



04 December 2023

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Environment Committee to be held in The Chamber, Cookstown and by virtual means at on Monday, 04 December 2023 at 19:00 to transact the business noted below.

A link to join the meeting through the Council's remote meeting platform will follow.

Yours faithfully

Adrian McCreesh  
Chief Executive

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## AGENDA

### OPEN BUSINESS

1. Notice of Recording  
This meeting will be webcast for live and subsequent broadcast on the Council's You Tube site [Live Broadcast Link](#)
2. Apologies
3. Declarations of Interest  
Members should declare any financial and non-financial interests they have in the items of business for consideration, identifying the relevant agenda item and the nature of their interest.
4. Chair's Business

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Matters for Decision

15. Workwear and PPE Public Framework

Matters for Information

16. Confidential Minutes of Environment Committee held on 14 November 2023
17. Capital Framework – ICT Contracts Update
18. Capital Framework – IST Contracts Update
19. Capital Projects – Scoping Contracts Update

<b>Report on</b>	Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful (KNIB) Support for 2024/25
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	4th December 2023
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
<b>Contact Officers</b>	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director, Environmental Services

<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b> If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	Yes	
	No	X

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To seek approval to continue providing financial support to Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	Mid Ulster Council has provided financial support to Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful (KNIB) since 2015 to deliver two key initiatives; namely the Eco Schools Programme and Live Here Love Here Small Grants Scheme to local schools and communities.
2.2	Eco-Schools approaches its 30 <sup>th</sup> anniversary and Live Here Love Here approaches its 10 <sup>th</sup> anniversary next year (both in 2024) and both of these initiatives have contributed significantly to improvements in environmental education and change within the district.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	A letter has been received from the Chief Executive of Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful (copy attached) requesting that the Council maintain its' current level of financial support to the organisation in the next financial year (2024/25) as detailed below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Live Here Love Here (Small Grants Scheme) - £21,000</li> <li>• Eco-Schools Programme- £2,975</li> </ul>
3.2	The Council also works closely with KNIB on a number of environmental initiatives including the annual Big Spring Clean, Adopt a Spot scheme and Green Flag awards. A community impact card for the Mid Ulster district is included as an appendix to this report.
3.3	It has also been recently announced that KNIB will be assuming responsibility for the NI Best Kept Awards Competition from the NI Amenity Council which the Council also actively promotes and participates in every year (under the Eco Communities banner).
3.4	KNIB also recently outlined a number of significant and future developments to a meeting of the NI Technical Advisors Group on 10th November (copy of presentation attached)
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: The total cost of £23,975 can be met from Environmental Services revenue budget.

	Human: Officer time in co-ordinating Eco Schools and Live Here Love Here Small Grants Scheme
	Risk Management: None
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	It is recommended that approval is granted to continue providing financial support to Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful (KNIB) for delivery of the Eco Schools Programme and Live Here Love Here Small Grants Scheme in 2024/25 at a total cost of £23,975.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Letter from KNIB dated 27th October 2023
6.2	Mid Ulster Community (Journey to Net Zero) Impact Card
6.3	KNIB presentation to NITAG on 10th November 2023



27<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Adrian

I am writing to you today to give you an update on the Live Here Love Here campaign and outline how we can work together in the years ahead. I am delighted that your council has played such an important role in helping this campaign grow and achieve amazing results for the local council area. This success is a testament to your officers and the leadership shown by this council in working so closely with us. Together, we have been able to make huge strides in protecting our environment and building resilience in communities that are facing increasing pressures.

Even in a tough financial year, Live Here Love Here has been able to grow and achieve impressive results, benefitting the local economy and ratepayers. We are the main behaviour change campaign in Northern Ireland that focuses on changes that will benefit council resources when it comes to waste management and littering.

The positive financial impact of Live Here Love Here and Eco-Schools is inarguable. **Last year (2022/2023) your council invested £21,000 in Live Here Love Here and £2,975 in Eco-Schools, which allowed us to attract a further £283,462 of investment into the local area: that's a return of £11.82 for every £1 you invested! And of course, that extra money is largely spent supporting your local businesses.**

**In the next financial year (2024/2025), we are asking for the Live Here Love Here budget to remain at £21,000 and for Eco-Schools to at least remain at £2,975 (there is a higher level of support offered).** We appreciate that budgets at the local government level remain under pressure and that is why, despite the inflationary pressures, **for the tenth year in a row, we are not asking for any increase in financial support for Live Here Love Here.** The money you do invest will be used to support local community groups, businesses and the wider economy.

Using our collaborative approach, we will be able to make the money you invest go further by working with other funders and stakeholders. I am determined that Live Here Love Here will continue to evolve and remain relevant in supporting communities at a time of great need.

Working together, we have come a considerable distance in making a difference. As Eco-Schools approaches its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary and Live Here Love Here approaches its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary (both in 2024), let's continue

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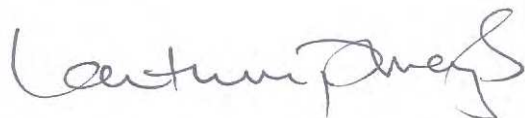
working together to make sure we achieve even bigger results in the next decade.

Both of these programmes are in the business of long-term change that can deliver real results, and now is the time to build on the progress to date. Live Here Love Here and Eco-Schools are already at the heart of so many parts of this council area and we want to go further.

I hope that you can agree to maintain the budget requested for Live Here Love Here and Eco-Schools and approve this request. Your support and the work of your team has been critical in allowing us to achieve these results. **I have attached an impact card to this letter** so you can see what we have achieved over the past year in your council area. An investment in these two programmes is an investment in the future and the well-being of everyone.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and if you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me. In the meantime, can I finally just thank you and your officers for their support over the past year.

Yours sincerely,



Ian Humphreys

# Supporting your community journey to Net Zero

## Sandholes Community Group: Biodiversity Recovery and Climate Action

The local community have benefited from gaining a greater understanding for the need to plant pollinator friendly plants in their own gardens and local amenity areas. The raised planters, with the pollinator friendly plants in them, gave a lovely colourful display around the village.

It was marvellous to witness the bees and butterflies attracted to the plants. Herbs were planted so that the local community would gain a greater understanding of the health benefits of growing and using herbs in their diets.



## Live Here Love Here Small Grants Scheme



**8** projects delivered **£10,500** amount awarded by the Council

## School Pollinator Grants



**30** projects delivered **£229,704** amount awarded

SDGs supported by the Council

## By Numbers...



**103** Adopt A Spot groups and 1,230 volunteers supported



**12** Live Here Love Here Community Support Events



**8** Green Flag Parks and Open Spaces



**38** groups supported across grants **67%** prompted awareness of LHLH campaign

**85** Litter surveys undertaken



**35** Awards presented to well-managed beaches, parks, schools and stations

## Eco-Schools



**47** Green Flag Eco-Schools



**20** School support visits and events



**9,936** Young people engaged in Eco-Schools

## NI Media Reach and Value

**2,544,880**  
**£571,203**



**1,049,740**  
**£147,257**



## Bottom Line

**£21,000** Live Here Love Here investment by Council

**£5,998** LHLH funds invested from other partners

**£2,975** Eco-Schools investment

**£283,462** Total additional funds invested in Council area

**£11.82** return on every £1 invested by the Council

Reporting Period – 1st April 2022- 31st March 2023.

## Find out more

Check out projects supported by Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful in your Council area.



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Comhairle Ceantair  
**Lár Uladh**  
**Mid Ulster**  
District Council

A photograph of two puffins on a rocky outcrop. The puffin on the left is sitting and looking towards the right. The puffin on the right is standing and looking towards the left. Both have white bodies, dark wings, and large, colorful bills. The background is a blurred sea.

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**The Big 'C'**



## Our Values

***Collaboration*** - Achieving our mission is only possible by working with others.

***Integrity*** - We are open and honest with ourselves and others. We rely on science to guide our work.

***Positivity*** - We share hope even in the face of major challenges.

***Innovation*** - We are ready to challenge the status quo and look for bold solutions.

***Environmental Stewardship*** - We are working towards net-zero.

# Our Partnerships - Local & Global...

Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful works with a broad range of local and international partner organisations, including all 11 Local Authorities in Northern Ireland:



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Making a difference since 1946



# Strategic Plan 2020-2025

## Three key pillars:

Climate Action  
Biodiversity Recovery  
Pollution Solutions



How we will help  
deliver real change

**01 EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES**

We will connect with and inspire the people of Northern Ireland to improve where they live

**02 ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE**

We will improve the quality of the environment

**03 ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION**

We will improve opportunities for young people to take action on the environment

**04 ADVOCACY**

We will influence the policies and behaviours in all sectors to protect our environment

**05 KNOWLEDGE AND IMPACT**

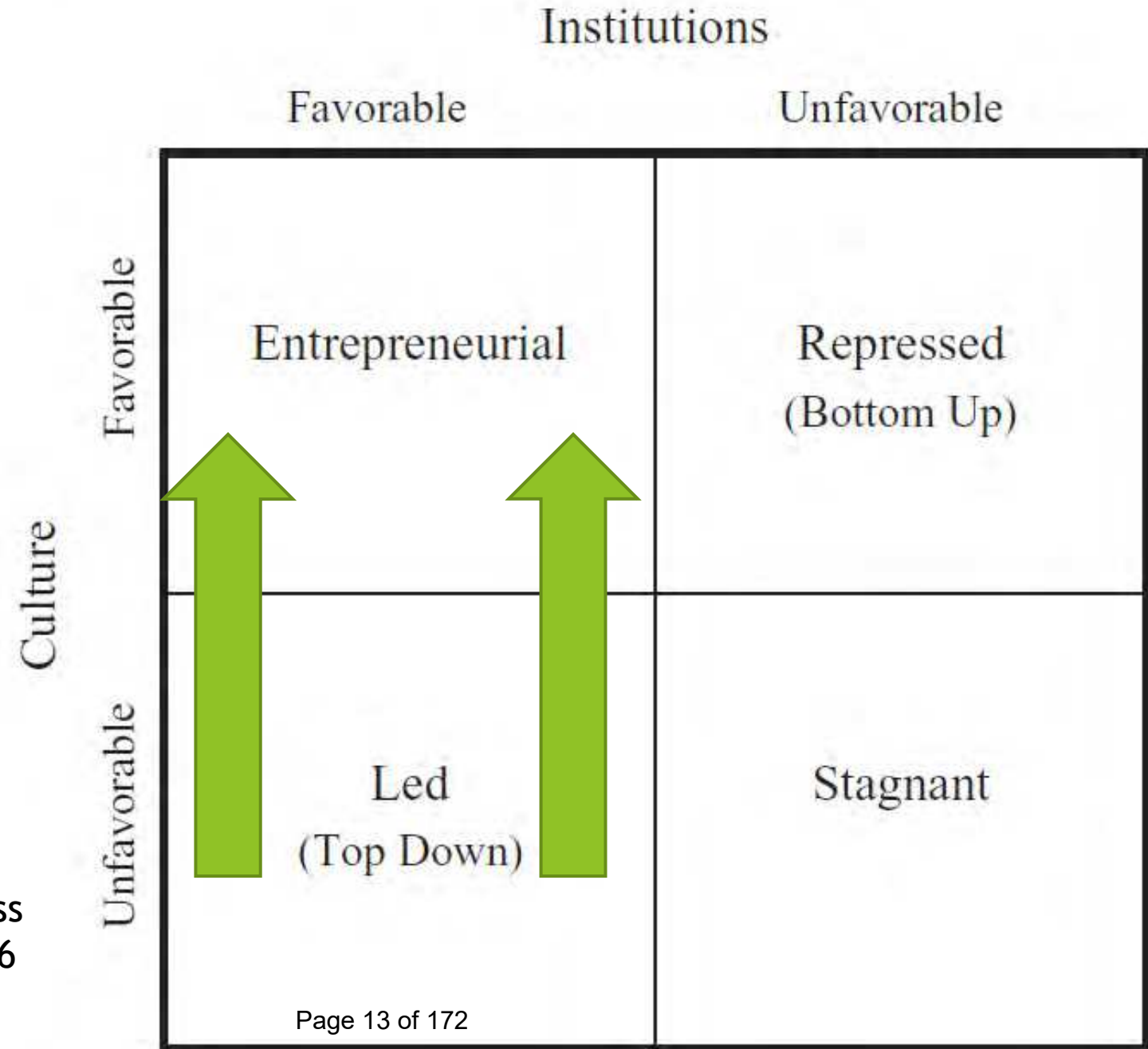
We will measure and demonstrate the impact of our work

**06 COMMUNICATIONS**

We will effectively communicate our work to current and future stakeholders

**07 INTERNAL PROCESSES**

We will ensure effective and efficient delivery of all work



W.J. Dennis Jr, J of Small Business Management 2011 49(1) pp92-106



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Are you sick of  
wasteful fashion?

**DROP**  
off your pre-loved  
clothes here  
14-27 MARCH

**SHOP**  
for great pre-loved  
fashion with HARU  
ON 9TH APRIL

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Make your Plastic  
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What's  
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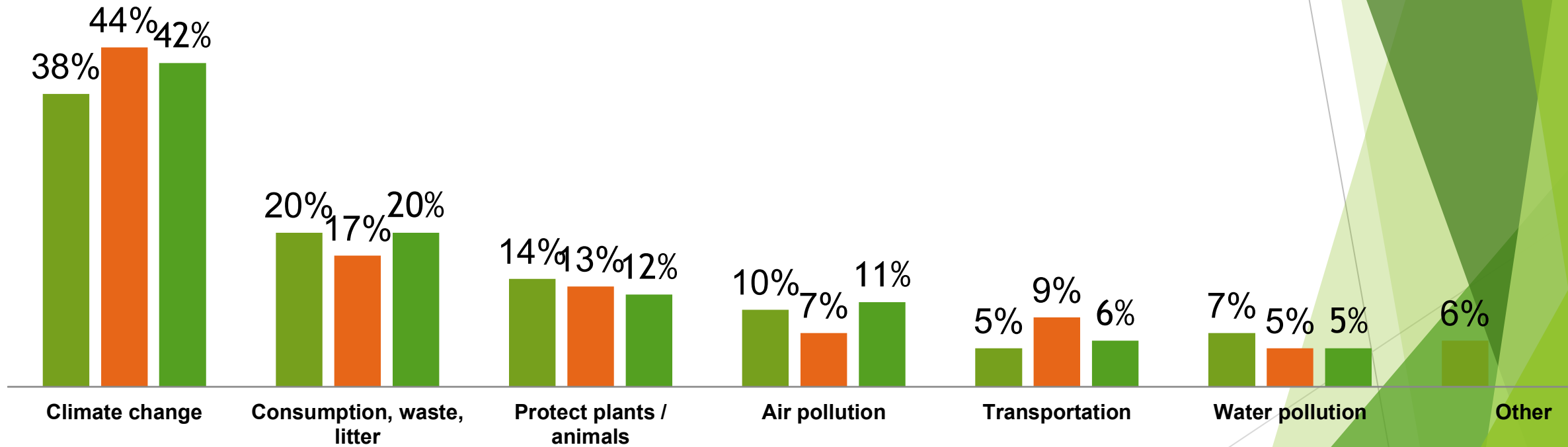
Never put  
unwanted clothes  
in your bin.

**FASHION  
FOREVER**

1 important thing

# Main thing that you want the government to prioritise

■ Feb-22      ■ Feb-21      ■ Apr-20



What do you want the government to prioritise?

Base: all respondents (n=1000)



# 2 anniversaries

10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2024



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Executive**



30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2024

Three generations...



# 3 significant developments

# Significant Developments # 1

- ▶ **Eco-Communities  
& Best Kept**
- ▶ A collaboration  
with



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**BEST KEPT AWARDS**

*Administered by Northern Ireland Amenity Council.*

# Significant Developments # 2



- ▶ A collaboration with



# Significant Developments # 3

- ▶ EE 30 Under 30 Environmental Leadership & Awards Programme
- ▶ A collaboration between KNIB &



# Northern Ireland **CLIMATE** Change-Makers



# 4 opportunities to collaborate further



# Opportunities to work together x 4



UNITED NATIONS DECADE ON  
**ECOSYSTEM  
RESTORATION**  
2021-2030



**Greening  
Education  
Partnership**

Extended Producer Responsibility

Deposit Return Scheme

# Extended Producer Responsibility

EPR for packaging fees deferred (again!) for another year.  
EPR for bins only. Litter currently excluded in England and NI (Scotland and Wales plan to retain EPR for litter).  
Much needed money lost to Councils.  
Exclusion of other Duty Bodies

# Deposit Return Scheme

The UK authorities have announced the introduction of a deposit return scheme (DRS) for England, Wales and Northern Ireland to commence on 1 October 2025.

# Getting every learner climate-ready

## 1 GREENING SCHOOLS

### Vision

From early childhood through adult education, work to ensure that all schools achieve green school accreditation, including teacher training and higher education institutions.

### Goal

All countries will have adopted a green school accreditation scheme with at least 50% schools, colleges, and universities with green accreditation and are operating sustainably.



## 2 GREENING LEARNING

### Vision

Embrace a life-long learning approach that integrates climate education into school curricula, technical and vocational education and training, workplace skills development, teaching materials, pedagogy, and assessment.

### Goal

The number of countries which include climate education in school curricula at the pre-primary, primary, and secondary levels will have at least doubled from the current ~45%.



## 3 GREENING CAPACITY & READINESS

### Vision

Support teachers and policy makers through the integration of climate education in pre-service and in-service teacher training, building the capacity of school leaders and key education stakeholders.

### Goal

All school leaders and at least 1 teacher per school will have been trained on how to integrate climate education into teaching and learning throughout the school.



## 4 GREENING COMMUNITIES

### Vision

Engage the entire community by integrating climate education in life-long learning, in particular through community learning centres and learning cities.

### Goal

All countries will be able to report at least 3 different ways learning opportunities are made available for adults outside the formal education system to develop the skills, attitudes, and actions that will foster community resilience to tackle climate change.



# PREVENTING, HALTING AND REVERSING LOSS OF NATURE

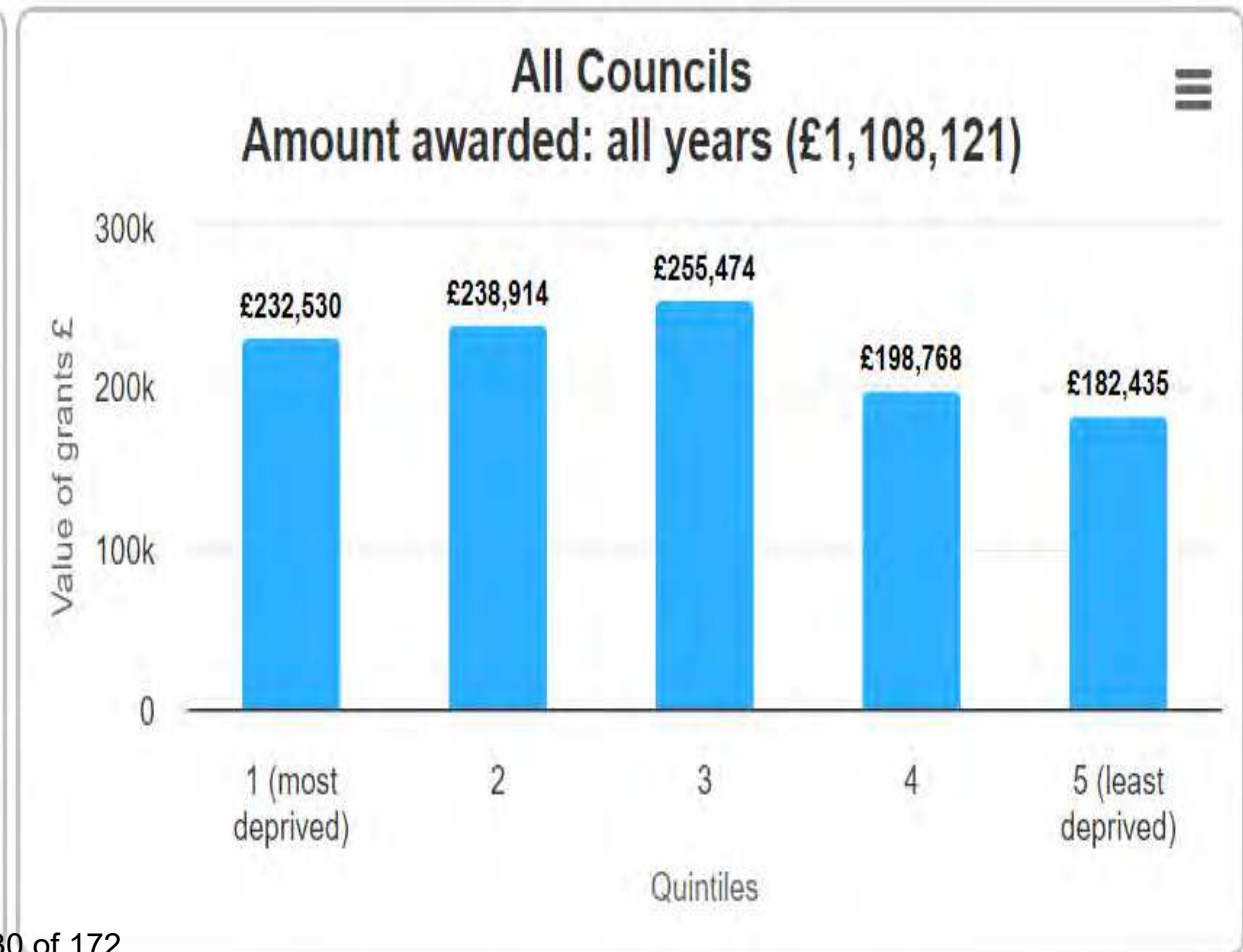
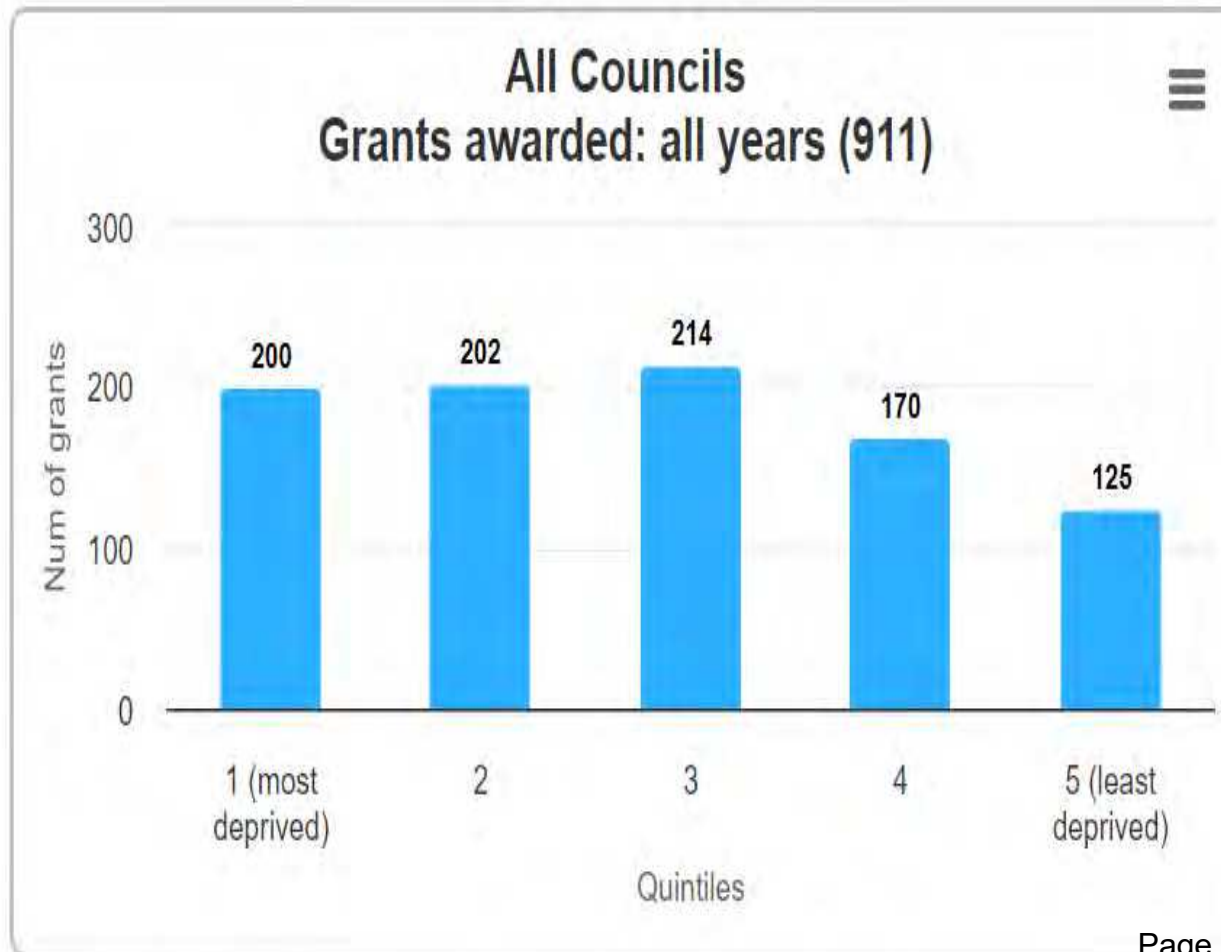
We need to restore our ecosystems now – for climate, nature and people

- ▶ NI 12<sup>th</sup> worst in report on loss of biodiversity globally
- ▶ 12 million items of litter on our roads at all times
- ▶ Vaping products are now on a par with coffee cups and food waste, contributing c2% of litter
- ▶ And a predicted 1,194,692 cigarette butts are littered throughout communities in Northern Ireland, accounting for 10% of overall litter.
- ▶ Marine litter made up of over 80% plastic items

# 5 Impacts

# Impacting Equity: Helping those most in need

Tables 1 and 2. Live Here Love Here Small Grant Distribution 2018-2023: Grants vs indices of multiple deprivation split into quintiles across the 890 Super Output Areas.



