

<b>Report on</b>	Bus Shelters Update
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
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	No	X

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update Members on the current bus shelter status.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	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.
2.2	Following the bus shelter collaborative workshop held in March 2020, the bus shelter process was discussed and agreed at the Council meeting held on the 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2020. Members are advised in a monthly report of progress made on the various applications that have been lodged with the department.
2.3	Due to the Covid-19 pandemic progress has been delayed with unavailability of staff and priority of workloads within the various departments involved in dealing with the shelter installation. MUDC / DfI Roads have met (through "Microsoft Teams") to discuss a selection of these projects and will continue to carry out similar meetings to progress shelter applications.
2.4	Members to note current Procedural guide approved by Council March 2021 (see appendix 1).
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	The following information headings will be covered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New applications received in the past month (see 3.2)</li> <li>• Progress on stages 2-4 application process (see 3.3)</li> <li>• Request for Council to move from stage 5 (see 3.4)</li> <li>• Progress update on stages 6-9 (see 3.5)</li> <li>• Neighbour Notification summary and detailed analysis (see 3.6)</li> </ul>

- Projects recommended for approval (3.7)
- Projects recommended for rejection (3.8)
- Projects recommended for withdrawal (see 3.9)
- Shelters passed to Property Services for installation (3.10)
- Progress update on stages 10-11 (see 3.11)
- Update on statutory response times in relation to agreement on time related responses for application (see 3.12)
- Other issues (see 3.13)

3.2 **New Applications received in the past month – 0Nr.**

3.3 **Progress on stages 2-4 of the application process – see table 3 in Appendix 2.**

3.4 **Requests for Council to move from stage 5 of the application process – 3Nr applications to move from stage 5.**

<b>Bus Shelter Application</b>	<b>DEA</b>	<b>Numbers Confirmed</b>
3.4.1 Ref. 2023-017 Hillhead Road, Castledawson	Moyola	12nr Translink.
3.4.2 Ref. 2023-018 Crew Road, Maghera	Carntogher	25nr EA.
3.4.3 Ref. 2022-009 Primrose Hill, Clogher	Clogher Valley	6nr passengers EA.

3.5 **Progress update on stages 6-9 – Update on applications below have been discussed with a view to getting approval:**

<b>Reference</b>	<b>DEA</b>	<b>Bus Shelter Location</b>	<b>Notes</b>
3.5.1 <b>2020-006</b>	Torrent	<b>St Colmans Pk, Moortown</b>	With NIHE, awaiting final sign off.
3.5.2 <b>2022-004</b>	Clogher Valley	<b>Derryfubble Road, Benburb</b>	With NIHE for final sign off.
3.5.3 <b>2019-008</b>	Torrent	<b>Eglish View, Ballinderry</b>	DFI Roads currently in negotiation with adjacent landowner to provide Land for new footpath link and Bus shelter provision under Active Travel scheme between Eglish View and Moss Road.
3.5.4 <b>2023-014</b>	Clogher Valley	<b>Findermore Road / Layby, Clogher</b>	DFI Roads visited site. Technical review and assessment required of information. Report for next available Environment Committee.

3.5.5	<b>2023-004</b>	Clogher Valley	<b>Moore Street, Aughnacloy</b>	Site visit required with Translink – possible moving of bus flag. Report to next available Environment Committee.
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3.6 **Summary of Neighbour Notifications - 4Nr Neighbour notification**

3.6.1 • **Ref. 2023-016 Newtownkelly, Coalisland** (Table 7 Appendix 2 – ref. 16)

Shelter Location	Newtownkelly Coalisland
Bus Shelter Requested	06/09/2023
Date Request Validated	07/09/2023
Survey Issued	20/10/2023
Survey Returned By	03/11/2023
Survey Letters Issued (No.)	9
Survey Letters Returned	3
Replies in Favour	0
Replies not in Favour	<b>3</b>
No response	6
Valid Returns	3
Percentage that have objections	100%

In accordance with the Bus Shelter Procedural guide, at least 51% of the addresses surveyed must have no objections to the shelter. NOTE; for the purposes of assessment where 51% (rounded to the nearest whole number) of property addresses that respond indicate that they are not in favour of the erection of a shelter, then the results of the survey will be forwarded to the Environment Committee for information confirming that the shelter will not be approved or erected. The bus shelter at Newtownkelly, Coalisland is **not recommended to be installed** subject to members discussion.

