

Report on	Community Development
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To seek Committee approval for Good Relations and Community Festivals rolling grant award recommendations.
1.2	To agree the Peace IV Partnership recommendations and to approve the Peace IV Heritage tender award.
1.3	To update members on the development to a Mid Ulster Poverty Initiative.
1.4	To update on Community Development.
2.0	Background
2.1	Community Grants Rolling Programme - The Grant Aid Programme for the 2017/18 financial year facilitates applications being made on a rolling basis for Community Festivals and Good Relations.
2.2	Peace IV Local Action Plan 2017 – 2020 – The operational delivery of the Plan is currently in development through guidance by the Peace IV Partnership who make recommendations to Committee for delivery at a local level. Peace IV Tender Award for the Heritage Programme – As part of Peace IV it was agreed to go to tender for the Peace IV Heritage Programme.
2.3	Poverty Update – It was agreed by Committee to develop a poverty programme for Mid Ulster to take account of deprivation across the area including rural areas, pockets of deprivation and individual deprivation issues.
2.4	Community Development Update - An update is provided on the following areas: Community Support – Grants, Support, Village Planning, Community Centres, DSD Neighbourhood Renewal Peace IV and Good Relations PCSP
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Community Grants Rolling Programme There is one Community Festival application recommended for award totalling £360. There are two Good Relations applications recommended for awards totalling £1,655. Please refer to Appendix 1 for detail.

3.2

Peace IV

Recommendation from the Peace IV Partnership for decision making:

Heritage Cross Border Programme - Peace IV Tender Award: As part of the Heritage tender a proposal was brought to the Peace Partnership with regard to the final budget to go to tender for the management and facilitation (and research) of the programme. The Partnership were updated that they had previously agreed £45,000 however in advance of the tender going on etendersni and etendersie it was noted that there was facilitation cost within the wider programme visits budget and that this element of £5000 was included in the specification to tender as part of the management and facilitation; therefore a tendered budget of £50,000 (partnership Council £15,000 and Donegal County Council £35,000). The Partnership agreed the transfer of the £5000 facilitation element from the programme budget for visits as part of the heritage event to be included in the tender for the facilitation, management and research leaving a budget of £50,000. This is proposed for agreement. The Peace IV tender report as noted previously has been completed with a proposed MEAT provider and this is with SEUPB for sign off before coming to Committee for the consideration and agreement. It is hoped that this will be available in advance of the meeting.

Literary Cross Border Programme – The Peace IV Partnership had agreed a management and facilitation cost previously of £8000 for the management and facilitation of the cross border literary programme (Mid Ulster District Council £10,000 and Sligo County Council £8000). A proposal was agreed by the Partnership to go to quote for the management and facilitation of the project and to also include for the organising and delivery of the cross border visits at a value of £18,000. It is proposed to proceed as follows with £18,000 of facilitation and management of the visits. The other programme costs literary festivals, festival linkages, marketing and signage to be procured direct by Council (Council programme £40,000). This is proposed for agreement.

To note the groups who have decided not to proceed with their Peace IV letter of offer
Glor Na Sperini

Craic

St John's PTA

Hebron

Dungannon United Youth

Maghera Cross Community Link

Friends of Knocknagin

As part of the shared space development projects for Moy, Donaghmore, Draperstown, Moneymore, Castledawson there is a requirement for the following: A permissive path agreement for Moy Riverside Walk and an agreement for works at Donaghmore. The draft permissive path agreement will be brought to Policy and Resources Committee for formal agreement and the agreement for works at Donaghmore (alongside the River) to Committee in due course.

3.3

Poverty

McGarry Consulting with NI Poverty Alliance has been commissioned to support Council to develop a Mid Ulster Poverty and Deprivation Initiative. Its scope will focus on six key areas: Statistical Analysis of the 2017 Multiple Deprivation Measures relevant to the Super Output Areas across the Mid Ulster District; best practice initiatives/interventions in addressing Poverty; develop a Poverty and Deprivation Programme for Mid Ulster; embed a Community Planning approach for targeted intervention with baseline indicators linked to the Mid Ulster Community Plan and Programme for Government; and advise on the establishment of a Poverty Forum for the District.