# Education Impact: Helping the next generation

216 Green Flags awarded in June 2023 at  
8 Green Flag Award ceremonies meaning...

**369 schools in NI hold an active Green Flag  
= 34% of all schools in NI**

## Targets

- **Our Strategy Target is 50% by 2025**
- **NI Environment Strategy Target is 50% by 2025**
- **UNESCO Greening Education Partnership Target is 50% globally by 2030**

# Youth Impact: Helping the next generation

91 schools registered to participate in the Litter Less Campaign

109 Wheelie Big Challenge Workshops delivered

30 Coastal Schools Workshops

51 Fast Fashion Workshops

10 Climate Campaigning workshops

23 schools across NI received biodiversity gardens and accompanying workshops

290 schools (27%) were awarded

**School Pollinator Grants of up to £12k each**

30 Under 30 Climate Change Makers initiated in 2022/23





# Community Impact: Live Here Love Here

- ▶ 65% of the NI population are aware of Live Here Love Here
- ▶ c1000 Adopt A Spot Volunteer Groups are supported with >100,000 volunteers supported through Live Here Love Here since 2014
- ▶ £ms additional grant funding secured and deployed to groups and schools in local council areas

# Community Impact: Community Green Flag Award



## Education Impact: Qualifications



### **OCNNI Level 2 Certificate in Reducing Carbon Footprints through Environmental Action**

- 1. Reducing Carbon Footprints through Environmental Action**
- 2. OCNNI Level 2 Award in Biodiversity Recovery**
- 3. OCNNI Level 2 Award in Climate Campaigning**
- 4. OCNNI Level 2 Award in Tackling Single Use Plastic Waste**
- 5. OCNNI Level 2 Award in Tackling Fast Fashion**



Education Impact:  
Qualifications



# Carbon Literacy

# Programmes



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Carbon Literacy  
Project



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**Carbon Literacy:** “An awareness of the CO<sub>2</sub> costs and impacts of everyday activities, and the ability and motivation to reduce emissions, on an individual, community and organisational basis.”

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Carbon Literacy for Teachers & pupils

Carbon Literacy for Farmers (in development)

Carbon Literacy for Youth leaders & groups

Carbon Literacy for Businesses

Carbon Literacy for University staff & students

Carbon Literacy for Community Leaders

Carbon Literacy for Government



**Thank You &  
Questions!**

<b>Report on</b>	Bus Shelters Update		
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2023		
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Raymond Lowry- Head of Technical Services		
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Johnny McNeill – Capital Development Manager		
<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	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	<p>The following information headings will be covered:</p> <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> <li>• Projects recommended for approval (3.7)</li> <li>• Projects recommended for rejection (3.8)</li> <li>• Projects recommended for withdrawal (see 3.9)</li> <li>• Shelters passed to Property Services for installation (3.10)</li> <li>• Progress update on stages 10-11 (see 3.11)</li> <li>• Update on statutory response times in relation to agreement on time related responses for application (see 3.12)</li> <li>• Other issues (see 3.13)</li> </ul>
3.2	<p><b>New Applications received in the past month</b> – 2Nr new application received in the past month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hillhead Road, Castledawson</li> <li>• Crew Road, Maghera</li> </ul>
3.3	<p><b>Progress on stages 2-4 of the application process</b> – see table in Appendix 1.</p>
3.4	<p><b>Requests for Council to move from stage 5 of the application process</b> – 4Nr applications to move from stage 5.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Altaglushan / Reclaim Road, Galbally – 8Nr passengers</li> <li>• Pomeroy Road, Donaghmore – 27Nr passengers</li> <li>• Knockmany Crossroads, Augher – 12Nr passengers</li> <li>• Newtownkelly, Coalisland – 20 passengers</li> </ul>
3.5	<p><b>Progress update on stages 6-9</b> – Update on applications below have been discussed with a view to getting approval:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NIHE- St Colmans Pk, Moortown, approved by MUDC, and sent to NIHE, awaiting final sign off.</li> <li>• NIHE- Derryfubble Road, Benburb, to be approved by MUDC, and sent to NIHE for final sign off.</li> <li>• Eglish View, Ballinderry, - 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.</li> <li>• Findermore Road / Layby, Clogher – DFI Roads visited site. Technical review and assessment required of information. Report to be brought to next available Environment Committee</li> <li>• Main Street, Aughnacloy - Alternative location currently being assessed. Report to be brought to next available Environment Committee</li> </ul>



3.6

**Summary of Neighbour Notifications- 3Nr Neighbour notification**

- **Moydamlaght / Moneyneany Road, Draperstown** (see Table 4 Appendix 2 – reference 22) Neighbour notification completed.

Shelter Location	Moydamlaght / Moneyneena Rd
Bus Shelter Requested	02/05/2023
Date Request Validated	04/05/2023
Survey Issued	26/09/2023
Survey Returned By	12/10/2023
Survey Letters Issued (No.)	5
Survey Letters Returned	3 (within timeframe)
Replies in Favour	3
Replies not in Favour	0
No response	2
Valid Returns	3
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 Moydamlaght / Moneyneany Road, Draperstown is **recommended to be installed** subject to members discussion.

- **Lineside, Coalisland** (see Table 4 Appendix 2 – reference 13) Neighbour notification completed.

Shelter Location	Lineside Coalisland
Bus Shelter Requested	25/08/2023
Date Request Validated	29/08/2023
Survey Issued	13/09/2023
Survey Returned By	12/10/2023
Survey Letters Issued (No.)	22
Survey Letters Returned	0
Replies in Favour	0
Replies not in Favour	0
No response	22
Valid Returns	0
Percentage that have objections	0%

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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 Lineside, Coalisland is **recommended to be installed** subject to owner of No.1 Lineside approval and members discussion.

- **Mourne Crescent, Coalisland** (see Table 4 Appendix 2 – reference 14) Neighbour notification completed.

Shelter Location	Mourne Crescent 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	2
Replies in Favour	1
Replies not in Favour	1
No response	7
Valid Returns	2
Percentage that have objections	50%

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 Mourne Crescent, Coalisland is **not recommended to be installed** subject to property owner No.36 Mourne Avenue's approval and members discussion.

3.7 **Projects recommended for Approval;** - 2Nr application is recommended for approval this month:

- Moydamlaght / Moneyneany Road, Draperstown
- Lineside, Coalisland

3.8 **Projects recommended for rejection;** - 3Nr application is recommended for rejection this month:

- Platers Hill / Church View, Coalisland – does not have 6 passengers or more.
- Mourne Avenue, Coalisland – does not have 6 passengers or more.
- Mourne Crescent, Coalisland

3.9 **Projects noted below are recommended for withdrawal** – 0Nr application is being recommended for withdrawal.

3.10 Members to Note the following 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 **Property Services**.

- **William Street Bellaghy**

Members to Note the following shelters as listed below have obtained the necessary approvals but are still awaiting legal owner consent before install can commence.

- **Reenaderry Road, Washingbay** – Subject to Landowner agreement
- **Coagh Road, Stewartstown** – Landowner has withdrawn land offer to site Shelter, final confirmation requested from applicant
- **Eglish View, Ballinderry** - Subject to DFI Roads/Landowner approval
- **St Colmans Park, Moortown** – Subject to Legal approval from NIHE
- **Derryfubble Road, Benburb** - Subject to Legal approval from NIHE
- **Derryvale, Coalisland** – Subject to Landowner approval
- **Inishrush Village** – Subject to Landowner approval
- **Lineside, Coalisland** - Subject to Landowner approval

3.11 **Progress update on stages 10-11** – 0nr shelters installed since date of last meeting.

3.12 **Progress on response times** – Agreed response times within 30 days with statutory agencies.

Statutory Agencies	Number requests sent	Reply <30 Days	Reply >30 Days
Translink	2	2	0
Education Authority	3	3	0
Dfi Roads	0	0	0
NIHE	0	0	0

**Translink, Responses Outstanding** 2. Hillhead Road, Castledawson  
Crew Road, Maghera

**Education Authority, Responses Outstanding** 3. Tirkane Road, Maghera  
Hillhead Road, Castledawson  
Crew Road, Maghera

**DFI Roads** 0.

**NIHE Responses Outstanding** 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 issues as listed below;</p> <p><b>Other issues: None</b></p>
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<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
4.1	<p><b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b></p> <p>Financial: Within budget for Technical Services and Property services to action provision / installation costs within their budget.</p> <p>Risk Management: Non-delivery will have adverse impact of users of public transport.</p>
4.2	<p><b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b></p> <p>Equality &amp; Good Relations Implications: N/a</p> <p>Rural Needs Implications: N/a</p>
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	<p>Members to note the content of the report on the progress made on bus shelters within the district.</p>
5.2	<p>Those listed under 3.4 is recommended for approval and to move from stage 5.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Altaglushan / Reclain Road, Galbally – 8Nr passengers</li> <li>• Pomeroy Road, Donaghmore – 27Nr passengers</li> <li>• Knockmany Crossroads, Augher – 12Nr passengers</li> <li>• Newtownkelly, Coalisland – 15 passengers</li> </ul>
5.3	<p>Those listed under 3.7 projects recommended for Approval; - 2Nr application is recommended for approval to installation this month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moydamlaght / Moneyneany Road, Draperstown</li> <li>• Lineside, Coalisland</li> </ul>
<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

# Procedural Guide on the Provision of Bus Shelters



## 1.0 Bus Shelters – Mid Ulster District Council

Council is empowered under the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions (NI) Order 1985, with the consent of the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) 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.

### 1.1 PROCEDURAL STATEMENT

Council will erect a bus shelter where there is shown to be a need, providing the location does not present a safety or nuisance problem and adequate funding is available. Relocation of bus shelters should only take place as a result of either road alignment or the bus companies relocating their bus stops. All other cases of relocation should be resisted as long as there is an identified need for the shelter. Any relocation as a result of retail business / property owner request will only be considered if an alternative suitable location (distance restrictions will be considered) can be accommodated AND the retail business / property owner covers all associated costs for relocated shelter.

If there is any reported anti-social behaviour over a 12 month period at the location of a new/existing shelter the shelter location will be reviewed by Council with an option to remove the shelter and make good the existing surfaces.

### 1.2 CRITERIA FOR THE ERECTION OF A BUS SHELTER

1. Usage must be a minimum of 6 passengers over a period of a day and applications will be considered on a first come, first served basis, with Translink NI / Education Authority confirming this information. Less than 6 passengers will only be considered by a Council/DEA approval process.
2. The location must be at a recognised bus stop.
3. Following validation, the Council will canvass, by post, all property addresses within 50m frontage to the bus stop (25m either side) on the erection of the shelter, including the type of shelter.
4. 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.)

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5. There should be no Department for Infrastructure Roads objections on traffic grounds.
6. There must be sufficient budgetary provision available to provide the bus shelter.
7. All Survey results that do not meet the essential criteria to be reported to Council for consideration.
8. Once refused a request may not be considered for a further 12 month period from the original decision by Council.
9. Form TS/BSRF/01 to be completed and signed off by Head of Service.
10. Bus Shelter request to be approved by Environment Committee.

### 1.3 DESIGN OF BUS SHELTER

The Council endeavour to provide good quality, comfortable bus shelters purchased through the Procurement Department. Where appropriate they will endeavour to have bus shelters erected free of charge, other than services by Adshel.

1. All shelters within 30mph speed limits will have shelter in accordance with **Example A**, (as below).
2. All shelters outside 30mph speed limits will have shelter in accordance with **Example B**, (as below).

Council will consider in conservation areas the erection of shelters above this standard, but the cost of such shelters excluding erection and servicing costs shall not exceed £3000.00.



**Example A**, within 30mph speed limits, Glazed shelter.



**Example B**, outside 30mph speed limits, painted metal shelter.

## 1.4 REPLACEMENT OF BUS SHELTERS

Any defective shelters that require replacement as part of their life span to be replaced using location criteria and shelter design Examples A or B as noted above as part of the maintenance of the Council Estate .

## 1.5 PROVISION OF BUS SHELTERS – PROCESS

**Stage 1:** Send application form to person requesting Erection of Shelter.

**Stage 2:** Acknowledge receipt of request (in writing) – standard letter sent.

**Stage 3:** Carry out preliminary visit to investigate suitability of site.

**Stage 4:** Contact Translink / SELB / Private approved Coach Companies to confirm viability of erecting bus shelter i.e. recognised "Bus Stop", number and age of children, bus routes etc. 1<sup>st</sup> organisation to respond with numbers meeting the criteria i.e. 6 or more then proceed to next stage.

**Note** – shelters only provided at locations where it is confirmed a minimum of six people await / board buses.

Organisational Name	Contact Name	Contact Number	

**Stage 5:** Report to Environment Committee to seek Council approval/instruction.

**Stage 6:** Identify landowner e.g. Housing Executive, local farmer, etc. and obtain their written consent for erection of bus shelter and consult with adjoining properties (contact local Councillor and arrange site meeting if necessary). Elected members to be notified by email when letters are to be issued to neighbours for information purposes.

**Stage 7:** Send letters (with location maps) for approval/comments to DfI (Roads) / Water Service, PSNI, BT and NIE (arrange follow-up site meetings if necessary).

**Stage 8:** Sign and return DFI (Roads), Article 66, Consent/Schedule at least six days prior to erection of bus shelter.

**Stage 9:** Erect bus shelter – Example A or Example B (see 1.3).

**Stage 10:** Send request to GIS officer to have new asset plotted, and add to shelter register which is to be forwarded to Procurement Department, for insurance cover. Information to include erection/ maintenance/ ownership/ risk assessments / inspection regime / legal agreements between Council and the relevant landowners.

**Stage 11:** Report back to Council.



Date

Our Ref: MUDC/TS/BS/

The Occupier

Address 1

Address 2

Postcode

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Application for Provision of Bus Shelter at [Enter Location]**

Mid Ulster District Council have received an application to erect a bus shelter at the above location and as noted in attached map (see Appendix 1).

The Council's Procedural Guide on the Provision of Bus Shelters outlines that validated applications are subject to neighbour notification. Those who meet the following criteria are eligible to register their preference on this matter:

- All property addresses within 50m frontage to the bus stop (25m either side) on the erection of the shelter, including the type of shelter

Our records indicate that this address is within 50m criteria and therefore subject to neighbour notification.

If approved Council would install Bus Shelter type **[Enter Bus Shelter Example A or B]** as detailed in Appendix 2.

On completion of this survey Council will provide a determination on this request on the basis of the majority preference as submitted. For approval to be considered, at least 51% (majority) of respondents must be in favour of the proposal.

Please read carefully the statements on the survey form attached. Tick your preferred option in the appropriate box, print your name and address and sign the document. The completed survey form(s) should be returned to this office by either:

- a. returning in Self Addressed Envelope provided, or
- b. emailing to [Technicalservices@midulstercouncil.org](mailto:Technicalservices@midulstercouncil.org)

Forms received after **[Enter Day and Date]** will not be considered.

Thank you for your time completing this survey.



If you have any queries on the above, please contact ( Officer Name ) in the Cookstown Office by email at ( ,,,,,,, ) or by telephone on 03000 132 132 Ext: 24400.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Raymond Lowry', enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Raymond Lowry  
**Head of Technical Services**

Encs.

**Cc DEA Councillors**



## PROVISION OF BUS SHELTER – SURVEY FORM

1. **I HAVE NO OBJECTIONS** to have a Bus Shelter erected at **[Enter Location]**

2. **I DO NOT WISH** to have a Bus Shelter erected at **[Enter Location]**

If you have ticked this box please give reason for objection

Reason for Objection:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(CAPITALS)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

The Results of this survey will be available to view on the MUDC website [www.midulstercouncil.org](http://www.midulstercouncil.org) under Council Meetings but should you wish to receive written correspondence detailing the outcome of the survey please tick this box.

### **Data Protection**

In accordance with Data Protection Legislation, Mid Ulster District Council has a duty to protect any data we hold. The information you provide on this survey form will be used for the purposes of processing your survey and will not be shared to any third party unless law or regulation compels such a disclosure. Information will be retained in accordance with the Council's Retention and Disposal Policy.

## Appendix 1

**[Insert Map of proposed Bus Shelter location]**

## Appendix 2

### BUS SHELTER TYPE

See below Example A - within 30mph speed limits, glazed shelter.



See below Example B - outside 30mph speed limits, painted metal shelter.



Table 1 – Applications awaiting formal application to be submitted (1 NR)				
No	Location	Stage	Status / Comment	Progress status
1	Crew Road, Maghera	1	Awaiting application form to be submitted.	15.11.23 - Initial meeting held on site to discuss locations and potential suitable sites for bus shelter.
Table 2 – New applications received since last Committee (1 NR)				
1	Hillhead Road, Castledawson	4	Application received.	07.11.23 - site meeting took place to look at location. User numbers requested.
Table 3 – STAGES 2-4, (6 NR)				
1	Tirkane Road, Maghera	3	Signed Application received	Site visit held, site identified for shelter. Translink do not use this stop. <b>Awaiting EA response</b> - tbc if bus shelter still required.
2	Annaghmore Road, Clonoe	3	Signed Application received	DfI Roads to visit site, to assess proposed location. 12 nr passenger confirmed EA
3	Cloverhill, Moy	3	Signed Application received	<b>17.11.23 - contacted Councillor Monteith for decision on progressing application or withdrawing.</b>
4	The Mills, Coalisland	4	Signed Application received	<b>DFI Roads visit 29/08/23, issue with current housing development entrance. Sightlines to be adjusted before shelter could be considered.</b>
5	Primrose Hill, Clogher	4	Signed Application received	<b>17.11.23 - User numbers requested, from EA and pick up location confirmation.</b>
6	Cullion Road, Desertmartin	4	Signed Application received	User numbers requested from Translink and EA. Confirmed 6nr passengers from Translink.
Table 4 – STAGES 5-8, (22 NR)				
No	Location	Stage	Status / Comment	Progress status
1	Tullyhogue Village	6	Residents declined original location as will promote anti-social behaviour. Limited options for alternative sites that suit bus pick-ups.	<b>No suitable site currently available within the village</b>
2	Glendavagh Road, Crilly, Aughnacloy - 2016/013	6	Completed Application form received	<b>Awaiting confirmation from applicant to see if proposed shelter is still required in this location. Reminder to be sent.</b>
3	Church Street, Cookstown	6	Site meeting held with applicant, user number requests issued to Translink and EA	Translink 20 nr passengers. EA confirmed 10 nr users. <b>Site estate agent for adjacent vacant site to be consulted on shelter location. Formal Translink application has been lodged for this site</b>
4	Kinrush Road/Battery Road Junction, Moortown	6	Original site limited space, alternative site to be confirmed	Original location deemed not acceptable although alternative location has now been identified and progress to install shelter to be programmed.
5	Kingsisland Primary School	6	Final confirmation from Primary School required to progress	A Planning application has been lodged to extend the school. (On hold subject to Planning decision)
6	Magheracastle Road / Mountjoy Road, Brocagh	6	Pending withdrawal notification from applicant as proposed site on wrong side of the road for pick-up	Site agreed, requests sent to Translink and EA for number confirmation. <b>Reminders sent to both parties awaiting responses.</b>
7	Goland Road/ Armaghlughey Road, Ballygawley - 2016/015	6	Site and user numbers confirmed	<b>Translink users confirmed - 10 nr. Location to be agreed with DfI Roads / Translink. Site visit to be arranged</b>
8	Derryfubble Road, Benburb	6	NIHE Site. Requires Legal agreement	<b>Site visit held with DfI Roads. Valuation from NIHE received for MUDC approval. 40 nr Passengers. Going out for nearest neighbour notifications.</b>
9	Churchtown Road, Lissan	6	Additional Shelter Request.	Confirmed 10 nr passengers.
10	Annaghmore Road, Cookstown	6	Signed Application Form	Site meeting held 21/09/2022. Confirmed 12 nr passenger numbers.
11	Moore Street, Aughnacloy	5	Signed Application received	Site visit 09/06/2023, user numbers requested, response, EA 20nr users. Re location following Sept Env committee meeting. <b>Objection received to new location outside No.91. Alternative location identified.</b>
12	Newtownkelly, Coalisland	5	Signed Application received	Site meeting took place 03/11/2023. Translink confirmed 20+nr passengers, EA do not use route. Request to progress to Stage 5.
13	Lineside, Coalisland	7	Signed Application received	<b>User numbers confirmed from Translink/EA- 20nr passengers. DfI site visit 03/10/23, approved location. No objections nearest neighbour received. Awaiting Cllr McLernon to confirm property owner No.1 Lineside as need approval for Cantilever (200mm sides) bus shelter feet and back to go behind green fence - agreement to be signed between Council and owner.</b>
14	Altglushan / Reclaim Road, Galbally	6	Signed Application received	Site meeting arranged with applicant 30/09/2023. Translink do not use this stop, EA confirmed 8nr passengers. Gone out for nearest neighbour notifications.

