

<b>Report on</b>	Bus Shelters
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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update Members on the progress of bus shelter applications at various locations throughout the District following scheduled meetings with DFI (Roads).
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	In accordance with the Councils responsibility for the erection and maintenance of bus shelters and agreed policy – Appendix 2, Technical Services have been in discussions with DFI (Roads), on location of the proposed shelters and to ensure compliance with the Departments, Bus Shelter Design guide (see Appendix 3).
2.2	Site meetings were held at each of the 18 requested bus shelter sites with DFI (Roads) staff and members present where possible , drawings/map have been prepared to outline the current and proposed amended arrangements as requested by DFI (Roads) to meet their design guidance.
2.3	Ongoing discussions have also been held with Translink and their partner Clear Channel to clarify the procedure and criteria applied to selecting locations for high quality glazed shelters. Discussions are continuing with Translink regarding both existing and future applications , no firm commitment has been given by Translink as yet , they have indicated that each case is dealt with on its own merits.
2.4	Members should note there is no statutory basis for Council to amend or alter existing road infrastructure as part of these requirements. In some cases some very minor works such as adding a short path to a shelter sited on a grass verge may have been previously included however this was a rare occasion. The only exception to this position is those bus stops that may require re positioning within a Town Centre Public Realm scheme where work is completed by Council under a licence agreement with DFI Roads.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	<p><b>Site visits with DFI (Roads)</b></p> <p>The following lists indicate the various bus shelter application sites visited over two days. In brackets beside each location is the indicative infrastructure costs that are considered over and above the £2.5K standard shelter provision as a result of DFI Roads requirements .The DFI Roads proposals may also include acquisition of land and other statutory costs for any new site proposed.</p>

	<p><b>Site visit One;</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appendix 1, Junction of Magheracastle Rd and Mountjoy Rd, Brocagh ( £12k )</li> <li>• Appendix 2, Coole Rd, Aghamullan, Coalisland ( £2k )</li> <li>• Appendix 3, Killeen crossroads ( £TBC )</li> <li>• Appendix 4, Junction of Corlea Rd and Cappagh Road, Galbally ( £4k )</li> <li>• Appendix 5, Kingsisland Primary School ( £12-15k )</li> <li>• Appendix 6, Augher ( £1k )</li> <li>• Appendix 7, Junction of Annaghboe Rd and Washing Bay Rd, Clonoe ( £7-12k )</li> </ul> <p><b>Total Projected Additional Cost - £ 46 k</b></p> <p><b>Site visit Two;</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appendix 8, Stewartstown ( £1k )</li> <li>• Appendix 9, Duffs corner, Ardboe ( £12-13k )</li> <li>• Appendix 10, Junction of Kinrush Rd and Battery Rd, Moortown ( £6-8k )</li> <li>• Appendix 11, Junction of Ballymacpeake Rd and Mayogall Rd, Clady ( £5-17k )</li> <li>• Appendix 12, Innishrush ( £1k )</li> <li>• Appendix 13, Culnady ( £1k )</li> <li>• Appendix 14, Tirkane Rd, Maghera ( £0k )</li> <li>• Appendix 15, Junction of Kileen Rd/Camlough Rd/Loughdoo Rd, Kileen ( £10-13k )</li> <li>• Appendix 16, Junction of Dunlady Rd / Keady Rd / Kilrea Rd, Crosskeys, – <i>DfI have been consulted regarding existing shelter and are satisfied with current location – no further action deemed necessary</i></li> <li>• Appendix 17, Junction of Millview and Dunnamore Rd, Dunnamore ( £1k )</li> <li>• Appendix 18, Knockloughrim ( £1k )</li> </ul> <p><b>Total Projected Additional Cost - £ 56 k</b></p>
3.2	<p>At all of the above site visits (except Augher), DFI (Roads) have indicated new alternative proposed locations for the bus shelters. These locations are based on the DFI (Roads) adopted Bus Stop Design Guide. Fifteen of the new locations require permission from third party landowners to locate the shelters in the newly identified locations. No discussions have yet been had with land owners to determine if this location will be acceptable until further clarity is received from DFI Roads regarding their scheme of works.</p>
3.3	<p>DFI Roads – Western Division in their report to Committee in December 2017 outlined their Local Transport &amp; Safety Measures , Bridges and Street Lighting - Draft Programme 2018 – 2020 which specifically refers to the planned Safer Routes to Schools and Pedestrian Safety Measures planned as part of their programme of work . The projected cost of which amounted to approximately £ 50 k and £ 65 k respectively. There has been no reference to the need to enhance or improve existing School routes as referenced in this report - see Appendix 1.</p>
3.4	<p>Members to note that approved policy on the provision of bus shelters 1.1 states:</p> <p><i>“Council will erect a bus shelter where there is shown to be need, providing the location does not <b>present a safety</b> or nuisance problem and <b>adequate funding</b> is available – see appendix 20.</i></p>

