

Report on	Community Development
Date of Meeting	10 th January 2019
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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 and Decade of Anniversaries grant awards.
1.2	To consider and approve the Peace IV Partnership recommendation.
1.3	To agree the Community Grants Policy 2019 – 2020
1.4	To agree further additional welfare reform funding for advice provision.
1.5	To agree the Mid Ulster Housing Forum/Working Group.
1.6	To note the update on Community Development.
2.0	Background
2.1	Community Grants Rolling Programme - The Grant Aid Programme for the 2018/19 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 and Partnership oversees the delivery of the Plan and recommendations to Council.
2.3	Community grants – Council allocates funding under a range of grant themes each year and annually reviews and develops its grants policy.
2.4	Mid Ulster General Advice - Mid Ulster District Council manages the general advice service for Mid Ulster in partnership with the Department for Communities (DFC), and receives funding for this provision. As part of this provision the DFC, throughout the year, provides direct funding through Council for the delivery of additional advice provision. Council forwards the allocated funding to the service provider and monitors accordingly.
2.5	Mid Ulster Housing Working Group - Mid Ulster as part of its advocacy and community planning role seeks to ensure the maximum provision of services for the

2.6	<p>people of Mid Ulster including social housing provision. It was discussed at a recent Community Plan Strategic Board meeting, in response to the feedback from the community convention, that there was a need for a group/forum to address access to and provision of social housing in Mid Ulster.</p> <p>Community Development Update - An update is provided on the following areas: Community Support – Grants, Support, Village Planning, Community Centres, DFC Neighbourhood Renewal Peace IV and Good Relations PCSP</p>
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>Community Grants Rolling Programme There is one Community Festival application with a recommended award totaling £550. There are 6 Good Relations applications recommended for awards totaling £4,045. Please refer to Appendix 1 for detail.</p> <p>3.2 Peace IV The Peace IV Arts Engagement Programme Phase II; to engage people together across our main principal towns, through the medium of arts, is being progressed. It is proposed to proceed to tender for the Phase II of the Arts Engagement Programme at a maximum budget of £50,000. Please refer to Appendix 2 for detail.</p> <p>3.3 Community Grants Policy Council as part of its community grants and community support delivers grant aid across a range of community grant themes, along with Arts and Culture and Leisure, as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strategic Event Grant 2. Strategic Community Development Grant 3. Strategic Sports Development Grant 4. Strategic Arts & Culture Development Grant 5. Sport Capital Grant 6. Sports Development Grant 7. Sports Representative Grants (team and individual) 8. Community Venue Grant 9. Good Relations Grant 10. Local Community Festival Grant 11. Community Development, Arts & Culture, & Heritage Small Grant <p>Other grants/support – Festive Lights Fund, Discretionary Capital Grant, Sports School Grant, Language Bursary, Peace IV grants.</p> <p>A learning review was undertaken of the community grants delivery for 2018 – 2019, with recommendations for consideration:</p> <p>Proposed amendments to grants policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retain the amount of grant for Festive Lights funds across all areas by an additional £500 as per the amount awarded at 2018, and include small settlements where lighting provision is being implemented.

- Amend the budget allocations (within existing overall budget) between grants to reflect the actual need.
- Amend the guidance to include 'Group recipients should not have a membership charge for any person accessing its community provision greater than £100.
- Group recipients should have no element of profit gain to any member/ individual of its Committee.

Timeline - Community grants will open in February for a period of 4 weeks. Rolling grants (good relations, local community festivals and representative grants) will remain open throughout the year.

Please refer to Appendix 3 for the Community Grants Policy 2019 – 2020

3.4 Mid Ulster General Advice

The DFC has provided a letter of offer to Mid Ulster District Council of funding of £9,546.74 to be allocated to the advice service provider, CAMU, for the provision of additional advice services which will be monitored accordingly by Council to DFC.

3.5 Mid Ulster Housing Working Group

As per the discussion at the Strategic Community Planning Board meeting with regard to the need identified for a working group to discuss access and provision of social housing in Mid Ulster, it is proposed to establish a working group of Council. The working group will have a similar structure as per other Council working groups and will be time bound. A Terms of Reference is attached in Appendix 4 for consideration and agreement.

3.6 Community Development Update

Community Support

Community Development officers are continuing to work with groups on project development and grant funding support. The monitoring and verification of grants for 2018 – 2019 is currently being completed. Support for the new grants round 2019 – 2020 will commence.

Neighbourhood Renewal: DFC projects for 2018 – 2019 are ongoing. There are 2 capital contracts being progressed Dungannon United Youth and Gortgonis.

Peace and Good Relations

Good Relations Action Plan delivery is ongoing with programmes being rolled across Mid Ulster. Project monitoring in line with the Executive Office outcomes is ongoing.

Peace IV delivery is ongoing – The Cross Border Heritage programme continues to be rolled out. The literary programme to go out to quote again, due to the previous company no longer in business, the project had not formally commenced.

The Arts and sports programmes are in development to be delivered across the identified areas. The second phase of the Arts engagement programme is due to go to tender.

PCSP

	<p>PCSP plan delivery is ongoing with programmes being rolled out across Mid Ulster directed by the Partnership.</p> <p>Ongoing support to communities on a range of initiatives to help keep people and communities safe.</p> <p>CCTV provision in the park and ride facilities across Mid Ulster is being delivered which is due to complete February 2019.</p> <p>Please see attached in Appendix 5 a copy of the PCSP minutes for information.</p>
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	<p><u>Financial & Human Resources Implications</u></p> <p>Community Local Festival awards £550 Good Relations awards £4,045</p> <p>Community Grants Policy – budget allocations as per Appendix 3</p> <p>Mid Ulster General Advice provision – to allocate funding of £9,546.74 to CAMU as provided by DFC.</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 Grant and Good Relations Grant as per Appendix 1 £550 & £4,045 respectively
5.2	To approve to go to tender for the Peace IV Arts Engagement Programme at a budget of £50,000.
5.3	To approve the Community Grants Policy for 2019 – 2020 and associated grant budget allocations.
5.4	To agree to sign the letter of offer of funding of £9,546.74 from DFC for the provision of additional advice services in Mid Ulster, and to allocate the funding directly to CAMU and monitor provision accordingly.

