

## Appendix 1

### Good Relations October 2023 (Maximum £1,500)

No	Organisation Name	Organisation Aim	Title Of Event/project	Band	Request	Award
1	CannyMan Community Arts	Community	Halloween Extravaganza	3	£1,500	£1,200.00

**Total**

**£1,200.00**

### Ineligible

No	Organisation Name	Organisation Aim	Title Of Event/project	Requested	Comment
1	Monrush Social Society	Community	Halloween Party	£950.00	<i>ineligible rec'd CF April 2023</i>

Bands	Score	%
7	30-39	40%
6	40-49	50%
5	50-59	60%
4	60-69	70%
3	70-79	80%
2	80-89	90%
1	90+	100%

**Individual Sports Awards October 2023 (Maximum £250)**

<b>No</b>	<b>Applicant Name</b>	<b>Sport discipline</b>	<b>Title Of Event/project</b>	<b>Requested</b>	<b>Awarded</b>
1	Malcolm Graham	Clay Target shooting	Home Countries International Tournament HCIT.	£620	£225
2	Linton Selfridge	Clay Target shooting	Home Countries English Sporting International Clay Target Competition	£250	£225
3	Kym Moore	Showjumping	UK Pony Club National Championships	£250	£200
4	Colette Campbell	Indoor Bowls	International event taking place in Birmingham	£320	£200
<b>Total</b>				<b>£1,440</b>	<b>£850</b>

14th April 2023

Dear Adrian,

### Re: Womens Night Safety Charter Northern Ireland

As key stakeholders, Hospitality Ulster and the White Ribbon NI charity have joined forces to adopt the Women's Night Safety Charter (WNSC) and support its rollout in Northern Ireland.

Northern Ireland is a safe place, but research suggests that too many women feel unsafe when travelling, working, or going out at night. The Northern Ireland Executive Office is working with stakeholders to prioritise the safety of women and girls.

First established in London and now operating in several regions across the UK, the WNSC is a commitment by organisations and businesses involved / operating at night to support the campaign to End Violence Against Women and Girls.

After signing up to the charter, organisations and business will be supported with White Ribbon NI's 'Listen, Learn, Lead' toolkit. Which offers simple ideas, inspiration, information, and resources to help organisations and businesses meet the charter's seven simple pledges. It advises on possible courses of action, some changes that may need to be made and how organisations can upskill their staff.

The rollout of the WNSC in Northern Ireland is supported by the Executive Office's Ending Violence Against Women & Girls (EVAWG) team and PSNI, with key stakeholders including Tourism NI and Translink having already signed the charter.

Before we begin the roll out of the WNSC to businesses, we are asking key stakeholders, including all Local Authorities in Northern Ireland to sign the Womens Night Safety Charter and its seven pledges (below).

The WNSC forms part of a wider Safer Socialising initiative led by the industry and supported by PSNI. To oversee these initiatives, we plan to establish a Steering Group with representation from key stakeholders including a nominated representative from SOLICE to represent Local Authorities in Northern Ireland.

I therefore invite Mid Ulster Council to support the safety of woman at night in Northern Ireland by signing the Womens Night Safety Charter and adding your logo to the Stakeholder section on the Charter.

The Charter Pledges:

- Nominate a champion in your organisation / business who actively promotes women's night safety
- Demonstrate to staff and customers that your organisation takes women's safety at night seriously, for example through a communications campaign

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- Remind customers and staff that Northern Ireland is safe, but tell them what to do if they experience harassment when working, going out or travelling
- Encourage reporting by victims and bystanders as part of your communications campaign
- Train staff to ensure that all women who report are believed
- Train staff to ensure that all reports are recorded and responded to
- Design your public spaces and workplaces to make them safer for women at night

I look forward to welcoming you as a signatory to the Womens Night Safety Charter NI, working to ensure all women and girls feel safe at night.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Neill', written in a cursive style.

