

Report on	Correspondence to Council – October 2021
Date of Meeting	Thurs 28 th October 2021
Reporting Officer	P Moffett, Assistant Director
Contact Officer	E Forde, Members Support Officer

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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 Minister of Finance</p> <p>The Council Chairperson has received correspondence from the Minister of Finance in response to the Council's request for a meeting to discuss rate setting and ongoing legal proceedings. A date for the meeting will be confirmed in the near future. Refer to Appendix A</p>
3.2	<p>Correspondence from Fermanagh & Omagh District Council</p> <p>The Chief Executive has received correspondence from Fermanagh & Omagh DC on motion carried by that authority on 'Syringes for Cuba Campaign/End the Blockade'. Refer to Appendix B.</p>
3.3.	<p>Correspondence from Member of Public</p> <p>The Council has received correspondence from a member of the public circulated to all Councils on a letter placed in the regional media on marking those lost due to COVID-19 in Northern Ireland. Refer to appendix C.</p>
3.4	<p>Correspondence from Department for Infrastructure</p> <p>The Council Chairperson has received correspondence from the Private Secretary of DfI in response to the Council's request for an update in relation to resurfacing contracts across Mid Ulster. Refer to Appendix D</p>
3.5	<p>Correspondence from Public Health Agency</p>

3.6	<p>The Council Chairperson has received correspondence from the Public Health Agency in response to Council's enquiry regarding School Contract Tracing. Refer to Appendix E</p> <p>Correspondence from Minister for Health</p>
3.7	<p>The Council has received notification from the Minister for Health regarding the publication of its consultation analysis report following the formal 10 week public consultation undertaken on the introduction of Soft Opt-Out Organ Donation. The report will be published on the Department of Health's website on 17 September 2021. A copy can be forwarded upon request from Democratic Services. Refer to Appendix F</p> <p>Correspondence from Home Office: Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities</p>
3.8	<p>The Chief Executive has received notification from the Home Office: Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities in relation to the Afghanistan Resettlement Programme – New DLUHC Regional Engagement Team which outlines how set out how the cross-Government teams will work to support the hugely important and valued local work to resettle Afghan families across the UK. Northern Ireland is referenced in the letter Refer to Appendix G</p> <p>Correspondence from Chief Executive Southern Trust</p> <p>The Council Chairperson has received correspondence from the Public Health Agency in response to Councils enquiry regarding the return of GP Out of Hours Service in Dungannon. Refer to Appendix H</p>
4.0	Other Considerations
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	Recommendation(s)
5.1	That Council notes and considers, as necessary, the correspondence received.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	<p>Appendix A: Minister for Finance, NI Executive</p> <p>Appendix B: Chief Executive, Fermanagh & Omagh District Council</p> <p>Appendix C: Member of Public</p>

Appendix D: Department for Infrastructure, NI Executive

Appendix E: Public Health Agency

Appendix F: Minister for Health, NI Executive

Appendix G: Home Office: Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

Appendix H: Southern Health & Social Services Trust