

Report on	Culture & Arts Service Improvement Plan
Date of Meeting	Thursday 10 th May 2018
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To seek Member approval for the Culture and Arts Services - Service Improvement Plan for 2018/19.
2.0	Background
2.1	The Service Improvement plan ensures that Culture and Arts services are accountable, planned and clear, and that performance and improvement are a key element of service delivery. The Plan also assists in delivering the Council's mission and strategic outcomes set out in Council's Corporate Plan.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The Culture and Arts Service has facility management, venue operations and associated programming responsibility for the Burnavon Arts & Cultural Centre, Cookstown, the Hill of the O'Neill and Ranfurly House Arts and Visitor Centre, Dungannon and Seamus Heaney HomePlace, Bellaghy.
3.2	In addition, Culture and Arts Services also has responsibility for the delivery of Council's district wide Arts and Cultural development programme and the delivery of the Regional and Minority Language Development programme, throughout the mid Ulster region.
3.3	The Service delivers a diverse range of culture and arts activity across a wide range of art & cultural forms. The purpose of the Service is to encourage greater community and audience participation in Culture and Arts activity delivered by Mid Ulster District Council, both for the inhabitants of the District and for visitors to our District.
3.4	Culture & Arts Services is part of the Business and Communities Directorate, and is made up of the following key service areas: 1. Arts & Cultural Venues 2. Arts & Cultural Development 3. Regional & Minority Language Development

4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: As per budgets approved by Council
	Human: As delivered within Staffing resources approved by Council
	Risk Management: Risks identified are detailed in the attached Service Improvement Plan
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Culture & Arts Service provision is delivered by the officer team to be fully inclusive, and is designed to encourage wide participation from all sections of the community and which promotes and supports good relations between all sections of the community within Mid Ulster
	Rural Needs Implications: Rural Needs have been considered in the formulation, development and implementation of the Service Improvement Plan for Culture & Arts Services 2018/19
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are asked to approve the Culture and Arts Services – Service Improvement Plan for 2018/19.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Culture & Arts Service Improvement Plan 2018/19