15	Pomeroy Road, Donaghmore	6	Signed Application received	Site meeting arranged with applicant for 29/09/2023. Translink do not use this stop, EA confirmed 27nr passengers. Gone out for nearest neighbour notifications.
16	Annagher Road, Coalisland	6	Signed Application received	Site meeting arranged with applicant for 29/09/2023. 15nr passengers confirmed Translink. DFI approved site. Gone out for nearest neighbour notifications, 2 replies - 2 objections. <b>New location identified for bus stop and shelter following safety concern of current location. Cllrs engaging with residents and to feedback.</b>
17	Main Road, Moygashel	6	Signed Application received.	Site meeting arranged with applicant for 02/10/2023. 25+nr passengers confirmed Translink. 07/11/23 DFI approved location. Nearest neighbour notifications issued.
18	Findermore road, Clogher	5	Signed Application received.	Site meeting arranged with applicant for 02/10/2023. 12nr passengers confirmed Translink. 07/11/23 and 14/11/23 - met with DFI onsite and Councillors (14/11/23) to discuss layby and widening of. <b>To be discussed internally in Council re viability of proposal.</b>
19	Knockmany Road, Augher	6	Signed Application received.	Site meeting arranged with applicant for 02/10/2023. 12nr passengers confirmed EA. DFI approved 07/11/23. Gone out for nearest neighbour notifications.
20	Dungannon road, Cabragh	8	All confirmed	<b>User numbers confirmed from Translink/EA- 10nr. No objections received from nearest neighbour. DFI approved location. Put forward for recommendation. Article 66 / Agreement returned from DFI.</b>
21	Moydamlaght Road, Draperstown	8	All confirmed	<b>Site visit held with applicant, 15/05/2023, 8nr passengers. DFI approved site. No objections received from nearest neighbour. Put forward for recommendation.</b>
22	Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt	8	All confirmed	<b>Site meeting arranged with applicant for 06/10/2023. 6nr passengers. DFI approved site. No objections received from nearest neighbour. Put forward for recommendation.</b>

Table 5 – STAGE 9, (7 NR),

No	Location	Stage	Status / Comment	Progress status
1	Reenaderry Road, Reenaderry	9	Final Landowner agreement	Now assigned to "Property Services" for installation
2	Coagh Road, Stewartstown	9	Landowner has declined to offer land for Bus shelter. Final confirmation required.	Now assigned to "Property Services" for installation
3	William Street/Beatrice Villas, Bellaghy	9	None	Now assigned to "Property Services" for installation
4	Eglis View, Ballinderry	9	Application pending DFI Roads/Landowner meeting	Now assigned to "Property Services" for installation
5	St Colmans Park, Moortown	6	Awaiting legal Consent - NIHE	Now assigned to "Property Services" for installation and legal consents
6	Derryvale, Coalisland	6	Awaiting landowner Consent	Now assigned to "Property Services" for installation and legal consents
7	Innishrush Village	6	Awaiting landowner Consent	Now assigned to "Property Services" for installation and legal consents

Table 6 – Stage 10-11 - Bus Shelters Installed (23 NR)

No	Location	Stage	Status / Comment	Progress status
1	143 Omagh Road, Ballygawley	10	None	Installed
2	Millview/Dunnamore Road, Dunnamore	10	None	Installed
3	Kildrum Estate, Galbally	10	None	Installed
4	Thornhill Road, Pomeroy	10	None	Installed
5	Killeenan Road/Camlough Road/Loughdoo Road	10	None	Installed
6	Glebe Court, Castlecaulfield	10	None	Installed

7	Culnady Village	10	None	Installed
8	Stewartstown	10	None	Installed
9	Credit Union, Moygashel	10	None	Installed
10	Cappagh Village	10	None	Installed
11	Whitebridge, Ballygawley	10	None	Installed
12	Annagnaboe Road/ Washingbay Road Junction, Clonoe - 2017/006	10	None	Installed
13	Killeen, Lisaclare Road	10	None	Installed
14	Brackaville, Four Seasons Bar, Coalisland	10	None	Installed
15	Drummullan Village	10	None	Installed
16	Main Street, Bellaghy	10	None	Installed
17	Clonoe Crossroads	10	None	Installed
18	119 Millix Road, Ballygawley	10	None	Installed
19	Killeshill- A29 Ballygawley Road	10	None	Installed
20	Hillead, Stewartstown x 2	10	None	Installed
21	Garrison Road, Curran	10	None	Installed
22	The Square, Moy Village	9	None	Installed
23	Lisaclare Road, Killeen	3	None	Installed

Table 7 – Applications to be Withdrawn/ Reviewed (15 NR)

No	Location	Stage	Status / Comment	Progress status
1	Coole Road	Revisit application	New application required, original 2016	Discussion with DfI Roads to be held in light of new agreed process principals. Report at next Council Meeting
2	Main Street, Benburb	6	Review Application	Following recent DEA meeting 06/08/2021, objection status still evident in current position – recommendation – seek statutory comments on the proposed slightly adjusted position. Discussed at Statutory meeting 13/12/2021, DfI Roads to visit to review proposed location w/c 31st January 2022
3	Bellaghy, Overend's layby	6	Withdraw Application	Following recent DEA meeting 11/08/2021 - agreed to withdraw the current application
4	Meenagh Park, Coalisland	6	Withdraw Application	Application withdrawn by applicant
5	Knockloughrim Village	9	Landowner unknown for proposed site. Further investigations underway to determine landowner.	Parks Department have agreed location within their site. Nearest neighbour consultation returned, did meet required criteria to proceed. Approved, passed to Property Services 27/08/2021 for installation. Translink confirmed change of bus route with pick-up moved to the centre of village, discussed at statutory agencies meeting 13/12/2021. New shelter is not to be installed.
6	Jordan Engineering, Benburb	4	Meeting organised with Cllr Burton on site to agree location. Not agreed	Shelter application withdrawn by applicant. Unable to find suitable location for shelter
7	Fardross-Slatmore Road, Clogher	4	Signed Application received	Site meeting held 15/09/2022. Letters sent to Translink and EA for user numbers. EA 4 nr users, Translink do not use this route.
8	Old Dungannon rd, Ballygawley	9	Application rejected by DfI (Roads)	Site visit 23/08/2023, DfI Roads rejected shelter location, due to no forward sightline and adjacent bend
9	Thatch Inn, Hillhead Road	0	Presented to Translink for comment - withdraw application	Translink confirmed that no passengers are lifted in this location - not viable.
10	Derrynoyd lane, Draperstown	4	Withdraw Application	Site visit held with applicant, 15/05/2023, user numbers 1 number passenger collected Translink, Not an EA stop - not viable.
11	Cloane Road, Draperstown	4	Withdraw Application	Site visit held with applicant, 15/05/2023, user numbers 1 number passenger collected Translink, Not an EA stop - not viable.
12	Mourne Avenue, Coalisland	6	Signed Application received	Site meeting held with applicant on site 13/09/2023. 2nr confirmed from Translink. DfI approved location. Gone out for nearest neighbour notifications - 8 objections received.

13	Platers Hill, Church View, Coalisland	6	Application received	Meeting held on site with applicant 13/09/2023. 6nr passengers confirmed from Translink. DFI have approved location 03/10/2023. Gone out for nearest neighbour notifications, 2 replies / 2 objections received. Withdraw.
14	Brough Road, Castledawson	4	Signed Application received	Translink 20 nr passengers, EA do not use this route. <b>Bus route has changed since first proposal. Request to withdraw this application as new location identified.</b>
15	Mourne Crescent, Coalisland	7	Application received	Meeting held on site with applicant on site 13/09/2023. 6nr passengers confirmed from Translink. DFI approved location 03/10/2023. Gone out for nearest neighbour notifications, 1 objection / 1 no objection received. Reject - no nearest neighbour in favour.



### Appendix 3 – Progress Table Summary, December 2023

TABLE	DESCRIPTION	NUMBERS
Table 1.	Applications awaiting formal application to be submitted	1Nr
Table 2.	New applications received from Last Committee Meeting	1Nr
Table 3.	<b>Stages 2-4,</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Stage 2,</b> Acknowledge receipt of request</li> <li>• <b>Stage 3,</b> Site Visit</li> <li>• <b>Stage 4,</b> Contact Translink/EA for user numbers</li> </ul>	6Nr
Table 4.	<b>Stages 5-8,</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Stage 5,</b> Report to Committee for approval</li> <li>• <b>Stage 6,</b> Identify landowner and Nearest Neighbour issued</li> <li>• <b>Stage 7,</b> Send letters for approval to DFI etc</li> <li>• <b>Stage 8,</b> Article 66 to be issued to DFI Roads</li> </ul>	23Nr
Table 5.	<b>Stage 9,</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awaiting Installation of Bus Shelter</li> </ul>	7Nr
Table 6.	<b>Stages 10/11, Installed shelters</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Stage10,</b> Send to GIS officer</li> <li>• <b>Stage 11,</b> Report to Council</li> </ul>	23Nr



<b>Report on</b>	Consultation on energy efficiency requirements and related areas of the Building Regulations
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Terry Scullion, AD Property Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	PJ Fox, Building Control Development Manager

<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>  If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	Yes	
	No	x

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To advise Members and seek retrospective approval on the Consultation forwarded by the Department of Finance, inviting a response on the proposed amendments to the energy efficiency requirements and related areas of the Building Regulations.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	The Department of Finance (the Department) has policy responsibility for maintaining and amending the Building Regulations. The Building Regulations apply to new buildings and to buildings being altered, extended or subject to a material change of use and are made principally to secure the health, safety, welfare, and convenience of people in or about buildings; further the conservation of fuel and power; further the protection and enhancement of the environment and promotion of sustainable development.
2.2	Intended work that is subject to the provisions of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended) must be notified to the District Council. The Building Regulations are enforced by building control departments in each District Council through the existing mechanisms and sanctions provided through the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (as amended).
2.3	The Building Regulations set minimum performance requirements when building work is being carried out and when some specific material change of use cases occur. Other legislation and policies are used to incentivise, or require, retrofit of the existing stock, or to set additional requirements, but the Building Regulations set baseline construction standards for any work being done.
2.4	The Climate Change Act (Northern Ireland) was passed by the Assembly in March 2022 and received Royal assent on 6 June 2022. The Act provides for a local route map and carbon budgets to reduce emissions by 100% by 2050. It follows the New Decade, New Approach agreement published in January 2020, which provided an agreed basis for the restoration of devolved government in Northern Ireland, with climate change being a strategic priority.
2.5	

<p>2.6</p> <p>2.7</p> <p>2.8</p> <p>2.9</p>	<p>Some 15% of Northern Ireland’s emissions stem from buildings. The vast majority of new buildings constructed in the coming years should still exist in 2050, alongside the many that have already been built, so today’s regulatory requirements need to develop quickly for the net zero future demanded by Climate Change legislation.</p> <p>A provisional programme of uplifts to Part F (Conservation of fuel and power) of the Building Regulations was published by the Department for the Economy in the Energy Strategy – The Path to Net Zero Energy (December 2021). This set out a phased approach to uplifting the requirements of Part F and the more inter-related Parts, with a view to ensuring new buildings suitably contribute to the ‘net zero’ requirements for 2050 under Climate Change legislation. That strategy also seeks to ensure new buildings are designed and constructed to net zero ready standards from no later than 2026/27. The Building Regulations programme is led by the Department of Finance (‘the Department’) but impacts across other department’s functions.</p> <p>Phase 1 of the programme amended the technical guidance to Part F to provide an interim step to deliver a pragmatic uplift as quickly as possible. This was published in March 2022 and came into effect on 30 June 2022.</p> <p>This consultation is the second phase in the Department’s programme for Part F and related aspects of the Building Regulations. Subsequent Phases are likely to require significant change from industry.</p> <p>The consultation document covers a range of building regulations technical areas which are mutually influential, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Part F- Conservation of fuel and power</li> <li>• Part K- Ventilation</li> <li>• a new Part on mitigation of overheating in dwellings; and</li> <li>• a new Part on potential electric vehicle infrastructure requirements</li> </ul>
<p><b>3.0</b></p>	<p><b>Main Report</b></p>
<p>3.1</p> <p>3.2</p> <p>3.3</p> <p>3.4</p>	<p>Correspondence has been received from the Department of Finance (See Appendix 1) regarding a consultation seeking the views of the Council in relation to the proposed next steps on energy efficiency requirements and related areas of the Building Regulations.</p> <p>The consultation document covers a range of building regulations technical areas as follows:</p> <p><b>Section 1: Introduction to consultation.</b> This section provided an introduction on the purpose of the consultation.</p> <p><b>Section 2: Background</b> <u>Section 2A: Background- legislative considerations and policy contexts</u></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Generally, this section discussed if a 3-year phasing in period was prudent, but we have deemed this not relevant as it is best that industry is prepared and suitably trained before implementing any new legislation.</li> <li>• Separately, as there is potentially 2 years between this and future changes reducing the 3-year period for commencement to previously approved applications to 2 years may be better.</li> </ul>
3.5	<p><u>Section 2B: Background- (developments elsewhere)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This section discussed that the dispersion of rural dwellings in NI (a high proportion of rural dwellings) would appear to be an issue in relation to the provision of any 'mains' type of energy supply. Consideration should be given to the increased costs to existing dwelling if the regulations lead to rising traditional fuel costs.</li> <li>• The lack of gas networks and NIE grid capacity to rural areas may mean that the impact on these areas is disproportionate to urban areas.</li> </ul>
3.6	<p><b>Section 3: Pre-consultation Phase 3 proposals for dwellings</b>  <u>Section 3A: Part F (Conservation of fuel and power) proposals for new dwellings, Phase 3</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Generally, this section discussed following closely current energy targets used by England except when the targets do not permit the use of Higher Carbon fuels.</li> <li>• Proposals would be that mains gas would be a primary source of heating complimented with solar panels. When mains gas is not available, then a heat pump system would likely be used as an alternative. Also, any excess power created by solar panels should be exported back into the grid.</li> <li>• It is however felt that this cannot be properly determined as a viable proposal until a more comprehensive Rural Needs Impact Assessment is completed, due to the lack of gas network and limitations with NIE grid capacity in rural areas.</li> <li>• Any new heating system is also to be designed to work at a maximum flow temperature of 55°C.</li> </ul>
3.7	<p><u>Section 3B: Part F (Conservation of fuel and power) work to existing dwellings, Phase 3.</u>  This section discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Using u-values similar to England</li> <li>• Using a very high efficient boiler when replacing existing boiler and that an emissions and primary energy performance assessment should be applied to boiler replacements where a change of fuels is proposed.</li> </ul>

- Clarification that the complete heating system would require to be replaced before the requirement that it should be designed to work at a maximum flow temperature of 55°C becomes applicable.

### 3.8 Section 3C: Part K (Ventilation) dwellings- Phase 3

This section discussed:

- Current Technical Booklet K (TBK) guidance booklet to be split into 2 separate guidance documents – one for domestic and the other non-domestic.
- TBK guidance should align the three principal systems (natural, continuous mechanical extract and continuous supply and extract/MVHR) in keeping with air-permeability thresholds in England and Wales.
- Supporting an amendment of the Technical Booklet K guidance in line with the developments in England and Wales, to address ventilation alongside fabric retrofit work, but some concerns from an enforcement perspective as retrofit works can come in piece meal and can be quite complicated leaving verification difficult.
- That CO2 monitoring in dwellings should be a consideration for Phase 4 as dwellings get more airtight. The provision of air quality monitors may be beneficial.
- Whilst ventilation guidance to more specifically consider clothes drying, in line with current provisions in Scotland was considered, it was felt that this would be better placed outside of the Building Regulations

### 3.9 Section 3D: Mitigating overheating risks in dwellings – Phase 3

This section discussed:

- Agreeing that local regulation and guidance will be needed to mitigate overheating in new dwellings and residential buildings – but that it should not apply to material change of use situations and/or extensions and structural alterations.
- Noise assessment and testing be expected where openings are proposed for purge cooling of rooms in dwellings or similar buildings would be better placed under Planning Assessment.

### 3.10 Section 3E: Electric Vehicle infrastructure- background and Phase 3 proposals for dwellings

This section discussed the following:

- It is felt that for developments that the assessment of the number of charging points and relevant infrastructure required should be considered

	<p>earlier in the design stage of the works as the standard is based around the number of Parking Spaces. As this is something that is reviewed as part of the planning process it may be a better fit within their legislation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consideration should be given to removing the criteria of 10 parking spaces, meaning that it will be a requirement irrelevant of the number of parking spaces to have charging points. It is also felt taking a similar approach to RoI of providing the ducting infrastructure to all spaces and not charging points would better approach as we could end up with charging points at dwellings which may never have a need for them.</li> <li>• Another issue that needs to be considered for NI is has consultation taken place with NIE to determine if their grid network will be capable of supporting EV charging points.</li> </ul>
3.11	<p><b>Section 4: Pre-consultation Phase 3 proposals for buildings other than dwellings</b></p> <p><u>Section 4A: Part F (Conservation of fuel and power) proposals for new buildings other than dwellings Phase 3</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Generally, this section discussed following closely current energy targets used by England which we agree to.</li> </ul>
3.12	<p><u>Section 4B: Part F (Conservation of fuel and power) proposals for work to existing buildings other than dwellings Phase 3</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Generally, this section discussed following closely current energy targets used by England which we agree to.</li> <li>• Clarification that the complete heating system would require to be replaced before the requirement that it should be designed to work at a maximum flow temperature of 55°C becomes applicable.</li> </ul>
3.13	<p><u>Section 4C: Part K (Ventilation) buildings other than dwellings Phase 3</u></p> <p>This section discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agree that Technical Booklet K should replicate the proposed performance-based guidance outlined for dwellings.</li> <li>• Agree that requirements for air quality monitoring, similar to those introduced in England and Wales, should be included in the Phase 3 uplift package to Part K (Ventilation).</li> <li>• Agree that requirements for increased ventilation rates to certain higher risk spaces, similar to those in England and Wales, should be introduced in Phase 3.</li> </ul>

<p>3.14</p> <p>3.15</p> <p>3.16</p> <p>3.17</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agree that additional requirements for ventilation in offices, similar to those introduced in England and Wales, should be included in the Phase 3.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Section 4D: Electric vehicle infrastructure- Phase 3 proposals for buildings other than dwellings</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is felt that that the assessment of the number of charging points and relevant infrastructure required should be considered earlier in the design stage of the works as the standard is based around the number of Parking Spaces. As this is something that is reviewed as part of the planning process it may be a better fit within their legislation.</li> <li>• NIE should be consulted on the matter regarding capacity.</li> </ul> <p><b>Section 5: Considerations for Phase 4 uplifts</b></p> <p>This section discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To agree that, for Phase 4, the Department should expect to replicate measures introduced in England’s Future Homes and Future Buildings (2025) in the first instance as we are reliant on software providers whose main market is England.</li> <li>• We would not support a ban on direct emissions heat generators or combustion appliances, similar to Scotland’s measures banning such appliances as it is not evident that the current NIE infrastructure can support a change that requires all buildings to have heat pumps.</li> </ul> <p><b>Section 6: Concurrent issues - headline summary</b> <b><u>Section 6A: National Calculation Methodology issues</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To agree that the local National Calculation Methodology should be consistent with England.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Section 6B: Embodied Carbon</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is felt that due to the complexities involved with embodied carbon assessments these would be better dealt with at a UK wide level as building control may struggle with capacity to oversee and manage any enforcement requirements.</li> <li>• Demolition and disposal of material should ideally be controlled by an application process and certificate of disposal.</li> </ul>
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3.18	<p><u>Section 6C: Over-sized new homes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We consider that action taken to better highlight the higher total energy demand for large, less spatially efficient dwellings may be a pointless exercise as many over-sized houses are being built by future owner occupiers and they will be aware of the costs involved with the dwelling.</li> </ul>			
3.19	<p><u>Section 6D: Performance gap</u></p> <p>This section discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There does be changes on-site to what was designed/specified and what is then provided on-site, but it is not easy to extract data in support of this.</li> <li>There should be a more formalised process in place for the signing off by energy assessors.</li> <li>Obtaining approval prior to commencement and a completion certificate prior to occupation would be beneficial.</li> </ul>			
3.20	<p>The changes proposed to be implemented are similar changes introduced in other jurisdictions particularly England.</p>			
3.21	<p>One other point of note. A common thread throughout this consultation is that all these proposals will put an additional burden on Building Control staff and that Building Control fees would need to be reviewed to reflect the additional workload that will be required to implement these proposals.</p>			
3.22	<p>Building Control Northern Ireland (BCNI) is a voluntary umbrella grouping of the Building Control Departments of the 11 local councils. The Lead Building Control Manager within each Council is a member of BCNI. The proposed amendments have been reviewed and discussed within BCNI and have broadly similar opinions on the proposals. BCNI have forwarded a separate consultee response to the Department of Finance with these findings in light of the tight turnaround time for response.</p> <p>The Consultation Document Response on the proposal for this consultation can be viewed in Appendix 2.</p>			
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>			
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<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members are requested to note the content of this report, and seek members retrospective approval for submission of same to meet the consultation response deadline.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
	<p>Appendix 1 – Department of Finance Invite to Consult on Energy Efficient Requirements and related areas of the Building Regulations</p> <p>Appendix 2 – Consultation Response to Department of Finance (online response)</p>

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Date: 26 July 2023

**Dear Consultee**

## **CONSULTATION ON A RANGE OF TECHNICAL ISSUES RELATING TO BUILDING REGULATIONS**

I am writing to inform you of a discussion document reviewing energy efficiency requirements and related areas of Building Regulations, issued by the Department for a 16-week consultation period.

Building Regulations apply to most building work and are made principally to ensure the health, safety, welfare and convenience of people in and around buildings, the conservation of fuel and power, the protection and enhancement of the environment and the promotion of sustainable development.

The document includes pre-consultation detail outlining potential next steps on a range of inter-related areas, including:

- conservation of fuel and power
- ventilation
- mitigation of overheating in dwellings; and
- electric vehicle charging infrastructure to parking spaces at buildings.

The consultation will help prepare for quite significant changes, including steps that would make conventional boilers using the highest carbon intensity fuels, such as home heating oil, unviable in most new buildings. It explores expectations for low-carbon heating, such as heat-pumps or heat networks for new buildings and considers wider issues, such as embodied carbon in materials and background assumptions in assessment methodologies.

The consultation is technical in parts and assumes some familiarity with the current Building Regulations application processes, the technicalities of assessments and typical building outcomes.

This consultation was indicated as part of a programme for energy related aspects of the Building Regulations published in the Executive's Strategy- A Path to Net Zero Energy.

A further consultation, accompanied by proposed regulations, Technical Booklet guidance and impact assessments, will be required prior to the implementation of any changes.

Consultation documents are available on the Department's website and include the following: –

- Review of energy efficiency requirements and related areas of Building Regulations

- Discussion Document and Pre-consultation on next steps.
- Preliminary Stage Rural Impact Assessment
  - Equality Impact Screening

Details of awareness events will be published on the consultation webpage in due course.

### **Responding to this consultation**

Should you wish to respond to this consultation, I would encourage you to use the online facility on the Citizen Space portal. A link can be accessed via the Department's website – [www.finance-ni.gov.uk/consultations/](http://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/consultations/)

A hard copy or a copy in an alternative format may be obtained by telephoning 028 9025 7048 or by emailing [info.bru@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:info.bru@finance-ni.gov.uk)

I look forward to receiving your comments and views concerning the contents of this consultation package.

The Department will consider all responses to this consultation received on or before the **closing date, which is 11.59 pm on 15 November 2023** (*It is important to note that submissions made after this date cannot be considered*)

If you have any comments about the consultation process itself (rather than the content of the document) these should be directed to the Consultation Coordinator at the postal or e-mail address given above.

