 years. In the early 20th century the village name was spelt Tubbermore which explains why the local residents pronounce the name of the village as they do.

Kilcronaghan Old Parish Church dates from 1816 and has a fine Norman Niche dating from an earlier church. St Columba got his early schooling here under the skilful teaching of St Cronaghan. There was a hanging stone at the church where the local villains met their demise but many years ago it was built into the wall, being looked upon as distasteful.

A walk through the village along Calmore Lane leads to the site of Calmore Castle and the Great Well. The castle was burnt in 1689 by the Army of King James on their retreat from the Siege of Derry. There was also a Royal Oak where Druids would have gathered for ancient ceremonies and a Great Hazel Tree that was used in pagan festivals. The name Calmore means townland of the Great Hazel Tree.

Legend states, the O’Hagans who built the castle dropped all their gold down the Great Well and filled it in so that King James could not get hold of it.



Flower displays in Tobermore.

- **Tobermore in Bloom**

Tobermore Ulster in Bloom is co-ordinated by Tobermore Community Projects which is supported by local businesses, schools and groups. The group continue to fund and

put plants in the new new wooden barrel planters and put additional plants and flowers around the village to compliment the beds developed by Council.

- **Community Support**

The community group continue to cut the grass along the roads into estates and have held a community clean up. Other developments include a Village Project supported by the local school and a beautiful wild flower strip sown out on the Maghera road.



- **Additional Information**

The group have managed to keep the town clean and have dealt with fly tipping and dog fouling by distributing leaflets to householders to encourage them to take pride in their village. Many residents have been inspired by UIB to put beautiful displays in their gardens.

