Report on	Revised Equality Scheme, Draft Disability Action Plan (2021-2026) and Equality Action Plan (2021-2026)
Date of Meeting	4 March 2021
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	The purpose of this report is to make members aware of the outcome of the public consultation outcomes of the consultation held on Mid Ulster District Council Revised Equality Scheme, Draft Disability Action Plan (2021-2026) and Equality Action Plan (2021-2026).
2.0	Background
2.1	The public consultation ran for 13 weeks (from Monday 2 November 2020 to Friday 29 January 2021).
2.2.	The consultation provided respondents with the option of a survey monkey on Mid Ulster District Council's website or by providing any form of written or verbal response in in relation to the Equality Scheme and associated action plans.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The consultation was publicised via numerous communication channels. This included the Council's website, social media platforms and in the council's Community Development newsletter. The information was also sent directly to the organisations included on the council's equality consultee list and to all those organisations on the Council's Community Development database.
3.2	4 consultation responses were received. The responses were provided by; Equality Commission for NI, Mid Ulster Disability Forum, Triangle and a private individual.
3.3	The details of the responses are detailed in Appendix A. It is considered that all the responses were relevant and have the potential to add value to the Equality Scheme and associated action plans.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications

	Financial: N/A
	Human: Officer time
	Risk Management: N/A
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications:
	Rural Needs Implications: Rural Needs Impact Assessment has been completed and is available on request
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	It is recommended that the feedback from respondents be incorporated into the Scheme and associated action plans.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix A: Consultation Responses to Equality Consultation 2021