

20 October 2016

**Dear Councillor** 

You are invited to attend a meeting of Mid Ulster District Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Dungannon offices on Thursday 27 October 2016 at 7pm to transact the business noted below.

Yours faithfully

Anthony Tohill Chief Executive

### **AGENDA**

#### **OPEN BUSINESS**

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Declarations of Interests
- 3 Chair's Business

# **Matters for Decision**

- 4 Minutes of Council Meeting held on Thursday 22 September 2016 (A)
- 5 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Thursday 22 September 2016 (B)
- 6 Minutes of Planning Committee held on Tuesday 4 October 2016 (C)
- 7 Minutes of Policy and Resources Committee held on Thursday 6 October 2016(D)
- 8 Minutes of Environment Committee held on Tuesday 11 October 2016 (E)
- 9 Minutes of Development Committee held on Thursday 13 October 2016 (F)
- 10 Conferences and Seminars (G)

# **Matters for Information**

- 11 Consultations notified to Mid Ulster DC (H)
- 12 Correspondence (I)

# **Notice of Motions**

## 13 Consideration of Motions

### 13.1 Councillor Gildernew to move

That this council notes that:

A majority of voters in the North of Ireland voted to remain in the European Union in the Brexit referendum which took place on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

The uncertainty caused by the Brexit referendum result is already damaging trade and investment and causing currency fluctuations which are impacting on cross-Border business.

A new EU frontier stretching from Dundalk to Derry would create real hardship for people in this region particularly those who cross the border on a daily basis who would face potential customs checkpoints, traffic delays and the closure of local border roads.

That the current economic uncertainty will be overshadowed by the situation that would arise should a hard border result in the imposition of tariffs and the restriction of the free movement of goods, services and people on this island.

The end of EU economic support for peace building and border communities will hit many vital community projects who have over the past decade received over £1 billion in EU support.

With the end of EU subsidies farmers in the North will suffer a dramatic loss of income as CAP accounts for approximately 80% of farm incomes in the north and that this will be a severe blow to the local economy in rural areas north and south of the border.

Noting the advances that have been made in the Peace Process, opening border roads, and integrating communities separated from their natural hinterlands during the years of conflict, the imposition of new barriers and a hard border would be an enormous backward step.

Welcomes the initiative of those from the business sector, the community sector, farmers and individuals who have come together to form **Border Communities Against Brexit** to demand that the Irish and British Governments respect the North's remain vote.

Recognising that it makes absolutely no sense to have one part of Ireland operating within the EU and another outside, this council will actively support the campaign by **Border Communities Against Brexit** or the North's remain vote to be respected.

# 13.2 Councillor Cuthbertson to move

That Mid Ulster District Council write to the Minister for Infrastructure, expressing disappointment that Rivers Agency has yet to publish their report on the flooding and also the prevention works needed, to prevent the repeat of the flooding which occurred early December 2015, at the Park Lake Stream which resulted in devastating consequences for traders at the Linen Green, Moygashel.