3.5	<p>Under the Local Government ( Miscellaneous Provisions ) ( NI) Order 1985 -</p> <p><b>‘ A District Council may with the consent of the Department erect and maintain on any road within the District of the Council shelters for the protection from the weather of persons waiting to enter public service vehicles . ’</b></p> <p>Members are asked to note the additional costs for all new Bus Stop locations which will be required to ensure compliance with current DfI (Roads) requirements.</p>
3.6	<p>The Bus Stop Design Guide at Appendix 1 - Section 2.5 refers to Traffic Safety and states :</p> <p><b>‘Where a shelter is associated with an existing bus stop , planning permission normally be granted provided normal technical and environmental considerations can be met . This will include :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>shelter should not restrict visibility from road junctions or private accesses</b></li> <li>- <b>rainwater from shelter should not discharge onto private property</b></li> <li>- <b>no part of the shelter should normally be less than 0.5 m from the edge of the carriageway unless otherwise unavoidable to meet built heritage considerations.</b></li> </ul>
3.7	<p>If Members are in agreement it is proposed to review each of the sites identified against the Bus Stop Design Guide criteria for installation of Bus Shelters at ‘existing bus stops’ and check for compliance with these requirements. If criteria is deemed satisfied proceed with notification to DfI Roads of a proposed installation within the budget allowances set for this purpose.</p>
3.8	<p>If the current Bus Stop site is no longer suitable and a new bus stop site has to be identified then the full DfI Roads design criteria will have to be met. Further meetings will be arranged with DfI Roads / Translink to determine when they plan to carry out the necessary infrastructure work required to facilitate the new bus stop arrangements to allow a subsequent bus shelter provision by Council.</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<p><b><u>Financial &amp; Human Resources Implications</u></b></p> <p>Financial: Property Services Budget allocation for shelter provision is £2.5 k per shelter.</p> <p>Human: Technical Services staff to manage programme delivery with Property services responsible for installation and ongoing future maintenance arrangements.</p>
<b>4.2</b>	<p><b><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u></b></p> <p>N/A</p>

<b>4.3</b>	<b><u>Risk Management Implications</u></b>  N/A
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members to note content of this report and confirm agreement with direction provided at section 3.7 and 3.8 above for the shelter locations as referenced at section 3.1 of this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	<p>Appendix 1 – DFI Roads – Western Division – Local Transport &amp; Safety Measures Bridges and Street Lighting - Draft Programme – 2018 – 2020</p> <p>Appendix 2 – Mid Ulster DC - Bus Shelter Policy</p> <p>Appendix 3 – Please follow link below to Bus Stop Design Guide – Planning NI.</p> <p><a href="https://www.planningni.gov.uk/downloads/busstop-designguide.pdf">https://www.planningni.gov.uk/downloads/busstop-designguide.pdf</a></p>

# **DfI ROADS WESTERN DIVISION**

**Report to  
MID ULSTER DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**LOCAL TRANSPORT & SAFETY MEASURES,  
BRIDGES, AND STREET LIGHTING**

**Draft Programme 2018 - 2020**

**4 December 2017**

*Photo: Castledawson Park and Ride*

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## DRAFT LT&SM PROGRAMME

### Safer Routes to Schools Scheme 2018 – 2020

#### Fountain Road, Cookstown, - Safer Routes to School Scheme

**Location:** U745 Fountain Road

The scheme aims to provide Safe Route to School Signs for the Cookstown Integrated Primary school located on Fountain Road / Clare Lane. It is located in a hollow between two hills on a straight stretch of carriageway and therefore is not very visible for vehicles travelling along the road. This will improve road safety for pedestrians and vehicles.

