

Report on	Community Development
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Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To seek Committee approval for Good Relations and Community Festivals rolling grant award recommendations.
1.2	To Agree Peace IV Local Action Planning Partnership recommendations.
1.3	To approve professional support to assist with a new Poverty Initiative for Council.
1.4	To update on Community Development.
2.0	Background
2.1	Community Grants Rolling Programme - The Grant Aid Programme for the 2017/18 financial year facilitates applications being made on a rolling basis for Community Festivals and Good Relations.
2.2	Peace IV Local Action Plan 2017 – 2020 – The operational delivery of the Plan is currently in development through guidance by the Peace IV Partnership who make recommendations to Committee for delivery at a local level.
2.3	Poverty Initiative – As part of the Community Development Service Plan and strategic direction from Committee officers are developing a pilot poverty initiative to address areas of deprivation and poverty across Mid Ulster; both area based and at a household level.
2.4	Community Development Update - An update is provided on the following areas: Community Support – Grants, Support, Advice, Village Planning, Community Centres, DSD Neighbourhood Renewal Peace IV and Good Relations PCSP
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>Community Grants Rolling Programme</p> <p>Community Festival, 8 applications received with 5 recommended for awards totalling £2,762, while 3 others failed to meet the minimum score threshold and will receive feedback from officers.</p> <p>Good Relations 4 applications are recommended for awards totalling £2200</p> <p>Please refer to Appendix 1 for detail.</p>

3.2

Peace IV Local Action Plan 2017 – 2020**Grants Assessment**

Due to the volume of applications under the theme Children and Young people the panel had met to assess these grants on two different dates. There was some confusion by the HCD relating to the detail of the quorum requirements, which resulted in the quorum not being satisfied at the second assessment. This has resulted in the grants under this theme having to be re-assessed and the results and outcomes being presented to the Partnership meeting in November.

Project grants were recommended for approval for funding as follows:

Shared Spaces

Grants assessed with 4 applications successful and 1 successful.

Organisation Name	Total Score	Grant Value (Up to)	Project Synopsis	Conditions
Ballinascreen Commemoration Committee	76	£5,000.00	Series of workshops examining events between 1594 & 1694, based in Rath Dubh Centre, Moneyneana and Kilcronaghan Centre, Tobermore. Target 30 adults from both communities.	Confirm in their letter of offer that the workshops with speakers will include discussion between at each session between participants.
Craic Theatre	70	£18,250.00	2 x 10 week digital media training programmes for 30 participants from Catholic, Protestant & Ethnic Minority backgrounds	The % split re targets is important throughout both programmes Confirm 15 for each programme
Dún Uladh (partner RPBA)	83	£50,000.00	To develop a greater understanding of shared history of music through the implementation of a multi-faceted project comprising 6 programme elements for 40 participants bringing comhaltas and piping together	Important target split 40%/50%/ 10% & district wide is across all the 5 areas Total 50 participants with 40 in main & 10 additional to this in cross border Peace band –confirm representation across piping and comhaltas and concerts they are participating in.
Pomeroy Resource Centre	72	£14,995.00	Crafting for Peace – a programme of craft classes (i.e. sewing, crochet & upholstery) 4 x 10 week blocks for 40 participants per programme	Confirm the 60%/40% split is this PUL/CNR and importance of this throughout all blocks of delivery Confirm participants can be the same people each group
Early Years	<21	Unsuccessful N/A	Programme to give early years practitioners, leaders, parents the confidence to talk about difference	Scored 1 at outcomes and delivery not aligning. The outcomes are linked to children and young

