

<b>Report on</b>	Consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	26 January 2023
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<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	x

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To update members on the consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council for comment
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
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.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	Documentation relating to the aforementioned consultations can be accessed via the links provided in the table provided in Appendix A.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: N/A
	Human: N/A
	Risk Management: N/A
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications: None
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	Members review and note consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council as well as noting the attached submitted response.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
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Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
Department of Health	<b>Autism Strategy 2023-2028</b>	This consultation relates to proposed key priorities for the next Autism Strategy 2023-2028 which will be published in Spring 2023.	8 March 2023	No
	<b>Link to Consultation</b>	<a href="https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/consultations/autism-strategy-2023-2028-consultation">https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/consultations/autism-strategy-2023-2028-consultation</a>		
	<b>Delegated Authority</b> required to be granted to a Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?	Yes (TBC)		
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Department for the Economy	<b>Draft Offshore Renewable Energy Action Plan</b>	To deliver on its Energy Strategy, the Department for the Economy (DfE) has published its intention to develop an action plan to deliver 1GW of offshore wind by 2030 in the Energy Strategy Action Plan 2022. The Draft OREAP sets out the direction for planning, licensing, consenting and the development of offshore renewable energy in Northern Ireland.	16 March 2023	No
	<b>Link to Consultation</b>	<a href="https://www.economy-ni.gov.uk/consultations/draft-offshore-renewable-energy-action-plan">https://www.economy-ni.gov.uk/consultations/draft-offshore-renewable-energy-action-plan</a>		
	<b>Delegated Authority</b> required to be granted to a Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?	Yes (March Environment Committee)		