

<b>Report on</b>	Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working Group minutes of meeting of 24 February 2020
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Tony McCance, Head of Culture & Arts
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<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	X

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To receive and consider for approval the minutes of the Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working Group held on 24 February 2020.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	Mid Ulster District Council previously resolved to establish a Language Working Group to assist with policy development and to support the implementation of Mid Ulster District Council's Irish Language and Ulster Scots language policies and associated work.
2.2	The Working Group Terms of Reference confirms that the business of the Regional and Minority Language Working Group be reported through Mid Ulster District Council's Development Committee.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	The report of the meeting of 24 February 2020 is attached for members' consideration.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: As per approved Council budgets for Regional and Minority Languages
	Human: N/a

	<p>Risk Management: All risks identified and arising from the delivery of the Regional and Minority Language Programme are discussed and addressed through the Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working Group</p>
<b>4.2</b>	<p><b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b></p>
	<p>Equality &amp; Good Relations Implications:</p> <p>The language policies are implemented in a way that is sensitive to the concerns of certain sections of the community, that is inclusive, and that aspires to promote good relations between all sections of the community in the longer term.</p> <p>The language policies are introduced so as to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the promotion of a good and harmonious environment, either among Council staff or within the District as a whole.</p>
	<p>Rural Needs Implications: Rural needs implications are considered as part of the implementation and delivery of the regional and minority language programme of activity</p>
<b>5.0</b>	<p><b>Recommendation(s)</b></p>
5.1	<p>Members are asked to note the minutes of the Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working group of 24 February 2020</p>
<b>6.0</b>	<p><b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b></p>
6.1	<p>Minutes of the Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working Group of 24 February 2020.</p>