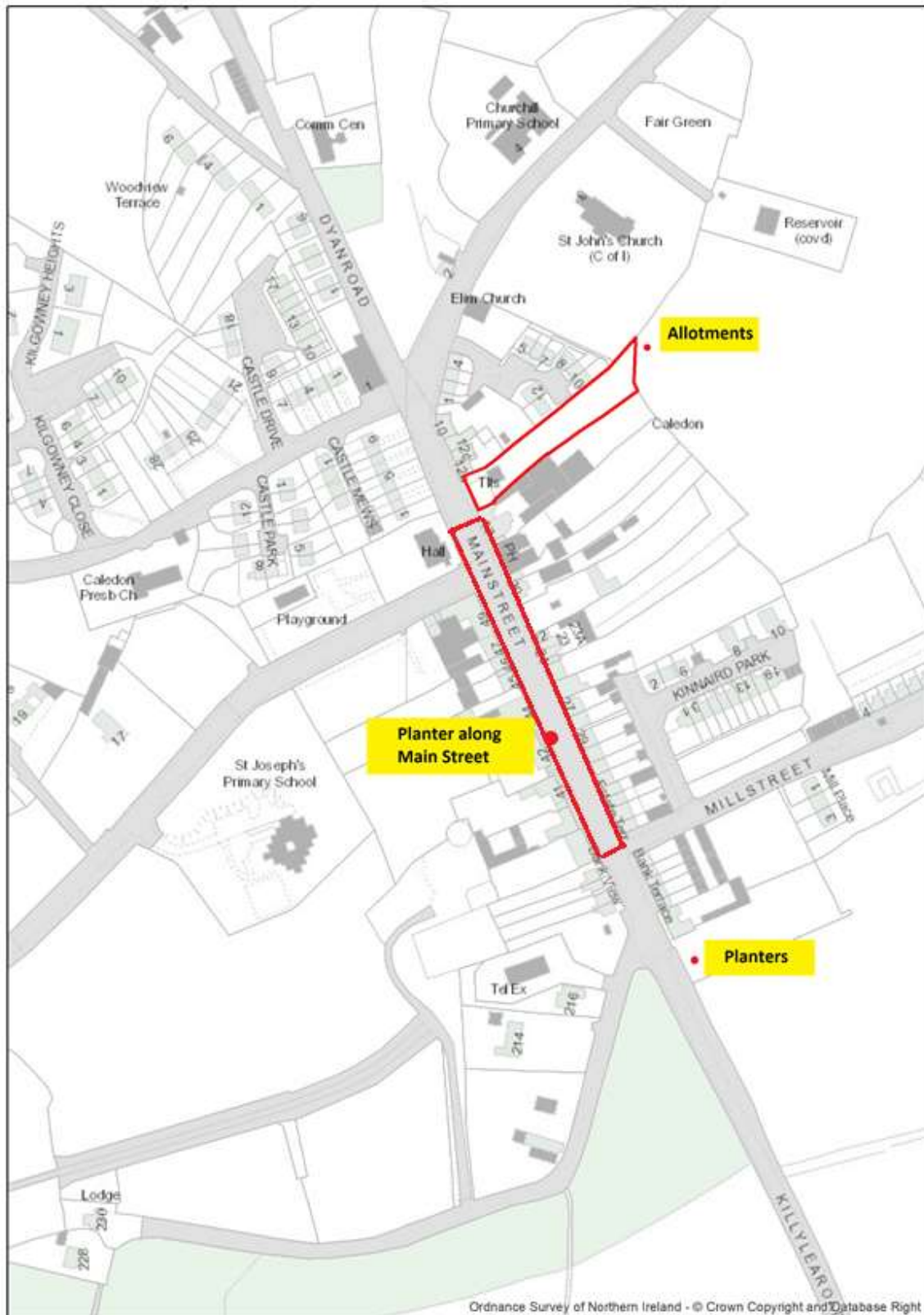


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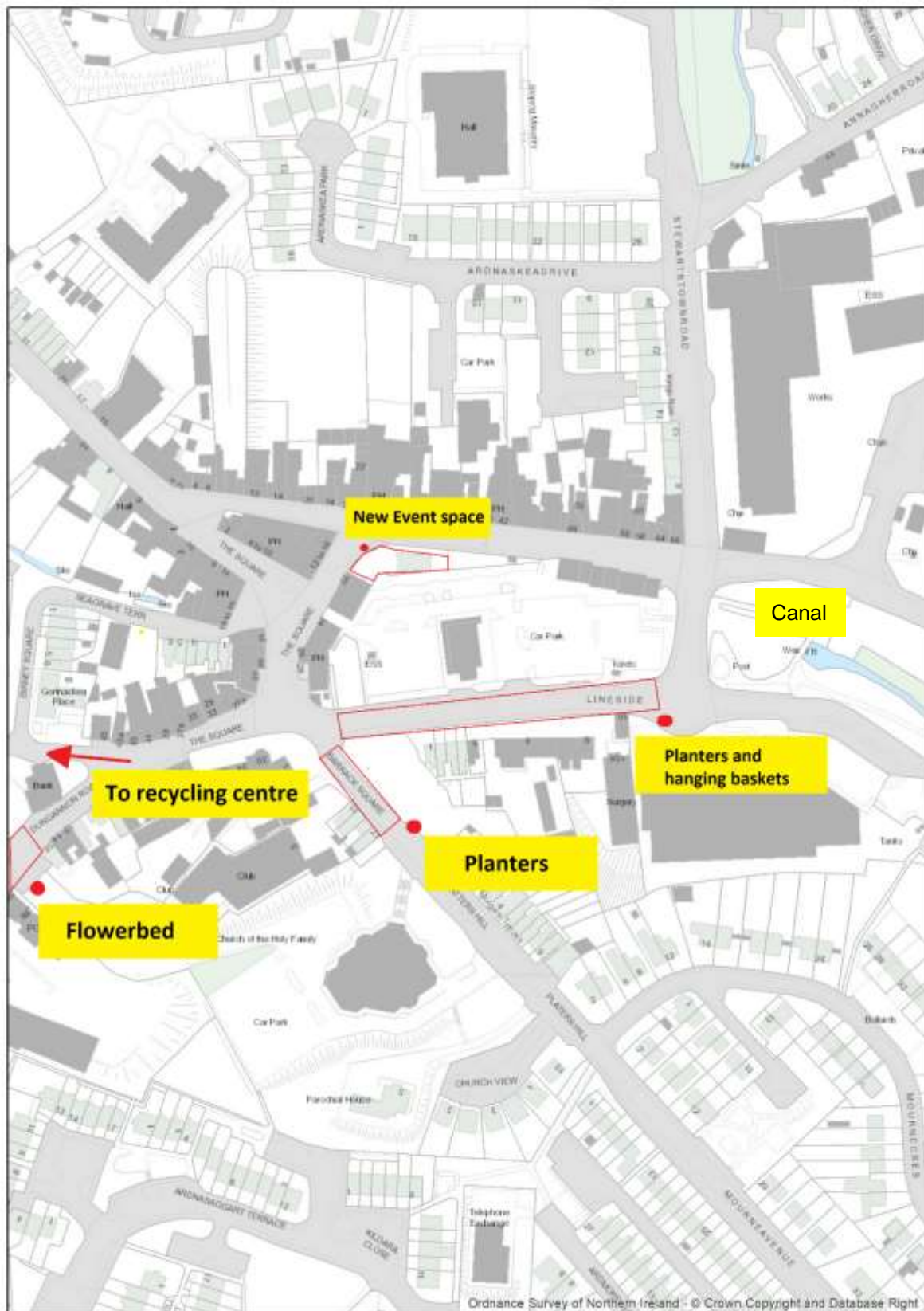
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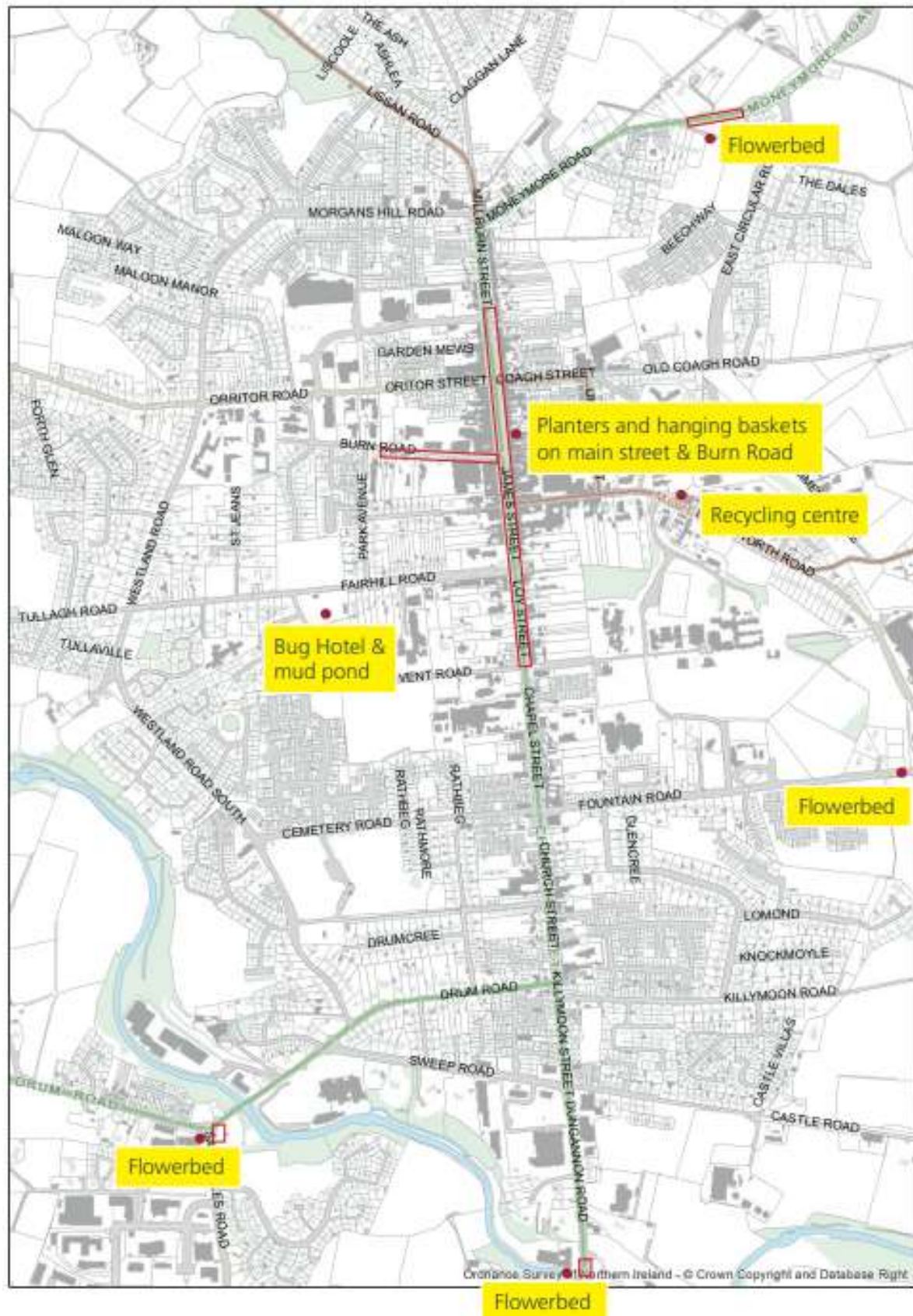
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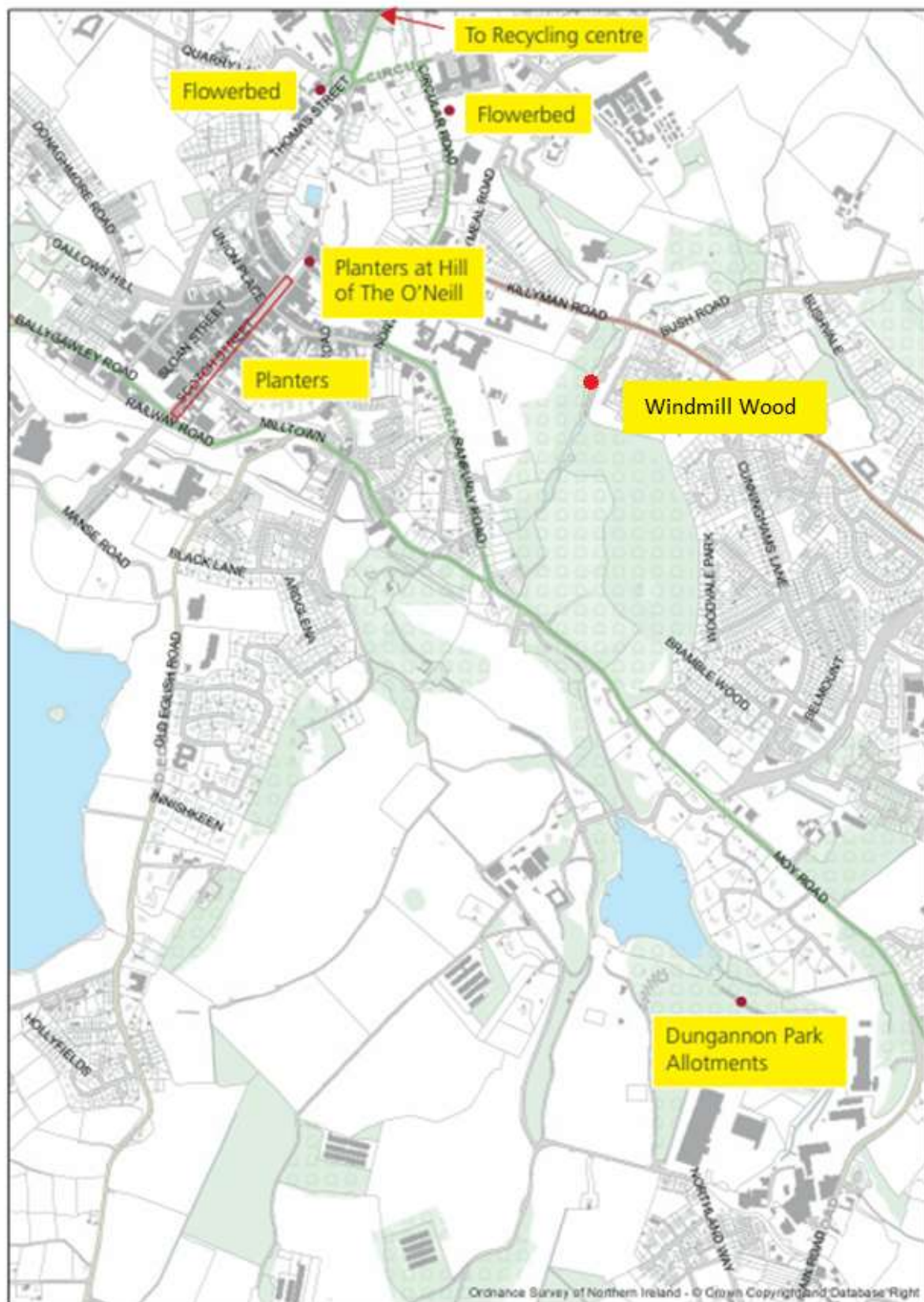
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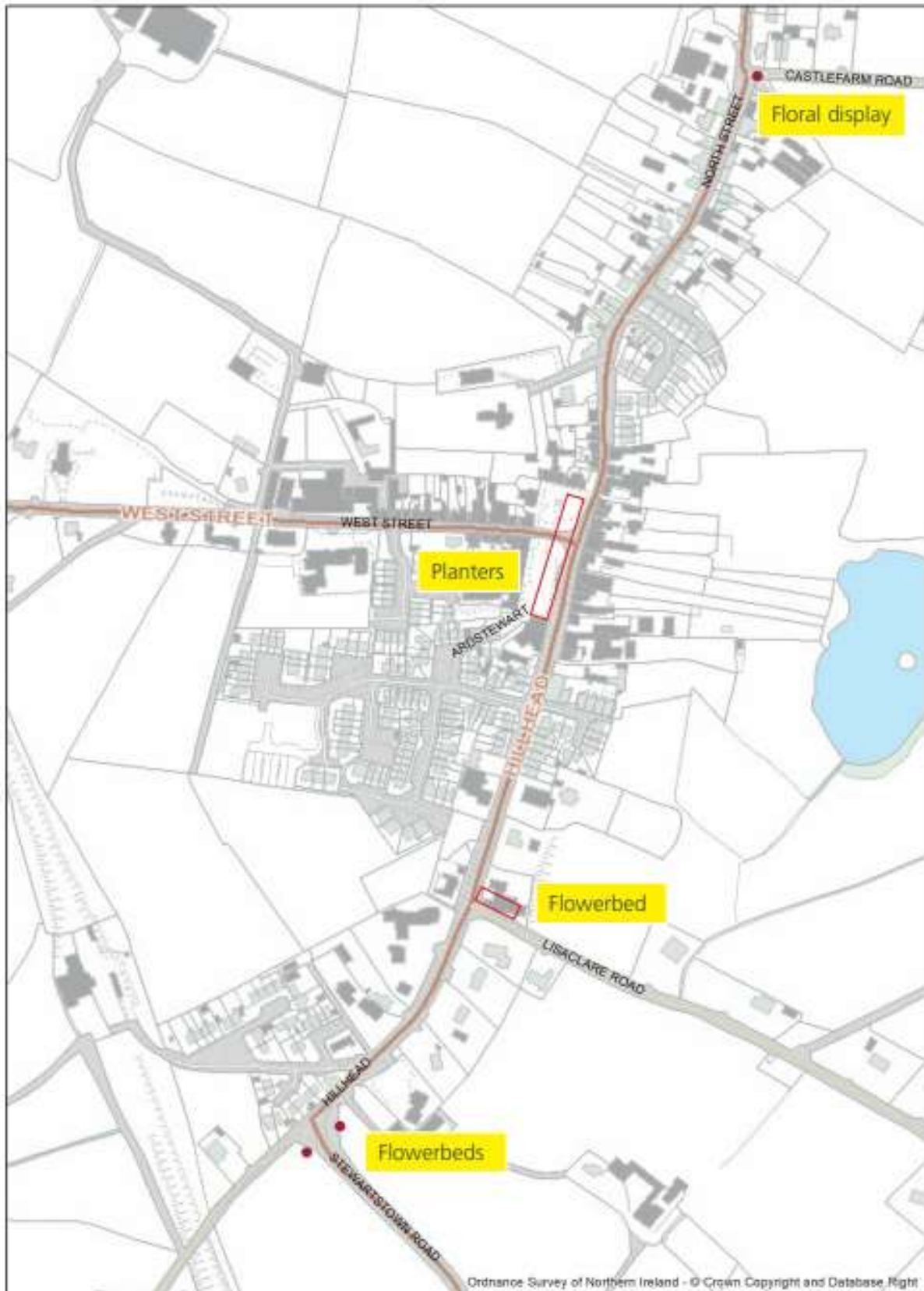
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2. Heritage Centre and St Patrick's PS Eco School
3. Peacock Display
4. Lismore Community Garden, Bunny Display and herb garden
5. St Patrick's Graveyard wildflowers and planting
6. Displays at Old Cross and stone walls
7. Chapel carpark beds
8. Community allotments, Conservation area and woodland
9. Dermot Faloan's garden
10. Train Display
11. Torrent Complex
12. Main Street business and residential displays
13. St Patrick's Church