3.6.2 • **Ref. 2023-013 Moygashel Park, Dungannon** (Table 4 Appendix 2 – ref. 14)

Shelter Location	Moygashel Park Dungannon
Bus Shelter Requested	20/09/2023
Date Request Validated	21/09/2023
Survey Issued	16/11/2023
Survey Returned By	01/12/2023
Survey Letters Issued (No.)	8
Survey Letters Returned	2
Replies in Favour	<b>2</b>
Replies not in Favour	0
No response	6

Valid Returns	2
Percentage that have objections	0%

In accordance with the Bus Shelter Procedural guide, at least 51% of the addresses surveyed must have no objections to the shelter. NOTE; for the purposes of assessment where 51% (rounded to the nearest whole number) of property addresses that respond indicate that they are not in favour of the erection of a shelter, then the results of the survey will be forwarded to the Environment Committee for information confirming that the shelter will not be approved or erected. The bus shelter at Moygashel Park, Dungannon is **recommended to be installed** subject to members discussion.

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- **Ref. 2023-015 Knockmany Road, Augher** (Table 4 Appendix 2 – ref. 16)

Shelter Location	Knockmany Road Augher
Bus Shelter Requested	21/09/2023
Date Request Validated	21/09/2023
Survey Issued	16/11/2023
Survey Returned By	01/12/2023
Survey Letters Issued (No.)	1
Survey Letters Returned	0
Replies in Favour	0
Replies not in Favour	0
No response	1
Valid Returns	0
Percentage that have objections	0%

In accordance with the Bus Shelter Procedural guide, at least 51% of the addresses surveyed must have no objections to the shelter. NOTE; for the purposes of assessment where 51% (rounded to the nearest whole number) of property addresses that respond indicate that they are not in favour of the erection of a shelter, then the results of the survey will be forwarded to the Environment Committee for information confirming that the shelter will not be approved or erected. The bus shelter at Knockmany Road, Augher is **recommended to be installed** subject to members discussion.

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- **Ref. 2023-012 Annagher Road, Coalisland** (Table 4 Appendix 2 – ref. 13)

This bus shelter application does not require a neighbour notification as it is more than 25m from any households and is to be placed outside Coalisland Fianna GAC Grounds, who have submitted a letter of approval for this to happen. This bus shelter at Annagher Road, Coalisland is **recommended to be installed** subject to members discussion.

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**Projects recommended for Approval;** - 3Nr application is recommended for approval this month:

Reference	DEA	Bus Shelter Location
2023-013	Dungannon	Moygashel Park, Dungannon
2023-015	Clogher Valley	Knockmany Road, Augher

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3.7.3	2023-012	Torrent	Annagher Road, Coalisland	
3.8	<b>Projects recommended for rejection; - 3Nr application is recommended for rejection this month:</b>			
3.8.1	<b>Reference</b>	<b>DEA</b>	<b>Bus Shelter Location</b>	<b>Notes</b>
	2023-007	Torrent	Platers Hill / Church View, Coalisland	(5<6). Application failed to meet quota as per procedural guide.
3.8.2	2023-008	Torrent	Mourne Crescent, Coalisland	Application rejected based on 50/50 Nearest Neighbour results returned.
3.8.3	2023-010	Torrent	Mourne Avenue, Coalisland	(2<6). Application failed to meet quota as per procedural guide.
3.9	<b>Projects noted below are recommended for withdrawal – 6Nr application is being recommended for withdrawal.</b>			
	An audit review of existing bus shelter applications is currently being undertaken by Officer to progress, close or withdraw outstanding applications.			
3.9.1	<b>Reference</b>	<b>DEA</b>	<b>Bus Shelter Location</b>	<b>Notes</b>
	2016-013	Clogher Valley	Glendavagh Road, Crilly, Aughnacloy	Application withdrawn by applicant.
3.9.2	2021-001	Torrent	Annaghnamore Road, Clonoe	Recommended for withdrawal.
3.9.3	2023-016	Torrent	Newtownkelly, Coalisland	3 objections received and DFI Roads have objected as footpath is not wide enough.
3.9.4	2018-001	Moyola	Broagh Road, Castledawson	Bus route has changed, and new location identified for Bus Shelter. Recommended to withdraw original application.
3.9.5	2016-008	Torrent	Kinrush Rd / Battery Rd Junction, Moortown	Application withdrawn by applicant.
3.9.6	2016-019	Carntogher	Tirkane Road, Maghera	Application withdrawn by applicant.

