

Report on	<p>1. European Heritage Open Days 2022</p> <p>2. Cookstown Continental Market Evaluation Report 2022</p> <p>3. Granville Industrial Estate, Dungannon</p>
Date of Meeting	15 September 2022
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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>European Heritage Open Days 2022 The Bridewell, Magherafelt and US Grant Ancestral Homestead, Ballygawley will provide Living History Tours for European Heritage Open Days on the second weekend in September 2022. This is an annual event celebrating local architecture, history and culture, which takes place across Europe. In NI the European Heritage Open Days is managed by the Department for Communities with support of the Council of Europe and the European Commission.</p>
2.2	<p>Cookstown Continental Market Evaluation Report 2022 Cookstown Continental Market was held Saturday 28 – Sunday 29 May 2022, in William Street, Cookstown. The Market was delivered in association with Marketplace Europe and Cookstown Town Centre Forum.</p>
2.3	<p>Granville Industrial Estate, Dungannon Granville Industrial Estate is one of the busiest and economically successful of its kind in NI providing significant employment (approximately 3,000 jobs) in the local area. Long-standing occupying businesses have made ongoing representation to Council that in its current state of disrepair the industrial estate is not an attractive proposition to further invest in. Over a number of years the Council has been lobbying the relevant departments including Department for Infrastructure (DfI) for much needed investment to enhance and improve the physical infrastructure within the estate.</p>

3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>European Heritage Open Days 2022 The Bridewell, Magherafelt and US Grant Ancestral Homestead, Ballygawley will provide Living History tours for European Heritage Open Days over the weekend from 9 – 11 September 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 9 September 2022 – Four local primary schools within walking distance to the Bridewell are invited to visit the cells where they will experience Living History characters and provide an interactive tour of what life would have been like in the 1804 Courthouse and Gaol Cells, before going to the library to discover photographs and history of Magherafelt town. • Saturday 10 September 2022 - The Bridewell will be brought back to life with living history tours giving visitors the opportunity to experience life in the original cells and participate in activities in the exercise yard. Tours every hour throughout the day. • Sunday 11 September 2022 - Living history tours will take place every 30 mins giving visitors an experience into the lives of the Simpson's, the ancestors of Ulysses Grant, General and 18th President of the United States of America. <p>In total, there are 25 European Heritage Open Day events taking place across Mid Ulster. Further information can be found at visitmidulster.com. All the above events are free of charge during the weekend.</p>
3.2	<p>Cookstown Continental Market Evaluation Report 2022 Attached for Members attention on Appendix 1 is an Evaluation Report of Cookstown Continental Market held from Saturday 28 to Sunday 29 May 2022.</p>
3.3	<p>Granville Industrial Estate, Dungannon Members will be aware that Council has been lobbying the relevant central government departments for several years to address a number of ongoing issues facing businesses trading in the Estate.</p> <p>In June 2021, a Council delegation led by the Chair held a virtual meeting with the Infrastructure Minister to discuss a number of key issues and concerns which included the deteriorating condition of the road surface, footpaths and kerbs within the Estate. Business owners have expressed ongoing concerns regarding the appearance of the roads network impacting on attracting international business and trade.</p> <p>Council has recently been informed that in response the local DfI Network Maintenance Section have progressed this matter and developed a comprehensive resurfacing/maintenance programme for Granville which represents an investment in the region of £600k. This investment is focused on two complementary phases which are planned to commence in November 2022:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phase 1 - Roads Maintenance/Resurfacing Programme within Granville Industrial Estate.

	<p>The cost is estimated at £250,000 and some of the planned works will include complete carriageway reconstruction. (See Appendix 2 – Location Map of Outline Works)</p> <p>Phase 2 - Carriageway Resurfacing Scheme along a section of the A45 Granville / Dungannon Road. The cost is estimated at £350,000 and will include 2km of inlay/overlay carriageway resurfacing and some sections of full footway reconstruction and footway widening/overlay. (See Appendix 3 – Location Map)</p> <p>As part of planning this work, DFI’s Network Maintenance Team will be meeting with businesses on Thursday 15th September 2022 to discuss traffic management required to complete the works.</p> <p>Furthermore, following the Council meeting with the Infrastructure Minister in June 2021, DfI commissioned an Options Study to consider options for a new strategic access road at Granville Industrial Estate. This is a work in progress and DfI plan to bring an outline Options study to Council later this year.</p>
	Other Considerations
4.1	<p>Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications</p> <p>Financial: n/a</p> <p>Human: European Heritage Open Days 2022 Officer Time</p> <p>Risk Management: n/a</p>
4.2	<p>Screening & Impact Assessments</p> <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>European Heritage Open Days 2022 Note activities taking place within Mid Ulster District during European Heritage Open Days 2022.</p>

5.2	Cookstown Continental Market 2022 Note Evaluation Report on Cookstown Continental Market 2022.
5.3	Granville Industrial Estate, Dungannon Note update.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix 1 – Evaluation Report - Cookstown Continental Market 2022 Appendix 2 – Location Map - Outline Works within Granville Industrial Estate Appendix 3 - Location Map - A45 / Dungannon Road