5.5	To agree to establish a Mid Ulster Housing Working Group under Council as per the Terms of Reference.
5.6	To note the community development update report.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	<p>Appendix 1 Grant award recommendations Good Relations and Community Festivals.</p> <p>Appendix 2 Peace IV Arts Engagement Programme Summary</p> <p>Appendix 3 Community Grants Policy 2019 – 2020</p> <p>Appendix 4 Mid Ulster Housing Working Group</p> <p>Appendix 5 PCSP Minutes</p>

Appendix 1

Community Local Festival – January 2019

No	Organisation Name	Organisation	Title Of Event/project	Band	Request	Award
1	Acorn Women's Group	Community	Women's Little Christmas - Nollaig na mBan	6	£1,100	£550
					TOTAL	£550

Good Relations – January 2019

No	Organisation Name	Organisation	Title Of Event/project	Band	Request	Award
1	Aughnacloy & Truagh Historical Society	Community	Annual Historical Programme	5	£1,190	£715
2	Dungannon Ladies Probus	Community	Promoting good relations	5	£512	£310
3	Mid-Ulster Women's Aid	Community	Pantomime in the Burnavon	4	£800	£560
4	Termoneeny Community Association	Community	Young at Heart Winter Workshop	3	£1,200	£960
5	Glor na Speirini	Community	Study Visit - Gaeltacht in Gweedore	3	£1,200	£960
6	Irish Institute for Leadership	Community	Our Community & Our Art	5	£900	£540
					TOTAL	£4,045

Score	Band	%
30-39	7	40%
40-49	6	50%
50-59	5	60%
60-69	4	70%
70-79	3	80%
80-89	2	90%
90+	1	100%

Appendix 2 Peace IV Arts Engagement Programme Summary

INTRODUCTION

Mid Ulster District Council invites tenders to provide the development and delivery of a Shared Space Arts and Events PEACE IV programme for Mid Ulster District in partnership with Mid Ulster District Council.

The contract is for the development of a bespoke shared space arts and events PEACE IV programme that will seek to bring people from different communities and traditions together using the medium of art. The arts programme will be tailored to deliver one for each of the main towns of Mid Ulster:

1. Dungannon
2. Cookstown
3. Magherafelt

The programme will be delivered under the PEACE IV theme Building Positive Relations and will focus on bringing people together from different community and religious backgrounds; with the aim of seeking to make a positive contribution to building a cohesive society. The programme is part funded by the European Union ERDF fund through Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB).

The timeline for the delivery of the Programme is to commence April 2019 and complete September 2020.

The programme and participants will develop:

- A greater understanding of our shared culture and linkages through engagement through art.
- Greater linkages between groups and people across the three main urban areas in Mid Ulster.

SCOPE OF WORK/SERVICE REQUIRED

The programme will focus on developing cross community engagement within the main towns through the medium of arts.

The scope of work will include:

1. Development of a bespoke arts programme tailored to suit each area (3 areas) to encourage cross community engagement, using mediums of art, music, drama.
2. The programmes will be delivered over a 1.5 year period for each area.

3. The target number is minimum 60 people participating approx. a minimum of 15 – 20 people per area in each of the 3 programmes across the programme delivery duration.
4. The project participants must be recruited under a new process and not just work with existing groupings of people/participants in an area.
5. The contact time for people in each area is minimum 60%/40% CNR/PUL meaningful, purposeful and sustained contact between persons from different communities over a minimum period of 26 hours over 6 months. Programmes have to be delivered on a cross-community, and where it is feasible on a cross-border basis. The variation between the participants and their community background should not normally be more than 20%. Similarly in an area where there is a large migrant population the percentage variance between CNR/ PUL must also not be greater than 20%
6. The arts delivery will involve a range of interactive workshops to be delivered using interactive shared arts spaces including civic arts spaces.
7. The programmes across the areas will link the participants after programme delivery to the existing arts community and Council facilities in the areas to allow for sustainable participation.
8. The programmes across the areas will link the participants after programme delivery to the existing arts community facilities in the areas to allow for sustainable participation.
9. All activity to be delivered at a local level to seek to maximize engagement. Any use of community or Council facilities will need to be arranged and costed as part of any delivery.
10. Facilitation and Management of the following:

The programme will require

- Marketing and Promotion – to get attendance to the programme and throughout in line with PEACE IV guidelines.
- Developing and agreeing bespoke arts programmes for each area with Council
- Organising and facilitating a range of art thematic workshops
- Supporting and facilitating the connection and engagement of people and children and young people from different religious and community background in line with the PEACE IV Building Positive Relations Programme.

- Sustaining linkages between people participating on the programme and linking them to local arts delivery in their areas.
- Project management - as part of the remit of management of the programme it will be the responsibility of the successful tenderer to oversee all logistics and ensuring good governance throughout the programme.
- Monitoring and evaluation throughout the programme with regard to outputs, targets and indicators.

Programme outputs

Minimum of 3 programmes delivered; minimum one in each of the three main towns.

The target number is minimum 60 people participating; approx. a minimum of 20 people per area.

Minimum of 20 workshops per programme area to be delivered over a 1.5 – 2 hour time period over a minimum of a 6 month period.

End of programme performance or exhibition etc. per area.

Engagement with local arts provision.

Monitoring and evaluation against the baseline indicators will be essential and will be part of the management and facilitation role. This will include implementing the necessary baseline and monitoring systems to ensure that outcome based monitoring can take place against the targets and indicators.

Programme Targets/Indicators that should be utilised:

- Percentage of people who believe they have a greater appreciation and increased understanding of their own and diverse traditions.
- Increase in the number of people who have friendships with people from another religious or community background
- Percentage of people who feel better able to participate in public life and shared space in a cross community and cross border environment.

The programme budget is in the region of £45,000 - £50,000 and will include for all costs.

The tender will be assessed against the following criteria.

Quality 80% and Price 20%

Appendix 3 Grants Policy 2019 - 2020

Category 1 One call Only One Grant in Category	Category 2 Rolling programme (exception of Strategic Events) – One Grant in Category	Category 3 * Sporting Organisations One call (exception of sports representative)	Discretionary Grants
<p>Strategic Arts & Culture Grant Maximum £20,000, Budget £90,000 (pending final agreement of Council at budget setting) 80% arts & culture group & dedicated performance space</p> <p>Strategic Community Development Grant Maximum £8,000, Budget £55,000 (transfer £15,000 to small grant, £5000 to community festivals)</p> <p>Arts, Culture, Heritage & Community Small Grant Maximum £1200, Budget £95,000 (£60,000 community/£35,000 arts & culture)</p> <p>Community Venue Grant (incl. activity) Maximum £3000, Budget £85,000 80% Community development & greater than 10 hours weekly activity</p>	<p>Strategic Events Grant Maximum £8,000 Minimum 1000 people Budget £75,000 (£10,000 GR to be confirmed with Executive Office via Action plan)</p> <p>Good Relations Grant Maximum £1200 Rolling programme Budget £35,000</p> <p>Community Local Festival Grant Maximum £1200 Rolling programme £70,000</p>	<p>*Sports Small Grant Maximum £1,500, Budget £45,000 (transfer £20,000 from sports capital & figure potential further EBA £20,000 fund tbc)</p> <p>*Sports Representative Grant (Individual & Teams) Maximum £250 & £500 Budget £10,000 Rolling Programme</p> <p>*Sports Capital Grant Maximum grant £5000 To be matched 50% One Call in 2019 Budget £145,000 (£20,000 to small sports development)</p> <p>Strategic Sports Development Grant Maximum £20,000, Budget £50,000 (Governing Bodies only)</p>	<p>Discretionary Grant Up to £50,000 as funder of last resort Budget discretionary based on resources</p> <p>Festive Lights Allocation as per settlement size Budget £100,000</p>