14. Ivy Bank beds, community garden and herb garden
15. Displays at Sinnamons Shop
16. Butterfly garden and playpark
17. Watson's garden
18. Carberry's garden
19. Cart at Hammy's yard
20. Boat display
21. Soap vats and planting at Brewery Bridge
22. Wildflower, planting and wall boxes
23. Community garden at Aghareany
24. Community garden on main Dungannon Rd

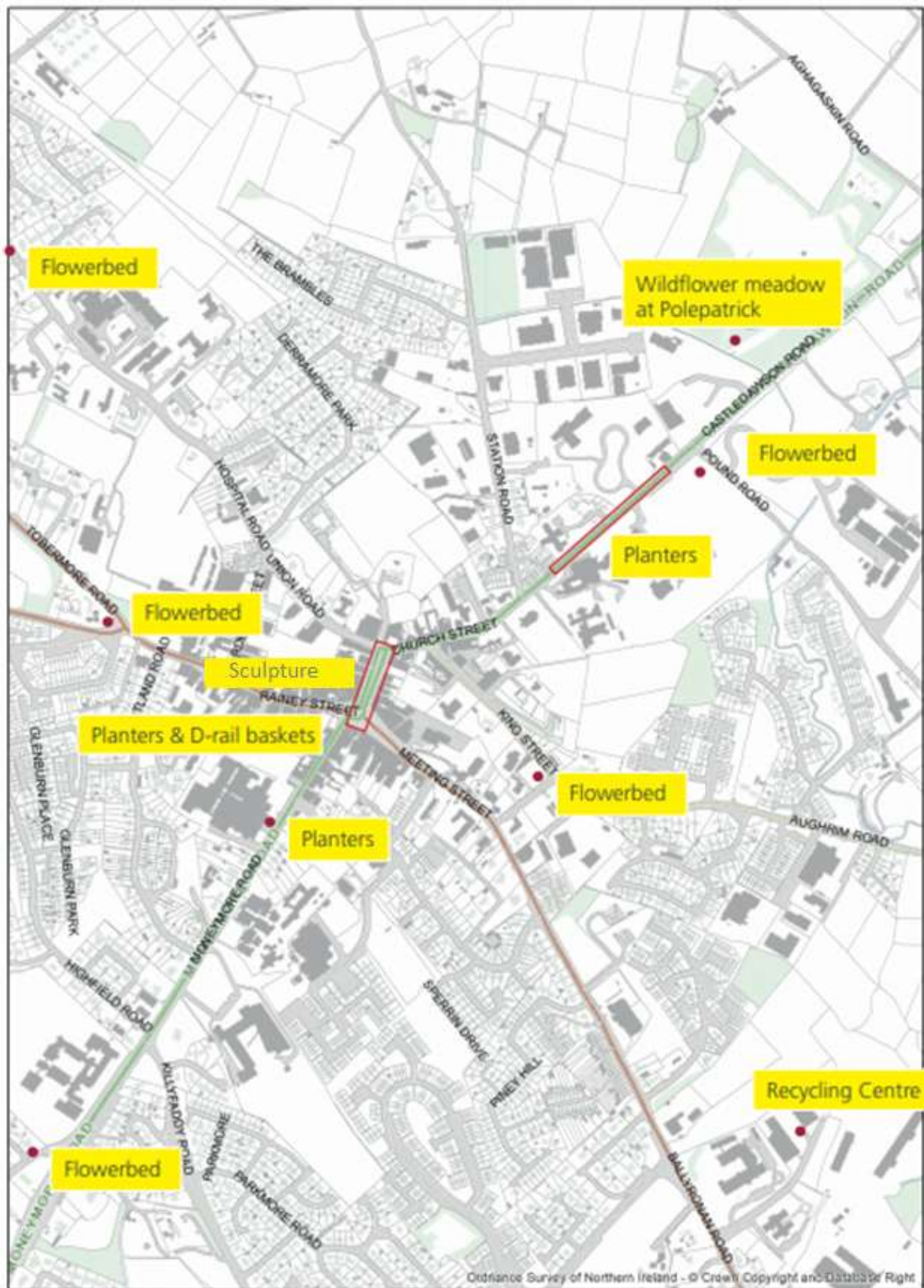