The scheme cost is estimated to be £10,000.





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### Safer Routes to Schools Scheme 2018 – 2020

#### Tirkane Road, Carntougher, Maghera, - Safer Routes to School Scheme

**Location:** C551 Tirkane Road

The scheme aims to provide Safe Route to School Signs for St Brigids Primary School and Naiscoil Charn Tochair located on the C551 Tirkane Road Maghera. The Naiscoil is located on a tree lined country road at the top of a small hill and therefore is not very visible for vehicles travelling from the country end. This will improve road safety for pedestrians and vehicles.

The scheme cost is estimated to be £10,000.



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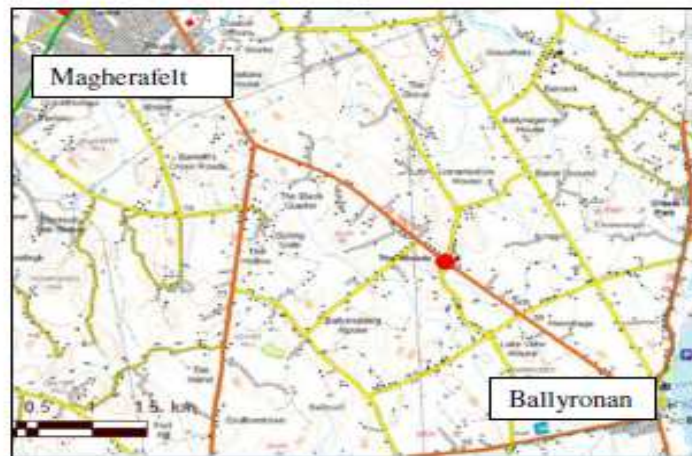
### Safer Routes to Schools Scheme 2018 – 2020

#### Woods Primary School – Temporary 20mph speed limit

**Location:** B160 Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt

The scheme will provide a temporary 20mph speed limit outside the school at certain times of the day. This will improve road safety for pedestrians and vehicles.

The scheme cost is estimated to be £30,000.



## Policy on the Provision of Bus Shelters



### 1.0 Bus Shelters – Mid Ulster District Council

Council is empowered under the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions (NI) Order 1985, with the consent of the department to erect and maintain on any road within the district of the council, shelters for the protection from the weather or persons waiting to enter public service vehicles. Bus shelters are erected following local representations. They are provided, particularly for those who have to use public services who may have to stand out in the inclement weather.

### 1.1 POLICY STATEMENT

Council will erect a bus shelter where there is shown to be a need, providing the location does not present a safety or nuisance problem and adequate funding is available. Relocation of bus shelters should only take place as a result of either road alignment or the bus companies relocating their bus stops. All other cases of relocation should be resisted as long as there is an identified need for the shelter.

### 1.2 CRITERIA FOR THE ERECTION OF A BUS SHELTER

1. Usage must be a minimum of 6 passengers over a period of a day and applications will be considered on a first come, first served basis, with Translink NI confirming this information.
2. The location must be a recognised bus stop.
3. Owners of property immediately adjacent to the bus stop will be consulted on the erection of the shelter, including the type of shelter.
4. At least two thirds of home owners/tenants in the vicinity (50 m radius) must have no objections to the shelter.
5. There should be no Transport NI/PSNI traffic branch objections on traffic grounds.
6. There must be sufficient budgetary provision available to provide the bus shelter.
7. Once refused a request may not be considered for a further 12 month period from the original decision.
8. Form TS/BSRF/01 to be completed and signed off by Head of Service.
9. Bus Shelter request to be approved by Environment Committee.

### 1.3 DESIGN OF BUS SHELTER

The Council endeavour to provide good quality, comfortable bus shelters purchased through Procurement Department. Where appropriate they will endeavour to have bus shelters erected free of charge, other than services by Adshel. Council will consider in conservation areas the erection of shelters above this standard, but the cost of such shelters excluding erection and servicing costs shall not exceed £3000.00.