A meeting with members is to be scheduled to discuss a future initiative.

3.4

Community Development Update

Community Support

Council grants close on Friday 16th March. Expression of interest has been very high and a substantial number of applications are expected.

Monitoring and verification is being completed for all community development grants 2017 – 2018. Groups are informed that there is a final date for submission of claims in line with the letter of offers 31st March 2019.

Community Development officers are continuing to support groups access a number of other funding sources for delivery of their plans, including Big Lottery, Live Here- Love Here and Trusts. Update grant funds as per the monthly CD newsletter.

Neighbourhood Renewal: DFC has agreed the final action plan 2018 – 2019 in line with its processes and agreed NR areas (Mid Ulster Coalisland and Dungannon).

Peace and Good Relations

Peace Regional Shared Space Project; The assessment took place on 29th February and Council are awaiting the final outcome of the Connecting Pomeroy Project.

Peace IV Local Plan; Grants close on Friday 16th March. Progress is ongoing in the delivery of a range of projects the Rural Engagement Project with CWSAN and COSTA, the Urban and Migrant Engagement Project with STEP, the post primary project with BEAM, the Primary School cross community project with Speedwell has commenced. The Youth Engagement project is with the EA and is due to commence asap; the heritage cross border, literary cross border and arts engagement project are all at tender stage.

Good Relations; Project completion of action plan 2017-2018 being finalised with new project development 2018 – 2019 commencing.

PCSP

Project development is ongoing as guided by the Partnership, including responding to issues as they arise through a partner integrated approach. The monitoring of interventions is ongoing to seek to inform DOJ and NIPB re OBA targets and final claims for funding.

PCSP Policing Committee recently agreed the local District Policing Plan for 2018/19 with the PSNI.

The PCSP has launched its new community app, Safer U. This app provides members of the public with relevant information on safeguarding themselves, increases awareness of local crimes, and allows for reporting of issues. The app is currently available from the Google Play store and will soon be available from the Apple Store. For other phones it can be accessed through www.saferuapp.com.

The PCSP is continuing to work with 16 post primary schools on a Domestic Violence awareness raising programme and has also an internet safety programme “Who’s at the Door” working with 15 primary schools throughout the district.

4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	<p><u>Financial & Human Resources Implications</u></p> <p>Financial:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Local Festival awards £360 • Good Relations awards £1,655 • Peace IV Heritage Cross Border Programme tender for Management and Facilitation is £50,000 and Tender Award Recommendation (as per tender specification report – pending report sign off through SEUPB) <p>Human: None</p> <p><u>Professional Support</u> None.</p>
4.2	<p><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u> None</p>
4.3	<p><u>Risk Management Implications</u> None</p>
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	To approve the grant award recommendations under the Community Local Festivals grants and Good Relations Grant as per Appendix 1 £4,688 and £200.
5.2	To agree the Peace IV Partnership recommendations
5.3	To consider and approve the Peace IV Heritage Programme tender award (pending report being complete through SEUPB sign off).
5.4	To note the community development update report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 Rolling Grant Programmes award recommendations

Appendix 1

Community Local Festival – March 2018

No	Organisation Name	Organisation Aim	Title Of Event/project	Requested	Band	Award
1	Cookstown Branch Ulster Defence Regiment Regimental Association	Regimental Support Group	St Patrick's Festival Event	900.00	7	£360.00

Good Relations Grants – March 2018

No	Organisation Name	Organisation Aim	Title Of Event/project	Requested	Band	Award
1	Burnvale Community Association	Community Development	St Patrick's Events	850.00	2	£765.00
2	Dungannon Friends of NI Chest/Heart & Stroke	Charitable support/Fundraising	Community Engagement and Awareness Event	2570.00	2	£900.00
						£1665.00

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%