Community (community, arts, heritage, general) Groups can only apply to one programme per year to Categories 1 and 2. Sports groups can apply to all Category 3 programmes designated with an * and one programme in Category 2 only.

All grants will have a requirement on the application guidance that they must speak with the identified officer before they submit their application to allow for support and ensure groups are applying to the correct grant.

Grants (Regional Minority Languages, Discretionary Capital Grant, Sports School Grant, Festive Lights, and Decade of Anniversaries) all have their own separate off line process. To roll these out as per agreed in 2018 – 2019.

Council also seeks for annual calls for strategic partnership projects in line with PCSP Action Plan and Good Relations Action Plan and partners on Regional Minority Languages support activities. Publicity of strategic partner projects to be issued January/February 2019 in line with plans.

Grants Process

1. Application and criteria set through Committee and Council.
2. Public advertisement for all grants.
3. Applications will be online or if required a hard copy can be requested.
4. There will be points of contact for queries on each grant area.
5. Applications will be submitted on line or returned to one central office which will then oversee the allocation to relevant teams for administration.
6. Eligibility will be confirmed upon receipt of applications, with 2 days' notice for ensuring all documentation is in place, telephone and email notification recorded.
7. Grants that meet eligibility will proceed to assessment to be carried out by officer teams, all declarations of interest are monitored.
8. Grants will be presented to Committee for consideration and approval, all declarations of interest are monitored.
9. Grants will be presented to Council for ratification.
10. Letters of Offer (standard template) will be issued to all groups.
11. Claims will be received as previous and verification undertaken.
12. Report to Council on investment of grant funding and groups supported.
13. Publicity of Council must be received for grant support in line with the LOO.
14. Advance payments will be provided, 50% up to £1500 and 25% up to £10,000.

Grant Eligibility Conditions

1. Groups applying for a grant must be a not for profit constituted community or voluntary organisation with an annual AGM, individuals can apply to the sports representative grant only.
2. Funding cannot be allocated for a project or venue where an existing SLA exists with Council for a project, building or facility.
3. Groups will only be able to apply for a grant as per the categories, this is to maximise the funding allocation to as many groups as possible.
4. The same project cannot be split across different grant categories.
5. Statutory and 'for profit' organisations, activities and recipients (incl. activities that receive statutory core provision are not eligible for grant).
6. Regional groups/organisations are not eligible to apply.
7. Applications that are not completed accurately and in full will not be considered.
8. Religious or political activity cannot be funded under any grant.
9. All applicants must present a project that will take place within the MUDC area (except Sports Representative Grant as detailed within this section).
10. Applicants must present a project that will be delivered between 1st April - 31st March each year.
11. Evidence of good management practices/policies, including annual AGM, Group bank account, financial management practice, insurances, etc. will be required.
12. Successful applicants will draw down grants retrospectively based on vouched expenditure, with procurement adhered to. Advance payments will be 50% up to £1500 and 25% up to £10,000 with final verification of all expenditure.
13. Group recipients should not have a membership charge for its users accessing its community provision greater than £250.
14. Group recipients should have no element of profit gain to any member or individual of its Committee.

The following items are not eligible for funding:

Hospitality greater than 20% of the grant threshold	Bad debt, loans, bank charges, deficits or arrears in payments of any organisation	Flags or bunting Alcohol	Groups or activities that discriminate against any section of the community
Activities, equipment or events that duplicate what already exist or that are covered by other funding	Salaries	Retrospective funding applications	Residential courses or training greater than 20% of funding sought
Celebrity appearances	Late applications	Gifts or donations	Reclaimable VAT or other costs

Grant Criteria: Category 1

Strategic Arts & Culture Grant Maximum £20,000

To support strategic arts and culture organisations that play a key role across the Mid Ulster District Council area in the development and delivery of arts & culture activity through the delivery of their own programmes utilising their own dedicated arts & culture performance spaces. The service must:

1. Provide the structured delivery of an annual arts and culture programme within the organisations own performance space/theatre.
2. Provide accessible arts and culture development opportunities of a strategic nature that is providing for a large number of people across Mid Ulster.
3. Provide 100% dedicated arts & culture activity & be delivered by a dedicated arts & culture group.
4. Provide at least bi weekly arts and culture activities.

Strategic Community Development Grant Maximum £8,000

To support strategic community development organisations that provide for the Mid Ulster area. Groups delivering to the same area should submit a partner application to avoid duplication.

1. Level of Community Support Activity
2. Level of benefit – number of beneficiaries
3. Targeting of deprivation and social need
4. Quality and level of provision
5. Level of geographic coverage
6. Value for Money

Arts, Culture, Heritage & Community Small Grant Maximum £1200

To support local communities deliver a range of local arts, culture, heritage, community projects for their local area.

1. Arts, Cultural, Heritage, Community activity and participation
2. Contribution to arts, culture, heritage, community development in the area
3. Increase and widen participation, addressing social inclusion and diversity
4. Contribution to volunteering and volunteer development

Community Venue Grant Maximum £3000

To support local communities to make available their premises and community centres for the use of the wider community. Venues applying to the grant must be used for a minimum 80% community development activities.

1. Beneficiaries (number of beneficiaries and groups)
2. Level of community/sports usage per week
3. Level of community/sports provision – number of rooms and size etc.
4. Shared space usage
5. Value for Money – contribution of grant to overall costs

The venue/facility must be open greater than 10 hours per week and the grant can be used for community development or sports activities and projects at 20% of the funding allocation.

Grant Criteria: Category 2

Strategic Events Grant Maximum £8000

To support a number of strategic events that are providing for the whole of Mid Ulster District and are of a significant nature to bring people to the area and to promote the area at a regional level.