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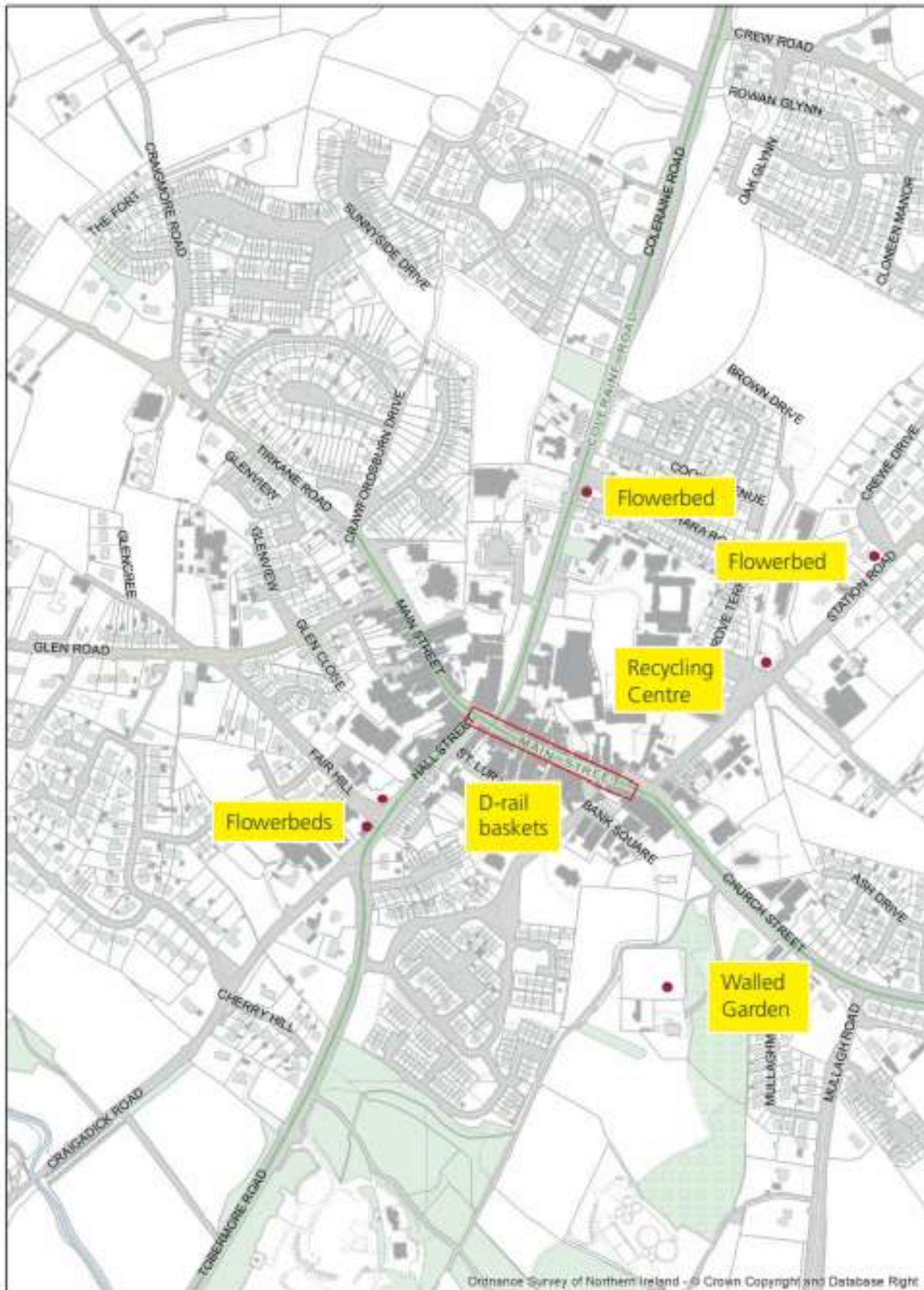
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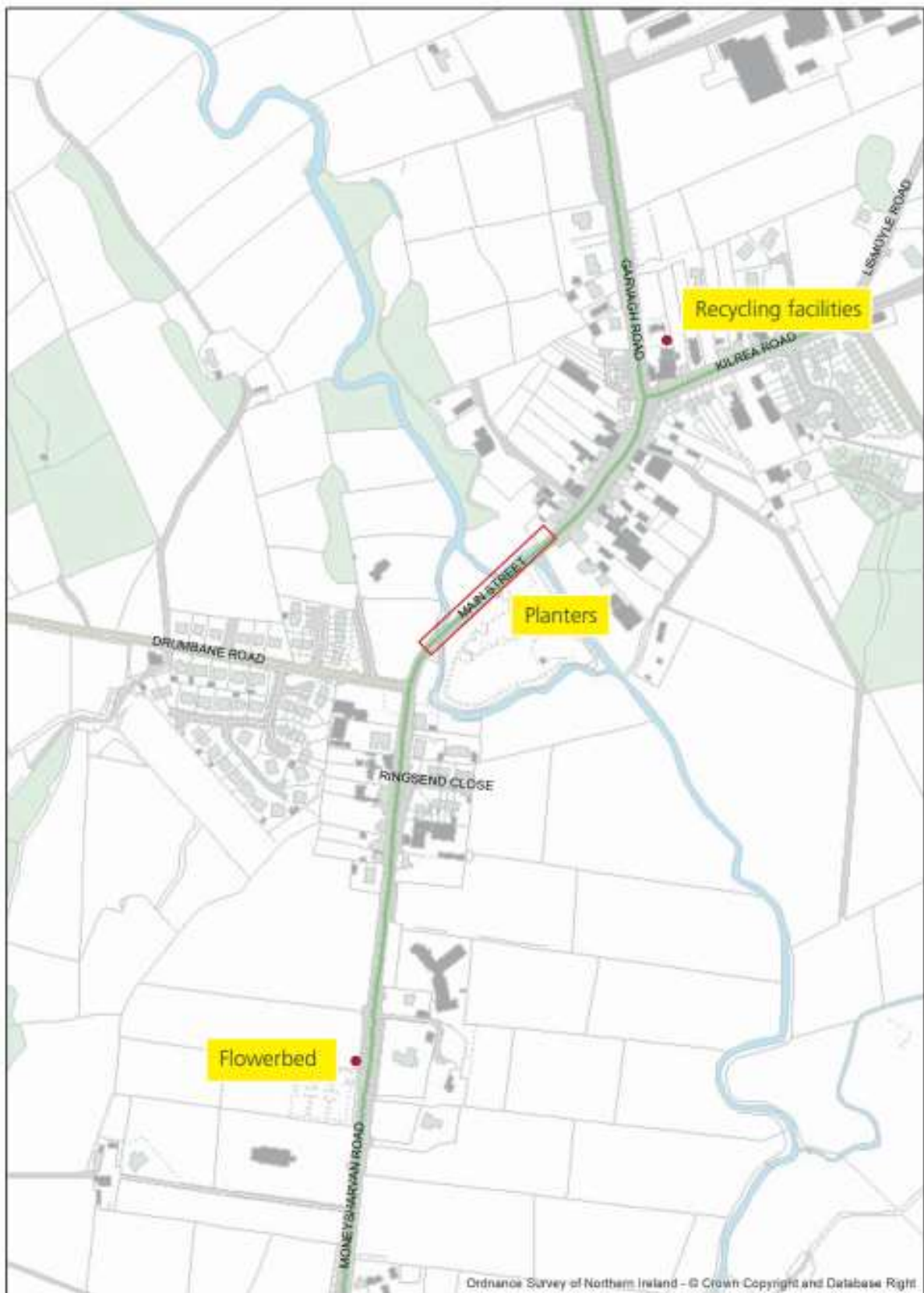
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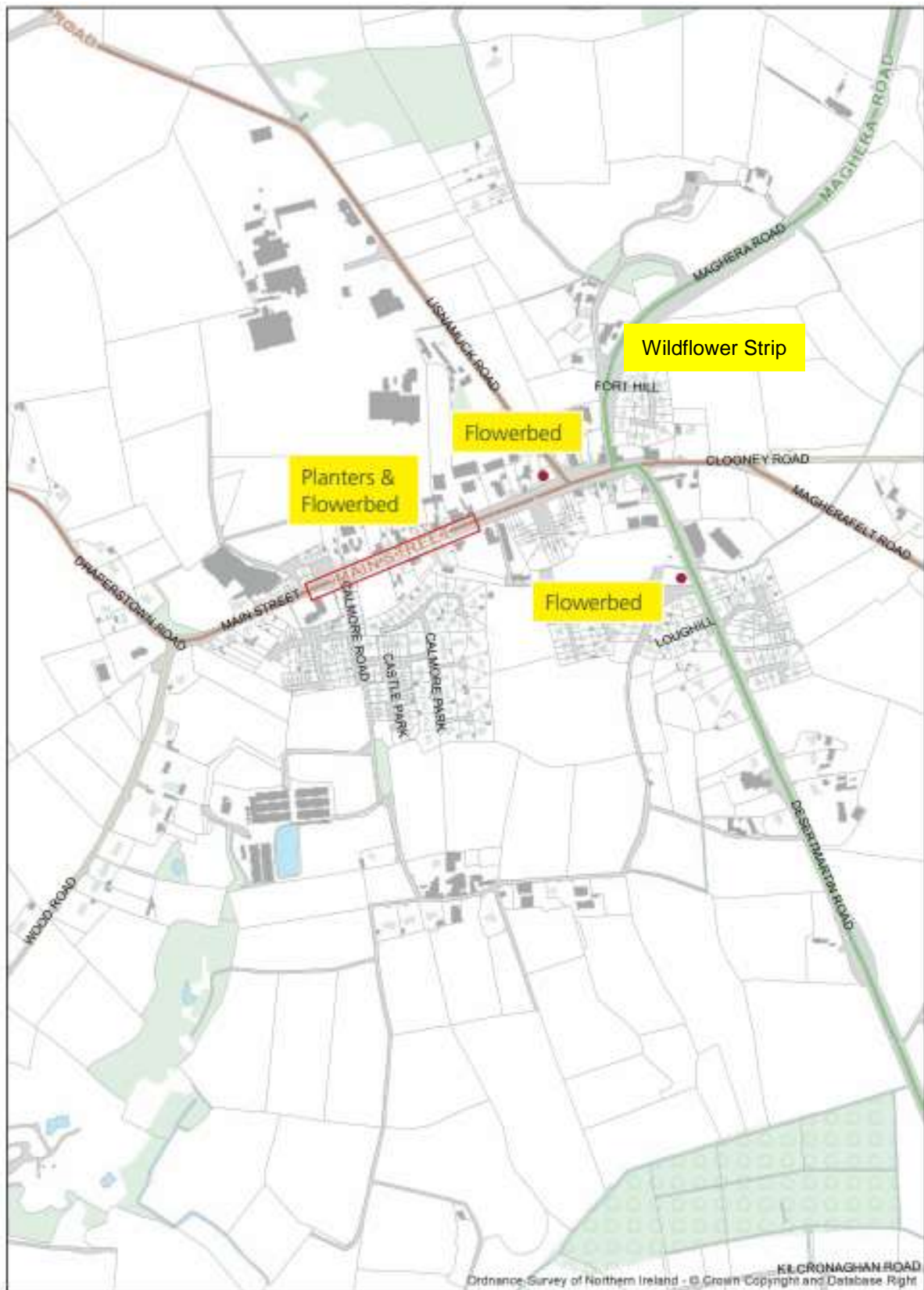
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2022 TRANSLINK ULSTER IN BLOOM



