

<b>Report on</b>	Working Group Meeting Reports – Illumination of Buildings, Civic Recognition and Member Development
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> October, 2020
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	P Moffett, Head of Democratic Services
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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	<p>To receive and consider reports of member led Working Group meetings held in August and September 2020:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting Report of Group on Illumination of Council Properties - 16<sup>th</sup> September</li> <li>• Meeting Reports o Group on Civic Recognition - 25<sup>th</sup> August and 17<sup>th</sup> September</li> <li>• Meeting Report of Elected Member Development Steering Group - 29<sup>th</sup> September</li> </ul>
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	Policy and Resources Committee previously recommended and Council subsequently resolved that working groups of councillors be established to review (i) the policy on The Illumination of Council Properties and (ii) the arrangements for the provision of Civic Recognition.
2.2	<p>The remit of the Working Groups, as detailed within their Terms of Reference, extends to:</p> <p><b>Working Group on Illumination of Council Properties</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review the existing policy and arrangements for lighting up Council buildings</li> <li>• Consider the continuing appropriateness of the existing policy</li> <li>• Reflect on our arrangements for considering/agreeing lighting-up requests</li> <li>• Recommend amendments to existing arrangements to form the basis for a revised policy</li> </ul> <p><b>Working Group on Provision of Civic Recognition</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider continuing appropriateness of the types and forms of recognition provided</li> <li>• Reflect on civic recognition to date since establishment of Mid Ulster Council</li> <li>• Reflect on our arrangements for bringing forward and agreeing recognition</li> <li>• Recommend a model for provision of civic recognition to form basis of revised policy</li> </ul>
2.3	The Working Group Terms of Reference confirms that it shall report to Policy & Resources Committee. The Council also has an Elected Member Development Steering Group which reports to the Policy and Resources Committee.

<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	Meetings of the Working Groups and Elected Member Development Steering Group took place as referenced at 1.1 above took place from 25 August to 29 <sup>th</sup> September. Meeting reports are attached as appendices A to C for consideration.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: not applicable
	Human: not applicable
	Risk Management: not applicable
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: not applicable
	Rural Needs Implications: not applicable
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	That the committee considers and approves the meeting reports of the Working Group on Illumination of Council Properties held on 16 <sup>th</sup> September; the Working Group on Provision of Civic Recognition held on 25 <sup>th</sup> August and 17 <sup>th</sup> September and the Elected Member Development Steering Group held on 29 <sup>th</sup> September.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
	Appendix A - Working Group Meeting Reports: Illumination of Council Properties Appendix B - Working Group Meeting Reports: Provision of Civic Recognition Appendix C - Elected Member Development Steering Group