1. Social, Regeneration and Economic Return
2. Event Development
3. Promotion of Mid Ulster
4. Event Management Experience
5. Level of promotion of good relations and Inclusion
6. Value for Money

Note events with a target audience under 1000 people or events that are not receiving regional tourism attendance and coverage would be a local community festival event.

Community Local Festival Grant Maximum £1200

To support local communities deliver a local festival in their area bringing people from across the area together.

1. Level of Community Benefit and Participation (number of days, activities)
2. Number of beneficiaries (local and neighbouring areas)
3. Promotion of Good Relations and Social Inclusion
4. Festival Development

Good Relations Grant Maximum £1200

To support local communities deliver on good relations in line with the Government Together Building United Communities Strategy.

1. Contribution to the Good Relations TBUC themes : Our Shared Community, Safe Community, Cultural Expression through increased use of shared spaces and services
2. Contribution to Core Good Relations, addressing sectarianism, racism and prejudice through provision of increased shared space
3. Level of Community Benefit and Participation in existing shared space through increased activity
4. Targeting of Social Inclusion and deprivation through access to shared space and improved access to activities/events.

Grant Criteria: Category 3

Sports Representative Individual and Team Competitive Grant Maximum £250-£500

To support Individuals who have been selected by their governing body to participate in a representative team or individual sport at provincial, national, all Ireland or international level, with eligible costs (accommodation, travel, food), to a maximum of a £250 grant may be available. Applicants must be resident within the Mid Ulster District Council area for a period of 6 months prior to the period of the grant application.

To assist recognised Sports NI sports clubs (affiliated to their governing body of sport) who are travelling to compete in a recognised (by Governing body) representative (of District/County) sporting competition. A grant for eligible costs (travel, accommodation, food) to a maximum of £500 may be available. The team must have qualified in a recognised competition by the governing body of this sport, and must be representing the District / County. The event/competition must take place outside of NI.

Sports Small Grant EBA Maximum £1500

To support recognised Sports NI sports clubs (affiliated to their governing body of sport) to develop and promote their sports and recreation provision within their club and to seek to increase participation through a range of activity including the Every

Body Active Programme target groups; Women & Girls, People with Disabilities and Areas of Social Need complementing general Sports Development.

1. Level of sports activity and beneficiaries
2. Level of benefit targeting of Women & Girls, People with Disabilities & Areas of Social Need
3. Contributes to promoting fitness and wellbeing and sports development
4. Other general activity provided to the community to engage and increase participation

Sports Capital Grant Maximum £5000

To support local sports clubs/groups develop their sporting facilities and provision through capital and equipment funding support. Eligibility:

1. The fund is for not for profit constituted sports groups with the primary objective of providing sports for the Mid Ulster District.
2. All statutory consents and public procurement is in place.
3. Actual project cost quotations are provided with the application.
4. A maximum contribution of £5,000 is available per project, with a minimum match contribution of 50% (e.g. if seeking £5000 it must be a minimum £10,000 project).
5. For sports capital items or a one off piece of equipment of a value greater than £1000.
6. Groups can only apply to this grant once every 2 years.

The Sports Capital Grant is to provide a significant benefit to the local community:
Sports Development– supporting the development and enhancement of sports and sports groups across Mid Ulster.

Sports Wellbeing /Provision– increasing the number of beneficiaries of sport, and contributing to the physical fitness and wellbeing of people across the District.

Social Need/Social Inclusion – targeting those most vulnerable.

Sustainability – supporting the long term sustainability of sporting facilities & groups.

Council Corporate Plan – contributing to the Council's Corporate Objectives.

Strategic Sports Development Grant Maximum £20,000

To support Governing Bodies that play a key strategic role across the MUDC area in developing their affiliated Clubs. It aims to provide Grant Aid to those Governing Bodies that provide direct support to Clubs across the area in increasing participation

rates and improving playing standards through the employment of a Sports Coach.

The service must:

1. Provide the structured delivery of an annual sports development programme of a main sport.
2. Be delivered through a recognised NI Sports organisation; through or in partnership with a sporting governing body; with no duplication of coverage within the same area or targeting of the same groups.
3. Provide accessible sports development opportunities of a strategic nature that is providing for a large number of people across Mid Ulster.
4. Provide the programme through a partnership approach with local clubs and groups.
5. Provide a minimum of 50% dedicated sports officer to the area of coverage in Mid Ulster.
6. Provide match funding of a minimum 50% to the sports development programme targeted within the Mid Ulster District.
7. Provide for an active sport within Mid Ulster.
8. Liaise with Mid Ulster District Council Leisure Development Unit.

Appeals Process

An appeals process will be available for unsuccessful applicants. There will be no right of appeal in relation to the level of funding granted however appeals can be made on the basis of:

- That the stated process has not been followed.
- That the application has been rejected on the basis of eligibility criteria which had been applied incorrectly.
- That the scoring against the criteria for the programme has not been undertaken correctly.

Appeals can be undertaken in two stages if required:

Stage 1—an appeal must be lodged in writing within 10 working days of the date of receipt of a rejection letter. In the first instance the appeal should be submitted to the Grants Unit who will take responsibility for allocating this to the relevant senior officer. In all cases the appeal will be reviewed by the senior officer and a determination reached within one week of receipt of the appeal. If the appeal is upheld the project will be reassessed and an appropriate letter of offer issued. If the

appeal is not successful the applicant will be informed and given the right to take the appeal to Stage 2 if required.

Stage 2 – if the applicant is still not satisfied he or she can request a review by the Strategic Development Committee who will review the process and application and present its recommendation to Council for ratification. The decision taken by Council will be final.

Grant Evaluation

Monitoring and evaluation seek to ensure that funding delivers the required outcomes, that it is used as agreed and to provide a feedback mechanism to improve decision making.

Monitoring should seek to ensure that;

Value for money is achieved.

The predicted outcomes are delivered.

Council has received adequate communication/promotion

Procurement has been met

Where instances arise where outcomes are not being met, the officer will support the Group to address any issues.

Monitoring will include completion of an evaluation and monitoring form. A visit by an officer will be undertaken to 10% of projects that receive funding over £1500 threshold. This will complement the verification visit and will include the same random selection of groups.

Grants applicable – Strategic grants: culture and arts and sports, Strategic Community Development, Strategic Events, and Venues.

10% of small grants will have a project evaluation upon random sample. This will be undertaken by an officer of the Community Development Team, led by the Community Services Manager.

