

<b>Report on</b>	Community Development
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
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Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To seek Committee approval for Good Relations and Community Festivals rolling grant awards.
1.2	To consider and approve the Peace IV recommendations. To note correspondence from SEUPB re the Peace funding post Brexit.
1.3	To note the update on Community Development.
1.4	To approve community engagement and support for the implementation of Council proposed policy 'Community Events on Council Land'.
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 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
2.4	Council as part of its governance process is proposing a policy to provide for Community Events on Council Land. This policy is being proposed through Policy and Resources Committee in March. As part of the recommendation for agreement to the Policy it is proposed that 'The Community Services team hope to appoint a respected and experienced community adviser who can meet with the groups/communities identified through the consultation to discuss the policy and identify if there is a need for capacity building support to meet the aims of the policy. It will also allow for discussion with communities on the identification off further

	support that Council could consider including diversionary activities and other forms of cultural expression’.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>Community Grants Rolling Programme</p> <p>There is one Community Festival application with a recommended award totaling £480.</p> <p>There is one Good Relations application with a recommended award totaling £1,080. Please refer to Appendix 1 for detail.</p>
3.2	<p>Peace IV; It was agreed through the Peace IV Partnership and Council to go to quotation for the Cross Border Literary Programme. A specification was issued for management and delivery of the Cross Border Literary Programme to 22 companies both NI and ROI. One submission was received and assessed. The submission price is £22,074; the budget estimate is £18,000 - £20,000. To allow the project to commence it is proposed to accept the quotation at £22,074 which can be accommodated within the overall programme with a virement within the budget; pending final agreement of procurement outcome with SEUPB.</p> <p>Correspondence has been received from SEUPB re the funding for Peace IV post Brexit and assurances that have been provided. Please see attached in Appendix 2.</p>
3.3	<p>Community Development Update</p> <p><u>Community Support</u></p> <p>Community Development team working with groups re grant support for new grants round 2019 – 2020. Grants close 15<sup>th</sup> March.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Renewal: DFC projects for 2018 – 2019 are ongoing. The DUY capital build is on progress. The application for support funding for Gortgonis has been submitted for £950,000 and queries are being addressed.</p> <p><u>Peace and Good Relations</u></p> <p>Good Relations Action Plan 2018 – 2019 has been submitted to the Executive Office for funding. All projects 2018 – 2019 are being completed.</p> <p>Peace IV delivery is ongoing – All programmes are progressing to schedule. The Peace cross border literary project quotation is being proposed for decision. The Peace Arts Engagement Phase II is at tender. The Phase IV grants are currently open with groups being supported. The Phase II heritage cross border programme is being developed with SEUPB to add to the phase I delivery. The shared space design tender is being finalized for decision through Policy and Resources.</p> <p><u>PCSP</u></p> <p>The 2018 – 2019 is being finalized at present through the Partnership in consultation with DOJ and the NIPB. A final copy will be presented to the next Committee.</p> <p>Ongoing support to communities on a range of initiatives to help keep people and communities safe.</p>

3.4	<p>Community Events on Council land proposed policy and Community Engagement Support</p> <p>The draft Policy for 'Community Events on Council Land' is designed to assist with practical arrangements for safety at all community led events held on Council land . The revised Policy will provide guidance and good practice to enable residents to use Council land for public events and communities to celebrate safely while reducing the potential for issues of neighbour nuisance or dangerous behaviour in accordance with Good Relations guidance.</p> <p>As part of the consultation process there were issues identified that communities felt the policy could potentially alienate some PUL communities who would be organising bonfire events, and also that there may be communities who may not have the structures or capacity for implementing the policy.</p> <p>To support the community with regard to the proposed policy it is being proposed that a respected and experienced community adviser would meet with the groups/communities identified through the consultation to discuss the policy and identify if there is a need for capacity building support to meet the aims of the policy. It will also allow for discussion with communities on the identification off further support that Council could consider including diversionary activities and other forms of cultural expression.</p>
4.0	<p><b>Other Considerations</b></p>
4.1	<p><b><u>Financial &amp; Human Resources Implications</u></b></p> <p>Community Local Festival awards £480 Good Relations awards £1,080</p> <p>Peace IV Cross Border Literary Programme; management and delivery £22,074 to be accommodated within the overall programme with a virement within the budget.</p> <p>Community engagement and support for Community Events on Council land; Up to £10,000 to appoint an Independent advisor to meet and support groups/communities on the implementation of proposed Council policy.</p> <p><b><u>Professional Support</u></b></p> <p>As above.</p>
4.2	<p><b><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u></b></p> <p>None</p>
4.3	<p><b><u>Risk Management Implications</u></b></p> <p>None</p>

<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
5.1	To approve the grant award recommendations under the Community Local Festivals Grant and Good Relations Grant as per Appendix 1.
5.2	Peace IV Cross Border Literary Project – To accept the quotation at £22,074 for management and delivery of the project; pending final agreement with funder SEUPB.
5.3	To note the community development update report.
5.4	To approve community engagement and support for the implementation of Council proposed policy 'Community Events on Council Land'.
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
6.1	Appendix 1 Grant award recommendations Good Relations and Community Festivals.  Appendix 2 SEUPB Correspondence on Peace IV Funding post Brexit

**Appendix 1**

**Community Local Festival – January 2019**

<b>No</b>	<b>Organisation Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Title Of Event/project</b>	<b>Band</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Award</b>
1	Coalisland Clonoe Comhaltas Ceoltori Eireann	Culture	St Patrick's Concert - 10th March 2019	7	£1,200	£480
					<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£480</b>

**Good Relations – January 2019**

<b>No</b>	<b>Organisation Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Title Of Event/project</b>	<b>Band</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Award</b>
1	Pomeroy CCE	Culture	Sowing in Autumn, Reaping in Spring	2	£1,200	£1,080
					<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,080</b>

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

20 February 2019

Dear Lead Partner

### Implications on PEACE IV and INTERREG VA funding of the UK withdrawal from the EU

The PEACE IV and INTERREG VA Programmes have received extensive support and commitments from all parties involved, to ensure that they can be continued until their conclusion, and this commitment has been agreed to and included within the Withdrawal Agreement between the UK and the EU.

As part of the EU contingency planning to prepare for the withdrawal of the UK, in December 2018 the Commission developed an EC Regulatory proposal which is going through the EU legislative process and is due to be approved by the European Council of Ministers and the European Parliament during March 2019. This has been proposed with the support of the UK and Ireland representatives, and it is anticipated that this will be in place before 29 March 2019.

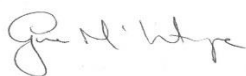
This proposal aims to ensure, if the Withdrawal Agreement is not ratified, the continuation of two bilateral cooperation programmes involving Ireland, namely the PEACE IV (Ireland-United Kingdom) programme and the United Kingdom-Ireland (Ireland-Northern Ireland-Scotland) programme, without modifying the amounts allocated to them and their financing.

The link to that proposal is attached below:

<http://ec.europa.eu/transparency/regdoc/rep/1/2018/EN/COM-2018-892-F1-EN-MAIN-PART-1.PDF>

Consequently, it is the SEUPB's understanding that funding to all projects under the PEACE IV and INTERREG VA Programmes is guaranteed under the current programming period, irrespective of the Withdrawal Agreement between the UK and the EU.

Yours sincerely



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