

Report on	Corporate Halloween Events
Date of Meeting	5 December 2018
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	No	x

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To provide an update on the recent Halloween events within the district.
2.0	Background
2.1	<p>The aim of our Halloween Events is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance the reputation of the Council. • Instil civic pride. • Be an area that delivers high quality public facing events. • Raise the profile of Mid Ulster. • Bring communities together.
3.0	Main Report

<p>3.1</p> <p>3.2</p> <p>3.3</p> <p>3.4</p>	<p><u>Dungannon</u> The Halloween fun commenced on Friday 26 October, where free Halloween Freaky Tales and art workshop sessions took place at Dungannon Library and Ranfurly House from early afternoon.</p> <p>Later that evening the The Hill of The O'Neill was packed to capacity, as just under 4,000 people arrived on site. The people enjoyed ghastly games, mystifying music, freaky face painting, and brilliant balloon modelling, and danced along with some scary characters, as stilt walkers and fire jugglers helped to set the freaky, Halloween mood. The evening finished with the highly anticipated spectacular fireworks display.</p> <p><u>Mid Ulster Sports Arena Halloween</u> Approximately 5,000 people turned out in Cookstown for Mid Ulster Sports Arena's Halloween Fun, Food and Fireworks Display on the evening of Saturday 27 October 2018.</p> <p>There were many free activities to enjoy including a climbing wall, crazy karts, amusements, fire jugglers, spooky train, Vortex tunnel, arts and crafts and face painters. The evening rounded off with a fantastic 15-minute firework display.</p> <p><u>Coalisland Halloween</u> Over 2000 people attended Coalisland's spooktacular programme of fun and fireworks on Halloween night, Wednesday 31 October.</p> <p>The Halloween activities begun at 6pm with an evening of entertainment with funfair rides at Gortgonis Park. The night was brought to a close with a spectacular 15-minute fireworks display.</p> <p><u>Maghera Hooley and Fireworks Display</u> Just under 3,000 people attended Maghera's Halloween Hooley and Fireworks Display on Wednesday 31 October 2018, Halloween Night.</p> <p>Maghera Leisure Centre played host to an afternoon with lots of fun had by families who had attended. The finale of the evening was the fire juggling and the 15-minute Firework Display which took place at St Patrick's college pitch, O'Hara Drive.</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>Other Considerations</p>
<p>4.1</p>	<p>Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications</p> <p>Financial: All events were delivered within budget.</p> <p>Human: Staff from various departments contributed to the successful events delivery.</p>

	Risk Management: N/A
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	N/A
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	N/A