Capital projects; up to £5000 will have to issue evidence (e.g. photographs) of the capital and equipment investment alongside their expenditure return. A 20% monitoring visit will be undertaken on site to view expenditure items.

Discretionary Capital Grants will all be vouched on site for delivery of the capital development.

Grant Verification

Reference DFP Guidance on Grants and Reducing Bureaucracy in funding the community and voluntary sector - The Code applies to revenue grant funding only.

Micro Grants will be paid when valid receipts are received & checked. A 50% advance will be issued to groups with final verification of all invoices before the balance of the grant is paid.

Small grants £1500 - £10,000 financial verification will take place based on valid receipts being checked against agreed project expenditure. A 25% advance will be issued to groups with final verification of all invoices before the remainder of the grant is paid.

Verification will include completion of a claim form, signed by relevant people within the organisation, along with valid receipts and invoices.

Appendix 4 Mid Ulster Housing Working Group

Terms of Reference

1. Aim of the Working Group

- 1.1 The aim of the Working Group will be to seek to maximise the provision and access to social and affordable housing for Mid Ulster District.
- 1.2 Mid Ulster Housing Working Group will operate as a working group of Mid Ulster District Council. It will seek to contribute to supporting the delivery of Mid Ulster Community Plan strategic actions.
- 1.3 The Housing Working Group will meet as required to address issues that require discussion and consideration.
- 1.4 The Housing Working Group will be time bound for a period of 1-2 years.
- 1.5 The Housing Working Group will seek to support the delivery of Mid Ulster Community Plan strategic actions on housing and related issues.

2. Objectives

- 2.1 The main areas of focus for the Working Group will include;
 - Development Planning and provision of housing for Mid Ulster
 - Social housing provision to meet increasing needs
 - Social housing provision re location of need
 - Access to social and affordable housing – housing allocation
 - Rural social housing provision and latent demand testing
 - Access to social and affordable housing including housing allowance and income after housing analysis and poverty
 - Housing and impact on regeneration (to include open space and community, wider development planning considerations, mixed tenure etc.)

2.2 The Group will:

- Share of expertise on housing issues for Mid Ulster.
- Analyse data and information with regard to social & affordable housing and housing need in general.
- Engage and monitor housing need in line with the Mid Ulster Development Plan provision and delivery.
- Identify solutions to address social and affordable housing need.
- Support partnership working to allow an integrated approach to address social and affordable housing issues.
- Support the information provision to allow Council to lobby with regard to Government policy on- provision in line with need, good practice and alternative solutions.
- Meet with MLA's as required to seek to address local issues relating to housing needs and policy.

3. Representation

3.1 The Housing Working Group will have representatives from:

Northern Ireland Housing Executive
Department for Communities Housing Policy
Housing Associations in Mid Ulster and NIFHA
Mid Ulster District Council Members (as per dHondt)
Mid Ulster District Council Planning Division
Mid Ulster Community Planning
Community – RCN, RDC, Supporting Communities

Minutes of the meeting of Mid Ulster Policing and Community Safety Partnership held in Council Chamber, Dungannon on Wednesday, 30 May 2018 at 6.00pm

Present: Councillors Ken Reid (Chair), Frances Burton, Clement Cuthbertson, Catherine Elattar, Denise Mullen, Sean McPeake

Fiona Crawford, Liam Duggan, Ursula Marshall (Vice Chair), Ciaran McElhone, Emma Sheerin, Martina Watson

Inspector Andy Archibald (PSNI), Superintendent Mike Baird (PSNI), Jacqueline Connolly (SHSCT), Michael Dallat (NIHE), Sinead Dolan (YJA), Inspector Joanne Gibson (PSNI), Michael Hogg (EA), Sergeant Beverley Knipe (PSNI), Sergeant Richard Mulligan (PSNI), Sergeant JP McCartan (PSNI), Chief Inspector Mervyn Seffen (PSNI)

Apologies: Councillor Phelim Gildernew, Stephen Dolan (CJINI), Mark Farquhar, Kate Lambe (NHSCT), Emer Loughran (PBNI), Liz McGrath (SHSCT)

In Attendance: Michael McCrory (PSCP Manager), Annette McGahan (PCSP Officer), Celene O'Neill (PCSP Officer), Shauna McCloskey (PCSP Officer), Martina McCullagh (PCSP Assistant)

The Meeting started at 6.05pm

PCSP83/18 WELCOME

The Chair, Councillor Ken Reid welcomed all to the meeting.

PCSP84/18 ELECTION OF PCSP VICE CHAIR

The Chair thanked Ursula Marshall for her work and support during her term as Vice Chair. Elected and Designated Members remained in the Council Chamber during the election. He then commenced the process to elect a new PCSP Vice Chair, advising it would be by a simple majority of all votes cast.

Voting papers were distributed to all Independent Members, votes were cast and voting papers collected. No voting papers had been submitted prior to the meeting. All votes were counted, six votes were cast.

The Chair declared Liam Duggan as having been elected by the PCSP Independent Members to the position of Vice Chair for the period 1 June 2018 to 31 May 2019. He congratulated Liam on behalf of all present.

PCSP85/18 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of their obligation in relation to declarations of interest.

PCSP86/18 MINUTES OF POLICING & COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP MEETING HELD ON 7 FEBRUARY 2018

The Minutes of Mid Ulster Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting held on Wednesday, 7 February 2018 were approved and signed.

Proposed by: Fiona Crawford
Seconded by: Councillor Frances Burton

PCSP87/18 MATTERS ARISING

Public Prosecution Service (PPS) & Criminal Justice Inspection Northern Ireland (CJINI)

The PCSP Manager advised Members the representative from the Public Prosecution Service (PPS) was unable to attend today due to a prior engagement, he is liaising with PPS to attend an upcoming meeting.

He also informed Members Stephen Dolan from Criminal Justice Inspection Northern Ireland (CJINI) sent his apologies, but will be attending the next Policing Committee Meeting on 13 June and both Night Time Economy and Anti-Social Behaviour Sub Group meetings on the 20 June.

PCSP81/18 Any Other Business

1. Maghera Park and Ride – CCTV

Responding to a question from Councillor McPeake, the PCSP Manager stated funding from Department for Infrastructure (Dfi) is available. The Tender process to be completed.

PCSP88/18 ACTION PLAN FOR 2018/19

2018/19 The PCSP Manager sought Members' approval for the Action Plan which had been submitted to the Joint Committee for consideration.
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Action Plan was approved however, the budget allocation was reduced by £2,155. This was due to Mid Ulster having one of the lowest levels of deprivation in Northern Ireland. The deficit has been equally apportioned across all themes.