Yours faithfully



**DC McDonnell**  
Director of CPD Properties Division

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## Introduction

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Are you responding as an individual or representing the views of an organisation?

Organisation

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If responding on behalf of an organisation, please enter the organisation's name here.:

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The Department of Finance would like your permission to publish your consultation response. Please indicate if you wish your response to be treated as confidential.

No

If you wish your response to be treated as confidential, please provide your justification for doing so.:

We may wish to contact you again in the future, but we require your permission to do so. Are you content for the Department of Finance to contact you again in relation to this consultation exercise?

Yes

## Section 1: Introduction and General Information

### Section 2A: Background- legislative considerations and policy contexts

Q2A.1 Do you agree that coming into force considerations would be best addressed through review of Article 19 of the Order, rather than by transitional provisions of any amendment to Part F?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This is best dealt with through a Review of Article 19.

Also, as part of this review consideration should be given to the introduction of –

1. No commencement before Approval &
2. No occupation before a completion certificate has been issued.

Q.2A.2 Do the current arrangements here, with up to three year phasing in period, support an argument for a more ambitious uplift, as it provides scope for processes to be developed and training to take place?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

From a Building Control perspective, it is not felt that the three year phasing in period is relevant as an application received within the first six months of changes may commence immediately so building control staff are in the position that they have to be up to speed with the changes immediately and it is felt that this is why the publication six months prior to coming into operation is more important.

It is felt that if a more ambitious uplift is to be proposed then all stake holders i.e., network providers, utility regulators, product suppliers, installers, education authorities all need to be confident that the skills, knowledge, infrastructure etc. is there to support this.

Ambitious targets clearly mean there is/will be a need for training across the industry, including local Council Building Control. The industry needs to find

a method of training the small/ medium enterprises which make up so much of the local construction industry. This should not be left to Building Control to carry out at the point of construction.

It is our view that a rigorous advertising and marketing of the changes by the department for industry prior to the changes being implemented is essential. This should also be supplemented with training for Building Control staff.

Q.2A.3 What do you consider should be the maximum time permissible for previously approved applications to commence on site after the introduction of the new standards?

Comment (if any):

As there is potentially two years between this and future changes reducing the three year period for previously approved applications to two years may be better.

Article 19 of the order states "works to which the plans relate have not been commenced within three years from the deposit of the plans. The wording of the order states the council "may" by notice declare the plans of no effect. Consideration should be given to the automatic expiry of the application after a specified time from initial deposit of the application whether it has achieved approval or not.

Q.2A.4 Do you have a view on any specific regulations or definitions which would benefit from reform, with a view to simplifying or clarifying Part F regulations? If so, please provide details.

Comment (if any):

1. Review of Regulation 38 and in particular the definition of a stand-alone building in Regulation 38(5).

Eg. Two identical buildings one of which is heated and the other not, and these buildings propose to have a similar size extension which regulation 40 may apply to.

Building 1- heated (Reg 38(3)(b) floor area greater than 100m<sup>2</sup> and but extension not greater than 25% of the useful floor area of the existing building – so Regulation 40 not applicable.

Building 2 unheated but same floor area, but if you take the definition for a building in the European Directive a building is "a roofed construction having walls, for which energy is used to condition the indoor climate". So as the existing building is not heated the extension may be classed as a stand-alone building meaning Regulation 40 does apply.

2. Review of Regulation 41 "Consequential Improvements" would also be beneficial see comments in latter section of consultation.

3. It is agreed that 'Places of worship' – should lose their exemption with regards Part F.

## Section 2B: Background (developments elsewhere)

Q.2B.1 Have you modelling information directly comparing the compliant or 'notional' buildings across administrations, ideally using an up to date and consistent methodology for comparative analysis purposes (e.g. SAP 10)? If so, please provide a link or information on how to access this.

No

Comment (if any):

We have no information relating to this

Q.2B.2 Are there any additional local characteristics or issues around our local industry that the Department should be mindful of as we take forward proposals?

Comment (if any):

The dispersion of rural dwellings in NI (a high proportion of rural dwellings) would appear to be an issue in relation to the provision of any 'mains' type of energy supply. Consideration should be given to the increased costs to existing dwelling if the regulations lead to rising traditional fuel costs.

The lack of gas networks and NIE grid capacity to rural areas may mean that the impact on these areas is very significantly disproportionate to urban areas.

There may also be a negative impact by the lack of grid connections on the smaller builders who mainly work in the rural areas.

Lack of apprentices coming through local training centres. Specific apprenticeship schemes may need to be considered by industry.

Age profile of existing Building Control staff. Loss of skill set and likelihood of some staff retiring prior to implementation.

Implementation of new regulations likely to coincide with local changes to Building Control following the implementation of the Hackett report findings.

Q.2B.3 Do you agree with the proposed timing of uplifts planned for 2023/24 (Phase 3) and 2026/27 (Phase 4), which are intended to follow developments in England by 18-24 months in each case?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

We currently do not hold sufficient information relating to the outcome of any consultations that have taken place with industry/ network providers to ascertain if the skills, technology and network capacity is readily available in order provide relevant comments to this question.

### Section 3: Pre-consultation Phase 3 proposals for dwellings

Q.3.1 The Department's programme of proposals seeks to implement a 'Phase 3' uplift here in 2023 (likely now to be in 2024) to reflect the changes above. Do you agree that this is appropriate and that this should cover the extent of issues outlined in this section?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Council would be supportive of these uplifts but caveat that support with concern that it needs to be done in a cohesive manner with other stake holders (see Q 2A.2) which is outside the control of Building Regulations.

### Section 3A: Part F (Conservation of fuel and power) proposals for new dwellings, Phase 3

Q.3A.1 Do you agree that a new primary energy metric and TPER targets should be introduced?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This needs to be introduced as it makes it more measurable especially with the decarbonization of the electricity grid.

This should be accompanied with a training regime in advance of implementation for Building Control professionals.

Q.3A.2 Are you content that a FEES metric and targets should be introduced in line with the assessment in England?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, as the retention of the limiting u-value in line with RoI would have an impact on the SAP software.

Q.3A.3 Could you provide a specification that house builders are actually adopting in practice in order to be compliant with England's current requirements? Please provide details and commentary or explanation.

No

Comment (if any):

We have no comment on this particular issue as we are not aware of any specifications available. It is beyond our remit to provide such specifications.

Q.3A.4 Do you think the proposed Notional Dwelling fabric is suitable for Option 1 and Option 2's proposals?

Yes

Comment (if any):

The notional building fabric applies equally to Options 1 and 2 but may be more beneficial to Option 2 given the use of Heat pumps as there is a significant reliance on the fabric u-values for option 2.

Q.3A.5 Would you agree with replication of England's limiting U-values? We would be grateful for any evidence or reasoning if you think these should these remain in line with the Republic of Ireland or be otherwise different.

Yes

Comment (if any):

Agree with the replication of England's Limiting U-values.

Although being a Council with a Border to ROI, BC applications are submitted at time by agents from ROI.

An all-Island approach may therefore be considered useful if possible.

Q.3A.6 Do you agree that the Department should not introduce a cost (SAP rating) metric assessment?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This should not be introduced as the cost assessment is based on a neutral UK location which would mean that the outputs would not be accurate.

Q.3A.7 Do you agree that a delivered energy or energy use intensity metric is not needed as part of the Phase 3 uplift?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This is based on the reasoning given in consultation documentation.

Q.3A.8 Do you agree that a renewable energy ratio assessment is not needed as part of the Phase 3 uplift?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This is based on the reasoning given in consultation documentation.

Q.3A.9 Have you any comment to make on the metrics the Department is proposing to adopt for Phase 3?

No

Comment (if any):

Q.3A.10 Have you any opinion or evidence to support limiting the extent of variance for any individual dwelling when using a whole-block average performance to demonstrate compliance with TER, TPER or TFEE assessments?

No

Comment (if any):

Q.3A.11 Do you agree that the changes to the airtightness testing regime should include the measures introduced in England, but provide for a lower maximum permissible air permeability level than 8.0 m<sup>3</sup>/(h.m<sup>2</sup>) @ 50 Pa? If so, what should the maximum permissible level be?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

It is felt following the evidence that lowering the maximum permissible level to 5.0 m<sup>3</sup>/(h.m<sup>2</sup>) would only impact 9.5% of dwellings that this would be reasonable impact on industry and there should be a minimal effect on Building Control from an enforcement perspective.

We also welcome the introduction of testing to every dwelling as this will get a fair representation of what is being built, therefore closing the performance gap.

Q.3A.12 Do you agree that all current fuel factors in TBF1 should be removed, so that targets (TER) are no longer relaxed where higher carbon fuels are used?

No

Comment (if any):

No, it is felt that this is decision that cannot be properly determined until a more comprehensive Rural Needs Impact Assessment is completed, as there is a lack of gas network and limitations with NIE grid capacity in rural areas.

In the absence of a comprehensive Rural Needs Impact Assessment the retention of emission fuel factors for areas with no access to the gas grid in the next uplift may be better.

Q.3A.13 Are you content with the likely outcomes for biofuels under Option 1 and the proposed Primary Energy metric ? If not, how should the regime be less, or more, permissive towards biofuels?

No

Comment (if any):

There should be more work around splitting the metrics in relation to Biofuels to see what additional measures would be required to fulfil compliance with Option 1 if you are using Biofuels.

Biofuels derived from waste have many advantages and should be encouraged. Biofuels derived from raw materials are counter intuitive and may need to be reduced. Clearly this can relate to what is put into a bio digester, rather than that technology.

Q.3A.14 Have you any evidence or concern around the extent of renewable generating technology expected under either Option 1 or 2?



Yes

Comment (if any):

No evidence but would have concerns around the onerous impacts of providing renewable technologies under Option 1 where it is not possible to provide an export connection. Building Control would also have concerns of how the provision of renewable technologies is comprehensively assessed across other agencies.

There may also be a conflict with planning in conservation areas, so consideration would also need to be given with planning legislation.

Would be of the view that if PV panels are proposed that they must be proven to be cost effective over the annual cycle of the building. E.g., fitting to South facing elevations.

Q.3A.15 Have you any comment on the proposed revised treatment of non-export connections?

Yes

Comment (if any):

The new SAP 10 software gives you the option to make an assessment of how much electricity is being exported under a beta factor, so it is the case that no electricity is being exported then it should be accounted for in the design stage.

It is essential that applicants have early engagement with NIE with regards to the connection type that will be available to them and this need to be highlighted in the technical guidance documents.

We would have concern that if a designer specifies an export connection and it then progresses on-site to an advanced stage and then discovers the export connection is not available or prohibitively expensive. A costed NIE confirmation may be beneficial at design stage and if not available then "non-export" should be assumed by default.

Q.3A.16 Do you agree that new heating systems should be designed and installed to operate with a maximum flow temperature of 55°C as per England's current guidance? If not please provide evidence to support a different maximum flow temperature, or position.

Yes

Comment (if any):

This is a sensible approach to future proof for any future retrofit to low carbon heating which operates more efficiently at lower flow temperatures.

Q.3A.17 Do you agree that replication of Sections 5 and 6 of England's Approved Document on building services and controls guidance into the next version of TBF1 would be appropriate for the Phase 3 proposals?

Yes

Comment (if any):

It would be better to replicate Sections 5 and 6 of England's approved documents as this would give a fixed point of what is required for building regulations approval.

Q.3A.18 Do you have any comments or issues around how UK and EU Ecodesign requirements might interact with Part F guidance requirements at Phase 3 or over the longer term?

Comment (if any):

Eco-design design standard is a dynamic design standard which are good in theory but in practice there is a disconnect between the new standards and enforcement by building control.

Q.3A.19 Do you agree that designers, should be able to demonstrate a water efficiency assessment as per Appendix A of England's Approved Document G?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Designers should be able to avail of the opportunity to demonstrate energy savings by taking account of the water efficiency similar to England's Approved Document G.

The query would be who is responsible for assessing the calculations and what would Building Control role be in enforcing that and verification of same at completion stage.

Q.3A.20 Have you any suggestion or further insight on how heat networks should be assessed under the Phase 3 proposals? If so, please outline the issue and suggested handling in your response.

No

Comment (if any):

Q.3A.21 Is the specification of the heat pump proposed for Option 2 appropriate? If not, how should it be amended?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

No comments

Q.3A.22 Do you have concerns or evidence on the viability and risks associated with either Option 1 or Option 2?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This requires input and delivery by third parties such as NIE, and also the utility regulator as any concerns with regards to running cost impacts can be balanced by the by the utility regulator. These are two areas Building Control have no control over but has a direct impact on how we can enforce the building regulations depending on which option is chosen.

Q.3A.23 Should the Department implement Option 1 or Option 2 for the Phase 3 uplift?

Option 1

Comment (if any):

Option 1 is likely to be more achievable in the short term and reduces risk to the industry of skills shortage or lack of achievement in reaching performance, thereby turning end users against the technology, and availability of grid capacity.

However, this should be considered as a short term stepping stone to Option 2 on Phase 4.

Q.3A.24 Have you any comment on how the Option 2 specification should be improved, for Phase 3 or Phase 4 or 5?

Comment (if any):

Increase in grid capacity has to be a primary aim, particularly of gas grid. Once this is happening at pace, then change fuel factor to further disincentive gas usage.

Q.3A.25 Do you agree that the Department should adopt the new BREL type format for notice of compliance with emissions, renewables and other requirements in keeping with England's provisions? See Appendix B of Approved Document L1 (2021) for further detail

Yes

Comment (if any):

We do though have concerns that this checklist is only being done at completion stage of a dwelling, therefore it offers little value during the construction process.

Q.3A.26 Do you agree that the Department's guidance should additionally require provision of a new non-technical Home User Guide in keeping with England's provisions?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.3A.27 Do you agree that the Department should require geo-located photographs to be lodged to support evidence of the as-built construction?

Comment (if any):

There may be merit in submitting geolocated photographs, but this again is putting an extra burden on Building Control to assess for minimal fees.

It is important that there does not become a culture that photographs become a substitute for site inspections. Also is there any guidance of what should be photographed?

Who will be expected to take this picture i.e., the builder or the person who will be producing the As-Built SAP?

Another query will be if no pictures at construction stage what will be the consequences of enforcement for building control, i.e., how does builder prove compliance?

Yes

Section 3B: Part F (Conservation of fuel and power) work to existing dwellings, Phase 3.

Q.3B.1 Do you support the addition of a Primary Energy and FEES metric assessment alongside the current Carbon emissions metric assessment when using the Equivalent Target Approach to demonstrate compliance in cases of work to existing dwellings?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.3B.2 Do you have any particular concerns or insight on the U-values used in standards related to existing dwellings for any of the various situations in other administrations?

No

Comment (if any):

Q.3B.3 Do you agree that our U-value standards should be largely in line with the proposed standards for new building elements in cases of extensions and replacement elements?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, if they were in line, it would make Building Control checking easier. It will also raise the quality of the existing stock.

Q.3B.4 Do you agree that our U-value standards should be largely in line with the values used in England, in cases of a material change of use of a building, for renovated elements and where a change of energy status occurs?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.3B.5 Are there any particular areas where alternative performance values for fabric elements (such as EWI) should be considered? If so please provide evidence and an indication of the value you consider appropriate.

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

No comment

Q.3B.6 Do you agree that a maximum glazing area assessment should continue to form part of the requirements, where a material change of use to form a dwelling occurs?

Yes

Comment (if any):

It should continue go be part of the requirements

Q.3B.7 Do you agree that traditional construction should be referenced out to third party guidance, with a greater scope for bespoke consideration in these situations?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

It would be helpful if a definition was provided for what is considered "traditional construction".

Q.3B.8 Do you agree that the Boiler Plus measures introduced in England in 2018 and thermostatic control measures introduced in 2022 should be replicated and included in revised guidance here?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.3B.9 Do you agree that where a new or complete replacement heating system is being installed in an existing dwelling, it should be installed to operate with a maximum flow temperature of 55°C?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This will future proof the building, but needs to be clearly detailed that this is only when a new or complete heating system is being installed due to implications of radiator sizes etc.

Q.3B.10 Do you agree that both an emissions and primary energy performance assessment should be applied to boiler replacements where a change of fuels is proposed?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, agree it should be applied but the current fees received for such applications do not reflect the additional checks that may be required.

Q.3B.11 Do you have information or evidence to help assure the Department that reversion from liquid biofuels to conventional home heating oil need not be of concern?

No

Comment (if any):

No information or evidence available.

Q.3B.12 Do you agree that Technical Booklet F1 should be amended to follow the minimum services provisions of Section 5 and 6 of England's Approved Document L1, subject to further NIBRAC and public consultations? Have you any 'lessons learned' from the roll-out of these provisions elsewhere which merit consideration?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, but subject to further public consultation as noted.

Q.3B.13 Do you agree that the consequential improvements similar to those applicable to extensions to dwellings in Wales should apply here?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, but while the measure introduced in Wales are pragmatic there is an additional burden on building control fees that would need to be reviewed to allow for the additional time required to carry out the necessary checks.

Q.3B.14 Do you have any evidence or insight on the major renovation measures in place in the Republic of Ireland to suggest the Department should prioritise a similar approach here? If so, please include the evidence with your response.

No

Comment (if any):

No evidence or insight available.

### Section 3C: Part K (Ventilation) dwellings- Phase 3

Q.3C.1 Do you agree that Technical Booklet K (TBK) should be split into two (similar to current Part F guidance), and that relevant guidance currently cited within the Ventilation Compliance Guides should be integrated within them?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This would make the guidance easier to interpret.

Q.3C.2 Do you agree that Technical Booklet K should cite background ventilator sizes in line with England and Wales?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.3C.3 Do you agree that revised TBK guidance should align with the three systems (natural, continuous mechanical extract and continuous supply and extract/MVHR) in keeping with air-permeability thresholds England and Wales?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.3C.4 Do you have any evidence or guidance that should prompt the Department to develop an independent approach to noise of mechanical ventilation systems in dwellings?

No

Comment (if any):

No evidence or guidance available.

Q.3C.5 Do you agree that the updated performance based specification in England's ADF1 (Ventilation – dwellings) should be replicated in equivalent guidance here?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This should keep it up to date with industry changes.

Q.3C.6 Do you support amendment of the Technical Booklet K guidance in line with the developments in England and Wales, to address ventilation alongside fabric retrofit work?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, but we have some concerns from an enforcement perspective as retrofit works can come in piece meal and can be quite complicated at times with a lot of the proposed interventions already having taken place prior to going to site therefore verification may be difficult.

Q.3C.7 Have you any comment or insight on how the Department or others should support skills or cite competence standards for the design, testing and commissioning of ventilation systems in dwellings? Please include relevant details in your response.

No

Comments (character limit 3000):

This may be a matter for industry and educational authorities to comment on.

Q.3C.8 Have you any other evidence on issues or suggestions on ventilation standards in dwellings, which the Department should consider as part of the review of Park K (Ventilation)?

No

Comment (if any):

No evidence available.

Q.3C.9 Do you agree that CO2 monitoring should be a consideration for Phase 4?

Yes

Comment (if any):

With dwellings getting more airtight the provision of air quality monitors may be beneficial.

Q.3C.10 Do you support inclusion of ventilation guidance to more specifically consider clothes drying, in line with current provisions in Scotland ?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Although we don't disagree that there may be a benefit, it may be better set-in other standards such as for social housing as this is normally the type of housing stock that issues with damp and condensation occur.

Q.3C.11 Do you have any evidence or insight on other aspects of ventilation for dwellings which the Department should take into account?

Comments (character limit 3000):

No evidence

No

### Section 3D: Mitigating overheating risks in dwellings – Phase 3

Q.3D.1 Do you agree that local regulation and guidance will be needed to mitigate overheating in new dwellings and residential buildings?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, but again the fees received by building control do not reflect the additional burdens that will be placed on assessment times.

Q.3D.2 Do you agree with the proposed course of action whereby DSM modelling to TM59 requirements would be used in more complex situations but a simplified approach, largely following Scotland's proposals, could be applied in more straightforward situations?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.3D.3 Should the new requirements only apply to new-build situations (i.e. to the erection of a building) or should it also apply to material change of use situations and/or extensions and structural alterations?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, should only apply to new build as may be unreasonable to change elevations etc. in existing buildings as may be restricted by another requirement such as planning.

Q.3D.4 Should the noise assessment levels be based on planning issues, or should bespoke noise assessment and testing be expected where openings are proposed for purge cooling of rooms in dwellings or similar buildings?

Comment (if any):

We suggest that this may be better placed as part of the planning assessment.

Q.3D.5 Are you content that the guidance in Appendix D of the current Technical Booklet K provides sufficient clarity on pollution assessment where natural purge ventilation for cooling is proposed?

Comment (if any):

Yes

Q.3D.6 Do you agree that guidance should be revised to support a 1.1m high guarding a openings for purge cooling, or should the current 800mm height for guarding at windows remain?

Comment (if any):

This issue needs to be considered along with Parts E, H and R and cannot be considered in isolation as it may create unintended outworking's.

We need to be careful that we don't over complicate the guidance by stating that guarding needs to be at 1.1m high as this leaves no room for error with regards to heights of means of escape windows.

Not Answered

Q.3D.7 Are there any other issues which should be taken into consideration in terms of the usability of openings for purge cooling?

Comment (if any):

No comments.

Q.3D.8 Have you any evidence or modelling to indicate if a requirement for cooling could result in new Carbon emissions or Primary Energy targets proposed in Section 3A (see Table 3A.1) being difficult, or impossible, to deliver in practice in some circumstances e.g. single aspect flats next to noisy/polluted roads? If so, please provide details and outputs.

Comment (if any):

No evidence available.

Q.3D.9 Can you evidence any 'lessons learned' from roll out of the overheating mitigation policies elsewhere that we should consider?

Comment (if any):

No evidence available.

### Section 3E: Electric Vehicle infrastructure- background and Phase 3 proposals for dwellings

Q.3E.1 Do you agree with the proposed approach to use Building Regulations to legislate for EV infrastructure requirements?

No

Comment (if any):

It is felt that the assessment of the number of charging points and relevant infrastructure required should be considered earlier in the design stage of the works as the standard is based around the number of Parking Spaces. As this is something that is reviewed as part of the planning process it may be a better fit within their legislation.

Another issue that may arise and make it difficult for Building Control to assess is that with larger housing developments whilst planning normally get the full scheme submitted, Building Control regularly get these in smaller phases depending on demand for sale so would not have the full context to what parking will be available when the overall scheme is completed.

As parking spaces would not be considered when assessing fees for building regulation applications how will this be dealt with to account for the additional time resource being placed on building control?

Q.3E.2 Do you agree with the proposed approach to follow the technical provisions in England? The Department would be grateful for any comment on the guidance or out-workings there or in other regions.

No

Comment (if any):

It is felt that by developers submitting their applications in smaller numbers then the system may be open to abuse and consideration therefore should be given to removing the criteria of 10 parking spaces, meaning that it will be a requirement irrelevant of the number of parking spaces.

It is also felt taking a similar approach to RoI of providing the ducting infrastructure to all spaces and not charging points would be a better approach as we could end up with charging points at dwellings which may never have a need for them.

Another factor that needs to be considered is that the charging capacity is currently 7kw but as technology develops this may become outdated so may need to be upgraded so we would support the provision of ducting only.

Another issue that needs to be considered for NI is has consultation taken place with NIE to determine if their grid network will be capable of supporting EV charging points?

