

Report on	Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working Group minutes of meeting of 3 rd March 2021
Date of Meeting	Thursday 15 th April 2021
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	No	X

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To receive and consider for approval the minutes of the Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working Group held on 3 rd March 2021 at Council offices Dungannon and via remote link.
2.0	Background
2.1	Mid Ulster District Council previously resolved to establish a Language Working Group to assist with policy development and to support the implementation of Mid Ulster District Council's Irish Language and Ulster Scots language policies and associated work.
2.2	The Working Group Terms of Reference confirms that the business of the Regional and Minority Language Working Group be reported through Mid Ulster District Council's Development Committee.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The minutes of the meeting of 3 rd March 2021 is attached for members' consideration (Appendix 1).
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: As per approved Council budgets for Regional and Minority Languages
	Human: N/a

	<p>Risk Management: All risks identified and arising from the delivery of the Regional and Minority Language Programme are discussed and addressed through the Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working Group</p>
4.2	<p>Screening & Impact Assessments</p>
	<p>Equality & Good Relations Implications:</p> <p>The language policies are implemented in a way that is sensitive to the concerns of certain sections of the community, that is inclusive, and that aspires to promote good relations between all sections of the community in the longer term.</p> <p>The language policies are introduced so as to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the promotion of a good and harmonious environment, either among Council staff or within the District as a whole.</p>
	<p>Rural Needs Implications: Rural needs implications are considered as part of the implementation and delivery of the regional and minority language programme of activity</p>
5.0	<p>Recommendation(s)</p>
5.1	<p>Members are asked to note the minutes of the Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working group of 3rd March 2021 (appendix 1)</p>
6.0	<p>Documents Attached & References</p>
6.1	<p>Appendix 1 - Minutes of the Regional and Minority Language Implementation Working Group of 3rd March 2021.</p>