

<b>Report on</b>	Correspondence to Council - May 2021
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	P Moffett, Head of Democratic Services
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<b>Is this report restricted for confidential business?</b>	Yes	
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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	Provide an update on correspondence received for attention of Council.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	This paper refers to correspondence to be brought to the attention of Council. Items are referred to in 3.0 below.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	<p><b>Correspondence from Chief Executive, Newry, Mourne &amp; Down DC</b></p> <p>The Chief Executive of Newry, Mourne and Down DC has corresponded with the Chief Executive to give notification of passed by members on Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy. Refer to appendix A.</p>
3.2	<p><b>Correspondence from Commercial Field Officer, BT Payphones</b></p> <p>The Commercial Field Officer of BT Payphones has corresponded with the Council's Planning Department seeking comment on the request/proposal to remove the a the telephone kiosk at 1 the Diamond/Main Street, Pomeroy. The Planning Committee at its May meeting resolved that it had no planning concerns with regards its proposed removal. Refer to Appendix B.</p>
3.3	<p><b>Correspondence from on member of public in institutional abuse</b></p> <p>A member of the public has corresponded with the Council Chair and Chief Executive on their experience of Mother &amp; Baby, Magdalen Institutions and Workhouses operated in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland and associated campaigns. Refer to appendix C.</p>
3.4	<p><b>Correspondence from Chief Executive, Newry, Mourne &amp; Down DC</b></p> <p>The Chief Executive of Newry, Mourne &amp; Down District Council has corresponded with the Chief Executive to give notification of a motion carried by members at their May 2021 meeting regarding Dental services during the COVID-19 pandemic. Refer to appendix D.</p>

3.5	<p><b>Correspondence from Fermanagh &amp; Omagh District Council</b></p> <p>The Chief Executive of Omagh and Fermanagh District Council has corresponded with the Chief Executive to give notification of a motion passed by Members on the Protection of Native Honeybees. Refer to appendix E.</p>
3.5	<p><b>Correspondence from Chair, SOLACE(NI)</b></p> <p>The Chair of SOLACE, Northern Ireland has corresponded with the Chief Executive to provide him with correspondence she has received from the Department for Communities on the UK City of Culture 2025 Competition and arrangements being put in place the Dept. for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport. Refer to appendix F.</p>
3.6	<p><b>Correspondence from Minister for Infrastructure, NI Executive</b></p> <p>The Minister for Infrastructure, Ms Nichola Mallon MLA has responded to the Council Chair on the Council's support for Derry City &amp; Strabane District Council's motion calling upon the Restoration of the former Great Northern Railway. Refer to appendix G.</p>
3.7	<p><b>Correspondence from Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council</b></p> <p>The interim Deputy Director of Community Planning has corresponded with the council on motion recently passed by its members on the challenges faced by school children during the COVID-19 pandemic. Refer to appendix H.</p>
3.8	<p><b>Correspondence from Minister of State, Irish Government</b></p> <p>The Minister of State at the Office of Public Works and Flood Relief, Irish Government has corresponded with the Council in response to a motion carried in November 2016 regarding excavation works at Kilmainham Gaol, Dublin. Refer to appendix I.</p>
3.9	<p><b>Correspondence from Minister for Foreign Affairs, Irish Government</b></p> <p>The Private Secretary to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Irish Government has corresponded with the Council Chair in response to his correspondence calling upon his Government to raise the issue and concern of the demolition of Palestinian communities at the highest level at the United Nations. Refer to appendix J.</p>
3.10	<p><b>Correspondence from Minister for Further &amp; Higher Education, Irish Government</b></p> <p>The Minister for Further &amp; Higher Education, Irish Government has corresponded with the Council Chair in response to his letter regarding continuing support for ERASMUS. Refer to appendix K.</p>

	<b>Other Considerations</b>
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Financial, Human Resources &amp; Risk Implications</b>
	Financial: not applicable
	Human: not applicable
	Risk Management: not applicable
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Screening &amp; Impact Assessments</b>
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: not applicable
	Rural Needs Implications: not applicable
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	That Council notes and considers, as necessary, the correspondence received.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
	<p>Appendix A: Chief Executive, Newry, Mourne &amp; Down District Council</p> <p>Appendix B: Commercial Field Officer, BT Payphone</p> <p>Appendix C: Member of Public on institutional abuse</p> <p>Appendix D: Chief Executive, Newry, Mourne &amp; Down District Council</p> <p>Appendix E: Chief Executive, Fermanagh &amp; Omagh District Council</p> <p>Appendix F: Chair, SOLACE (Northern Ireland)</p> <p>Appendix G: Minister for Infrastructure, NI Executive</p> <p>Appendix H: Antrim &amp; Newtownabbey Borough Council</p> <p>Appendix I: Minister of State at Office of Public Works and Flood Relief, Irish Government</p> <p>Appendix J: Minister for Foreign Affairs, Irish Government</p> <p>Appendix K: Minister for Further &amp; Higher Education, Irish Government</p>