

Report on	Environmental Services - Christmas Working Arrangements
Date of Meeting	6 th December 2021
Reporting Officer	Mark McAdoo, Assistant Director – Environmental Services
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	No	X

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To inform members of the working arrangements in respect of refuse/recycling collection and operation of Recycling Centres during the Christmas and New Year holiday period.
2.0	Background
2.1	Since 2018, following discussion and agreement with trade unions, exactly the same working arrangements have been implemented across the Mid Ulster District over the Christmas and New Year period in respect of refuse and recycling collections/services.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	During the forthcoming festive period 25 th December (Christmas Day) and 1 st January fall on a Saturday so fortunately there will be no disruption/change to refuse and recycling collections with these taking place as normal on Monday 27 th December and Tuesday 28 th December 2021 as well as Monday 3 rd January 2021 (the three scheduled public holidays).
3.2	In relation to our eleven Recycling Centres it is planned that all sites will shut at 4:00pm on Friday 24 th December (Christmas Eve) and reopen on the morning of Monday 27 th December (excluding the sites at Tullyvar and Ballymacombs which are normally closed on a Monday). All the sites will close again at 4:00pm on Friday 31 st December (New Year's Eve) and reopen again on Monday 3 rd January 2022 (with the same exceptions).
3.3	A street cleansing service will remain operational throughout the festive period although this will be limited to the main town centres only on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: Additional payments (as per with national conditions) will be made to employees required to work on statutory/public holidays
	Human: In addition to enhanced payment employees are entitled to appropriate TOIL
	Risk Management: None

4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	<p data-bbox="225 264 746 297">Equality & Good Relations Implications:</p> <p data-bbox="225 331 863 365">Common arrangements apply across the district.</p> <p data-bbox="225 369 646 403">Rural Needs Implications: None</p>
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members are asked to note the contents of this paper.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	None