Q.3E.3 Do you agree that for new dwellings with associated parking spaces; one CP per dwelling or one per associated parking space (which ever is the lesser) should be required and that, in addition, for those buildings with more than ten associated parking spaces, ducting to the rest of the residential parking spaces to facilitate future installations, should also be required?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

See comments in Question 3E.2

Q.3E.4 Do you agree with the proposed limitations 1 and 2 (as outlined in paragraph 3E.34 and 3E.35) restricting the application of the requirements for EV infrastructure at parking spaces associated with new dwellings?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

See comments in Question 3E.2

Q.3E.5 Do you think there should be a limitation to the application of the requirements, on the grounds of additional grid connection costs that may accrue to developers as a result of the provision of CPs?

No

Comment (if any):

It would appear that basing the provision on cost will create difficulties in Building Control enforcing and may lead to issues of inconsistencies as to what is considered to be a reasonable or in some case not a reasonable cost of providing the requirements.

Q.3E.6 If the answer to Q 3E.5 is yes, do you think the amount of £3600 (which is currently under review) is appropriate and do you have any comment on how it should be assessed?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

N/A

Q.3E.7 Do you agree that where a major renovation results in a residential building being associated with more than 10 parking spaces, then CPs should be provided at a rate of one per dwelling , or one per associated parking space (whichever is the lesser) and that that ducting should be installed in each associated car parking space, to support the future installation of an EV CP?

No

Comment (if any):

See comments in Question 3E.2 and additional comments below.

Currently if buildings are undergoing major renovation as per the definition Building Control would not normally be made aware of parking spaces and therefor it may be hard to determine this. For this reason, it may be better to follow the approach of RoI and get ductwork provided to all in-curtilage spaces.

Another issue with existing dwellings is that there is probably a higher likelihood that there will not be the grid capacity to provide charging infrastructure and as this is something outside Building Controls remit it leaves us in a difficult position to enforce.

Q.3E.8 Do you agree with the proposed limitations to these requirements in the case of major renovations, as outlined in paragraph 3E.41-3E.47, or have you any further comment on them?

No

Comment (if any):

Limitation 3 – Work to carpark may be done outside scope of work to building so building control may not be aware of it.

Limitation 4 – how would Building Control assess the capacity of an existing electrical supply?

Limitation 5 – Building Control is not in a position to determine if the installation would exceed 7% costs of renovations.

Q.3E.9 Do you agree that where a dwelling is created through a material change of use, a CP should be required at any parking space associated with the new dwelling?

No

Comment (if any):

As before the assessment of parking provided should be dealt with earlier in the design stage so would be better considered then.

Q.3E.10 Do you agree with the proposed limitations to the application of the requirement, where a newly created dwelling is established under a material change of use, as outlined in paragraph 3E.51-3E.55?

No

Comment (if any):

See response to 3E.7 and also below.

Limitation 2 – Work to carpark may be done outside scope of work to building so building control may not be aware of it.

Limitation 3 – How would Building Control assess the capacity of an existing electrical supply?

Q.3E.11 Should a cost cap apply, instead of limiting the number of CPs on the basis of the existing supply, where a new electrical supply connection to the building occurs alongside a major renovation, or a material change of use that creates a new dwelling?

No

Comment (if any):



It is felt that basing the provision on cost will create difficulties in Building Control enforcing and may lead to issues of inconsistencies as to what is considered to be a reasonable or in some case not a reasonable cost of providing the requirements.

How would Building Control determine the cost be claimed by a developer are a reasonable amount for that work?

Q.3E.12 Should there be a requirement for cable routes to all spaces associated with dwellings newly created by way of a material change of use, in circumstances where a building has more than 10 parking spaces?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

As before the assessment of parking provided should be dealt with earlier in the design stage so would be better considered then - see previous comments.

Q.3E.13 Do you have any other views that you wish to provide on the EV section of the consultation (e.g. the minimum standard of EV charge point or safety and accessibility within the built environment)?

Comment (if any):

No further comments

No

#### Section 4A: Part F (Conservation of fuel and power) proposals for new buildings other than dwellings Phase 3

Q.4A.1 Do you agree that the Department should adopt the same Primary energy metric for new non-domestic building assessments, as proposed for domestic buildings?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.4A.2 Do you agree that the Department should develop proposals to adopt the Notional Building specification in line with England's Part L 2022 specification and requirements? If not, why not? please provide evidence of why and how the specification should be altered.

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.4A.3 Do you agree that the Department should develop proposals to adopt the limiting fabric U-values in line with England's Part L 2022 requirements? If not, please provide evidence of how the specification is impractical here and what alternative standard should be required.

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.4A.4 Do you agree that the Department should develop proposals to adopt maximum permissible air-permeability values for new builds of 5.0 m<sup>3</sup>/(h.m<sup>2</sup>) @50Pa, or should it maintain consistency with England's approach?

Maximum of 5.0 m<sup>3</sup>/(h.m<sup>2</sup>) @50Pa.

Comment (if any):

Q.4A.5 Do you agree that the Department should develop proposals to adopt the limiting services standards in line with the requirements in England, Wales and Scotland? If not, please provide evidence of how the specification is impractical here and what alternative standard should be required.

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.4A.6 Do you agree that the Department should develop proposals to include the limiting services standards within the Technical Booklet guidance documents, or is a more explanatory, separate Non-domestic Building Services Compliance Guide preferable? Please provide reasoning in your response.

YES, services guidance should be within the Technical Booklet

Comment (if any):

Note: For Q.4A.7 - we are unable to comment or provide evidence

Q.4A.7 Do you agree that the Department should develop proposals to require BACS in new buildings? If so, should the threshold be at 290kW or 180kW? Please provide evidence or reasoning for your view.

YES – at 290kW, YES – at 180kW

Q.4A.8 What is your view on the value of requiring either TM54 modelling of actual energy use in buildings >1000m<sup>2</sup> (as applicable in England) or Scotland's conversion to Zero Direct Emissions Heating reports?

Comment (if any):

This would be an additional measure that puts extra burden on Building Control staff to assess and not sure how relevant it is if can be done on software not approved by government.

#### Section 4B: Part F (Conservation of fuel and power) proposals for work to existing buildings other than dwellings Phase 3

Q.4B.1 Do you support the addition of a Primary Energy metric assessment alongside the current Carbon emissions metric assessment when using the Equivalent Target Approach to demonstrate compliance in cases of work to existing buildings?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.4B.2 Do you have any particular concerns or insight on the U-values used in standards related to existing buildings other than dwellings for any of the various situations in other administrations?

No

Comment (if any):

No concerns. It should assist getting consistency in u-values across the building types.

Q.4B.3 Do you agree that our U-value standards should be largely in line with limiting standards for new building elements in cases of extensions and replacement elements on buildings other than dwellings?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.4B.4 Do you agree that our U-value standards should be largely in line with the values used in England, in cases of a material change of use of a building, for renovated elements and where a change of energy status occurs involving buildings other than dwellings?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.4B.5 Are there any particular areas where alternative performance values for renovated elements or services should be considered for buildings other than dwellings? If so please provide evidence and an indication of the value you consider appropriate.

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

No evidence available

Q.4B.6 Do you agree that a maximum glazing area assessment should continue to form part of the requirements for extensions and be included where a material change of use occurs to buildings other than dwellings?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q.4B.7 Do you agree that traditional construction should be referenced out to third party guidance, with a greater scope for bespoke consideration in situations applicable to traditionally constructed buildings other than dwellings?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

It would be helpful if a definition was provided for what is considered "traditional construction".

Q.4B.8 Do you agree that where a new or complete replacement heating system is being installed in an existing building, it should be installed to operate with a maximum flow temperature of 55°C?

Yes

Comment (if any):

This will future proof the building, but needs to be clearly detailed that this is only when a new or complete heating system is being installed due to implications of radiator sizes etc.

Q.4B.9 Do you agree that Technical Booklet F2 should be amended to follow the minimum services provisions of Section 5 and 6 of England's Approved Document L2, subject to further NIBRAC and public consultations? The Department would be grateful to understand any 'lessons learned' from the roll-out of these provisions elsewhere.

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, but subject to further public consultation as noted

Q.4B.10 Do you have any evidence on the success or otherwise of consequential improvements? if so, please include this with your response.

No

Comment (if any, character limit 3,000):

No evidence available

Q.4B.11 Do you think consequential improvement requirements should be a. retained (i.e. maintained in keeping with England), b. amended (for example to apply where the principal works are of a particular value, rather than being based on the total floor area of the existing building), c. extended to apply to all extensions, or otherwise extended; or d. revoked? Please provide a reasoning for your response and evidence that supports any changes you would propose.

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Comment (if any):

We would be of the view it may time to revoke this requirement. This is based on the following –

- Building owner/designers are now more conscious of their energy use and already make provisions for upgrading when practical and feasible.
- It is also found that when we receive an application for extension, they may already have carried out other works in the recent past that will have improved the energy conservation.
- Instances that the building being extended is relatively new so the scope for doing improvements is limited.

Q.4B.12 Do you have any evidence or insight on the major renovations measures in place in the Republic of Ireland to suggest the Department should prioritise a similar approach here for buildings other than dwellings? If so please include the evidence with your response.

No

Comment (if any):

No evidence available.

#### Section 4C: Part K (Ventilation) buildings other than dwellings Phase

Q.4C.1 Do you agree that Technical Booklet K should take a similar approach to noise and installation of ventilation systems, as England and Wales?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Yes, but this is additional assessment that the current building control fees do not reflect.

Q4C.2 Do you agree that Technical Booklet K should replicate the proposed performance based guidance outlined for dwellings?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q4C.3 Do you agree that Technical Booklet K (TBK) should bring the Appendix D guidance on polluted external air into the main body text of TBK?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q4C.4 Do you agree that the list of sources for design guidance provided in ANNEX F should be replicated in the new TBK, for application to specialist building types?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q4C.5 Are there any specific concerns or issues with the updated references proposed in the Table in ANNEX F, that the Department should consider? If so, please provide details.

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

No comments.

Q4C.6 Do you agree that requirements for air quality monitoring, similar to those introduced in England and Wales, should be included in the Phase 3 uplift package to Part K (Ventilation)?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q4C.7 Question omitted following correction issued October '23

Yes

Comment (if any):

Q4C.8 Do you agree that additional requirements for ventilation in offices, similar to those introduced in England and Wales, should be included in the Phase 3?

Yes

Comment (if any):

#### Section 4D: Electric vehicle infrastructure- Phase 3 proposals for buildings other than dwellings

Q4D.1 Do you agree with the proposed use of Building Regulations to implement Article 8.2 for the provision of EV charging point infrastructure at buildings other than dwellings?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

It is felt that the assessment of the number of charging points and relevant infrastructure required should be considered earlier in the design stage of the works as the standard is based around the number of Parking Spaces. As this is something that is reviewed as part of the planning process it may be a better fit within their legislation.

As parking spaces would not be considered when assessing fees for building regulation applications how will this be dealt with to account for the additional time resource being placed on building control?

Q4D.2 Do you agree that ducting infrastructure for one in five parking spaces and one charging point, should be installed when a non-residential buildings with more than 10 non-residential car parking spaces is being erected or is undergoing a major renovation?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

See response to Question 4D.1.

Q4D.3 Do you agree with the proposed limitations (outlined in para 4D.13- 4D.18) to the application of EV charging requirements for new non-residential buildings and for major renovations of such buildings? If not, please comment on how should they be changed

No

Comment (if any):

Limitation 1 – number of parking spaces not determined by Building Control

Limitation 3 – this work might be carried outside the scope of a building control application for major renovation.

Limitation 4 – Building Control is not in a position to determine if the installation would exceed 7% costs of renovations.

There is a need to proceed with caution until research into fire safety of charging points is completed.

Q4D.4 Do you agree that more onerous residential requirements should apply in mixed-use building situations and shared parking arrangements?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

See comments to question 4D.1.

## Section 5: Considerations for Phase 4 uplifts

Q5.1 Do you agree that, for Phase 4, the Department should expect to replicate measures introduced in England's Future Homes and Future Buildings (2025) in the first instance, or is there a particular administration that we should seek to align with for Phase 4? If possible, please provide supporting evidence for your preference.

Yes

Comment (if any):

As we are reliant on software providers whose main market is England it would be better to align with England.

Q5.2 Would you support a ban on direct emissions heat generators or combustion appliances, similar to Scotland's measures banning such appliances? (Please take into account your answer to question Q3A.23 on which Option you have supported.)

No

Comment (if any):

No as it is not evident that the current NIE infrastructure can support a change that requires all buildings to have heat pumps.

Q5.3 Do you support efforts to more closely align the NCM and targets towards passive house standards, where possible?

No

Comment (if any):

No as there will be less standardization of dwellings leaving it harder for Building Control to determine what are acceptable levels therefore adding to an already complex assessment time. Also not sure if the industry has the skill in place that would be required.

Department should monitor developments ongoing in Scotland with regard to passive house standards as this might guide phase 4 and 5 uplifts.

Q5.4 Have you any advice or evidence as to how further verification measures might help ensure the standard is delivered in practice (please provide details)?

No

Comment (if any):

No evidence available

Q5.5 Are there any other particular or detailed issues that the Department should be considering for new build Part F requirements for non-domestic buildings as part of Phase 4 developments?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

No comment.

Q5.6 Are there any other issues which the Department should be considering for Phase 5? Please note that some further/concurrent issues are discussed in Section 6 which may influence input on this.

Yes

Comment (if any):

It might be useful to review building control enforcement framework and submission for non-compliance.

## Section 6: Concurrent issues - headline summary

### Section 6A: National Calculation Methodology issues

Q.6A.1 Do you agree that the local NCM should be consistent with England? If not, please provide thoughts on how it should be varied, for example with the use of a local NI weather file, or with local cost or carbon intensity factors, rather than UK averages, in building regulation assessments.

Yes

Comments (if any):

### Section 6B: Embodied Carbon

Q.6B.1 Do you have any comments on EPDs that you would like to bring to the attention of the Department at this stage?

No

Comment (if any):

No comments.

Q.6B.2 Have you any insight or evidence on the likely professional costs incurred in carrying out a whole lifecycle assessment of carbon in a project? For example, is it likely to be comparable to the cost of a traditional Bill of Quantities? If so, what phases of the lifecycle assessment and data were included?

No

Comment (if any):

No evidence available

Q.6B.3 Have you any opinion or insight on how to address any of the challenges listed? For example, a view on the extent and scope of assessments.

No

Comment (if any):

No comment

Q.6B.4 Do you agree that the intricacies and implications of embodied carbon mean it is best considered at a UK wide level and that the Department should concentrate efforts on attending to the current gap in standards compared to other regions, in the first instance?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

Due to the complexities involved with embodied carbon assessments these would be better dealt with at a UK wide level as Building Control may struggle with capacity to oversee and manage any enforcement requirements.

Q.6B.5 Would you support the development of an advisory Information Note or Appendix to Technical Booklets on Part F to support embodied carbon assessment?

No

Comment (if any):

As any advisory note will not be enforceable by Building Control the information is unlikely to be looked at so may be a waste of resources at this time to develop it.

Q.6B.6 Have you any practical suggestions for how circular economy principles may be best encouraged in construction or, if necessary, regulated for in the future?

Yes

Comment (if any):

Demolition and disposal of material should ideally be controlled by an application process and certificate of disposal.

## Section 6C: Over-sized new homes

Q.6C.1 Have you any evidence on new build dwelling sizes that should be taken into account in future policy making on larger dwellings?

Not Answered

Comment (if any):

Building Control would be confident that the dwelling size data extracted as part of the consultation from EPC's would be reflective of what is being built.

Q.6C.2 Do you believe that action should be taken to better highlight the higher total energy demand for large, less spatially efficient dwellings? If so, how should this be best achieved?

No

Comment (if any):

It could be highlighted on the EPC, but it is felt may be pointless exercise as the majority of the houses in excess of the HAG standards are being built by future owner occupiers and they will be aware of the costs involved with the dwelling.

## Section 6D: Performance gap

Q.6D.1 Do you have any particularly local evidence on design vs as-built performance gaps?

No

Comment (if any):

There does be changes on-site to what is designed/ specified and what is then provided on-site, but it is difficult to extract data in support of this.

Q.6D.2 Do you have any evidence or insight supporting specific actions to address specific performance gaps in Parts F or K of the Building Regulations?

Yes

Comment (if any):

There should be a more formalised process in place for the signing off by energy assessors.

Also, obtaining approval prior to commencement and a completion certificate prior to occupation would be beneficial.

Annexes





**Minutes of Meeting of Environment Committee of Mid Ulster District Council held on Tuesday 14 November 2023 in Council Offices, Burn Road, Cookstown and by virtual means**

**Members Present**

Councillor Cuthbertson, Chair

Councillors J Burton, J Buchanan, Cahoon, Kelly, Groogan, Mallaghan, McAleer, McElvogue, McGuigan, McNamee, Milne\*, Quinn\*, Robinson, Varsani

**Officers in Attendance**

Mr McCreesh (Chief Executive)\*\*  
Mrs Campbell, Strategic Director of Environment (SD: Env)  
Mr Lowry, Head of Technical Services (HoTS)  
Mr McAdoo, Assistant Director of Environmental Services (AD: ES)  
Mr Scullion, Assistant Director of Property Services (AD: PS)  
Miss Thompson, Committee and Member Services Officer

**Others in Attendance**

Councillor F Burton\*\*\*

**Agenda Item 4 – Deputation – Safe Electricity Armagh and Tyrone (SEAT)**

Messrs Lennon and Woods

\* Denotes members and members of the public present in remote attendance

\*\* Denotes Officers present by remote means

\*\*\* Denotes others present by remote means

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm

*The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson welcomed everyone to the meeting and those watching the meeting through the Live Broadcast. Councillor Cuthbertson in introducing the meeting detailed the operational arrangements for transacting the business of the committee in the chamber and by virtual means, by referring to Annex A to this minute.*

**E236/23 Notice of Recording**

Members noted that the meeting would be webcast for live and subsequent broadcast on the Council's You Tube site.

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## **E237/23 Apologies**

Councillor Martin.

## **E238/23 Declarations of Interest**

The Chair reminded Members of their responsibility with regard to declarations of interest.

## **E239/23 Deputation - Safe Electricity Armagh and Tyrone (SEAT)**

The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson welcomed the representatives from SEAT to the meeting and invited them to make their presentation (appendix 1).

Mr Lennon thanked the Committee for the opportunity to raise concerns regarding the planned North-South Interconnector and the impact it will have on the residents of Mid Ulster District Council. Mr Lennon clarified that SEAT are not against interconnection but that the purpose of their attendance tonight was to highlight the main points of concern regarding the proposed infrastructure these being, the case of need, overhead versus underground cabling, cost and compensation and technology. Mr Lennon highlighted that there has never been a full accurate costing of the proposed interconnector and that since 2004 technology has changed massively along with the energy market and that the European approach to building sustainable networks has also changed. Mr Lennon stated that SEAT are asking the Department for Energy for a review to ascertain if the interconnector is still needed and how it meets Northern Ireland's energy strategy.

Mr Woods encouraged Members to seek a review for the need for this interconnector particularly as there are so many unanswered questions.

The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson commended Messrs Lennon and Woods for their work since 2004 and that he was mindful that a number of Members have not been elected that length of time. Councillor Cuthbertson referred to the information sent to Members prior to the meeting tonight and stated that if there was any further information which could be circulated it would be useful for Members.

Councillor Varsani asked if the concerns regarding the interconnector were to be ranked what the top two concerns would be.

Mr Woods stated that Northern Ireland consumers have come through a number of energy price rises recently and asked why Northern Ireland consumers and industry should continue to have to pay costs which he believed would rocket if the interconnector was put in place. Mr Woods also highlighted concerns of landowners in Northern Ireland receiving such a meagre payment for lands compared to the South whilst destroying the environment and causing risk to health in the process. Mr Woods stated that there was nothing wrong with cross border activity but questioned why people should be allowed to be sucked in to a system which has been so badly managed in the South.

Councillor Robinson referred to costs and poor compensation and asked if there are any health hazards with the overhead cables as opposed to underground cabling.

Mr Lennon stated that the British Medical Journal identified the potential for higher risks of childhood leukaemia for those associated with close proximity to power lines. In addition the World Health Organisation indicate that there are a number of concerns with powerlines that have not been scientifically disproven and that they use the precautionary principle in that if something is uncertain it should not be done and that this is the approach taken to risk in the UK and EU. Mr Lennon stated there was a similar proposal linking Belgium and Germany and when they considered issues similar to those for the proposed North-South interconnector they decided to cable underground. Mr Lennon stated that the biggest factor associated with overhead cabling is overhead emissions and that scientific evidence shows that significant and prolonged exposure to these emissions will cause potential damage.

Councillor Mallaghan referred to the various interconnectors and stated that there is the potential for cheaper electricity coming from nuclear in France and asked if this has been considered.

Mr Lennon advised that the Republic of Ireland have revised their energy strategy in the last five years and this is in reaction to an EU change in technology in networks. It was advised that the EU are now putting in multi purpose interconnectors which use a DC line as opposed to an AC line which is what the North-South interconnector proposes to use. Mr Lennon stated that the EU want to increase the generating capacity and that further transfer of renewable power has been agreed between Ireland and France. Mr Lennon referred to the Moyle interconnector and that there was no reason why it could not be upgraded but that the main constriction relates to contractual terms.

Mr Woods also referred to the Kilmarnock to Kilroot interconnector and that as much renewable energy as is required can be provided from Scotland. Mr Woods also referred to lack of investment in power to the West of Northern Ireland. Mr Woods stated that SEAT have raised approximately £1 million for their work to date from donations and that upcoming tribunals will also require to be funded and questioned why this should have to be the case.

Councillor Robinson referred to the compensation being paid to farmers in the North at £13k per acre as opposed to £100k per acre in the South.

Mr Lennon stated it was his understanding that SONI were in contact with Land and Property Services to work out the average price of agricultural land and that is the figure given. Mr Lennon stated that £13-20k per acre for agricultural land is probably not that inaccurate at the moment but emphasised that landowners are being asked to give up a site which has planning permission and in addition they are being asked to stymie future development if it is within the safe zone of the overhead line. Existing businesses may also be devalued. Mr Lennon stated that SONI do not have the same statutory basis to make compensation payments and that SEAT are lobbying the Department for the Economy and Department for Infrastructure to

replicate the payments being made in the South but that this has not happened due to lack of Assembly.

The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson thanked the representatives again for their attendance and asked them to keep in touch with Council with further updates.

Mr Woods stated that there are continual developments and that he had put together additional information. The information was circulated to Members (appendix 2).

*Messrs Lennon and Woods left the meeting at 7.38 pm.*

## **E240/23 Chair's Business**

Councillor McGuigan referred to proposal being brought forward by Workspace to replace a number of trees that were damaged/removed during a NI Water sewerage project a number of years ago. Councillor McGuigan stated that he is a Council representative on Workspace. The Councillor stated that whilst NI Water replaced the trees after the works these trees have not grown and that the contractor has now moved from the site with no follow up. Councillor McGuigan stated that the issue that Workspace have come across is that there are utilities in the area and the question is whether these could be impacted by bringing their project forward. The Councillor stated that Workspace are asking for some assistance from Council as DfI will not provide the information required to them. Councillor McGuigan highlighted that Workspace are putting money to this project and proposed that officers from Council work with Workspace to assist them in getting the information they require to move forward with their project.

The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson stated he was surprised that DfI would not be forthcoming in providing the information required and that he would leave the matter with the Director and officers to make contact with the group.

Councillor Groogan seconded Councillor McGuigan's proposal.

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council that officers make contact with Workspace to assist them in getting the information they require from DfI to move forward with their project.

