

Report on	Correspondence to Council
Date of Meeting	Thursday 28 September 2023
Reporting Officer	J McGuckin Head of Strategic Services & Engagement
Contact Officer	E Forde, Committee & Member Services Manager

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	No	x

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	Provide an update on correspondence received for attention of Council.
2.0	Background
2.1	This paper refers to correspondence to be brought to the attention of Council. Items are referred to in 3.0 below.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>Correspondence from Northern Ireland Local Government Association (NILGA)</p> <p>The Chair has received a response to letter sent by Council to Department of Justice in relation to the motion calling for Legislation in relation to hate Crime. Refer to Appendix A</p>
3.2	<p>Correspondence from Department for Infrastructure</p> <p>The Chair has received a response to letter sent by Council to the Department for Infrastructure in relation to All Island Strategic Rail Report. Refer to Appendix B.</p>
3.3	<p>Correspondence from Newry Mourne and Down District Council</p> <p>The Chief Executive has received a letter from Newry Mourne and Down District Council in relation to the response received from Northern Ireland Office with regard to the minimum age for voting. Refer to appendix C.</p>
3.4	<p>Correspondence from Pageant Master 80 D Day 2024</p> <p>The Chair has received correspondence from Pageant Master 80 D Day 2024 regarding Council's participation in a planned event to mark 80 D Day 2024. Refer to Appendix D and https://www.d-day80beacons.co.uk/</p>

3.5	<p>Correspondence from Department for Infrastructure</p> <p>The Chief Executive has received correspondence from the Transport and Road Asset Management Deputy Secretary Mr Colin Woods providing wider context, especially in relation to the Department’s budgetary position and its impact. Refer to Appendix E</p>
3.6	<p>Correspondence from Department of Finance</p> <p>The Chief Executive has received correspondence from the Department of Finance regarding the consultation on the draft Statutory Rule for the NICS Pension Scheme Retrospective Remedy (McCloud Judgment). Refer to Appendix F</p>
3.7	<p>Correspondence from Department for Communities</p> <p>The Chief Executive has received correspondence from the Department for Communities advising of the extension order to 24 March 2024 which will allow councils to continue to offer a remote/hybrid facility for meetings. Refer to Appendix G</p>
4.0	<p>Other Considerations</p>
4.1	<p>Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications</p> <p>Financial: not applicable</p> <p>Human: not applicable</p> <p>Risk Management: not applicable</p>
4.2	<p>Screening & Impact Assessments</p> <p>Equality & Good Relations Implications: not applicable</p> <p>Rural Needs Implications: not applicable</p>
5.0	<p>Recommendation(s)</p>
5.1	<p>That Council notes and considers, as necessary, the correspondence received.</p>
6.0	<p>Documents Attached & References</p>
	<p>Appendix A: Department for Justice Appendix B: Department for Infrastructure: All Ireland Rail Network Appendix C: Newry Mourne and Down District Council Appendix D: Pageant for 80 D Day 2024 Appendix E: Department for Infrastructure: Budget impacts Appendix F: Department of Finance Appendix G: Department for Communities</p>

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