Colin Neill, CEO Hospitality Ulster

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**Minutes of Mid Ulster Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting held on Monday  
26 June 2023 in Council Chamber, Dungannon and via MS Teams at 2.30pm**

**Present:** Councillor Sean McPeake (Chair), Councillor Eva Cahoon, Councillor Eimear Carney, Councillor Clement Cuthbertson, Councillor Anne Forde, Councillor Denise Johnston, Councillor Cathal Mallaghan, Councillor Brian McGuigan, Councillor Deirdre Varsani

Alexandra Black (Vice Chair), Sue Chada, Grace Meerbeek, Julie McKeown, Ciaran McElhone

Martin Corr (NIFRS), Sharon Crooks (NIHE), Chief Inspector Michael McDonald (PSNI), Sinead Taylor (SH&SCT)

**Apologies:** Councillor John McNamee, Annette McGahan (PCSP Officer)

**In Attendance:** Michael McCrory (PCSP Manager), Shauna McCloskey (PCSP Officer), Martina McCullagh (PCSP Assistant)

The Meeting commenced at 2.30pm

**PCSP267/23 WELCOME**

The Chair, Councillor McPeake welcomed all to the meeting followed by introductions. The Vice Chair Alexandra Black, congratulated Councillor McPeake on his appointment as PCSP Chair.

**PCSP268/23 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Members were reminded of their obligation in relation to declarations of interest.

**PCSP269/23 MINUTES OF MID ULSTER POLICING & COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8 MARCH 2023**

The Minutes of Mid Ulster Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting held on Wednesday 8 March 2023 were approved by Members.

**Proposed by:** Councillor Clement Cuthbertson

**Seconded by:** Councillor Sean McPeake

**PCSP270/23 MATTERS ARISING – PCSP261/23 – Public Spaces CCTV Report**

In response to a question from Councillor Cuthbertson in relation to the procurement of CCTV for Moy, the PCSP Manager advised that the CCTV Tender is due to close shortly, it will then be evaluated, and the contract awarded. It is hoped to have the system installed in Moy within the next 2 to 3 months, allowing for any delays including electricity connections. The Moy CCTV will be linked into the overall CCTV System.

## **PCSP271/23 FUNDING**

The PCSP Manager referred Members to the Funding Communique issued by the Joint Committee which states that the PCSP budget has been protected for 2023/2024. Meeting expenses paid to Members has been reviewed by the Joint Committee and unfortunately has been reduced to £12,500 a reduction of £5,500 for 2023/2024. Therefore, it is proposed to hold PCSP meetings and Policing Committee meetings on the same day, back-to-back, which will in turn free up both time and meeting expense funding available to allow Members to attend other PCSP events and projects throughout the year.

It is also proposed to reduce the number of Thematic Sub Group meetings; *Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)*; *Night Time Economy (NTE)* and *Vulnerable Victims of Crime (VVC)* from 4 to 3 each per year. If a need arises additional meetings can be arranged if requested by Members. This measure will also assist in ensuring Members expenses are kept within budget limits.

## **PCSP272/23 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – BEAM CREATIVE NETWORK e- safety Programme for Primary Schools**

Shauna McCloskey, PCSP Officer referred Members to the Expression of Interest submitted by Beam Creative Network for their e-Safety Programme for Primary Schools for which approval was sought. This programme has run for several years, the target audience is Key Stage 2 children primary 6 and 7. The Programme will be delivered to 15 Primary Schools across the district, each workshop involves using drama techniques and strategies to engage the children and give them coping mechanism which will keep them safe along with teaching them how to recognise and respond to situations relating e-safety.

Members commented as follows;

Councillor Cuthbertson sought assurance that schools are being rotated to ensure as many primary schools as possible can avail of the programme.

Councillor Varsani asked if would be worthwhile having a discussion with Beam Creative Network regarding the provision of this programme in a format which could be purchased by Primary Schools and delivered in-house, therefore reaching more Key Stage 2 children.

Alexandra Black, Vice Chair stated that a lot of issues within primary schools were highlighted at a recent Neighbourhood Watch event and she was very supportive of this programme. Concerns around vaping amongst primary school children was also highlighted.

The PCSP Manager proposed that Members consider the Expression of Interest submitted by Beam Creative Network. He advised that all available internet safety videos and booklets can be shared with primary schools and advice will be taken from the Neighbourhood Policing Teams and schools' officers in relation to any other prevalent issues and what resources would

be of benefit to schools, details of which will be brought back to the PCSP for consideration. Videos and booklets will be shared with Members.

In response to a question from Grace Meerbeek in relation to the sale of vaping products to under 16s and the current laws, the PCSP Manager advised that this will be checked with Environmental Health and a response circulated.

In response to a question raised by Grace Meerbeek in relation to existing videos which deal with 'sexting', the PCSP Manager advised that any material already available will be further investigated and utilised where possible.

Members were happy to approve the Expression of Interest submitted by Beam Creative Network, e-safety programme for primary schools.

