

Report on	Consultation Information notified to Mid Ulster District Council
Date of Meeting	20 April 2023
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Is this report restricted for confidential business? If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	Yes	
	No	x

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To update members on the consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council and to provide feedback on submitted consultations.
2.0	Background
2.1	Council is a consultee for many government departments, statutory agencies and other bodies, and as such receives consultation documentation inviting commentary on a wide range of issues that may be pertinent to council services and/or the District.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Documentation relating to the aforementioned consultations can be accessed via the links provided in the table provided in Appendix A.
3.2.	Appendix B contains feedback from DFI on a consultation response submitted by the Council to the Department's A5 Western Transport Corridor (A5WTC) Supplementary Information to the Environmental Statement Addendum (2022) public consultation, which took place between 7th November 2022 and 23rd December 2022.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: N/A
	Human: N/A
	Risk Management: N/A
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None

	Rural Needs Implications: None
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members review and note active consultations and further associated consultation information notified to Mid Ulster District Council.
6.0	Documents Attached & References Appendix A: Details of Current Consultations Appendix B: DFI A5WTC Consultation Feedback

Appendix A: Details of Current Consultations

Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
Executive Office	Consultation of the Review of the Race Relations (NI) Order 1997	The Executive Office is seeking your views on the Review of the Race Relations (NI) Order 1997, to ensure that we have new legislation that is fully fit for purpose.	18th June 2023	No
	Link to Consultation	https://www.executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk/consultations/consultation-review-race-relations-ni-order-1997		
	Delegated Authority required to be granted to a Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?	Yes-Can be considered at June Policy and Resources Committee.		
Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
Education Authority	Plan of Arrangements for Special Educational Provision Consultation (Targeted Consultation)	The Education Authority (EA) is required to publish a yearly plan that outlines its arrangements for special educational provision for each academic year. The plan will detail how the EA intends to facilitate the best possible educational outcomes for children and young people with a Special Educational Need (SEN) or Disability (SEND).	26th May 2023	No
	Link to Consultation	https://www.eani.org.uk/ea-plan-of-arrangements-for-special-educational-provision-consultation		
	Delegated Authority required to be granted to a Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?	Yes		

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NI Electricity Networks	The Northern Ireland Energy Strategy – The Path to Net Zero Energy	NIE Networks is consulting to gain feedback from stakeholders on a proposal to amend existing distribution connection offer policy for exporting generators with a registered capacity less than 5MW.	5pm on Friday 12th May 2023	No
	Link to Consultation	https://www.nienetworks.co.uk/generation-consultation		
	Delegated Authority required to be granted to a Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?	Yes		
Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
Department for Infrastructure	Draft Equality Action Plan 2023-2026	DFI is requesting comments on the proposed action measures in the Equality Action Plan 2023-26.	5pm on 23rd June 2023	No
	Link to Consultation	https://www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/consultations/consultation-section-75-equality-action-plan-2023-2026		
	Delegated Authority required to be granted to a Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?	Yes-Can be considered at June Policy and Resources Committee.		
Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
NI Policing Board	Community Policing Survey	The Northern Ireland Policing Board is seeking views from across the community on the delivery of the policing service and how the police engage in local areas as part of the Community Policing Survey 2023.	30 June 2023	
	Link to Consultation	https://consultations.nidirect.gov.uk/doj/community-policing-survey-2023/		

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