

<b>Report on</b>	Community Development
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> September 2021
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Claire Linney, Head of 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	Community Grants - to agree the rolling grant awards - Local Community Festivals, Good Relations, and Decade of Anniversaries.
1.2	Mid Ulster Advice Service – to agree to go to tender.
1.3	Community Development - to update on Community Development.
1.4	Community Planning; Response to the Department for Health Consultation on the Integrated Care System – to agree a Council response
2.0	Background
2.1	Community Grants – Council annually delivers a number of rolling community grants programmes; Good Relations and Local Community Festivals. Council also annually delivers the Decade of Anniversaries Grant.
2.2	Mid Ulster Advice Service – Council in partnership with DFC annually delivers on general advice provision for Mid Ulster.
2.3	Community Development includes the following areas: Community Support, Good Relations, PCSP, Connecting Pomeroy and facilitation of Community Planning.
2.4	Community Planning; Council regularly responds to key consultations that impact upon the delivery of the Mid Ulster Community Plan.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The Community Festivals grant is a rolling programme – 13 applications recommended for award totalling £8,845 Good Relations – the good relations grant is a rolling programme - 3 applications are recommended for award totalling £2,167.50, 2 grants ineligible and one not minimum threshold.

	<p>The Decade of Anniversaries grant opened in June and is a rolling programme – One application recommended for award totalling £745.00.</p> <p>See grant award recommendations in Appendix 1 for approval.</p>
3.2	<p>Mid Ulster Advice Service – Council in partnership with DFC annually delivers on general advice provision for Mid Ulster. The full budget is £220,000 with a contribution by DFC of £136,774.78.</p> <p>The tender award is for a 3 year period and the current contract is due to end 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021. The proposed tender is for a further 3 years; with the caveat that this is funding dependant from DFC, as above.</p> <p>As part of the tender an annual review is completed by an independent consultant, to date this has been David Williamson Consulting, who has specialist experience in this area as an advisor to DFC on general advice provision. All of the independent reviews have been positive to date and the final one is being completed now for the last 18 month period (due to Covid). The current delivery agents: the Mid Ulster Advice Service STEP is due to present to the Committee over the next months on the progress to date over the last 3 year period.</p> <p>It is proposed to proceed to tender for the Mid Ulster Advice provision as per budget.</p> <p>Approval is sought for the release of DfC direct funding to the current advice provider for: Welfare Reform Monies, £86,319.84 for Mitigations Extensions for face to face advice and £22,400 for Tribunal Representation, with DfC taking responsibility for directly monitoring these projects.</p>
3.3	<p>Community Development</p> <p>Community Support</p> <p>The Community Support team continues to work with groups regarding the delivery of grants to respond to their communities.</p> <p>All of the settlements across the district supported under the Festive Lights Settlement Grants have been notified in August regarding funding contributions to facilitate early planning and preparation for the annual Christmas Lights provision. As previous a total of 60 settlements are being offer financial assistance under the grant.</p> <p>Grant delivery is ongoing and officers are supporting groups with this.</p> <p>In response to a previous Council query – regarding support to strategic event St Patrick’s Day Parade in Dungannon; all strategic events delivery is under a letter of offer and it is responsibility of the applicant group to oversee all delivery within the grant parameters. Officers do support, when required, with administration including claims etc. No Council resources are utilised for strategic event logistical delivery in the St Patrick’s Day Parade in Dungannon.</p> <p>In response to the request from Council to get further information as per the letter from Antrim and Newtownabbey re engaging young people. Further information has been</p>

3.4	<p>sought. Mid Ulster District Council community development and good relations are working closely to engage young people under similar schemes; A new Youth Forum has been established, fuel vouchers allocated to families on FSMs, Youth leisure vouchers and leisure discounts have been provided to Council leisure facilities, and an extensive range of play schemes have been delivered in partnership with schools, EA Youth and Council leisure services. Ongoing engagement is taking place with EA Youth.</p> <p>In response to the query on community group access to accounts; a virtual meeting is being arranged with the Credit Unions across the District.</p> <p>Good Relations Good Relations is continuing to deliver the Plan for 2021 – 2022.</p> <p>Peace IV Local Action Plan – the local shared space projects are all near completion.</p> <p>Delivery of the grants and programmes are completing, there are only 3 grants left to complete and the following programmes; cross border literary, cross border heritage, communications, and research.</p> <p>The towns shared space project is at design stage to deliver during October/ November. The areas are at front of Hill of The O'Neill and Ranfurly House, Coalisland at canal, Diamond in Magherafelt and Molesworth Plaza in Cookstown.</p> <p>Connecting Pomeroy – the projects are all at stage 4 design and planning at approval stage.</p> <p>PCSP – see attached previous minutes and the annual report for 2019 – 2020 for information.</p> <p>Community Planning Please see a draft response to the Department for Health Consultation on the Integrated Care System for consideration and approval. This is due for submission on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021.</p>
4.0	<b>Other Considerations</b>
4.1	<p><b><u>Financial &amp; Human Resources Implications</u></b></p> <p>Community Festival awards £8,845 Good Relations awards £2,167.50 Decade of Anniversaries awards £745</p> <p><b><u>Professional Support</u></b> None</p>
4.2	<p><b><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u></b> None</p>