## **Matters for Decision**

### **E241/23 DfI Roads Proposal to Mid Ulster District Council – No Waiting At Any Time Restriction at Charlemont Street, Moy**

Members considered previously circulated report which sought agreement in relation to proposal to introduce no waiting at any time, loading and unloading at Charlemont Street, Moy.

Proposed by Councillor McNamee  
Seconded by Councillor McElvogue and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to endorse the proposal submitted by Department for Infrastructure Roads in relation to proposal to introduce no waiting at any time, loading and unloading at Charlemont Street, Moy.

**E242/23 Dfl Roads Proposal to Mid Ulster District Council – Disabled Person’s Parking Bay Amendment, Station Road, Clogher**

Members considered previously circulated report which sought agreement in relation to proposal to amend Disabled Person’s Parking Bay provision at Station Road, Clogher.

Proposed by Councillor McNamee  
Seconded by Councillor McElvogue and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to endorse the proposal submitted by Department for Infrastructure Roads in relation to proposal to amend Disabled Person’s Parking Bay provision at Station Road, Clogher.

**E243/23 Dfl Roads Proposal to Mid Ulster District Council – Derestriction, Ballygawley Roundabouts**

Members considered previously circulated report which sought agreement in relation to proposal to introduce a derestriction of current speed limits at Ballygawley Roundabouts, and main link roads.

Proposed by Councillor McNamee  
Seconded by Councillor McElvogue and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to endorse the proposal submitted by Department for Infrastructure Roads in relation to proposal to introduce a derestriction of current speed limits at Ballygawley Roundabouts, and main link roads.

**E244/23 Bus Shelters Update**

The Head of Technical Services (HoTS) presented previously circulated report which provided update on current bus shelter status.

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council –

- That the following applications move from stage 5 of the process -
  - Mourne Crescent, Coalisland – 6nr passengers
  - Annagher Road, Coalisland – 15nr passengers
  - Main Road, Moygashel – 6nr passengers

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- Findermore Road, Clogher – 12nr passengers
- That the following applications are approved for installation -
  - Dungannon Road, Cabragh
  - Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt

The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson referred to item 21 on the agenda – Rationalisation of Recycling Centres and Grass Cutting Working Group Update and proposed that this item be moved to open business as he felt there was nothing within the report which was sensitive and that in the interests of openness and transparency the item should move to open business.

Councillor McGuigan stated he was not sure the item should be moved into open business as the matter is still at working group stage and that previously the outworkings of working groups have been brought back to Committee under confidential business. The Councillor stated that the job of work of the working group is not complete and that the issue of grass cutting still has to be dealt with and that final costings still have to be provided. Councillor McGuigan proposed that the item be kept in confidential business tonight and that when all information is available it could be brought to Committee in open business.

The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson stated that the report before Members tonight deals with Recycling Centres and that the other issues such as grass cutting and toilets are still being worked on.

Councillor Robinson seconded Councillor Cuthbertson’s proposal as he felt the matter of recycling centres had been worked through as far as possible by the working group.

Councillor McNamee seconded Councillor McGuigan’s proposal.

Members voted on Councillor Cuthbertson’s proposal –

For – 6  
Against - 9

The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson stated he felt it was a shame the Committee could not be open and transparent.

## **Matters for Information**

**E245/23      Environment Committee minutes of meeting held on 10 October 2023**

Members noted minutes of Environment Committee held on 10 October 2023.

### **E246/23 Best Kept Awards 2023**

Members noted previously circulated report which advised of the results of the NI Amenity Council Best Kept Awards 2023.

### **E247/23 Recycle Week 2023**

Members noted previously circulated report which advised of the activities carried out for Recycle Week 2023.

### **E248/23 Town Centre Footpath Snow/Ice Clearance Agreement**

Members noted previously circulated report which outlined the rolling annual winter maintenance agreement with Dfl in relation to the treatment of footpaths in the main town centres within Mid Ulster.

The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson stated that amendments were made to the Dungannon map some years ago to include Church Lane which runs from Market Square down a steep hill to a Council car park. The Councillor stated that Church Lane is not included in the map provided within the report and asked that it be included again going forward. Councillor Cuthbertson referred to recent meeting in relation to adoption of public realm works in Dungannon and that footpaths in Dungannon Town Centre are Council's responsibility and asked if this has caused any issues for Council ie. does Council still have to wait on a request from Dfl to enact the agreement or because the footpaths are still under Council control that Council can move ahead with clearance without waiting on a request from Dfl.

The Assistant Director of Environmental Services (AD: ES) stated on the first issue he was happy to go back and amend the map. In relation to the second point it was advised that Council still has to wait on Dfl to trigger the agreement and request Council assistance with snow/ice clearance.

The Chair, Councillor Cuthbertson asked if someone slipped on icy footpath was this the responsibility of Council or Dfl.

The AD: ES stated it is a matter for Dfl to trigger the agreement and advised that there were some slips last year which Council forwarded to Dfl for investigation.

### **E249/23 Tullyvar Joint Committee Update**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided an update on the business of the Tullyvar Joint Committee.

Councillor Mallaghan asked if Members would get a presentation or workshop in the future regarding negotiations with the firm who want to acquire three of Council's landfill sites.

The Assistant Director of Environmental Services (AD: ES) advised that the proposal is at a very early stage and will be brought back to Committee in due course for consideration.

Councillor Mallaghan stated he was aware that Tullyvar Joint Committee have been asked for permission to proceed with conversations and given there are two other landfill sites under Council control it would be important that they are given the same consideration.

### **E250/23      Ulster in Bloom Competition 2023**

Members noted previously circulated report which outlined the Translink Ulster in Bloom competition results for 2023.

### **E251/23      Building Control Workload**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on the workload analysis for Building Control.

### **E252/23      Entertainment Licensing Applications**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update on Entertainment Licensing Applications across the Mid Ulster District.

### **E253/23      Dual Language Signage Surveys**

Members noted previously circulated report which advised of the result of surveys undertaken on all applicable residents on the streets/roads in response to Dual Language Signage Nameplate requests.

### **E254/23      Dual Language Signage Requests**

Members noted previously circulated report which advised of requests for Dual Language Signage from residents on the streets/roads in question.

### **E255/23      Emergency Planning Update**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided update with respect to Emergency Planning Mutual Aid Protocols to assist District Councils make arrangements to reduce, control and mitigate the effects on any emergency.

*Live broadcast ended at 8.00 pm.*

### **Local Government (NI) Act 2014 - Confidential Business**

Proposed by Councillor Varsani  
Seconded by Councillor McNamee and

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**Resolved** In accordance with Section 42, Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014 that Members of the public be asked to withdraw from the meeting whilst Members consider items E256/23 to E264/23.

**Matters for Decision**

- E256/23 Rationalisation of Recycling Centres and Grass Cutting Working Group Update
- E257/23 Councils Fleet Safety Policy Update
- E258/23 Lough Neagh/River Blackwater Update

**Matters for Information**

- E259/23 Environment Committee Confidential Minutes of meeting held on 10 October 2023
- E260/23 Capital Framework – ICT Contracts Update
- E261/23 Capital Framework – IST Contracts Update
- E262/23 Capital Projects – Scoping Contracts Update
- E263/23 Capital Programme 2023-2027: Quarter 2 2023/24 Update
- E264/23 Off Street Car Parking: Quarter 2 2023/2024

**E265/23 Duration of Meeting**

The meeting was called for 7.00 pm and ended at 8.33 pm.

CHAIR \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

## Annex A – Introductory Remarks from the Chairperson

Good evening and welcome to the Council's [Policy & Resources/Environment/Development] Committee in the Chamber, [Dungannon/Magherafelt] and virtually.

I specifically welcome the public watching us through the Live Broadcast. The Live Broadcast will run for the period of our Open Business but will end just before we move into Confidential Business. I let you know before this happens.

Just some housekeeping before we commence. Can I remind you:-

- If you have joined the meeting remotely please keep your audio on mute unless invited to speak and then turn it off when finished speaking
- Keep your video on at all times, unless you have bandwidth or internet connection issues, where you are advised to try turning your video off
- If you wish to speak please raise your hand in the meeting or on screen and keep raised until observed by an Officer or myself
- Should we need to take a vote this evening I will ask each member to confirm whether they are for or against the proposal or abstaining
- When invited to speak please introduce yourself by name to the meeting
- For any member attending remotely, if you declare an interest in an item, please turn off your video and keep your audio on mute for the duration of the item
- If referring to a specific report please reference the report, page or slide being referred to
- Lastly, I remind the public and press that taking photographs of proceedings or using any means to enable anyone not present to see or hear proceedings, or making a simultaneous oral report of the proceedings are not permitted

Thank you and we will now move to the first item on the agenda

## Safe Electricity Armagh Tyrone presentation to Environment Committee 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Thank you for giving us this opportunity to raise our grave concerns regarding the planned North-South Interconnector and the impact it will have on residents of Mid Ulster District Council. In addition to our discussion, we want to leave you with our main points of concern regarding this infrastructure.

### Overhead vs Underground

Safe Electricity Armagh Tyrone was formed in 2006 to represent residents and landowners concerned with the proposed North-South Interconnector. To date we have the support of c. 6,500 residents backing a campaign to have the proposed interconnector undergrounded. 95% of residents and landowners who would be expected to facilitate one or more pylons for an overhead line have refused and will continue to refuse to sign any easement permission to allow development of the proposed overhead North-South Interconnector to commence.

In 2007 the Systems Operator for Northern Ireland (SONI) said, “*we believe an underground cable would not be suitable,*” yet undergrounding is used throughout Ireland, the UK and the EU.

SEAT is not against the idea of interconnection, but we believe that if interconnection is to happen, the people of Armagh and Tyrone should not be treated as second class citizens being subjected to an overhead interconnector when undergrounded interconnection technology is used elsewhere.

We refer you to Eirgrid’s commitment to underground a similar transmission between Kildare and Meath in 2021, stating that it was the best of four options. This Kildare-Meath underground cable is the same distance and voltage as the proposed NI section of the North/South interconnector.

### Case of need

We believe that the reasons presented by SONI to highlight the supposed vital need for the proposed overhead cross border high voltage interconnector do not align with the priorities for Northern Ireland in 2023, and furthermore we believe the consumers of Northern Ireland have been misled on the need for the North-South Interconnector.

In 2016 SONI said, “*As the system operator, unless action is taken we won’t be confident we can keep the lights on in 2021.*” Every *Security of Supply* study issued by SONI / Eirgrid over the last number of years has confirmed that Northern Ireland has a surplus of electricity until 2031 and no forecasts exist beyond 2031, the position of the Republic of Ireland is quite the opposite. Every *Security of Supply* study issued over the past number of years clearly states that the Republic of Ireland will suffer from a severe electricity deficit for at least the next 7-10 years, with a major risk to supply being caused by energy commitments to data centres in the Republic.

Eirgrid’s forecast is a major miscalculation of the generating needs in the Republic of Ireland. They also do not seem to understand the current and future needs of the approximately one hundred Dublin based data centres which they had committed to

supply energy to between 2020 & 2030. This resulted in a major increase in the amount of fossil fuel generated electricity (coal, gas and oil).

SEAT believes that the case of need for the North-South Interconnector has radically changed since it was first proposed, and that this has not been fully considered by SONI or by Northern Ireland's decision makers.

### **Cost**

In these times of a high cost of living, every effort should be made to ensure that Northern Irish consumers are getting the best value possible when it comes to energy costs. The proposed North-South Interconnector has never been fully costed. With no guaranteed costs for this project, SEAT believes that consumers in Northern Ireland should not be expected to foot the bill for expensive infrastructure that will pose no benefit to the people of Northern Ireland.

Even if we were to be assured by Eirgrid that they would fund the proposed interconnector, it is very clear that Eirgrid resources are inadequate to meet the massive transmission requirements of the Republic of Ireland over the next seven to ten years. Recently Eirgrid/SONI stated 2012 costs of €220m, yet the Irish Institute of Engineers estimated the current cost at €830m.

Renewable energy generation in ROI today is 37% below 2019 output. There have been numerous forecasts mentioning a likelihood of energy shortages and volatile pricing for energy consumers over the next seven to ten years. Eirgrid will have no opportunity to transmit any energy to NI for many years to come. Why, going forward, would we agree to increase our interconnection with the ROI, when we would be exposed to volatile fossil fuel generated electricity at much higher prices.

### **Technology**

The proposed Interconnector is a 400 kV overhead line that will connect the Northern Ireland and Republic of Ireland electricity grids. The planning application for this interconnector was submitted in 2009, in the sixteen years since, technology has radically changed and improved across the world. Currently National Grid (Great Britain) and Energinet (Denmark) are constructing the Viking Link, an interconnector between the United Kingdom and Denmark. The Viking Link will be the world's longest electricity interconnector, measuring 765km, and will be an undersea cable. When technology exists that allows interconnectors of this calibre to exist in Lincolnshire, why are the residents of Armagh and Tyrone being treated as second class citizens and being subjected to an unwanted overhead interconnector? The proposed Interconnector as it stands cannot be considered as innovative when it is clear that less obtrusive and much more environmentally friendly technology exists and is used elsewhere.

### **Conclusion**

As you may be aware, the NI regulator concluded that SONI's ownership by Eirgrid since 2009 was contrary to the good operation of SONI going forward. As a result of the push back of Eirgrid's self-serving policy, which was detrimental to the future of renewable growth, Eirgrid have announced that they will demerge their management of SONI. A task force is currently drawing up plans for the eventual outcome. Meanwhile the first members of a new team of directors to run SONI as a standalone transmission operator have been appointed.

The criteria for re-election to the board are-

1. Each member must be approved by Northern Ireland regulator
2. Applicants employed by Eirgrid or SONI during the last five years or who had professional involvement with Eirgrid or SONI are ineligible.

A 21 day notice was issued to the landowner who refused to sign easement or right of way through their property. SONI subsequently threatened to have them appear before a tribunal with the intention to make ..... Purchase of the required property. This threat failed to change the opinion of the vast majority of landowners. One affected landowner is challenging the legality of the tribunal notice on three different legal grounds. No clear response has yet been issued by SONI/Eirgrid.

Safe Electricity Armagh Tyrone believes:

- This project will offer no benefit to Northern Ireland electricity consumers over the next seven to ten years, and;
- No forecasts have ever been provided to indicate that the project will ever benefit Northern Irish consumers, also:
- The proposed Interconnector as it stands will greatly inconvenience and disadvantage those who live along the route.

SEAT will continue to represent the wishes of our members for as long as it takes to convince decision makers in Northern Ireland that the North-South Interconnector in its present form is not appropriate or necessary. We continue to represent these landowners whilst they have been in receipt of threatening letters from SONI regarding access to lands on the proposed North-South Interconnector route.

As elected representatives representing the people of Tyrone who will be impacted if this infrastructure goes ahead, we urge you to seek a review of the planning approval and of the need for the North-South Interconnector. With the current cost-of-living crisis, we believe a review into the need for this infrastructure is more important than ever.

All of the recent data available states that currently in excess of 50% of electricity generated in Northern Ireland is from renewable sources. The most serious blockage to renewable energy growth in NI is Eirgrid/SONI's failure to invest in adequate transmission infrastructure over the last ten years.

We are happy to provide any further information you may require.

John Woods, Jim Lennon

Safe Electricity Armagh & Tyrone (SEAT)

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1. Eirgrid offers ROI landowners €100,000 for each pylon

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A) Head of the Department for the Economy, Richard Rodgers, states that it is crucial that we in NI are self-sufficient in affordable renewable energy.

B) If we don't convert all the excess renewable energy produced in NI into green hydrogen the lights will go out when we reach 80% renewable generation.

C) Ballylumford 'Power to x' project- will use renewable electricity and invest in energy storage, both battery and green hydrogen.

3. Plans are progressing for a €500m green hydrogen storage facility at Kinsale Head gas field, County Cork.

4. The NI Electricity Order 1992. All new distribution investment must be efficient and commercial. The N/S interconnector is neither efficient nor a viable commercial project.

5. NI Climate change act 2022 prohibits trading energy with any country which does not have equivalent greenhouse gas emissions targets matching Northern Ireland. ROI is on a diverging path from NI and is currently increasing fossil fuel generation capacity.

### 6. The NI Utility Regulator

**Mission statement:** to protect the short and long term interests of consumers of electricity, water and gas.

**Vision:** to ensure value and sustainability of energy and water

**Values:** to be transparent, consistent, proportionate, accountable and targeted. To be professional, listening, explaining and acting with integrity.

The N/S interconnector meets none of these criteria.

## **7. SEM (Single Electricity Market)**

The memorandum of understanding between the NI regulator and ROI regulator.

A) Quote “We seek to achieve even better value for money for consumers in all we do and all we regulate.”

B) We will set realistic and achievable outcomes which are mutually beneficial to consumers both North and South.

C) We will facilitate effective and mutually beneficial cooperation.

The N/S interconnector fails to meet any of these above values.

The Single Electricity Market has failed and must be suspended.

**8.** A new £700m electricity link (two 320v undersea cables) from Kilmarnock to Kilroot is planned, also the Moyle interconnector can provide 400MW capacity if needed.

**9.** The stinging criticism by the NI Utility Regulator that SONI must be completely separate from Eirgrid, both managerially and operationally. This is because of Eirgrid’s self-serving management and governance which conflicted with NI transmission and consumer needs.

**10.** The ESRI (Economic and Social research institute) report released in DEC 22 titled ***All-island coordination of energy infrastructure and renewable energy supports*** states “we have found that by sharing policy targets on the island of Ireland that the impact would be relatively modest, changing total costs by less than 1%” ..... “The magnitude of the effort would be negligible”

**11.** Quoting from The Anglo Celt newspaper 12/5/22, Mark Foley, Chief Executive of Eirgrid stated that “his belief was that the lights would go out in as little as two years in Ireland, if we have not completed the construction of the N/S interconnector” (Quote from meeting of Cavan County Council monthly meeting).

**12.** “Heads must roll”, “industry experts in Ireland argue the energy crisis was of their own making.” Concerns were flagged as early as 2014 over the need to bring new power generation online to meet energy demands. Eirgrid in 2015 forecast that there was sufficient generation capacity to meet peak energy demand for the next decade. Just one illustration of Eirgrid’s lack of credibility in energy forecasting for both Ireland and Northern Ireland.

**13.** A SONI publication which featured in *Ambition* magazine (issue 55 Nov-Dec 22) (Article included next to photo of Alan Campbell, Managing Director of SONI) states that “The NI grid will need huge change through to 2030” but also confirming that “SONI is forecasting that a surplus of energy generation in NI will exist until 2031.”

Only 30MW of additional renewable capacity was added in NI in 2022 compared to 400MW annually in the period leading to peak development in 2016 (Carson McDowell in Recyclable energy magazine).

**14.** Security of Supply scenarios Northern Ireland 20/21 to 29/30 surplus availability.



<b>Report on</b>	Environmental Services - Christmas Working Arrangements
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	4th December 2023
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director – Environmental Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director – Environmental Services

<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	To inform members of the working arrangements in respect of refuse/recycling collection and operation of Recycling Centres during the Christmas and New Year holiday period.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	Since 2018, following discussion and agreement with trade unions, exactly the same working arrangements have been implemented across the Mid Ulster District over the Christmas and New Year period in respect of refuse and recycling collections/services.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	During the forthcoming festive period refuse and recycling collections due to take place on Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day) will take place instead on Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December and collections due to take place on Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> December (Boxing Day) will take place on Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> December. Collections due to take place on Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2024 (New Year's Day) will now take place on Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> January (please note this is a change to the arrangements as previously notified to Committee in March 2023).
3.2	The households directly affected by these changes i.e. those usually with a Monday or Tuesday collection, will be informed by means of a bin hanger (copies included at appendix) which will be attached to their wheeled bin week commencing either 11 <sup>th</sup> or 18 <sup>th</sup> December. The arrangements will also be communicated via our website and social media channels.
3.3	Given the length of time between blue bin collections taking place on Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 and Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 householders will be encouraged to take any excess recyclable material to their nearest Recycling Centre over the holiday period.
3.4	In relation to the Recycling Centres all eleven sites will be closed on Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> (Christmas Day) and Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> December (Boxing Day); reopening on Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> December. The sites will also all be closed on Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> January (New Year's Day).
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: Additional payments (as per with national conditions) will be made to employees required to work on the statutory/public holidays

	Human: In addition to enhanced payment employees are entitled to appropriate TOIL
	Risk Management: None
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: Common arrangements will apply across the district
	Rural Needs Implications: None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members are asked to note the working arrangements as outlined in this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
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# Christmas & New Year Bin Collections

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**Saturday 23rd December 2023.**

Bins due to be collected on  
**Monday 1st January 2024.**  
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**Saturday 6th January 2024.**

**Please remember to leave your  
bins out for collection by 7.30am.**



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## Please take excess recyclable material to Recycling Centres over the holiday period



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<b>Report on</b>	Northern Ireland Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste Management (LACMW) Report for April to June 2023
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	4th December 2023
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Mark McAdoe, Assistant Director of Environmental Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Karl McGowan, Waste & Sustainable Development Manager

<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>  If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	Yes	
	No	X

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update members on the Council's performance in relation to recycling and landfill diversion targets as outlined in the NIEA Northern Ireland Local Authority Waste Management Statistics Report for Quarter 1 of 2023/24 from April to June 2023
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	<p>The above (provisional) report was published on the 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023 by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA). The data in the report is based on quarterly returns made to WasteDataFlow, a web-based system, used by all local authorities throughout the UK to report on local authority collected municipal waste (LACMW). This publication provides information on local authority collected municipal waste from household and non-household sources and recycling and landfill rates in Northern Ireland.</p> <p>Headline figures are shown in the attached infographic with the full report available via the below link:</p> <p><a href="https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/northern-ireland-local-authority-collected-municipal-waste-management-statistics-april-june-2023">https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/northern-ireland-local-authority-collected-municipal-waste-management-statistics-april-june-2023</a></p>

