

Report on	Regional and Minority Language Bursary Scheme
Date of Meeting	4 th July 2018
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1.0	Purpose of Report																						
1.1	To seek members approval for the proposed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional and Minority Language Bursary scheme allocation to be awarded to successful applicants for 2018-2019. Delivery of Irish Language Activity Funding Programmes 2018-2019 across Mid Ulster District Council. 																						
2.0	Background																						
2.1	The Regional and Minority Languages Bursary Programme and Irish Language Activity Funding scheme were advertised in local press on Monday 23rd April with a closing date identified for all returned submissions of Friday 11th May 2018.																						
2.2	In total, 146 applications were received under the Regional and Minority Languages Bursary Programme, with a total of 146 bursaries being proposed to be awarded to a total of 146 recipients.																						
2.3	Under Irish Language Activity Funding, a total of 23 applications were received, from a wide range of groups with diverse programmes being proposed to be awarded to a total of 20 groups.																						
3.0	Main Report																						
3.1	The total allocation of funding required to support the language bursary scheme for 2018-2019 is £30,000. Below is a summary of this distribution geographically: <table border="1" data-bbox="225 1563 1007 2040"> <thead> <tr> <th>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</th> <th>NO. OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bellaghy / Newbridge / P'glenone</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Castledawson</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Coalisland</td> <td>22</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cookstown & District</td> <td>17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Draperstown</td> <td>9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dungannon & District</td> <td>43</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Maghera</td> <td>23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Magherafelt & District</td> <td>20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Moneymore</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL BUDGET</td> <td>£30,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	NO. OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS	Bellaghy / Newbridge / P'glenone	8	Castledawson	1	Coalisland	22	Cookstown & District	17	Draperstown	9	Dungannon & District	43	Maghera	23	Magherafelt & District	20	Moneymore	3	TOTAL BUDGET	£30,000
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The total allocation of funding required to support the Irish Language Activity Funding for 2018-2019 is £45,000. The total amount of funding requested from 23 groups was £73,212. Below is a summary of the £55,818 of funding which is proposed to be provided to 20 groups after being assessed and processed by the Officer Team:

GEOGRAPHIC AREA	NAME OF GROUP	ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED	TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED
Bellaghy / Newbridge / P'glenone	Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann, Newbridge	Irish Language classes	£300
Coalisland	Cairde Uí Néill	- Irish Language Day at G.A.A Summer camp - 'Club Amhránaíochta Uí Néill' Irish Language singing group - Weekend of celebrating sean-nós singing. (old style and through the medium of Irish) - Lectures - Street festival	£5,370
Cookstown & District	Institute of Irish Leadership	'Gaeltacht Thír Eoghain' 5 day intensive Irish Language course	£1,600
	C.L.G An Craobh	Irish vocabulary documentation in the form of a pocket sized booklet	£300
	C.L.G Cill Dreas	Campa Chill Dreas – An Irish Language summer camp	£2,147
	Cairdeas Eoghain	Seal Spraoi Lúnasa – An Irish Language summer camp	£2,240
Draperstown	C.L.G Baile na Scríne	- 'Blitz Uladh' Annual sports blitz through the medium of Irish - Family day for Irish speakers and learners - Lectures	£1,250
Dungannon & District	Comhaltas Uladh (An Chraobh Rua)	Irish Language reading group which often hosts guest speakers and lecturers	£765
	C.L.G Augher	'Campa Mhic Artain' Irish Language summer camp	£3,686