<b>4.3</b>	<b><u>Risk Management Implications</u></b> None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Rolling Grants – to agree the rolling grant awards.
5.2	Mid Ulster Advice Service – To proceed to tender for Mid Ulster Advice Service.
5.3	Community Development - To note the Community Development update.
5.3	Community Planning; Response to the Department for Health Consultation on the Integrated Care System – to agree a Council response
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
	<p>Appendix 1 Good Relations, Local Community Festivals and Decade of Anniversaries grants.</p> <p>Appendix 2 PCSP Minutes and annual report.</p> <p>Appendix 3 Community Planning; Response to the Department for Health Consultation on the Integrated Care System</p>

## Appendix 1

### Community Festivals September 2021 (Maximum £1200)

No	Organisation Name	Aim	Title of Event / Project	Band	Request	Award
1	The Mid Ulster Oldtime Horse and Pony Driving Club	Sport	Horse and Community Festival Fair	5	£1,400	£720
2	Kilcronaghan Parish Church	Community	The Real Christmas Story	4	£1,200	£840
3	Newmills Football Club	Sport	Community Festival & Charity Fundraiser	4	£1,050	£735
4	Upperlands Apprentice Boys	Culture	Centenary family fun day	7	£1,200	£480
5	Pomeroy Mens Shed	Community	Pomeroy Men's Shed Open Day	6	£1,100	£550
6	Kilcronaghan Community Association	Community	Annual Vintage Rally, Craft Fair & Family Fun Day	4	£1,200	£840
7	Desertmartin Parish Church	Community	Desertmartin Community Fun Day	4	£1,200	£840
8	Killyman & District Cultural Group	Culture	Mini Tattoo	6	£1,369	£600
9	St Malachy's GAC Castledawson	Community	Family Fun Weekend	6	£1,400	£600
10	Sandholes Community Group	Community	Sandholes Sensory Garden Open Day	7	£1,200	£480
11	Friends of Glencull Parent and Community Association	Community	Patrick Farrell Poetry Festival - Music Together	4	£1,500	£840
12	Derrytresk Community Projects	Community	Halloween Ghosts and Ghouls	4	£1,200	£840
13	Watty Grahams GAC	Sport	Summer Camp	7	£2,400	£480
			<b>Total</b>			<b>£8,845</b>

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%

### Good Relations September 2021 (Maximum £1,200)

No	Organisation Name	Aim	Title Of Event/project	Band	Request	Award
1	An Seansiopa	Community	Our Space	4	£1,200	£840.00
2	Moneymore Henry Joy McCracken's	Community	Henry Joy McCracken Historical Tour	4	£950	£665.00
3	Sperrin Men's shed Cookstown	Community	Restart & Rebuild Community	6	£1,325	£662.50
						<b>£2,167.50</b>

### Unsuccessful

Benburb Priory	'New Beginnings' - Youth Group Visit	Ineligible Not Community & Voluntary Sector
Stewartstown & District Village Forum	Let's Get Growing (2)	Ineligible same application Arts/Community
Newmills Cultural Group	Newmill's Community Garden 'Shou Sugi Ban'	Did not meet minimum threshold

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5	50-59	60%
4	60-69	70%
3	70-79	80%
2	80-89	90%
1	90+	100%

### Decade of Anniversaries Grant (Maximum £2,000)

No	Organisation Name	Aim	Title Of Event/project	Band	Request	Award
1	Killygulib Rural Development Association	Community	Irish History Talks - Pre-plantation to present day	5	£2,475.00	£745.00
					<b>Total</b>	<b>£745.00</b>