<p><b>3.0 Main Report</b></p> <p>3.1 Key Points:</p> <p>3.2 Waste to Recycling:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Northern Ireland’s councils collected 267,107 tonnes of waste during April to June 2023, higher than the 263,355 tonnes collected during April to June 2022.</li> <li>During April to June 2023, 53.6 per cent of waste collected by councils was sent for recycling, higher than the 52.8 per cent recorded during April to June 2022.</li> <li>The landfill rate for waste collected by councils was 20.2 per cent in April to June 2023, a fall from both 72.5 per cent in April to June 2006 and 22.5 per cent recorded during April to June 2022.</li> <li>A quarter (24.6 per cent) of waste arisings were sent for energy recovery in April to June 2023 which was higher than the 23.1 per cent reported in April to June 2022. In the longer term, energy recovery rates have increased from 0.1 per cent recorded during April to June 2010.</li> <li>Household waste accounted for 87.6 per cent of all Local Authority collected (LAC) waste during this period.</li> <li>The recycling rate for household waste was 53.8 per cent in April to June 2023, the same as the rate recorded in April to June 2022. The landfill rate for household waste was 19.8 per cent, which was lower than the rate of 21.8 per cent recorded in April to June 2022.</li> </ul> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Authority</th> <th>Apr - Jun 23 (%)</th> <th>Apr - Jun 22 (%)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Antrim &amp; Newtownabbey</td> <td>63.0</td> <td>62.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ards &amp; North Down</td> <td>58.0</td> <td>56.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Armagh City, Banbridge &amp; Craigavon</td> <td>59.0</td> <td>58.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Belfast</td> <td>42.0</td> <td>41.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Causeway Coast &amp; Glens</td> <td>53.0</td> <td>52.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Derry City &amp; Strabane</td> <td>51.0</td> <td>50.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fermanagh &amp; Omagh</td> <td>50.0</td> <td>49.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lisburn &amp; Castlereagh</td> <td>54.0</td> <td>53.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mid &amp; East Antrim</td> <td>56.0</td> <td>55.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mid Ulster</td> <td>61.0</td> <td>60.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Newry, Mourne &amp; Down</td> <td>52.0</td> <td>51.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>arc21</td> <td>53.0</td> <td>52.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NWRWVG</td> <td>52.0</td> <td>51.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Northern Ireland</td> <td>53.6</td> <td>52.8</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Authority	Apr - Jun 23 (%)	Apr - Jun 22 (%)	Antrim & Newtownabbey	63.0	62.0	Ards & North Down	58.0	56.0	Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon	59.0	58.0	Belfast	42.0	41.0	Causeway Coast & Glens	53.0	52.0	Derry City & Strabane	51.0	50.0	Fermanagh & Omagh	50.0	49.0	Lisburn & Castlereagh	54.0	53.0	Mid & East Antrim	56.0	55.0	Mid Ulster	61.0	60.0	Newry, Mourne & Down	52.0	51.0	arc21	53.0	52.0	NWRWVG	52.0	51.0	Northern Ireland	53.6	52.8
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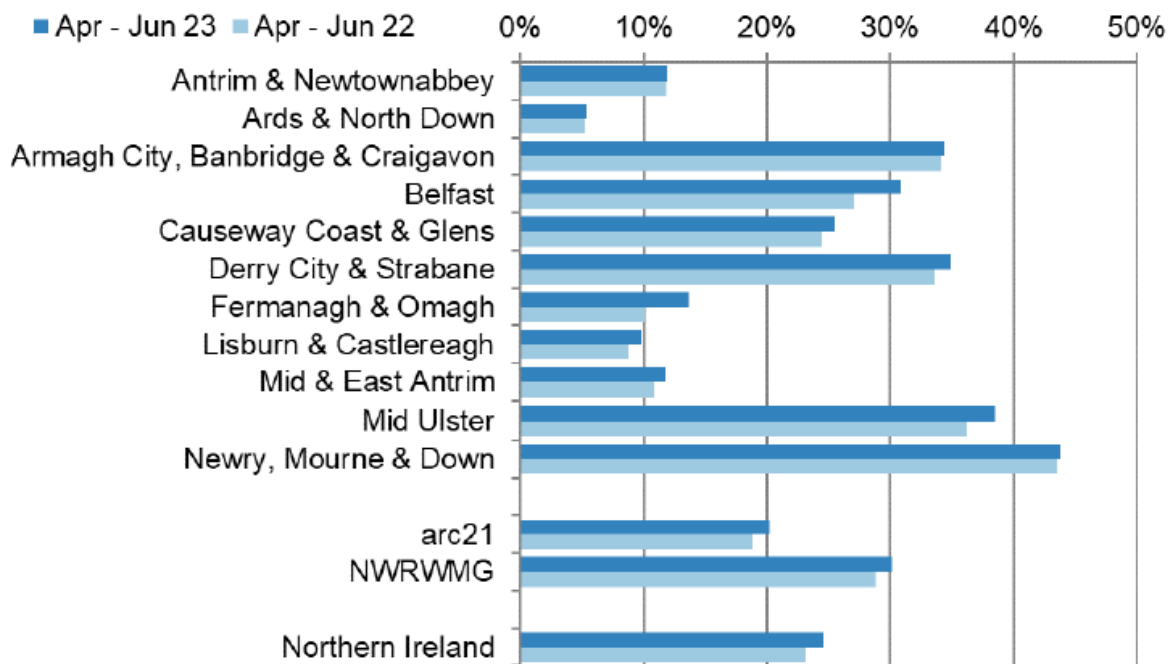
There were 143,151 tonnes of LAC municipal waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting during April to June 2023. The waste recycling rate was 53.6 per cent, higher than the 52.8 per cent of waste sent for recycling during April to June 2022.

The recycling rate for Mid Ulster for the quarter was 60.0 per cent (a decrease of 1.6 per cent compared to April to June 2022). This was the second highest rate achieved by any of the eleven Councils (as illustrated in the graph above):

### 3.3 Waste to Energy Recovery

From April to June 2023, 65,643 tonnes of waste arisings were sent for energy recovery. This produced a waste energy recovery rate of 24.6 per cent, the highest April to June quarterly energy recovery rate ever recorded for Northern Ireland. The majority of energy recovery comes from mixed residual waste, with a smaller proportion from specific streams, e.g. wood.

The energy recovery rate for Mid Ulster for the quarter was 38.4 per cent (an increase of 2.2 per cent compared to April to June 2022). This was the second highest rate achieved by any of the eleven Councils (as illustrated in the graph below):



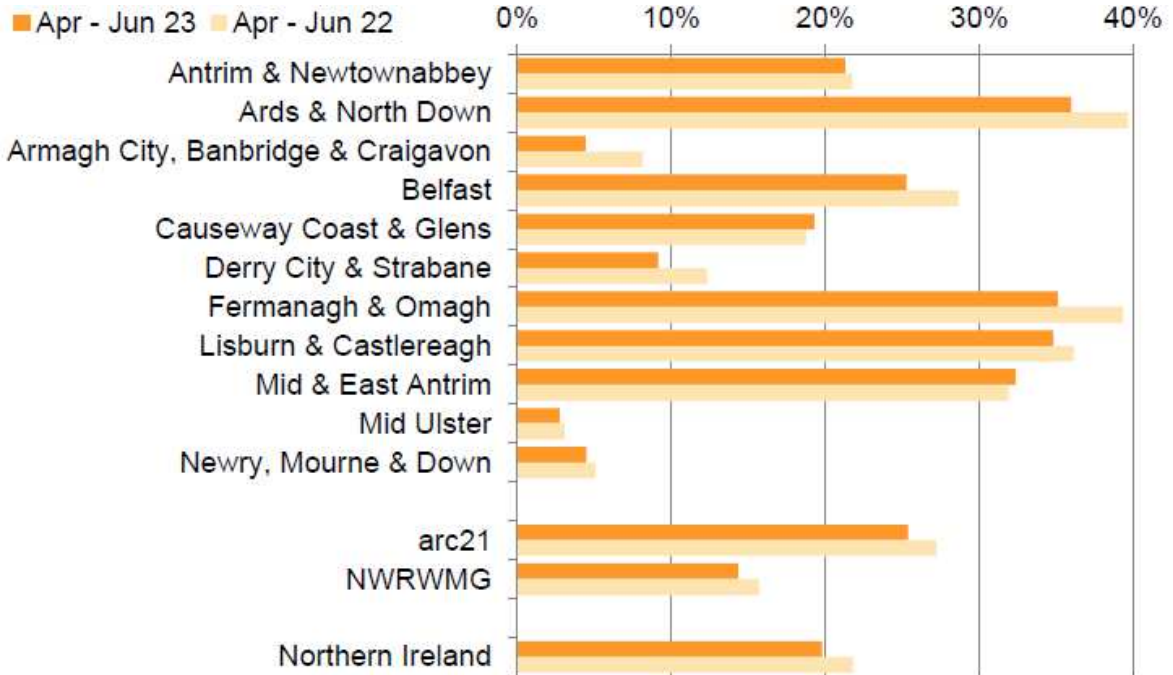
### 3.4 Waste to Landfill:

The quantity of LAC municipal waste sent to landfill decreased by 9.0 per cent, from 59,291 tonnes during April to June 2022 to 53,949 tonnes during April to June 2023. The quarterly landfill rate for April to June 2023 is 20.2 per cent, the lowest rate ever recorded for April to June. The latest quarterly landfill rate for household waste only is 19.8 per cent.

The longer term trend has seen the April to June household waste landfill rate fall from 70.9 per cent in 2006 to a low of 19.8 per cent in 2023. Note that the landfill

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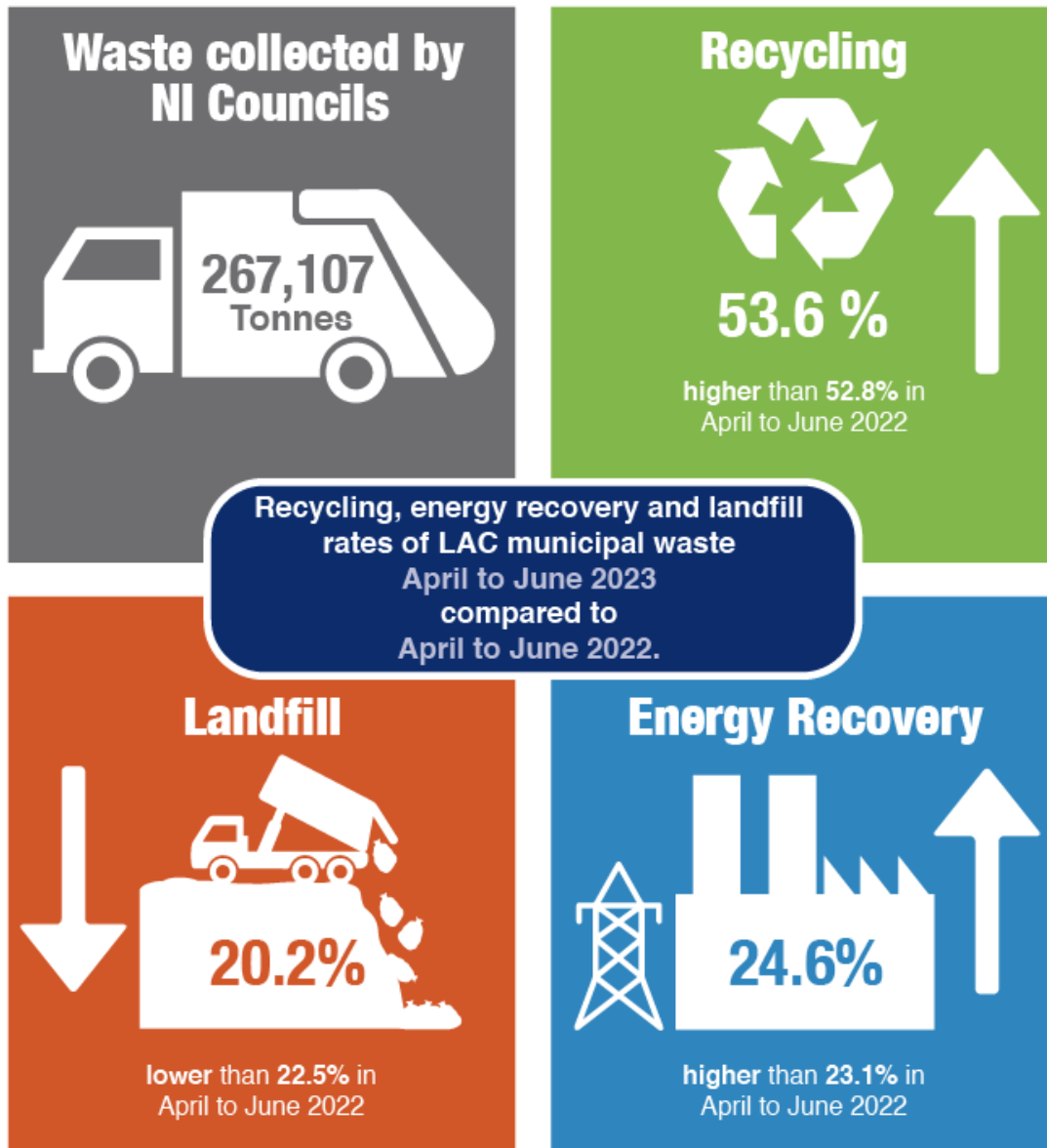
The landfill rate for Mid Ulster for the quarter was 2.7 per cent of household waste (a decrease of 0.4 per cent compared to April to June 2022). This was the lowest rate achieved by any of the eleven Councils (as illustrated in the graph below):



<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: None
	Human: A significant amount of time is spent by the Waste and Recycling Officers in gathering, collating, and submitting the necessary data for quarterly WasteDataFlow returns.
	Risk Management: Failure to meet waste targets would result in reputational damage to the Council.
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None

<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members are asked to note the performance of the Council as outlined in this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste Infographic Q1 2023-24.

## Waste Collections by NI Councils April to June 2023



*Sustainability at the heart of a living, working, active landscape valued by everyone.*

<b>Report on</b>	Building Control Workload
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Terry Scullion, AD Property Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	P J Fox, Building Control Development Manager

<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>  If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	Yes	
	No	X

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>		
1.1	To provide Members with an update on the workload analysis for Building Control across Mid-Ulster District Council.		
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>		
2.1	<p>Building Control applications are received in three different forms:-</p> <p>a Full Applications - submitted with detailed working drawings.</p> <p>b Building Notices - minor work not usually requiring detailed plans, e.g. provision of insulation to roof space, etc.</p> <p>c Regularisation Applications – where work has been carried out without an approval, an application must be submitted for retrospective approval.</p>		
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>		
3.1	<b>Workload Analysis</b>	<b>November 2023</b>	<b>Accumulative 2023/24</b>
	Total number of Applications	<b>95</b>	<b>1151</b>
	Full plans applications received.	<b>34</b>	<b>379</b>
	Building Notices applications received	<b>52</b>	<b>645</b>
	Regularisation applications received.	<b>9</b>	<b>127</b>
	Estimated value of works submitted	<b>£5,592,283</b>	<b>£80,068,131</b>
	<b>483</b>	<b>4,723</b>	

	Number of inspections carried out by Building Control Officers		
	Commencements	<b>126</b>	<b>1,380</b>
	Domestic Dwellings	<b>14</b>	<b>375</b>
	Domestic alterations and Extensions	<b>106</b>	<b>872</b>
	Non-Domestic work	<b>6</b>	<b>133</b>
	Completions	<b>135</b>	<b>1,006</b>
	Domestic Dwellings	<b>49</b>	<b>332</b>
	Domestic alterations and Extensions	<b>80</b>	<b>629</b>
	Non-Domestic work	<b>6</b>	<b>45</b>
	Property Certificates Received	<b>105</b>	<b>1268</b>
3.2	It should be noted from the Workload Analysis in 3.1, that the full range of applications are being received and administered in accordance with our procedures criteria.		
3.3	However, there is a reduction of approximately 15% in new applications received for the same period in 2022, although a change in the Building Regulations in June 2022 resulted in a spike in application numbers last year for this period.		
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>		
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>		
	Financial: Within Current Resources		
	Human: Within Current Resources		
	Risk Management: None		
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>		
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None		

	Rural Needs Implications: None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members are requested to note the content of this report.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 – List of significant applications received by the Building Control Service





**Significant Developments Report December 2023 Environment Committee**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Location of Development</b>	<b>Details of Development</b>	<b>Estimated value of development</b>
MBNI Truck & Van	100 Woodlough Road, Dungannon.	Erection of van dealership workshop & offices (Floor area 1633m <sup>2</sup> ) B.C. fee - £10,672.51	£2,494,211



<b>Report on</b>	Dual Language Signage Surveys
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Terry Scullion, AD Property Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Colm Currie, Senior Building Control Officer

<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>  If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	Yes	
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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>						
1.1	To advise Members on the result of surveys undertaken on all applicable residents on the streets/roads in response to Dual Language Signage Nameplate requests.						
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>						
2.1	In accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) NI Order 1995 – Article 11 the Council is tasked with the responsibility to erect dual language signs or second nameplates, adjacent to the nameplate in English.						
2.2	The Policy for Street Naming and Dual Language Signage – Section 6.0 (See Appendix 1) as adopted forms the basis for considering requests expressing the name in a language other than English, to both existing and new streets.						
2.3	In accordance with the Policy as adopted, all occupiers as listed on the Electoral Register residing on the street/road as noted below were canvassed, by post seeking their views on the request to erect dual-language street nameplates in the Irish Language as requested in each case.						
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>						
3.1	The Building Control function within Property Services issued occupiers of the undernoted street, correspondence seeking their views on the request to erect a dual-language street nameplate.						
3.2	Completed surveys were received by the return date and the outcome is as follows:  <table border="1" data-bbox="274 1890 1311 2007"> <tr> <td>Name of Street</td> <td>Springtown Road, Augher</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Language Requested</td> <td>Irish</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Date Request Validated</td> <td>25/07/2023</td> </tr> </table>	Name of Street	Springtown Road, Augher	Language Requested	Irish	Date Request Validated	25/07/2023
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Date Request Validated	25/07/2023						

Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	10/10/2023
Surveys Issued	18/10/2023
Surveys returned by	15/11/2023
Survey Letters Issued	47
Survey Letters Returned	12
Replies in Favour	12
Replies not in Favour	0
Invalid	0
Valid Returns	12
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favor of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Springtown Road, Augher will be erected.

Name of Street	Lakeview, Augher
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	10/08/2023
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	10/10/2023
Surveys Issued	18/10/2023
Surveys returned by	15/11/2023
Survey Letters Issued	14
Survey Letters Returned	4
Replies in Favour	2
Replies not in Favour	0
Invalid	2
Valid Returns	2
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favor of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Lakeview, Augher will be erected.

Name of Street	Cranlome Road, Dungannon
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	26/07/2023
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	10/10/2023
Surveys Issued	18/10/2023
Surveys returned by	15/11/2023
Survey Letters Issued	65
Survey Letters Returned	38
Replies in Favour	35
Replies not in Favour	0

Invalid	3
Valid Returns	35
Percentage in Favour	100%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are in favor of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Cranlome Road, Dungannon will be erected.

Name of Street	Annaloughan Road, Augher
Language Requested	Irish
Date Request Validated	09/08/2023
Survey Request Reported to Environment Committee	10/10/2023
Surveys Issued	18/10/2023
Surveys returned by	15/11/2023
Survey Letters Issued	59
Survey Letters Returned	24
Replies in Favour	0
Replies not in Favour	23
Invalid	1
Valid Returns	23
Percentage in Favour	0%

In accordance with the Dual Language Signage Nameplates Policy, where more than 51% of the completed replies returned by occupiers indicate that they are not in favor of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, it is confirmed that the dual language nameplates at Annaloughan Road, Augher will be not be erected.

<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: Within Current Resources
	Human: Within Current Resources
	Risk Management: None
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None

<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	That Members note the result of the survey for application of Dual Language Nameplates in Irish for the street as detailed below.
5.2	<p>Where more than 51 % of occupiers that respond indicated that they were in favour of the erection of a dual language signage, nameplates will be erected.</p> <p><b>1. Springtown Road, Augher</b>  <b>2. Lakeview, Augher</b>  <b>3. Cranlome Road, Ballygawley &amp; Galbally</b></p> <p>Where more than 51 % of occupiers of the street as noted below did not respond to indicate that they were in favour of the erection of a dual-language street nameplate, then the dual language nameplate will not be erected.</p> <p><b>1. Annaloughan Road, Augher</b></p>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 - Policy for Street Naming and Dual Language Signage
6.2	Appendix 2 - Dual Language Nameplate Translation for each Street/Road

## Policy on Dual Language Nameplate Signage

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<b>Equality Screened by</b>	Principal Building Control Officer	<b>Date</b>	27/04/21
<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b>	N/A	<b>Date</b>	
<b>Good Relations</b>	N/A		
<b>Approved By</b>	Environment Committee	<b>Date</b>	11/05/21
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## 1.0 **Introduction**

1.1 Mid Ulster District Council resolved that a policy and associated procedures be developed to guide the Council in accordance with the provisions of Article 11 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1995("the 1995 Order"), referenced in Appendix A to this policy, on;

- (i) Erection of dual language Street signage

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## Appendix C Name Plate Layout

**AGREED:** 11<sup>th</sup> September 2018 Environment Committee  
23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 Full Council

### Mono-Lingual New Road / Street Signage

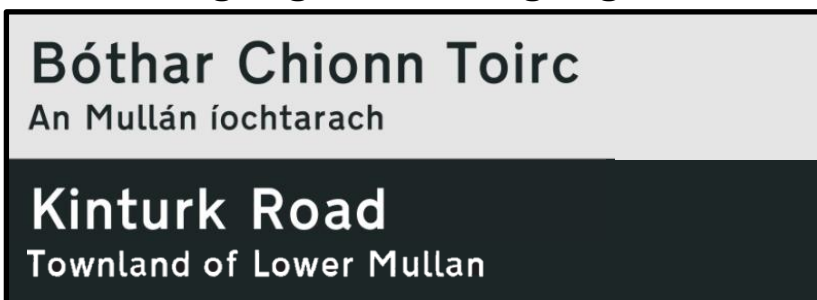


#### Example signage

##### Specification

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- Background Colour: White
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- Townland font size: Upper case; 30mm Lower case; 22mm
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### Dual Language Street Signage



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## **Appendix D- Accessibility Statement**

The information included in this policy can be made available in alternative formats, such as audio, braille, easy read or large print and may be provided in alternative languages, upon request. Please contact Mid Ulster District Council's Corporate Policy & Equality Officer on 03000 132 132 Ex 24612 or via [ann.mcaleer@midulstercouncil.org](mailto:ann.mcaleer@midulstercouncil.org)



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Appendix E

18 February 2019

Our Ref:- «Ref»

The Occupier  
50 Ballyronan Road  
Townparks of Magherafelt  
Magherafelt  
BT45 6EN

Ref: Application for Dual Language signs at Name of Street/Development

Dear Sir/Madam

Mid Ulster District Council have received an application to erect street nameplates in ??? in addition to the current name for the street as indicated above.

The Council's Policy on Street Naming & Dual Language Signage outlines that individuals who meet the following criteria are eligible to register their preference on this matter:

A person who resides on the street in question and appears on the Electoral Register as maintained by the Electoral Office for Northern Ireland.

Our records would indicate that you meet the above criteria.

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On completion of this survey Council will provide a determination on this request on the basis of the majority preference as submitted. For approval to be considered, at least 51% of respondents must be in favour of the proposal (i.e. street nameplates being erected in ???, in addition to English for Name of Street/Development).

If you have any queries on the above please contact Willie Wilkinson in the Magherafelt Office by either:

Tel: 03000 132 132 (Ext 22208)

Email: [willie.wilkinson@midulstercouncil.org](mailto:willie.wilkinson@midulstercouncil.org)

Yours faithfully

W Wilkinson  
Head of Building Control

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Cookstown Office 3000 Bally CARRINGTON BT82 8DT	Dungannon Office 3, First Floor Dungannon BT17 1GB	Magherafelt Office Ballyronan Road Magherafelt BT45 6EN	Telephone 03000 132 132 <a href="mailto:willie@midulstercouncil.org">willie@midulstercouncil.org</a> <a href="http://www.midulstercouncil.org">www.midulstercouncil.org</a>
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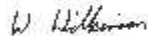
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Please read the following statements below carefully. Tick your preferred option in the appropriate box, print your name and address and sign the document. Then return this letter which has your reply in the addressed envelope provided by 19 March 2019.

Thank you for your time completing this survey.

Yours faithfully



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**Options**

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1. I WISH to have a Dual Language nameplate erected at Name of Street/Development, the additional language being ???

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Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

The results of this survey will be available to view on [www.midulstercouncil.org](http://www.midulstercouncil.org) but should you wish to receive written correspondence detailing the outcome of the survey please tick this box.