Proposed by: Councillor Frances Burton
Seconded by: Fiona Crawford

PCSP89/18 THEMATIC GROUP UPDATES

1. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR THEMATIC GROUP UPDATE

The PCSP Officer provided an update to Members on project work completed and ongoing programmes, details as follows;

Emergency Services Fatal RTC Reconstruction

A very successfully RTC Reconstruction was held on the 22 May 2018 for the Youth Volunteer Academy at the Education Authority Building in Cookstown. Further events to be rolled out throughout the year.

Youth Diversionary / Engagement Programme

In relation to Railway Park and Windmill Woods, meetings are being arranged to discuss prevailing issues.

The 'Celebration and Recognition Evening' for the YEP participants and their parents was held in Ranfurly House on 14 May 2018. Certificates of Achievement for completing the Youth Engagement Programme were presented to the young people on the night. The Programme was delivered by PCSP, PSNI, YJA and EA Youth Service to 14 young people who had come to the attention of these agencies for ASB and low-level crime.

The PCSP Officer thanked Michael Hogg from the Education Authority for all his work in the Youth Engagement Programme and informed Members he is moving to another post and this was his last PCSP meeting.

Michael Hogg thanked Members for their co-operation during his time with PCSP and advised that Ryan McGee would be his replacement representing the Education Authority.

The PCSP Officer stated the YEP taking place in Cookstown is now in its second week. There is also a YEP scheduled to take place in Maghera.

ASB Educational Programmes

'Where is your Child – Your Vision: Their Reality' Campaign

The PCSP Officer advised that the video for this campaign is now complete and the launch will take place on the 19 June 2018. There is also a lesson plan to accompany the video.

'Sober Moments'

South West College have developed two videos relating to 'Sober Moments' campaign and the official launch will place at the RADAR Centre in Belfast on Tuesday 5 June 2018. Members were advised a local launch to be arranged.

Councillor Burton referred to anti-social behaviour issues occurring at a pond located at the back of the play park in Aughnacloy, where a number of elderly residents reside. Councillor Burton stated it is Council property and she had informed the Director of Business and Communities.

Inspector Gibson stated no reports to date have been received in relation to anti-social behaviour in this area, but will act on this information and investigate further.

The Chair extended sincere thanks to Michael Hogg for all his help and co-operation during his time with PCSP.

2. NIGHT-TIME ECONOMY THEMATIC GROUP UPDATE

The PCSP Officer provided Members with an update on project work completed and ongoing programmes, details as follows;

Recorded Incidents of Crime and ASB related to Night-Time Economy

The PCSP Officer advised that Night-Time Economy in the Mid Ulster Area historically had the highest levels of violent crime and ASB outside of Belfast. Violent Crime and ASB have now both reduced in 2016/17 and this trend is continuing in 2017/18. In the last two years, the crime profile has now changed from one of violent crime to low-level crime.

Alcohol Awareness Programme

The Youth Alcohol Engagement Programme continues to be delivered on a regular basis targeting underage drinkers. 173 youths attended the Youth Alcohol Awareness Courses, with 15 repeat offenders during the financial year ending 31 March 2018.

Club Angels

PCSP continue to support Club Angels project in terms of providing equipment. Feedback from Vintners and PSNI has shown that there is a need for this scheme, it continues to go from strength to strength.

Stakeholders Initiatives

The PCSP Officer advised Members a meeting with vintners has been arranged for the 14 June 2018 in order to provide further clarification on laws relating to the issue of occasional / temporary licences.

Radiolink

Radiolink is operational in Magherafelt and is being installed in Cookstown early June. This will be linked into PSNI and CCTV monitor.

Fairhill – Anti-Social Driving

The PCSP Officer advised Members Transport NI (TNI) have added Fairhill to their schedule of work to introduce speed humps in this area. There is currently a proposal from Transport NI with Fairhill residents. If residents agree with the proposal, Transport NI will then carry out a consultation exercise.

3. VULNERABLE PERSONS THEMATIC GROUP UPDATE

The PCSP Officer provided Members with an update on project work completed and ongoing programmes, details as follows:

Radar Programme

To date 500 key stage 2 pupils are scheduled to visit the RADAR Centre during the month of June. All schools have been identified by PSNI Schools Officers.

High Risk Victims Security Installations

Equipment continues to be fitted in High Risk victim's homes. All referrals are provided by the PSNI Crime Prevention Officers.

PCSP Positive Relationships DV Schools Programmes

Martina Watson declared a conflict of Interest – Mid Ulster Women's Aid

Ursula Marshall declared a conflict of Interest – Mid Ulster Women's Aid

The PCSP Officer stated Mid Ulster Women's Aid delivered the 'PCSP Positive Relationships' Programme to all year 10 students in 16 Post Primary schools across Mid Ulster, feedback was excellent.

The Tender process commenced today for a Positive Relationships programme to address domestic violence this year.

'Who's at the Door' – Beam Creative Network

The PCSP Officer advised that a Letter of Offer will be issued to Beam Creative Network to deliver E-Safety Programme 'Who's at the Door' to both teachers and Key Stage 2 pupils across Mid Ulster District.

Internet Safety for Post Primary

The PCSP Manager advised Members a new Internet Safety Programme has been developed by O2, NSPCC and PSNI to target year 8 pupils and their parents. This Programme will be delivered by PSNI Case Officers.

Home Security & Crime Prevention Awareness Event

The PCSP Manager referred to the 'Home Security & Crime Prevention' Awareness Event which was held in Aughnacloy on the 27 April 2018. It was very well attended and excellent feedback received.

Councillor Burton raised concerns in relation to speeding vehicles along the Aughnacloy / Dungannon Road, which leads onto Moore Street in Aughnacloy. High volumes of buses travel the road where both Aughnacloy Primary School and Aughnacloy College are located. Councillor Burton advised that this area does not meet the criteria for the introduction of speed ramps.

The Chair said the introduction of speed ramps would be under the remit of Transport NI in conjunction with information provided by PSNI regarding the number of accidents on this road.

Superintendent Baird said speed checks can be carried out, but stated very few reports have been received. He advised that PSNI presence has been increased in the Aughnacloy area following the recent burglary.

Inspector Gibson advised that the 'Safety Camera' van can be requested or the 'speed trailer' set up in the area.

Superintendent Baird stated incidents must be reported in order to support the use of these initiatives.