LIST OF ENTRIES (BY COUNCIL AREAS)

	Large Town/City Pop. over 35,001	Large Town/ Small City Pop. 12,001-35,000	Town Pop. 6,001-12,000	Small Town Pop. 2,501-6,000	Large Village Pop. 1,001-2,500	Village Pop. 501-1,000	Small Village Pop. under 500
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council (16) Contact Angela.Ross@antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk Mark.Wilson@antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk			Antrim Town 10880 Glengormley 11675	Ballyclare 3422 Crumlin 3385 Randalstown 2603		Burnside 502 Doagh 507 Templepatrick 600 Whiteabbey 600	Ballyeaston 100 Merville Garden Village 247 Ballynure 371 Toome 240 Parkgate 320 Straid 310 Killead 160
Ards and North Down Borough Council (15) Contact dylan.freeburn@ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk	Bangor 61011	Newtownards 27846	Hollywood 10682 Comber 8980 Donaghadee 6768	Portaferry 2511 Ballygowan 2957	Conlig 1965 Helens Bay 1385 Ballywalter 1562 Millisle 1793 Portavogie 1604	Crawfordsburn 581 Cloughey 806 Greyabbey 758	

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Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council (10) Contact Joanne.Grattan@armaghbanbridgecraigavon.gov.uk		Armagh 15000 Banbridge 15989 Lurgan 18693 Portadown 18497	Dromore 6003	Richhill 2821 Bleary 2748 Waringstown 4778	Magheralin 1144		Charlestown Village 30
Belfast City Council (2) Contact MurrayL@BelfastCity.gov.uk	Belfast 638717						Edenderry Village 287
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council (6) Contact Stephen.Proctor@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk		Coleraine 24089 Limavady 12047	Ballymoney 10402 Portrush 7355	Dungiven 3286	Castlerock 1287		
Derry City and Strabane District Council (4) Contact john.quinn@derrystrabane.com	Derry City 95552	Strabane 28000					Clady 489 Ballymagorry 469
Fermanagh and Omagh District Council (11) Contact conor.mcgarvey@fermanaghomagh.com		Omagh 21297 Enniskillen 13757			Irvinestown 1750 Dromore 1258 Fintona 1648 Ballinamallard 1899	Carrickmore 550 Belleek 920	Gortin 475 Lack 126 Bellanaleck 213
Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council (4) Contact stephen.mackle@lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk	City of Lisburn 45410			Moir 4584 Dundonald 5596 Hillsborough 3953			

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Mid & East Antrim Borough Council (9) Contact alison.diver@midandeastantrim.gov.uk claire.duddy@midandeastantrim.gov.uk		Ballymena 29467 Carrickfergus 27903 Larne 18705		Whitehead 3786 Ahoghill 3403 Greenisland 5484	Cullybackey 2035	Ballystrudder 990 Glenarm 564	
Mid Ulster District Council (10) Contact Eunan.Murray@midulstercouncil.org		Dungannon 14332	Cookstown 11620 Magherafelt 8819	Maghera 4217 Coalisland 5700	Stewartstown 1500	Donaghmore 977 Swatragh 945 Caledon 850 Tobermore 823	
Newry, Mourne and Down District Council (20) Contact Jonathan.Ellis@nmandd.org		Newry 30000	Kilkeel 6521 Warrenpoint 7500 Downpatrick 7693	Newcastle 5410 Ballynahinch 3897 Rostrevor 2788	Saintfield 1626 Crossmaglen 2300 Bessbrook 2450 Castlewellan 1672 Killyleagh 1666 Crossgar 1054	Dundrum 848 Killough 602	Strangford 411 Clough 177 Bryansford 195 Annsborough 300 Burran 460
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2022 TRANSLINK ULSTER IN BLOOM - STATION ENTRIES

1	ADELAIDE RAIL STATION, BELFAST	BCC
2	ARMAGH BUS STATION	ABC
3	BALLYMEMA BUS STATION	MEA
4	<i>BANGOR BUS & RAIL CENTRE</i>	A&ND
5	BANBRIDGE BUS STATION	ABC
6	CARNALEA RAIL STATION	A&ND
7	CARRICK RAIL STATION	MEA
8	<i>COLERAINE BUS & RAIL STATION</i>	CC&G
9	DOWNPATRICK BUSCENTRE	NM&D
10	DUNGANNON BUS STATION	MU
11	ENNISKILLEN BUS STATION	F&O
11	GREAT VICTORIA STREET RAILWAY STATION	BCC
12	LISBURN BUS STATION	LCCC
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14	LONDONDERRY (FOYLE STREET) BUS STATION	DC&S
15	MOIRA RAIL STATION	LCCC
16	NORTHWEST TRANSPORT HUB (DERRY)	DC&S
17	NEWCASTLE BUS STATION	NM&D
18	NEWRY BUS STATION	NM&D
19	NEWRY TRAIN STATION	NM&D
20	NEWTOWNARDS BUS STATION	A&ND
21	PORTADOWN RAIL STATION	ABC
22	STRABANE BUS STATION	DC&S
23	WHITEHEAD RAILWAY STATION	MEA
24	YORKGATE RAILWAY STATION	BCC

Both Bangor and Coleraine Bus and Rail Centre each to be treated as one overall station.

Report on	Maintenance of Roundabouts
Date of Meeting	4 July 2022
Reporting Officer	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
Contact Officer	Eunan Murray, Grounds & Cemeteries Manager

Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	X

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1.1	To update members on the current arrangements for the maintenance of roundabouts.																																								
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3.3	None of the roundabouts are owned by the Council however the Council receives annual sponsorship/payments for six of the roundabouts listed above (amounting to £3,052 p.a.) and has carried out substantial improvement works at some i.e. the A29 roundabouts.																																								
3.4	Council previously maintained the Castledawson roundabout in Magherafelt prior to the construction of the new dual carriageway. However DfI have recently advised that the Joint Venture contractor (GFJV) who has been maintaining the new roundabout since its construction has now completed their responsibilities and have asked that the Council																																								

	reassume responsibility for grass cutting on the roundabout. Clearly the topography of the roundabout has now changed very significantly e.g. steep grass banks which will pose significant challenges from a maintenance and health and safety perspective. Discussions have now commenced with DfI Roads regarding the implications of the Council taking responsibility and Committee will be kept informed as to the outcome.
3.5	It should be noted that some other roundabouts in the district e.g. the new Ballygawley roundabout are not maintained by Council due to health and safety issues and the significant traffic management requirements and costs involved in cutting the grass at such a location. In such instances responsibility remains with the site owner DfI Roads.
3.6	The All Ireland Pollinator Plan Action Plan, as presented to Environment Committee in May, commits the Council to establishing a number of (wildflower) meadows across the district and 13 No. sites are currently managed on a "Don't Mow Let It Grow" basis. The potential for including roundabouts in this plan will be examined; however the approval of DfI Roads (as the owner of the sites) would be required particularly given the health and safety implications arising from the possible impact on traffic management sight lines.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: Extra maintenance costs for grass cutting at Castledawson roundabout to be determined.
	Human: In-house as opposed to third party maintenance arrangements to be kept under review.
	Risk Management: Maintenance of roundabouts poses significant risks from a health and safety perspective.
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are asked to note the content of the report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	None

Report on	Building Control Workload
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2022
Reporting Officer	Terry Scullion, Assistant Director of Property Services
Contact Officer	P J Fox, Principal Building Officer

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 provide Members with an update on the workload analysis for Building Control across Mid-Ulster District Council.		
2.0	Background		
2.1	<p>Building Control applications are received in three different forms:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a Full Applications - submitted with detailed working drawings. b Building Notices - minor work not usually requiring detailed plans, e.g. provision of insulation to roof space, etc. c Regularisation Applications – where work has been carried out without an approval, an application must be submitted for retrospective approval. 		
3.0	Main Report		
3.1	Workload Analysis	June 2022	Accumulative 2022/23
	Total number of Applications	210	514
	Full plans applications received	127	240
	Building Notices applications received	69	243
	Regularisation applications received	14	31
	Estimated value of works submitted	£34,101,638	£57,300,514
		663	1720

	Number of inspections carried out by Building Control Officers		
	Commencements	200	462
	Domestic Dwellings	57	132
	Domestic alterations and Extensions	133	291
	Non-Domestic work	10	39
	Completions	138	344
	Domestic Dwellings	45	109
	Domestic alterations and Extensions	85	203
	Non-Domestic work	8	32
	Property Certificates Received	111	449
3.2	It should be noted from the Workload Analysis in 3.1, that the full range of applications are being received and administered in accordance with our procedures and performance criteria.		
3.3	It can also be noted that strong demand for the service continues, despite the volatile economic climate.		
4.0	Other Considerations		
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications		
	Financial: Within Current Resources		
	Human: Within Current Resources		
	Risk Management: None		
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments		
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None		
	Rural Needs Implications: None		
5.0	Recommendation(s)		

5.1	Members are requested to note the content of this report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – List of significant applications received by the Building Control Service