		Scoil Iósaef	'Lá Mór Idir scoile' Interschool day where local bunscoileanna can visit St. Joseph's Grammar School and interact with potential future classmates through sport, music and various activities	£2,500	
		Pobal an Ghleanna	- 4 levels of Irish Language classes - Intensive Irish Language courses - Lectures - Entertainment evening through the medium of Irish - Youth activities through the medium of Irish	£4,800	
		Coiste Champa Chormaic	'Campa Chormaic 2018' Irish Language summer camp	£400	
		Acadamh na Gaeilge	Purchase of Fáinní – a recognised badge illustrating competency in Irish Language - to present to members of staff within the school who successfully undergo assessment in speaking Irish	£160	
	Maghera	Coiste Forbartha Charn Tóchair	- GCSE Irish preparation course - AS/A2 Irish preparation course - Irish Language grammatical accuracy course - 'Feis Charn Tóchair' A celebration of Irish Language and culture where both children and adults take part in various competitions - Irish Language Writing Club - Irish Language Amateur Drama Club - Irish Language Youth Drama Club - 'Coláiste Charn Tóchair' Annual children's Irish Language summer camp - Irish Language Summer School for adult learners - Irish Language running club	£16,285	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Production of a comprehensive publication based on natural Irish Language terminology which will serve as a handbook to Irish Language Youth Club leaders and facilitators of other Irish Language events - Irish Language Youth Club - 'Lá Gairmeacha Gaeilge' Irish Language Careers Day for local secondary schools - Irish Language Classes 		
	Granaghan & District Women's Group	Irish Language classes	£800	
Magherafelt & District	St. Trea's G.F.C Ballymaguigan	Irish Language classes	£600	
	Glór na Speiríní	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Irish Language classes - Intensive course for those studying for AS and A2 exams. - Entertainment workshop through the medium of Irish for primary school aged children - Family days for Irish speakers and learners 	£3,450	
	South Derry Cultural Heritage Society	Irish Language classes	£650	
	Naíscoil Ghreanacháin	'Stay & Play' A scheme where parents/guardians are invited into the nursery where they can participate in the goings on and therefore learn Irish alongside their child.	£665	
	Glór Mhachaire Fíolta	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Irish Language classes - Intensive Irish Language courses - Youth activities through the medium of Irish - Walking group through the medium of Irish - Family days for Irish speakers and learners 	£7,950	
TOTAL			£55,918	

We received a total of £6,460 for group trips to the Gaeltacht and have advised these groups to apply to a Good Relations grant from MUDC as we feel that they meet the criteria. Below is a summary of these applications.

GEOGRAPHIC AREA	NAME OF GROUP	AMOUNT REQUIRED
Coalisland	Cairde Uí Néill	£975
Dungannon & District	Acadamh na Gaeilge	£400
Maghera	An Carn	£1,250
Magherafelt & District	Glór Mhachaire Fíolta	£800
	Glór na Speiríní	£500
	Gaelscoil an tSeanchaí	£2,535
TOTAL		£6,460

We received a total of £11,832 in applications regarding family based learning activities. We have proposed adding these applications to our proposed Regional and Minority Language initiative, *Gaeilge don Teaghlach* – Irish for the family. Below is a summary of the applications received with planned activities which are relevant to the programme.

GEOGRAPHIC AREA	NAME OF GROUP	AMOUNT REQUIRED
Dungannon & District	Pobal an Ghleanna	£750
Maghera	An Carn	£1,260
	Conradh na Gaeilge, Carn Tóchair	£8,057
Magherafelt & District	Glór na Speiríní	£1,765
TOTAL		£11,832

4.0 Other Considerations

4.1 Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications

Financial:

The total financial allocation proposed for the Regional and Minority Language Bursary Scheme for 2018-2019 is £30,000 and for the Irish Language Activity Scheme is £45,000. These proposals can be met from within the funding allocation identified within the Irish Language Development plan 2018-2019 under the themes “*To Promote Opportunities to Learn Irish*” and “*To Develop Irish Language in the Community and to make it more accessible for All*”.

	Human: N/A
	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	It is recommended that the: Regional and Minority Language bursaries be approved for the 146 successful applicants identified with a total amount allocated of £30,000 Irish Language Activity be approved for 20 groups with a total allocation of £45,000.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix 1 - Map identifying geographic spread of support to various initiatives across the Mid Ulster District.