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<b>Date of Meeting</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
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<b>Contact Officer</b>	Colm Currie, Senior Building Control Officer

<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>	Yes	
	No	X
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon		

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- (b) erects in any street any nameplate showing as the name of the street a name different from that in any nameplate erected in the street under paragraph (1) or (2); or
- (c) erects in any street any nameplate purporting to show the name of the street, without the authorisation of the council for the district in which the street is situated,

shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(6) Where a council has exercised its powers under paragraph (1) in relation to any street, the occupier of each house or other building in that street shall ensure that that house or building is at all times marked with such number as the council may approve for the purposes of this Article.

(7) Where a person fails to comply with paragraph (6) the council may serve on him a notice requiring him to comply with that paragraph within 7 days from the date of service of the notice.

(8) A person who fails to comply with a notice served on him under paragraph (7) shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(9) Where a person fails to comply with a notice served on him under paragraph (7) in respect of any house or other building, the council may itself do anything which he has failed to do and may recover from that person summarily as a civil debt any expenses thereby reasonably incurred by it.

(10) In this Article—  
“nameplate” includes any means of signifying a name in writing; “street” includes any road, square, court, alley, passage or lane.

(11) The power of a council to erect a nameplate under paragraph (1) or (2) includes power—

- (a) to erect it on any building or in such other manner as the council thinks fit; and
- (b) to cause it to be erected by any person authorised in that behalf by the council.

(12) The following statutory provisions shall cease to have effect, namely—

- (a) sections 64 and 65 of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act 1847<sup>F6</sup>;
- (b) in section 38 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854<sup>F7</sup> the words “naming the streets and numbering the houses and also so much thereof as relates to”;
- (c) section 21 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907<sup>F8</sup>;
- (d) section 19 of the Public Health and Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 1949<sup>F9</sup>; and
- (e) so much of any local Act as relates to the naming of streets or the numbering of houses or buildings



## **Appendix B**

### **Dual Language Signage Nameplates: *Procedure***

In deciding whether it should exercise its discretionary powers in relation to erection of dual language nameplates under Article 11 of the 1995 Order, the Council shall only do so after having regard to the views of occupiers of premises which has its frontage immediately adjoining that street.

The procedure for seeking and assessing the views of occupiers and criteria to be applied in deciding whether to erect a dual language nameplate in a language other than English is;

1. A valid letter, signed by an occupier of the street must be made to Council to enable this matter to be considered. Requests should be made to the Building Control Service within the Public Health and Infrastructure Department. A letter of request shall be valid if; it is from an occupier who appears on the Electoral Register as maintained by the Electoral Office for NI; the applicant's address is referenced on the letter and; the individual's name is clearly stated and the letter has been signed by the petitioner (who must be an occupier of premises on the street). A letter may be received by email but it must be attached as a file and signed. The Council shall not accept a request made within the body of an email.
2. The Environment Committee will receive notification of submitted requests by way of valid letters as referenced at 1, above. A letter will be deemed to be valid where it is submitted by a minimum of one householder on that street. The Environment Committee will be informed of requests which have been validated and are proceeding to survey.
3. Following validation, the Council will canvass, by post, each occupier within a household as listed on the Electoral Register; seeking their views on the request to erect a dual-language street nameplate. Each household will receive a letter accompanied by survey forms based on the number of occupiers listed on the Electoral Register. The requisite number of survey forms for individuals registered at that address will be forwarded to each household (See Appendix E)
4. The occupiers will be advised of the date by which completed surveys must be returned. Incomplete or illegible survey returns will not be counted. Completed surveys which has been signed and name printed as required, must be returned in the self- addressed envelopes provided for that purpose. Only replies received by the specified date shall be considered.
5. For purposes of assessment where 51 % (rounded to nearest whole number) of occupiers that respond indicate that they are in favour of the erection of a dual language street nameplate, then the results of the survey will be forwarded to the Environment Committee for information confirming that the dual language nameplate will be erected

6. For purposes of assessment where 51 % (rounded to nearest whole number) of occupiers that respond indicate that they are not in favour of the erection of a dual-language street nameplate, then the results of the survey will be forwarded to the Environment Committee for information confirming that the dual language nameplate will not be approved or erected
7. In specific circumstances a report may be brought to the Environment Committee to determine an application where there are particular issues requiring the Members consideration
8. If the request is refused by those households surveyed, further requests will not be considered until the expiry of 12 months from the date at which the Environment Committee refuses it.
9. Where a request for Irish Language signage, the Irish Language Section within Department of Culture and Arts and/or an approved translator will provide the translation of the street name. Any other language shall be obtained from an approved translation service the cost of which will be notified to the Environment Committee when receiving the report on the outcome of the survey. The second language will not be used to express the name of the street for statutory purposes.
10. The layout, font and size of lettering of the second language shall be in accordance with that as shown in Appendix C.
11. Following the Council's decision with regards to the request on Dual Language Signage for a particular street/road, the outcome will be published on the Council Website. Where requested, written confirmation of the decision will be forwarded to relevant households.
12. Where agreed, a new dual language nameplate will be erected at the start and finish of the street or road in question and at such points along it as required e.g. at other road junctions, in accordance with any operational requirements as determined by the Property Services Team.

## Appendix C Name Plate Layout

**AGREED:** 11<sup>th</sup> September 2018 Environment Committee  
23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 Full Council

### Mono-Lingual New Road / Street Signage

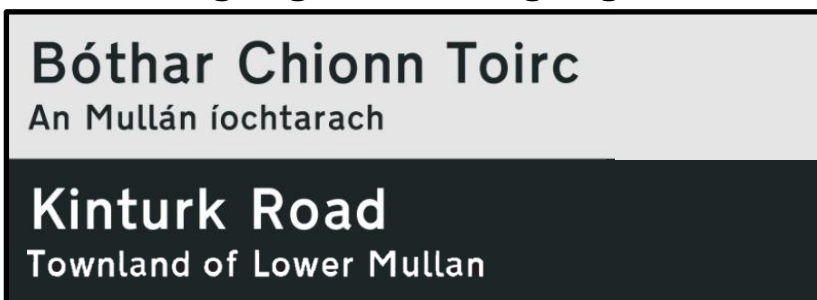


#### Example signage

##### Specification

- Name Plate Dimensions: 200mm x length to suit road name
- Background Colour: White
- Font & Colour: Transport Medium; Black
- Road Name font size: Upper case; 70mm Lower case; 50mm
- Townland font size: Upper case; 30mm Lower case; 22mm
- Text Justification: Left hand

### Dual Language Street Signage



#### Example signage

##### Specification

- Name Plate Dimensions: 460mm x length to suit road name
- Background Colour: Dark Grey Value; C:77 M:63 Y:64 K:69  
Light Grey Value; C:0 M:0 Y:0 K:10
- Font Type: Transport Medium
- Font Colour: Dark Grey Value; C:77 M:63 Y:64 K:69  
Standard White
- Road Name font size: Upper case; 63mm Lower case; 50mm
- Townland font size: Upper case; 40mm Lower case; 30mm
- Text Justification: Left hand

## **Appendix D- Accessibility Statement**

The information included in this policy can be made available in alternative formats, such as audio, braille, easy read or large print and may be provided in alternative languages, upon request. Please contact Mid Ulster District Council's Corporate Policy & Equality Officer on 03000 132 132 Ex 24612 or via [ann.mcaleer@midulstercouncil.org](mailto:ann.mcaleer@midulstercouncil.org)



Comhairle Ceantair  
**Lár Uladh**  
**Mid Ulster**  
District Council

Appendix E

18 February 2019

Our Ref:- «Ref»

The Occupier  
50 Ballyronan Road  
Townparks of Magherafelt  
Magherafelt  
BT45 6EN

Ref: Application for Dual Language signs at Name of Street/Development

Dear Sir/Madam

Mid Ulster District Council have received an application to erect street nameplates in ??? in addition to the current name for the street as indicated above.

The Council's Policy on Street Naming & Dual Language Signage outlines that individuals who meet the following criteria are eligible to register their preference on this matter:

A person who resides on the street in question and appears on the Electoral Register as maintained by the Electoral Office for Northern Ireland.

Our records would indicate that you meet the above criteria.

In accordance with these arrangements I would be grateful if you would complete the attached survey form and indicate your preference in this matter. The completed survey form should be returned to these offices in the addressed envelope provided by **Tuesday 19 March 2019**. Survey forms received after this date will not be considered.

On completion of this survey Council will provide a determination on this request on the basis of the majority preference as submitted. For approval to be considered, at least 51% of respondents must be in favour of the proposal (i.e. street nameplates being erected in ???, in addition to English for Name of Street/Development).

If you have any queries on the above please contact Willie Wilkinson in the Magherafelt Office by either:

Tel: 03000 132 132 (Ext 22208)

Email: [willie.wilkinson@midulstercouncil.org](mailto:willie.wilkinson@midulstercouncil.org)

Yours faithfully

W Wilkinson  
Head of Building Control

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Cookstown Office 3000 Bally CARRINGTON BT82 8DT	Dungannon Office 1, 2, 3 & 4022 Dungannon BT17 16D	Magherafelt Office Ballyronan Road Magherafelt BT45 6EN	Telephone 03000 132 132 <a href="mailto:willie@midulstercouncil.org">willie@midulstercouncil.org</a> <a href="http://www.midulstercouncil.org">www.midulstercouncil.org</a>
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19 February 2019

Our Ref:- MUDL0078

The Occupier (1)  
50 Ballyronan Road  
Townparks of Magherafelt  
Magherafelt  
BT45 6EN

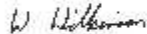
Ref: Application for Dual Language signs at Name of Street/Development

Dear Sir/Madam

Please read the following statements below carefully. Tick your preferred option in the appropriate box, print your name and address and sign the document. Then return this letter which has your reply in the addressed envelope provided by 19 March 2019.

Thank you for your time completing this survey.

Yours faithfully



W Wilkinson

Head of Building Control

**Options**

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1. I WISH to have a Dual Language nameplate erected at Name of Street/Development, the additional language being ???

2. I DO NOT WISH to have a Dual Language nameplate erected at Name of Street/Development, the additional language being ???

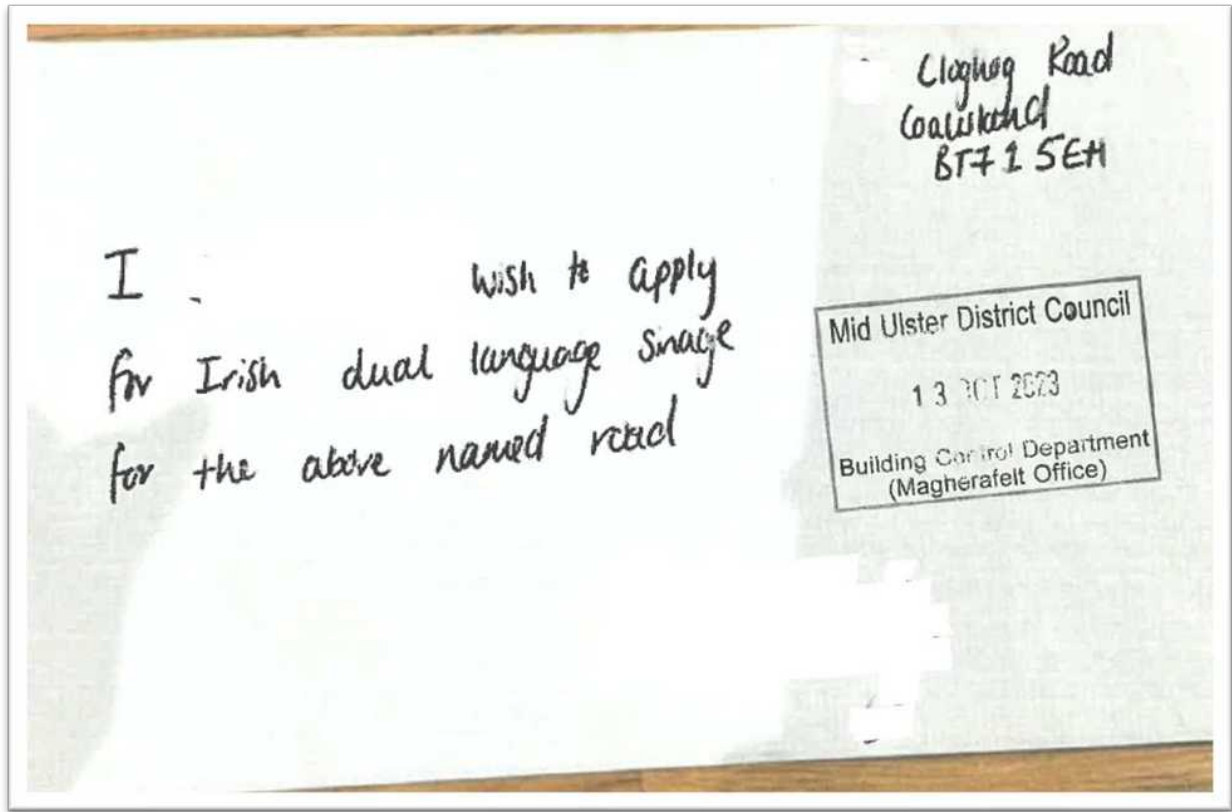
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

The results of this survey will be available to view on [www.midulstercouncil.org](http://www.midulstercouncil.org) but should you wish to receive written correspondence detailing the outcome of the survey please tick this box.

Appendix 2 - Letter received from a resident of Cloghog Road, Coalisland



Appendix 3 - Letter received from a resident of Viewfort, Dungannon

Viewfort  
Dungannon  
BT716LP

FAO:Building control at MUDC

I wish to submit a request for dual language in Viewfort Dungannon, were I am a resident.

Irish language/English language

Kind regards

Mid Ulster District Council  
19 OCT 2023  
Building Control Department  
(Magherafelt Office)



Appendix 4 - Letter received from a resident of Ballybeg Road, Dungannon

Dual Language Department

50 Ballyronan Road

Magherafelt

BT45 6EN

Ballybeg Road

Dungannon

Bt71 5DX

**RE: Dual Language Signage**

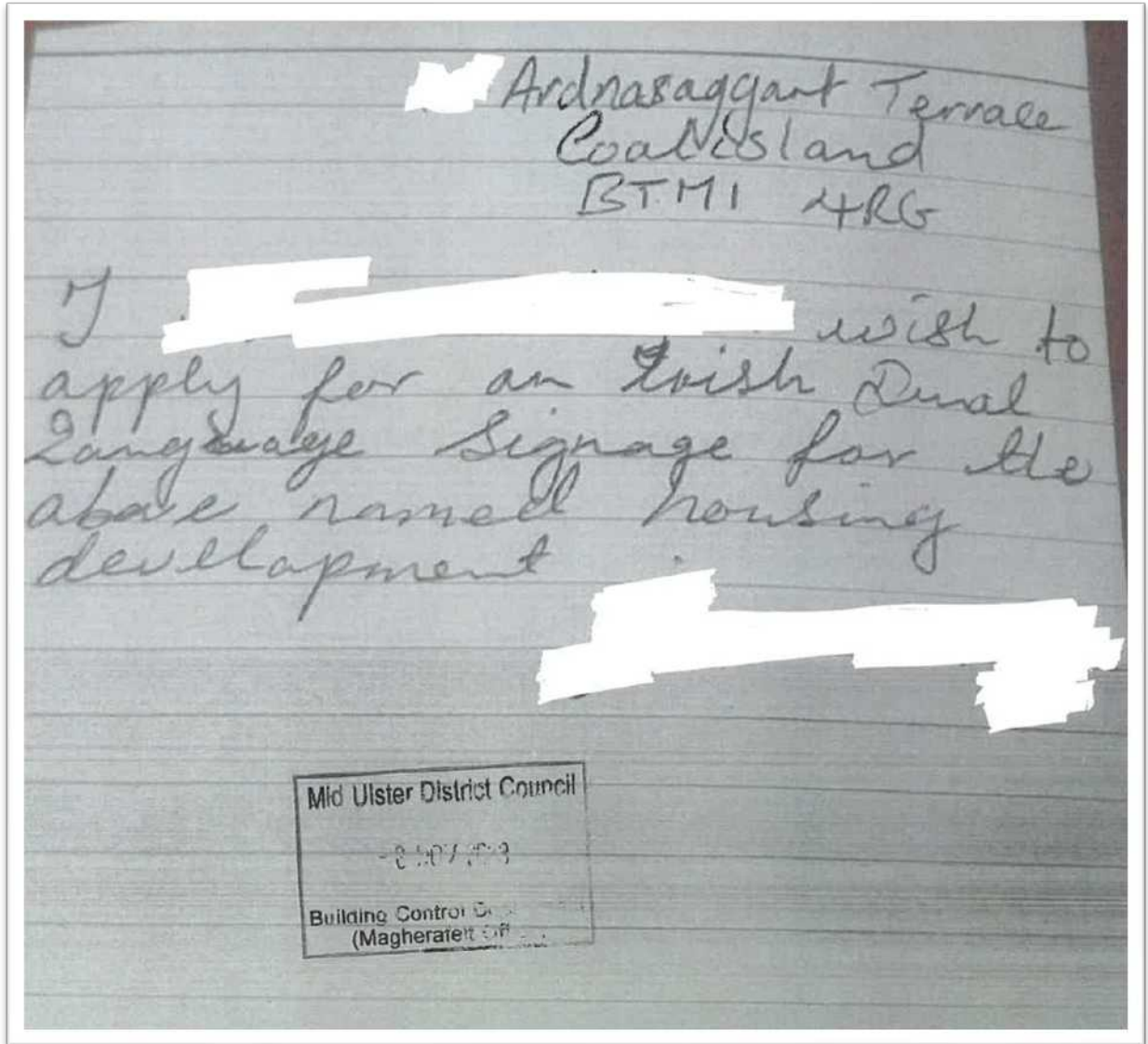
I am writing to ask you to initiate the Council Procedure for dual language signage, in Irish and English on Ballybeg Road.

In accordance with the Policy, I am giving consent, as a resident of the road, to now carry out the relevant procedure agreed by Council.

Yours sincerely,

Mid Ulster District Council  
20 OCT 2023  
Building Control Department  
(Magherafelt Office)

Appendix 5 - Letter received from a resident of Ardnasaggart Terrace, Coalisland



<b>Report on</b>	Entertainment Licensing Applications
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Terry Scullion, AD Property Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Colm Currie, Senior Building Control Officer

<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>  If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	Yes	
	No	X

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update Members on Entertainment Licensing applications across Mid Ulster District Council.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	The Council has responsibility for licensing places of entertainment in accordance with The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1985. Entertainment Licensing applications are received on a continued basis across the District. Statutory consultations are carried out with PSNI and NIFRS for each Entertainment Licence application (grant or renewal) submitted.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	<p>As previously agreed a list of applications received (see Appendix 1) and for all grant/renewal of Entertainment Licences in Mid Ulster District Council which are attached (see Appendix 2). The number of applications received on a monthly basis will vary depending on the date of expiry of the current licence.</p> <p>Each application is accompanied by the following documentation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 A current Fire Risk Assessment detailing the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) means of escape from premises</li> <li>(b) management responsibilities for day to day safety aspects</li> <li>(c) details of review on an annual basis</li> </ol> <p>The fire risk assessment submitted is audited by the inspecting officer.</p> </li> <li>2 Electrical certification is required for the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) General electrical installation</li> <li>(b) Emergency lighting system</li> <li>(c) Fire alarm system</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

	<p>3 Details of current public liability insurance for premises</p> <p>4 Copy of public advertisement in local press</p>
3.2	Following the application for the Grant/Renewal of an Entertainment Licence being submitted and validated, an inspection is carried out to ensure that the premises are in compliance with all relevant guidance and legislation.
3.3	<p>Areas which would be inspected are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Means of escape from the venue i.e. Final Exit Doors and Easy Opening Devices are satisfactory and escape routes are free from obstruction etc.</li> <li>2. All floor, wall, and ceiling coverings are in compliance and in good condition</li> <li>3. All firefighting equipment are correctly positioned and serviced as required.</li> <li>4. The general condition of the premises is satisfactory.</li> <li>5. All management documentation is in place.</li> </ol>
3.4	Entertainment licensing applications have continued to be processed where possible including statutory consultations with external Bodies as required by legislation.
3.5	Licences have been issued where inspections had been completed and all points requiring attention have been addressed.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: Within Current Resources
	Human: Within Current Resources
	Risk Management: Within Current Resources
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members are requested to note the content of this report.

<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 – Schedule of applications received for the Grant/Renewal of Entertainment Licences for November
6.2	Appendix 2 – Schedule of Entertainment Licence applications which have been granted/renewed for November



**Appendix 1–Schedule of applications received for the Grant/Renewal/Variation of Entertainment Licences November 2023**

<b>Name of Applicant</b>	<b>Name of Premises</b>	<b>Address of Premises</b>	<b>Type of Licence</b>	<b>Days and Hours proposed</b>	<b>Max Number of Patrons</b>
P Hagan	Hagan's Bar & Bar Bella	39 Irish Street Dungannon	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 11.30 To 01.30	530
P Hagan	Hagans Bar	39 Irish Street Dungannon	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.30  Sunday From 12.30 To 01.30	220
J Lucas	South West College	19 Circular Road Dungannon	14 Unspecified Days	Monday to Sunday  From 09.00 To 22.00	690
A Trotter	Dungannon Presbyterian Church Halls	53a Scotch Street Dungannon	14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Saturday From 07.00 To 22.00	760

Name of Applicant	Name of Premises	Address of Premises	Type of Licence	Days and Hours proposed	Max Number of Patrons
P Forbes	The Cove Bar	126 Shore Road Magherafelt	Annual	Monday to Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00  Sunday From 11.30 To 00.00	120
A Quinn	The Bridge Bar	86 Ballinderry Bridge Road, Coagh	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 12.00 To 00.00  Sunday From 12.00 To 23.00	120



**Appendix 2 – Schedule of Entertainment Licence applications which have been Granted/Renewed in November 2023**

Name Of Applicant	Name Of Premises	Address Of Premises	Type Of Licence	Days And Hours Granted
C Lawn	Lavery's Bar	2 Ardboe Road, Moortown	Annual	Monday To Thursday From 12.00 To 23.00  Friday To Saturday From 12.00 To 00:00  Sunday From 12.00 To 23.00
R McMenemy	Moygashel Orange Hall	59 Main Street, Moygasher	Annual	Monday To Friday From 09.00 To 01.30  Saturday From 09.00 To 23.59

<b>Name Of Applicant</b>	<b>Name Of Premises</b>	<b>Address Of Premises</b>	<b>Type Of Licence</b>	<b>Days And Hours Granted</b>
C McGlone	Cosy Inn	36 Rainey Street, Magherafelt	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 02.00  Sunday From 12.30 To 02.00
M Bradley	The Dugout Bar	94 Main Street, Maghera	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 11.30 To 01.00  Sunday From 12.30 To 01.00
D M McCullough	Johnston Hall - Rainey Endowed School	79 Rainey Street, Magherafelt	Any 14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Saturday From 09.00 To 00.00
D M McCullough	Rainey Sports Complex	79 Rainey Street, Magherafelt	Any 14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Friday From 09.00 To 00.00

Name Of Applicant	Name Of Premises	Address Of Premises	Type Of Licence	Days And Hours Granted
Cornstore Creative Hub	Cornstore Creative Hub	20a High Street, Draperstown	Any 14 Unspecified Days	Monday To Thursday From 19.00 To 23.00  Friday To Saturday From 19.00 To 01:00  Sunday From 19.00 To 22.00
B McAnenly	The Auction Rooms	24 The Square, Moy	Annual	Monday To Sunday From 11.30 To 01.00
M Sharma	Church Street Brasserie	19-23 Church Street, Magherafelt	Annual	Monday To Saturday From 12.00 To 01.00  Sunday From 12.00 To 00.00