Significant Developments June 2022

Applicant	Location of Development	Details of Development	Estimated value of development
Felix O'Hare & Co. Ltd	120 Dungannon Road, Cookstown.	Erection of Learning & Development Centre for NIFRS (Floor area 3342m2) B.C. fee - £25,326.50	£6,678,974
J & A Developments Ltd	Coolreaghs Manor, Cookstown.	Erection of 35 Dwellings (Average Floor area 140m2) B.C. fee - £7,072.33	£3,542,700
Pomeroy Plunkett's GAC	40 Cavankeeran Road, Pomeroy.	Erection of Recreational Building (Floor area 590m2) B.C. fee - £4,750	£861,328
JFM Construction Ltd	Adj to Killyfaddy Road, Magherafelt.	Erection of 6 Dwellings (Average Floor area 180m2) B.C. fee - £1,848.28	£780,840
N & R Devine Ltd	Millbrook, Coalisland.	Erection of 7 Dwellings (Average Floor area 132m2) B.C. fee - £2,096.20	£657,207

N & R Devine Ltd	Gallion Glen, Cookstown	Erection of 8 Dwellings (Average Floor area 110m2) B.C. fee - £2,4,35.78	£636,240
E Quinn & Sons Ltd	10 Station Road, Pomeroy.	Erection of Engineering Workshop (Floor area 648m2) B.C. fee - £2,490	£409,117

Report on	Dual Language Signage Surveys
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2022
Reporting Officer	Terry Scullion, AD of Property Services
Contact Officer	Colm Currie, Principal Building Officer

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 advise Members on the result of surveys undertaken on all applicable residents on the streets/roads in response to Dual Language Signage Nameplate requests.
2.0	Background
2.1	In accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) NI Order 1995 – Article 11 the Council is tasked with the responsibility to erect dual language signs or second nameplates, adjacent to the nameplate in English.
2.2	The Policy for Street Naming and Dual Language Signage – Section 6.0, as adopted forms the basis for considering requests expressing the name in a language other than English, to both existing and new streets.
2.3	In accordance with the Policy as adopted, all occupiers as listed on the Electoral Register residing on the streets/roads as noted below were canvassed, by post seeking their views on the request to erect dual-language street nameplates in the Irish Language as requested in each case.
3.0	Main Report

3.1

The Building Control Service issued occupiers of the undernoted streets, correspondence seeking their views on the request to erect a dual-language street nameplate.

Completed surveys were received by the return date and the outcome is as follows in each case:

Name of Street	Aghaloo Close, Aughnacloy
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	08/03/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	04/04/2022
Surveys Issued	24/05/2022
Surveys returned by	21/06/2022
Survey Letters Issued	33
Survey Letters Returned	3
Replies in Favour	3
Replies not in Favour	0
Invalid	0
Valid Returns	3
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Aghaloo Close, Aughnacloy will be erected

Name of Street	Davagh Park, Mountfield, Omagh
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	21/03/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	04/04/2022
Surveys Issued	24/05/2022
Surveys returned by	21/06/2022
Survey Letters Issued	9
Survey Letters Returned	7
Replies in Favour	6
Replies not in Favour	0
Invalid	1
Valid Returns	6
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Davagh Park, Mountfield, Omagh will be erected

Name of Street	Killyliss Manor, Eglish
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	21/03/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	04/04/2022
Surveys Issued	24/05/2022
Surveys returned by	21/06/2022
Survey Letters Issued	26
Survey Letters Returned	15
Replies in Favour	15
Replies not in Favour	0
Invalid	0
Valid Returns	15
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Killyliss Manor, Eglish will be erected.

Name of Street	Park Avenue, Cookstown
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	08/04/2022
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	04/04/2022
Surveys Issued	24/05/2022
Surveys returned by	21/06/2022
Survey Letters Issued	20
Survey Letters Returned	11
Replies in Favour	7
Replies not in Favour	4
Invalid	0
Valid Returns	11
Percentage in Favour	64%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Park Avenue, Cookstown will be erected.

4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: Within Current Resources
	Human: Within Current Resources
	Risk Management: None
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	That Members note the results of the surveys for application of Dual Language Nameplates in Irish for the streets/roads as detailed below.
5.2	Where more than 51 % of occupiers that respond indicated that they were in favour of the erection of a dual language signage, nameplates will be erected. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Aghaloo Close, Aughnacloy 2. Davagh Park, Omagh 3. Killyliss Manor, Eglish 4. Park Avenue, Cookstown
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Dual Language Nameplate Translation for each street/road

Appendix 1 – Dual Language Nameplate Translation for each street/road

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Aghaloo Close, Aughnacloy	Clós Achadh Lú
Townland	Derrycush	Doire Coise

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Davagh Park, Mountfield, Omagh	Páirc Dhabhcha
Townland	Davagh Lower	Dabhach Íochtarach

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Park Avenue, Cookstown	Ascaill na Páirce
Townland	Loy	Baile na Loinge

	Current Name	Irish Translation
Road	Killyliss Manor, English	Mainéar Choill an Leasa
Townland	Roan	An Ruán

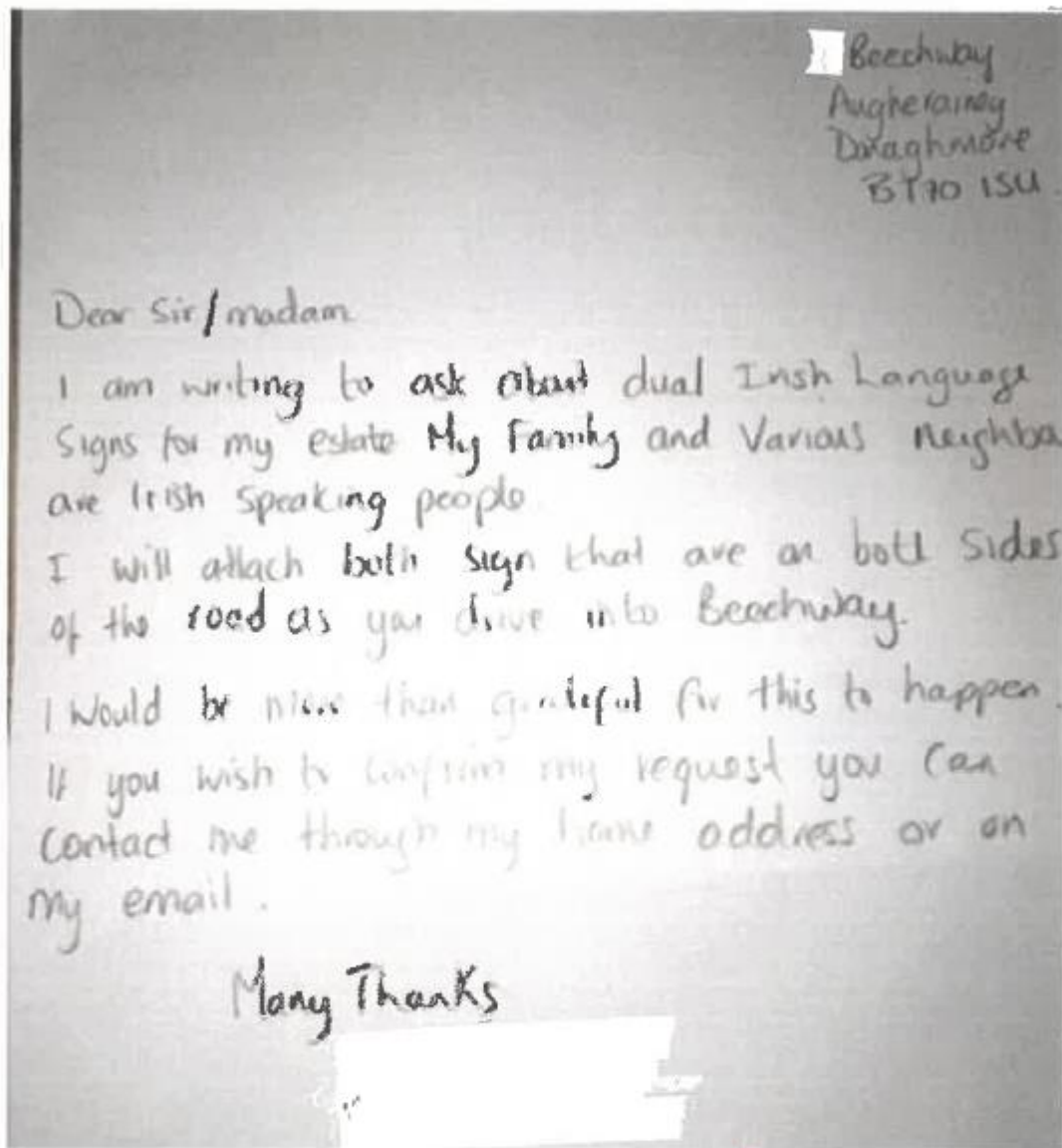
Report on	Dual Language Signage Requests
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2022
Reporting Officer	Terry Scullion, AD of Property Services
Contact Officer	Colm Currie, Principal Building Officer