				and reflect on diversity through training workshops	people, however the activity programme only links to the adults – there is no clear link regarding the young people and how the training will impact on them. Feedback to applicant that the application has potential but that clarity is required.
<p>Total Value of Grants Applied for and approved by assessment panel, providing that all items of expenditure are eligible costs. £88,825.00 Total amount of Grant available £460,000 Recommendation: To approve the grant awards as detailed above Recommendation: To issue a further call for applications under this theme.</p>					
<p><u>Building Positive Relations</u> Grants assessed with 3 applications successful and 1 successful.</p>					
	Organisation Name	Total Score	Grant Value (Up to)	Project Synopsis	Conditions
	Bardic Theatre	80	£25,000.00	A series of 15 workshops and a summer scheme with horticultural & theatrical activities for 30 young people from local primary schools	5 schools with 30 children participating – important all schools are engaged and this is a minimum target Monitoring – important to ensure the cross community engagement
	Friends of Knocknagin	88	£11,619.75	Programme to create a shared open public community garden along with workshops for participants to develop skills, confidence and knowledge. Participants to come from local Primary Schools.	The shared space is open to all the community at all times- need to confirm with the school that this is acceptable with child protection - Application assessed on this
	Maghera Historical Society Heritage & Cultural Centre	66	£15,000.00	Townland study focusing on eight townlands bordering Maghera. Targeting 55-85 year olds.	
	Brocagh District & Regeneration Group	NA	<2 Unsuccessful	Creation of a natural heritage trail, and improvement of access routes to provide a shared space in the local area, along with talks on shared heritage	Outcomes scored 1 Lack of detail in application, What the group are seeking to do is not clear. Elements of the project already in planning to take place Partner referenced but participation not clear The project and costs are not aligning Feedback more detail/ clarity is needed

Total Value of Grants Applied for and approved by assessment panel, providing that all items of expenditure are eligible costs. £51,619.75
Total amount of Grant £280,000
Recommendation: To approve the grant awards as detailed above
Recommendation: To issue a further call for applications under this theme.

It was agreed by the PEACE IV Partnership to reopen the grants in January 2018 for Building Positive Relations and Shared Space themes

Peace programme update presented to Partnership

Cross Border Literary Project and Cross Border Shared Heritage Communities Programme: Meetings have been organised with partners to progress these projects; with Sligo County Council and Donegal County Council respectively.

Post Primary Tender: this specification is currently out to tender and is due to close on Monday 6th November 2017.

Partner Programmes: Letters of Offer have been issued to EA Youth, STEP and CWSAN/COSTA. Speedwell's submission is currently in discussion with SEUPB and is to undergo a programme change due to the SEUPB amendment that all activity with schools must be outside of school hours.

Project Application for Remaining Monies: The modification for additional remaining monies is ready for submission, pending SEUPB opening the online EMS system to allow inputting of data. It is anticipated that this will open end November/early December.

Poverty Initiative

3.3

As part of the development of a poverty initiative for Mid Ulster requested by Members, officers have undertaken a statistical analysis of areas of poverty and some analysis of household poverty. Good practice analysis has also been undertaken alongside current provision by Council and its partners. To seek to develop a pilot poverty initiative for Mid Ulster, targeted at an area and household level with proposed resourcing of Council and its partners, it is proposed to appoint specialist support. Given the baseline of data gathered to date it is proposed that specialist support of up to a value of £10,000 would be required to integrate and analyse the existing information, allow for engagement of members, and develop a future pilot initiative for Mid Ulster.

Community Development Update

3.4

Community Support

Sports Development Small Grant has been assessed and presented to members (ref Sports Development Small Grant report).

Rolling programmes for community festivals and good relations are ongoing.

Village Planning – support to groups is ongoing in the delivery of the village plans. Groups are being supported with applications, lobbying, and establishing village forums as required.

Community Centres – The management and usage of the community centres is ongoing: Moy Community Centre, Clogher Community Centre and Gardners Hall.

Neighbourhood Renewal: Officers are working with DFC and the Partnership to undertake a review of all the current programmes and their impact in relation to OBA monitoring. As part of this review development will take place to ensure programmes remain targeted at need.