**Proposed by:** Councillor Brian McGuigan

**Seconded by:** Councillor Deirdre Varsani

### **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – CAUSEWAY & MID ULSTER WOMEN'S AID – Domestic Violence effects on children – training for teachers**

Shauna McCloskey, PCSP Officer sought approval for the Expression of Interest submitted by Causeway & Mid Ulster Women's Aid in respect of Domestic Violence effects on children, training for teachers. This is new training, the need has arisen following the roll out of 'Op Encompass' by the PSNI. Several teachers from Post Primary schools have requested training to better equip themselves to assist and support children who have witnessed domestic violence in their home and their school has been made aware of this through 'Op Encompass'.

Members were happy to approve the Expression of Interest submitted by Causeway & Mid Ulster Women's Aid, Domestic Violence effects on children training for teachers.

**Proposed by:** Councillor Eimear Carney

**Seconded by:** Councillor Deirdre Varsani

### **PCSP273/23 ANNUAL REPORT 2022/2023**

The PCSP Manager advised Members that PCSP are obliged by the Joint Committee to produce an Annual Report by 30 June each year. The annual accounts are being compiled by the NIPB to be signed off by the Chief Executive of Mid Ulster District Council. This will be included in an amended annual report and issued to members at the next meeting.

Members were happy to approve the Annual Report 2022/2023.

**Proposed by:** Councillor Clement Cuthbertson

**Seconded by:** Councillor Brian McGuigan

## **PCSP274/23 PROJECTS UPDATE**

The PCSP Manager provided Members with a brief update on *SP1 – PCSP Awareness and Engagements; SP3 – Indicators, How much, How well did we do, and Is anyone better off; Anti-Social Behaviour projects; Night Time Economy projects. Shauna McCloskey, PCSP Officer provided an update on Vulnerable Victims of Crime projects.*

Members commented as follows;

In response to a question from Councillor McGuigan regarding projects taking place during the summer months to combat asb, the PCSP Manager advised that EA Youth have received confirmation that their funding has not been reduced, which means they are able to roll out their full range of intervention programmes during the summer months. Partnership work is ongoing with EA Youth, PSNI and local Youth Clubs in relation to engagement with young people. This includes the introduction of 'Friday late night' engagement to divert young people from certain areas across the district, Draperstown being one of the areas. Discussions have also taken place with EA Youth regarding interventions on a rolling basis to react to incidents of asb across the district, which would be over and above their current intervention schemes. It is hoped this will commence in September 2023.

Councillor McGuigan raised concerns about the dangers associated with cars doing 'do-nuts' / diffing which is happening across the district and stressed the need for a focused effort to combat this activity.

Councillor Carney raised serious concerns about cars doing 'do-nuts' / diffing along a stretch of the Mountjoy Road, Brockagh on a nightly basis which is affecting the health and wellbeing of residents in the area. Councillor Carney asked if this area could be included in regular Police patrols.

## **PCSP275/23 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Life After Support Group**

The PCSP Manager referred to 'Life After Support Group', a charity organisation which provides counselling to bereaved relatives of fatal road traffic collisions. Permission was sought from Members to invite 'Life After Support Group' to future PCSP road safety events, all Members were in agreement.

### **Litter being thrown from cars – who can issue fines**

In response to a question from Councillor Varsani regarding the amount of litter thrown from cars along our roads and if An Garda Síochána's remit involves issuing fines for littering, the PCSP Manager advised that when someone is caught littering in Mid Ulster district, Environmental Health issue fines. Regarding littering laws and who can issue fines in the Republic of Ireland, this will be checked, and findings will be circulated to Members.



Chief Inspector McDonald advised Members if an incident of 'fly tipping' is reported to Police all details are forwarded to the relevant environmental agency. If someone throws litter out of a car and puts other road users in danger, this needs to be reported to Police for further investigation, if proven the individual will be prosecuted. He advised if a particular area is identified with an issue of 'fly tipping', the Neighbourhood Policing Team will open a 'Problem Solving' folder as this type of issue can lead to other anti-social behaviour issues.

### **Congratulations**

Alexandra Black, Vice Chair congratulated the out-going PCSP Chair Councillor Dominic Molloy on his appointment as Chair of Mid Ulster District Council and also congratulated Councillor Anne Forde on being awarded a British Empire Medal (BEM).

### **Date of Next Meeting**

The next PCSP meeting will take place on Wednesday 6 September 2023 in Council Chamber, Dungannon and via MS Teams at 2.30pm.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending today's meeting.

The meeting ended at 3.25pm.