3.10	Members to Note the following shelters as listed below have obtained the necessary approvals but are still awaiting legal owner consent before being sent to Property Services for installation.		
	<b>Bus Shelter Reference and Location</b>	<b>DEA</b>	<b>Notes</b>
3.10.1	Ref. 2021-003 Reenaderry Road, Washingbay	Torrent	Subject to Landowner agreement
3.10.2	Ref. 2021-002 Coagh Road, Stewartstown	Torrent	Landowner has withdrawn land offer to site. Shelter, final confirmation requested from applicant.
3.10.3	Ref. 2019-008 Eglisk View, Ballinderry	Torrent	Subject to DFI Roads/Landowner approval
3.10.4	Ref. 2020-006 St Colmans Park, Moortown	Torrent	Subject to Legal approval from NIHE
3.10.5	Ref. 2019-002 Derryfubble Road, Benburb	Clogher Valley	Subject to Legal approval from NIHE
3.10.6	Ref. 2019-002 Derryvale, Coalisland	Torrent	Subject to Landowner approval
3.10.7	Ref. 2016-017 Inishrush Village	Moyola	Subject to Landowner approval
3.10.8	Ref. 2023-006 Lineside, Coalisland	Torrent	Subject to Landowner approval
	Members to Note the following Bus shelters as listed below have obtained the necessary approvals and been passed over to Property Services for installation and these are currently being programmed for installation within their current workload. Members seeking information on installation dates etc should direct their queries to <b>Property Services</b> .		
	<b>Reference</b>	<b>DEA</b>	<b>Bus Shelter Location</b>
3.10.9	2023-005	Clogher Valley	B34 Dungannon Road, Cabragh
3.10.10	2022-006	Magherafelt	Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt
3.10.11	2023-001	Moyola	Moydamlaght / Moneyneany Road, Draperstown
3.11	<b>Progress update on stages 10-11</b> – 1nr shelter installed since date of last meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>William Street, Bellaghy</li> </ul>		
3.12	<b>Progress on response times</b> – Agreed response times within 30 days with statutory agencies.		
	<b>Statutory Agencies</b>	<b>Number requests sent</b>	<b>Reply &lt;30 Days</b>
	<b>Translink</b>	0	0
	<b>Education Authority</b>	0	0

	<b>DfI Roads</b>	0	0	0
	<b>NIHE</b>	0	0	0
3.13	<p><b>Interagency Meeting:</b> Statutory update meeting to be held 13 December 2023, with DfI Roads, EA, NIHE, and Translink to discuss new Bus shelter locations, response times and any issues.</p> <p><b>Other issues: None</b></p>			
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>			
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>			
	Financial: Within budget for Technical Services and Property services to action provision / installation costs within their budget.			
	Human: N/A			
	Risk Management: Non-delivery will have adverse impact of users of public transport.			
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>			
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A			
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A			
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>			
5.1	Members to note the content of the report on the progress made on bus shelters within the district.			
5.2	Bus shelter applications listed under <b>3.4</b> is <b>recommended for approval</b> and to <b>move from stage 5:</b>			
5.2.1	<b>3Nr 3.4.1 – 3.4.3</b>			
5.3	Bus shelter applications listed under <b>3.7</b> is <b>recommended for approval to installation this month:</b>			
5.3.1	<b>3Nr 3.7.1 – 3.7.3</b>			
5.4	Bus shelter applications listed under <b>3.8</b> is <b>recommended for rejection this month:</b>			
5.4.1	<b>3Nr 3.8.1 – 3.8.3</b>			

5.5	Bus shelter applications listed under <b>3.9</b> is <b>recommended for withdrawal this month:</b>
5.5.1	<b>6Nr 3.9.1 – 3.9.6</b>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 – March 2021 - Procedural guide
6.2	Appendix 2 – Progress table with comments
6.3	Appendix 3 – Progress Table Summary