	<p><u>Peace and Good Relations</u> Peace Regional Shared Space Project; further clarification was provided to the SEUPB led economic appraisal and for Connecting Pomeroy Project which is planned to be complete by November to present to the SEUPB Panel in December 2017.</p> <p>Good Relations activity is ongoing with OBA monitoring of activity across all of the programme areas. The roll out of a range of projects is continuing across the District; including the primary schools cross community engagement, cultural music programme, cultural diversity activity with schools, engaging people through arts and culture, working with the PCSP on diversionary activities as required. Engagement continues to take place with groups developing good relations projects and seeking grant support.</p> <p><u>PCSP</u> CCTV - Phase I installation is near complete for the main towns with the final installation in Dungannon being completed in line with the public realm scheme. Phase II for Coalisland, Fivemiletown, Maghera and Draperstown has commenced and will be finalised for the end of November.</p> <p>Scams – The PCSP and PSNI organised public events on Scams on 20th September in The Junction, Dungannon and Tuesday 24th October in the Elk. Officers from Trading Standards and the PSNI advised and engaged with member of the public attending. PCSP are continuing to engage with older persons groups to attend meetings and raise awareness of scams and bogus callers.</p> <p>Young Drivers - The PCSP is working in partnership with NI Cruise held a Young Drivers event on Saturday 30th September to raise awareness of anti-social driving, road safety, and to increase engagement with PSNI.</p> <p>Night-time Economy – The Alcohol Awareness course piloted in Cookstown has had over 400 participants with only 5 reoffending. This course is targeted at underage drinkers. Once detained by PSNI they are offered a choice of attending the course with their parents. This has proven successful and is now being rolled out across Mid Ulster district. The course is now also being replicated in Derry and Strabane Council area.</p> <p>The crime profile for Cookstown Night-time Economy has changed from violent crime to low level crime. It has now one of the safest night-time economies across all districts compared with three years ago.</p> <p>Currently Mid Ulster is the second lowest district for incidences of Anti-Social Behaviour. Since 2008 the incidences of Anti-Social Behaviour have decreased by 38%.</p>
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	<p><u>Financial & Human Resources Implications</u></p> <p>Financial:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Festival awards £2,762.00 and Good Relations awards £2200.00 • Peace IV Grant Awards: Shared Spaces £51,619.75, Building Positive Relations £88,825.00 • Poverty Initiative 2018 £10,000 <p>Human: None</p>

	<p><u>Professional Support</u></p> <p>Yes, professional support is required to assist officers develop a pilot poverty initiative for Mid Ulster targeted at an area and household level to a maximum level of £10,000</p>
4.2	<p><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>None</p>
4.3	<p><u>Risk Management Implications</u></p> <p>None</p>
5.0	<p>Recommendation(s)</p>
5.1	To approve the grant award recommendations under the Community Festivals and Good Relations grants as per Appendix 1
5.2	To approve the Peace IV Partnership recommendations; Peace Grants Awards
5.3	To approve the Poverty initiative and support up to £10,000 (from existing budget)
5.4	To note the community development update report.
6.0	<p>Documents Attached & References</p>
6.1	Appendix 1 Rolling Grant Programmes award recommendations

APPENDIX 1

Community Local Festival November 2017

	Organisation	Aim of Organisation	Title Of Event/project	Requested	Band	Award
1	Derrylaughan GAC	Sports	Christmas festival	£500.00	7	£200.00
2	Eglish St Patricks GAC	Sports	Brawl in the Hall	£1,400.00	4	£700.00
3	St Patrick's Snooker Club	Sports	St Patrick's Cup	£1,000.00	1	£900.00
4	The Errigle Keerogue (St Matthew's) Support Group	Support Group	Tractor Run and Breakfast	£1,000.00	3	£800.00
5	Valley Voices Community Choir	Cross Community Choir	Cross Community Carol Service	£324.00	6	£162.00
Total						<u>£2,762.00</u>

Ineligible or Unsuccessful

	Organisation	Comment
1	Annaghmore L.O.L. 2033	Did not meet minimum score threshold
2	Maghera Women's Institute	Did not meet minimum score threshold
3	Sperrin Harriers	Did not meet minimum score threshold

Bands	Score	%
7	30-39	40%
6	40-49	50%
5	50-59	60%
4	60-69	70%
3	70-79	80%
2	80-89	90%

1	90+	100%
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Good Relations Grants - November 2017

No	Organisation Name	Aim of Organisation	Title Of Event/project	Requested	Band	Award
1	Ealu	Community Development & Victims	Men's Shed Project	£1,000.00	6	£500.00
2	Eoghan Ruadh Hurling Club	Sport	Dungannon Community Santa Dash	£1,050.00	4	£700.00
3	Killymoon Rangers Football Club	Sport	"The Big Breakfast"	£500.00	5	£300.00
4	Stewartstown & District Local History Society	Community Development & Historical	The Bell 2017	£1,000.00	4	£700.00

Total £2,200.00

Bands	Score	%
7	30-39	40%
6	40-49	50%
5	50-59	60%
4	60-69	70%
3	70-79	80%
2	80-89	90%
1	90+	100%