PCSP90/18 CRIME HEAT MAP

The PCSP Manager provided a presentation on the use of 'Heat Map' technology. This is a quick and instant visual guide, detailing where incidents have occurred. The darker the colour, the more incidents have taken place in that particular area. All collated data is anonymised.

Website and Password details to be sent to Members.

PCSP91/18 MID ULSTER PCSP MEMBERS SURVEY 2018

2018 The PCSP Manager referred to the Mid Ulster PCSP Members Survey stating there was a 42% response rate to the survey. Members had no questions regarding the survey.

PCSP92/18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Prescription Drugs

Liam Duggan raised concerns about the abuse of prescription drugs locally and suggested engagement with schools, GPs and Pharmacists in the Magherafelt / Maghera area in order to ascertain the issues they face and what help they require.

The Chair said the misuse of prescription drugs is a big problem, but advised dealing directly with Health Trusts might be a better route to take.

Michael Hogg stated the Education Authority has conducted a survey of 12,000, 14-18 year olds and the main concern identified was mental health issues with drugs and alcohol being ranked lower down on the scale. This survey to be conducted annually by the Youth Service. Michael Hogg to share findings with PCSP Manager.

Superintendent Baird said he sits on both Northern & Southern Health Trust Groups. He advised training has been offered to schools where an issue has been identified, but would be wary of duplicating work.

Inspector Archibald informed Members that local political party members have been in touch regarding a specific school in Maghera. The school has been contacted and lessons can be tailored to suit their needs. He also stated the Youth Engagement Programme (YEP) would be commencing next week in Maghera.

Councillor McPeake said the Public Meeting held in Maghera in April was very well attended and it did allay fears at that time. He also referred to the excellent 'Home Security & Crime Prevention' event, which took place in Aughnacloy on the 27 April and requested that another public meeting / event be arranged for Maghera during the month of September.

Liam Duggan said the Education Authority survey information would be very useful, if localised, and said he is not encouraging duplication of work.

The PCSP Manager said a meeting to take place with PHA Connection Services and PSNI to develop a schools programme to address alcohol, drugs, and mental health.

Signage targeted against MUDC employees

Responding to a question from Councillor McPeake regarding signage recently erected in Clogher, targeting Mid Ulster District Council staff, Superintendent Baird said legal advice has been sought. The PSNI have been advised the signage is not a legal offence and that they do not have the power to remove them. The property owner has been asked to remove the signage.

Anti-Social Driving – Do-Nuts

Fiona Crawford referred to the continuing anti-social driving issues at Dergenagh Crossroads and Sandvic on the Dungannon Road. This is happening sporadically between the hours of 10.30pm and 4.30am, local residents are very distressed with this ongoing activity.

Superintendent Baird stated anti-social driving is taking place across the district. He said a PSNI car patrols this area. He advised that the same problem was happening in Toome, where the use of an unmarked car proved successful. He stressed the importance of reporting all incidents to gather significant information in order to tackle the issue.

Inspector Gibson stated that a 'witness statement' is required to progress a reported incident. The main offence is dangerous driving which would carry a fine. Regarding lower level activity, one warning can be given following that the vehicle can be removed, and a payment is required before the vehicle is released. She said it is very difficult to target anti-social driving when incidents are sporadic and informed Members that the Road Police will be re-briefed on the situation.

Fiona Crawford asked if '*Do-nuts*' could be specifically covered at the next scheduled PCSP Road Safety and Car Simulator Events.

Councillor Burton referred to the following incidents;

- ASB in Ballygawley on Saturday 26 May 2018 – beer kegs were rolled down the street.
- Hate Crime – Clogher Valley, isolated area, asked that PCSP and Partner agencies engage with them to provide support.

As this was Councillor Reid's final meeting as PCSP Chair, he thanked Ursula Marshall for all her support as Vice Chair throughout the year. He also thanked Members, PCSP Manager, and staff for their help and support.

PCSP93/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next PCSP meeting will be held on Wednesday, 19 September 2018 in the Council Chamber, Dungannon at 6.00pm.

The meeting ended at 7.25pm

All members were present for the duration of the meeting except Jacqueline Connolly who arrived at 6.10pm, Councillor Denise Mullen who left at 6.40pm and Ciaran McElhone who left at 7.04pm.

**Minutes of the meeting of Mid Ulster Policing and Community Safety
Partnership held in Council Chamber, Dungannon on Wednesday, 19
September 2018 at 6.00pm**

Present: Councillors Frances Burton, Clement Cuthbertson, Phelim Gildernew, Denise Mullen (Chair), Derek McKinney, Sean McPeake

Fiona Crawford, Liam Duggan (Vice Chair), Ciaran McElhone, Emma Sheerin, Martina Watson

Superintendent Mike Baird (PSNI), Inspector Joanne Gibson (PSNI), Michelle Grant (PBNI), Sergeant Beverley Knipe (PSNI), Chief Inspector Mervyn Seffen (PSNI), Liz McGrath (SH&SCT), Inspector Danny Walsh (PSNI)

Mandy Evans (PSNI), Tim Logan (NIPB), Stephen Murray (PSNI), Charlotte Oliver (PSNI), Michael McAvoy (DoJ), Sarah Reid (NIPB), Debbie Waters (Vice-Chair - NIPB), Assistant Chief Constable Mark Hamilton (PSNI)

Apologies: Councillor Ken Reid, Ursula Marshall, Ryan McGee (EA), Alan Simpson (NIFRS), Niall McEvoy (PBNI)

In Attendance: Michael McCrory (PSCP Manager), Annette McGahan (PCSP Officer), Shauna McCloskey (PCSP Officer), Martina McCullagh (PCSP Assistant)

The Meeting started at 6.06pm

PCSP94/18 WELCOME

The Chair, Councillor Denise Mullen welcomed all to the meeting.

PCSP95/18 PSNI CONSULTATION

The Chair introduced Assistant Chief Constable Mark Hamilton and Debbie Watters, Vice Chair of the Northern Ireland Policing Board who provided a presentation on the Public Consultation on Local Policing 2018.

Debbie Watters thanked everyone in advance for their participation in the consultation and explained that the PSNI and the NIPB are seeking Members' views to help shape the future of policing. This consultation is part of the Local Policing Review 2018, which will explore how police can best meet public need and demands and deliver the most effective local policing.

She stated whilst seeking the views of stakeholders and the community, the Policing Board and PSNI have agreed a number of key

principles, which underpin the importance of policing in Northern Ireland, these are;

- Policing with the Community will remain how the PSNI deliver policing in Northern Ireland.
- PSNI will remain coterminous with Councils and will align senior leadership alongside this.
- PSNI and NIPB will continue to work collaboratively in partnership with communities to deliver policing in Northern Ireland, whilst ensuring the PCSP infrastructure is fully supported.
- Any changes in frontline policing will aim to reduce the bureaucracy and administrative burden on officers and staff.