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 advise Members of requests for Dual Language Signage from residents on the streets/roads in question.
2.0	Background
2.1	In accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) NI Order 1995 – Article 11 the Council is tasked with the responsibility to erect dual language signs or second nameplates, adjacent to the nameplate in English.
2.2	The Policy for Dual Language Nameplate Signage as adopted forms the basis for considering requests expressing the name in a language other than English, to both existing and new streets.
2.3	In accordance with the Policy as adopted, the Environment Committee will be informed of requests which have been validated and are proceeding to survey.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The Building Control Service have received valid letters signed by occupiers of the street in each case requesting signage to be erected in a second language being "Irish" in the following case adjacent to the nameplate in English as follows:- 1. Beech Way, Donaghmore
3.2	The occupiers signing the requests in each case have been confirmed as residents of their particular street which has been evidenced by their listing on the current Electoral Register as required in accordance with the Policy as adopted, see letter of request attached in Appendix 1
3.3	It should also be noted that the Electoral Office are still only permitting access to members of the public including Officers of the Council for 60 minutes per visit. In addition, the time required to gain the necessary information has increased

	considerably due to the number of individuals that have been recently added to the Electoral Register.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: Within Current Resources
	Human: Within Current Resources
	Risk Management: None
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	That Members note the content of this report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Letter received from a resident of Beech Way, Donaghmore

Appendix 1 – Letter received from a resident of Beech Way, Donaghmore



Report on	Entertainment Licensing Applications
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2022
Reporting Officer	Terry Scullion, AD of Property Services
Contact Officer	Colm Currie, Principal Building Officer

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 Entertainment Licensing applications across Mid Ulster District Council.
2.0	Background
2.1	The Council has responsibility for licensing places of entertainment in accordance with The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985. Entertainment Licensing applications are received on a continued basis across the District. Statutory consultations are carried out with PSNI and NIFRS for each Entertainment Licence application (grant or renewal) submitted.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>As previously agreed a list of applications for all grant/renewal of Entertainment Licences in Mid Ulster District Council is attached (see Appendix 1). The number of applications received on a monthly basis will vary depending on the date of expiry of the current licence.</p> <p>Each application is accompanied by the following documentation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 A current Fire Risk Assessment detailing the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) means of escape from premises (b) management responsibilities for day to day safety aspects (c) details of review on an annual basis <p>The fire risk assessment submitted is audited by the inspecting officer.</p> 2 Electrical certification is required for the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) General electrical installation (b) Emergency lighting system (c) Fire alarm system

	3 Details of current public liability insurance for premises
	4 Copy of public advertisement in local press
3.2	Following the application for the Grant/Renewal of an Entertainment Licence being submitted and validated, an inspection is carried out to ensure that the premises are in compliance with all relevant guidance and legislation.
3.3	<p>Areas which would be inspected are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Means of escape from the venue i.e. Final Exit Doors and Easy Opening Devices are satisfactory and escape routes are free from obstruction etc. 2. All floor, wall, and ceiling coverings are in compliance and in good condition 3. All firefighting equipment are correctly positioned and serviced as required 4. The general condition of the premises is satisfactory 5. All management documentation is in place
3.4	Entertainment licensing applications have continued to be processed where possible including statutory consultations with external Bodies as required by legislation.
3.5	Licences have been issued where inspections had been completed and all points requiring attention have been addressed.
3.6	Inspection of venues have continued where possible to do so and specifically where issues in relation to the current Covid-19 Guidance can be achieved.
3.7	From 26 January 2022 some Covid-19 restrictions had been lifted which included the reopening of nightclubs and these premises are permitted to operate up to their maximum occupancy numbers.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: Within Current Resources
	Human: Within Current Resources
	Risk Management: Within Current Resources
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None

5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are requested to note the content of this report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Schedule of applications received for the Grant/Renewal of Entertainment Licences.
6.2	Appendix 2 – Schedule of Entertainment Licence applications which have been granted/renewed.

Appendix 1 – Schedule of applications received for the Grant/Renewal of Entertainment Licences July 2022

Name of Applicant	Name of Premises	Address of Premises	Type of Licence	Days and Hours proposed	Max Number of Patrons
C Eastwood	Pot Black Snooker Club	2b Burn Road Cookstown	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 10.00 To: 02.00	86
M Scott	Gaugers Inn	99 Shore Road Magherafelt	14 Specified Days	Saturday 9th July 2022 From 17.00 To 00.00 Saturday 4 June From 17.00 To 00.30	500
N & J Currie	Gribben's Bar	45 Tullyallen Road Dungannon	Annual	Monday to Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00 Sunday From 12.00 To 01.00	75

Name of Applicant	Name of Premises	Address of Premises	Type of Licence	Days and Hours proposed	Max Number of Patrons
L Richardson	Richardsons Bar	9 Main Street Tobermore	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00 Sunday From 10.30 To 01.00	80
J & L Forbes	LJ's Tavern	62 Rainey Street Magherafelt	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00 Sunday From 12.00 To 00.00	180
C O'Neill	Clonoe O'Rahilly's Social Club	93 Washingbay Road Coalisland	Annual	Monday To Friday From 16.00 To 01.00 Saturday To Sunday From 12.00 To 02.00	510

Name of Applicant	Name of Premises	Address of Premises	Type of Licence	Days and Hours proposed	Max Number of Patrons
K Conlon	Ballinderry Community Hub	91a Ballinderry Bridge Road Coagh	14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Sunday From 20.00 To 00.30	TBC

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From: 27th May 2022
To: 20th June 2022

Appendix 2 – Schedule of Entertainment Licence applications which have been Granted/Renewed/Varied in July 2022

Name of Applicant	Name of Premises	Address of Premises	Type Of Licence	Days and Hours Granted
F Lavery	PB's Bar	1 Dungannon Street Moy	Annual	Monday To Thursday From 11.30 To 23.00 Friday & Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00 Sunday From 12.30 To 00.00
T McNeice	The Mill Court Bar	40 Main Street Coalisland	Annual	Monday To Thursday From 10.00 To 22.00 Friday From 10.00 To 00.00 Saturday From 10.00 To 01.00 Sunday From 12.00 To 22.30

Name of Applicant	Name of Premises	Address of Premises	Type Of Licence	Days and Hours Granted
J O'Hagan	Killyman St Marys Community Centre	Drumaspil Road Dungannon	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 08.00 To 02.30
M McAleer	Slatequarry Community Centre	113 Edendoit Road Pomeroy	Any 14 Unspecified days	Monday To Sunday From 09.00 To 01.00
J Hamilton	Pomeroy Presbyterian Church	1 Edendoit Road Pomeroy	Any 14 Unspecified days	Monday To Sunday From 18.00 To 24.00
P McCloy	The Terrace Hotel	42-48 Church Street Magherafelt	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00 Sunday From 12.00 To 12.00
M Scott	Adjacent to Guagers Inn	99 Shore Road Magherafelt	Outdoor	Saturday 4 June 2022 From 16.30 To 00.30

