Report on	Mid Ulster District Council
Date of Meeting	3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2020
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To inform members of the Department's agreement of our Revised Timetable (August 2020) for the production of the new Local Development Plan (LDP) for Mid Ulster District Council Area.
2.0	Background
2.1	Legislation, namely the Planning (NI) Act 2011, requires the council to produce and review such a timetable when preparing and adopting a LDP. Regulation 7 of the Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 requires that the timetable is approved by resolution of the council prior to submission to the Department for its agreement and submitted to the Department. It also requires the Department to respond within four weeks of receipt of the timetable, unless it has, before the expiry of that period, notified the council that it requires more time to consider the timetable.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The revised timetable (August 2020) was agreed by resolution of the council on 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2020. Is was submitted to the Department on 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2020. The Department responded on 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2020 confirming their agreement of our Revised LDP Timetable (August 2020) – please see attached letter (Appendix A).
3.2	Regulation 8 of the Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 requires that the where a timetable is agreed under regulation 7, the Council must make a copy of the agreed timetable available for inspection during normal offices hours at its principal offices, such other places within its district as it considers appropriate; and give notice by local advertisement that the timetable is available for inspection, the place and times at which it can be inspected; and publish the timetable on its website.
3.3	Consequently, the next step is to make the revised timetable available for inspection in the three principal offices, publish it on our website and give notice by local advertisement that the timetable is available for inspection along with the details as specified by Regulation 8 of the Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015.

4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: N/A
	Human: N/A
	Risk Management: N/A
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications:
	Rural Needs Implications:
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are requested to note the contents of this report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	<ul> <li>Appendix A: Letter outlining the Department's agreement to Mid Ulster District Councils Revised LDP Timetable (August 2020).</li> </ul>

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Your Reference: Our Reference:

18 September 2020

Dear Chris

Mid Ulster District Council - Local Development Plan 2030 - Revised LDP Timetable

Thank you for your correspondence received 11 September 2020 enclosing Mid Ulster District Council's revised Local Development Plan timetable for agreement.

In accordance with Section 7(2) of The Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and regulation 7 of The Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Department hereby agrees the Council's Local Development Plan timetable.

It is noted that the Council has acknowledged a number of factors that could impact upon the timescale for LDP delivery, particularly the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic upon LDP preparation and the Department would encourage the Council to continue to monitor the wider situation in respect of any impact on the LDP programme as a consequence of the current pandemic.

The Council must also be satisfied that any changes made to the timetable are, where necessary, reflected in the Statement of Community Involvement.

You are reminded of the publicity requirements regarding availability of the timetable under regulation 8 of The Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015.

E-mail: planning@infrastructure-ni.gov.uk Website: www.planningni.gov.uk If you have any further queries regarding this matter please do not hesitate to contact myself, Suzanne Bagnall or Claire Patton.

Yours sincerely

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