

Report on	Renewal of Membership with NI Chamber of Commerce 2024
Date of Meeting	6 December 2023
Reporting Officer	Assistant Director of Economic Development, Tourism & Strategic Programmes

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	No	X

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To provide Members with an update on key activities as detailed below.
2.0	Background
2.1	<p>Renewal of Membership with NI Chamber of Commerce 2024</p> <p>The NI Chamber of Commerce and Industry has a business network with a membership circ. 1,200 businesses representing over 100,000 employees. Mid Ulster District Council has been a member for the last seven years.</p>
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>Renewal of Membership with NI Chamber of Commerce 2024</p> <p>Membership renewal with the NI Chamber of Commerce is now due for the period January 2024 – December 2024 at a cost of £3,000 (plus vat), no increase from last year. The benefits to Council of membership are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being part of a global network, links to UK chamber and its business membership of circa 1,200 members. • Actively represents members interests at the highest political levels • Provides a quarterly magazine of current affairs • Monthly newsletter update on what is happening in business in NI. • Organises monthly business events throughout NI.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications

	<p>Financial: Renewal of Membership with NI Chamber of Commerce 2024 Funding of £3,000 (plus Vat) from Council's existing economic development budget towards Corporate Membership of NI Chamber of Commerce for 2024.</p>
	<p>Human: N/A</p>
	<p>Risk Management: N/A</p>
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	<p>Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A</p>
	<p>Rural Needs Implications: N/A</p>
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	<p>It is recommended that Members:</p> <p>Renewal of Membership with NI Chamber of Commerce 2024</p> <p>Approve Corporate Membership with NI Chamber of Commerce costing £3,000+Vat for the period of 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.</p>
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	N/A