Assistant Chief Constable Mark Hamilton thanked the Chair for the invitation and opportunity to discuss in detail the public consultation on Local Policing 2018, which will run from 30 August 2018 to 9 November 2018. He referred to his recent appointment to the post and said he is delighted to be Assistant Chief Constable in this area.

He stressed the importance of this exercise and stated the PSNI are the first police service in the world to conduct this type of consultation.

The presentation was in three stages;

- **A video** of Chief Constable George Hamilton and Anne Connolly, Chair of the Northern Ireland Policing Board providing an insight into the Public Consultation process and detailing the need for community views on the future of local policing in Northern Ireland.
- **Prioritisation Simulator** – this simple to use tool puts you in control of awarding police resources. The tool allows you to be the District Commander of your local area, enabling you to assign resources by allocating 100 points across 6 overarching areas of local Policing and a total of 24 sub-sections.
- **Consultation Questions** – The 3 consultation questions are;
 - **Question 1:** Have you ever used the PSNI?
 - **Question 2:** What aspects of Policing in your local area are important to you?
 - **Question 3:** How do you think the PSNI should improve Policing in your area?

Prioritisation Simulator

Members completed the interactive Prioritisation Simulator and provided the following feedback;

Fiona Crawford said it was very good, but suggested hard copy provision for elderly members of the community

Debbie Watters stated that PSNI and NIPB staff would be available to assist elderly residents with the completion of the consultation questions.

In response to Liam Duggan's concern raised about 'Charging for Services', Assistant Chief Constable Hamilton stated this point is included to generate discussion, where the PSNI should actually charge for attending, eg. large sporting events or providing security for premises.

Consultation Questions

Question 1: Have you ever used the PSNI?

Question 2: What aspects of Policing in your local area are important to you?

Question 3: How do you think the PSNI should improve Policing in your area?

Members made the following comments;

Councillor McKinney said the Justice system is the problem and needs to be reviewed.

Councillor Gildernew stated the PSNI has improved, but work is still required, reaching out to the Nationalist community. In relation the PSNI recruitment process, this should be on a 50/50 basis to ensure a more balanced police force.

Councillor Burton raised the issue of lack of visible policing in rural communities.

Councillor Mullen stated dealing with the 'legacy of the troubles' should be high priority.

Councillor Burton referred to the poor service provision when contacting the Non-Emergency 101 telephone number.

Debbie Watters took the opportunity to reassure Members that this Consultation process is being taken very seriously and signals good change in Policing. The Consultation remains open to the 9 November and any groups wishing to participate can contact the Northern Ireland Policing Board in order to arrange assistance with participation in the consultation.

Assistant Chief Constable Hamilton thanked Members for their participation in the Consultation and assured them that their concerns

would be relayed to Chief Constable George Hamilton. All information received will be collated and a report produced by the end of the year, after which we will return to discuss the report and how to move forward.

Debbie Watters said the NIPB will shortly begin the process of appointing new Independent PCSP Members and encouraged present Members to re-apply.

She also referred to the PSNI recruitment campaign which is due to commence on the 1 October 2018, stressing the importance of having as diverse a Police Force as possible and encouraged applicants from the Catholic community, young Protestants and Ethnic minorities.

The Chair thanked Assistant Chief Constable Hamilton and Debbie Watters the Vice Chair of the NIPB and all their staff who assisted with the consultation process.

The PSNI Consultation ended at 7.10pm and all concerned left the meeting.

PCSP96/18 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of their obligation in relation to declarations of interest.

PCSP97/18 MINUTES OF POLICING & COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP MEETING HELD ON 30 MAY 2018

The Minutes of Mid Ulster Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting held on Wednesday, 30 May 2018 were approved and signed.

Proposed by: Councillor Sean McPeake
Seconded by: Ciaran McElhone

PCSP98/18 MATTERS ARISING

Complaint to PCSP

The PCSP Manager referred Members to a complaint received on the 8 August 2018 from the owner of a property on Loy Hill, Cookstown relating to night time economy issues.

Members were advised that the same person lodged a similar complaint in 2016, at which time the PSNI and PCSP Manager met with the complainant and discussed the complaint in detail.

The PCSP Manager referred Members to the response sent to the complainant on the 15 August 2018. A brief discussion took place.

Councillor McKinney said he had received a noise complaint from Rev Rowan Zeelie, Methodist Church, Loy Street, Cookstown. This was due to coaches parked very close to his home.

In response, Inspector Walsh advised that the coach operators have been very co-operative and he and Chief Inspector Seffen have met with Rev Zeelie and a plan is now in place to reduce the noise issue.

Inspector Walsh advised that a representative from DFI would be attending the next Night-Time Economy meeting on the 9 October, where clarification could be sought on the content of the complaint.

Members agreed that a letter should be sent to the complainant stating that his suggestions may be detrimental or illegal. They further agreed to refer this complaint to the next Night-Time Economy meeting prior to responding to the complainant.

PCSP99/18 THEMATIC GROUP UPDATES

Members raised no questions.

PCSP100/18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Responding to a question from Councillor Burton regarding a recent incident in Augher where an individual was knocked down by a vehicle close to a school, Inspector Gibson said she has been in touch with the Traffic Management Officer in Omagh in order to arrange a site visit. Other initiatives being pursued are;

- Awaiting details on the rationale for the installation of 20mph speed limit signage in the area
- Presently liaising with schools in order to arrange Road Safety Training

The PCSP Manager said PCSP is presently looking at the purchase of 'Speed Indicator' devices to work in conjunction with the PSNI and will be liaising with DfI for permission to use their poles.

A number of Members requested the purchase of Hi-Vis Vests for distribution during the winter months. All Members agreed.

Proposed: Councillor Frances Burton
Seconded: Councillor Derek McKinney

In response to a question from Emma Sheerin in relation to raising awareness of homelessness, the PCSP Manager stated he is presently working with the Northern Ireland Housing Executive to secure training sessions for frontline staff.

PCSP101/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next PCSP meeting will be held on Wednesday 12 December 2018 in the Conference Room, Magherafelt at 3.00pm.

The meeting ended at 7.36pm.

All members were present for the duration of the meeting except Emma Sheerin who arrived at 6.03pm, Liz McGrath who arrived at 6.15pm and Fiona Crawford who left at 7.30pm.