

<b>Report on</b>	Community Development
<b>Reporting Officer</b>	Claire Linney

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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.
1.2	To approve the Peace IV Partnership recommendations and tender award (pending tender completion process).
1.3	To consider the Festive Lights review and recommendations.
1.4	To update on the Good Relations Decade of Anniversaries Programme.
1.5	To approve an additional contribution from DFC to CAMU for additional advice support.
1.6	To 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	Festive Lights - Council agreed a policy to deliver community grants for festive lighting provision to all villages across the District for 2017 – 2018. As part of the implementation of the festive grants a post review has been completed.
2.4	Good Relations – As part of the Good Relations Plan 2018 – 2019 the decade of anniversaries programme is to be rolled out to include: funding support and lecture series.
2.5	DFC funding contribution – Advice - A letter has been received from DFC providing an additional contribution, via Council to CAMU for specific front line advice provision. A further letter has been received from DFC in respect of Welfare Reform Support with additional funding provision, again to be distributed via Council.
2.6	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

3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>Community Grants Rolling Programme</p> <p>There are 21 Community Festival applications recommended for awards totaling £13,668.</p> <p>There are 5 Good Relations applications recommended for awards totaling £3,628.</p> <p>Please refer to Appendix 1 for detail.</p>
3.2	<p>Peace IV</p> <p>Recommendation from the Peace IV Partnership for decision making: The following amendments have been requested from groups who have received grant funding in Phase I.</p> <p>Bardic Blossoms - There has been a formal request through from the Bardic Blossoms to move expenditure. £1,800 from the transport budget to materials for horticultural workshops. This will allow a wider range of plant and arts materials for the children to use. There is no change to the overall budget applied for.</p> <p>The Hub - A formal request from the Hub for a name change for their project from Piece by Peace to the Goosebump project. This is due to The Hub coming across records that they had used this name for a previously funded project and therefore wish to have an original project name as to negate any potential penalties.</p> <p>1st Cullnady Boys Brigade &amp; Glenone Scouts- The group contacted PEACE IV office after partnership meeting. Having difficulty achieving numbers for the Glenone Scouts, the usual age group would be 12/13 but so far they have only managed to get 18 instead of 30 as stated in their application. 1<sup>st</sup> Cullnady has no shortage of numbers but the application states the 50/50% Catholic, Protestant. It was requested to bring in Scouts from another group that they have worked with before to allow outputs and had requested to include neighbouring Draperstown. Also a time change request due to the problems they were facing in recruitment from April 2018 until September 2018.</p> <p>Carntogher Community Association - The group have contact the PEACE IV Office to request a time change from September 2018 until April 2019. The projects outputs and targets will not be effected due to this change and it will allow the group to facilitate the project to the best of their ability.</p> <p>The Peace IV Arts Engagement Programme is currently out to tender and will close on 8<sup>th</sup> June. It is proposed, pending finalization of the procurement process and sign off by SEUPB, that the tender award will be presented to Committee for agreement. Tender report to be issued prior to the meeting (pending finalization).</p>
3.3	<p>Festive Lights</p> <p>As per a paper presented to Council in September 2016 on the provision of festive lights for villages and small settlements across Mid Ulster full implementation to all settlements took place in 2017.</p> <p>Depending on the village settlements and populations as per the Mid Ulster Development Plan, The grant allocation was based on village settlement size range £1000 - £2500;  £2500 for settlements greater than 1000,  £1500 for settlements greater than 500 and  £1000 for all other listed village settlements.</p>

Support was available to groups and communities from Council Community Development and Council Technical Services.

In April 2018 a review questionnaire was issued to all groups delivering the funding in each of the 53 identified areas and requested a response to six questions:-

1. What was the full cost of delivering the festive lights in your area?
2. Did any issues arise with regard to the community group delivering on the festive lights?
3. Was the delivery a success?
4. A criteria of festive light grant for 2018 will be that you need to have a festive tree in the Centre of the village which can be viewed by all, will this cause an issue for your group?
5. Is there any further help or support that Council could provide?
6. Please quantify the amount of voluntary time involved?

A total of 34 settlements replied. A summary of the answers is as follows:

In most areas the cost of delivering the festive lights in the area is considerably more than the grant allocated and the community groups have to fund raise to cover the difference, this is becoming increasingly difficult and local traders within the areas are now aware of the responsibility and importance of creating a festive atmosphere to their businesses and the community.

The delivery of the festive lighting was stated as successful by a number of areas who also expressed their thanks to the Council for the funding.

Many groups who were accessing the funding for the first time (previous provision direct by Council) did state that there had been initial anger and concern with regard to delivery, however that the festive lights was successfully delivered in these areas.

Many areas and groups do still believe that Council should be the direct delivery agent for Festive Lights across villages.

There was one village that did report a major issue with the process and the group who delivered the scheme this year have already stated that they will not be involved next year. There were no other groups willing to take on provision previously.

Note one area in 2017 did not provide festive lights (previous provision by Council) due to no group willing to take the responsibility.

The criteria of a Central Christmas Tree in the village for most areas is not an issue, however there remain a few areas where provision is at a current facility which is not centrally visible or viewed as belonging to the wider village. There has been difficulty in these areas getting a group and location for a central tree for the village. Council Community Development staff is continuing to work with the groups and areas re the best solution for the village.

Groups did value the support of Council staff and feel that this support is critical going forward both from Technical Services regarding delivery of trees and lighting queries and from Community Development with regard to DFI permissions and insurance etc.

Groups do recognize that the current lights are in many areas tired and past their fit for purpose use and would welcome a capital grant to support with the provision of new and additional lighting. This has also been referenced by members previously.

A total of 2,565 hours was recorded from the responses of volunteer time, averaging 75 hours per area.

As per the above review, consideration is sought for:

- Continuation of the grant at its current level, in line with budget provision at £73,000 for revenue support.
- Capital investment for lights to a value of £500 per larger settlement as a one off payment. This will support groups with the purchase of lights, as identified within the review to allow groups to fully maximize their grant on revenue provision. The total number of key settlements is 46 with 8 legacy small area settlements included. It is proposed to provide for the first 25 larger settlements this year with a one off capital contribution to investment in lights of £500 and same for the remaining key settlements in year 2. The total allocation is a 'one off' contribution in year 1 of £12,500 and 'one off' contribution in year 2 of £12,500 through 'one off' match funding support from economic development.

### 3.4 Good Relations – Decade of Anniversaries Programme

The DOA grant for applications is proposed to open for two calls June/July and September. To open Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June to close Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June (2 weeks) and to open 10<sup>th</sup> September and close Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September (2 weeks). This will allow for initiatives that are ready to proceed and for groups to develop up initiatives. Advert in papers Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June and database update information Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June. The budget agreed for the grants is £24,000 with grants up to £2500 with 50% minimum match funding. See attached the fund criteria and application form in Appendix 2.

Decade Of Anniversaries - the following lecture series, developed through guidance from historian Dr Éamon Phoenix has been developed for delivery across the District in Ranfurly House, Burnavon, Seamus Heaney Homeplace, and Parkanaur (pending availability of facilities). The series is to commence September 2018

Title of series: 'A Dividing Ireland in a Dividing Europe 1917-22'

1. The Irish Convention 1917-18: The Last Chance to Avoid Partition?' by Dr Éamon Phoenix
2. Ireland in Transition 1919-20: Nationalism and Unionism from the Conscription Crisis to the First Dáil and Partition' by Dr Éamon Phoenix
3. Ireland and the Great War 1917-18: From Messines Ridge to the Armistice' by Professor Laurence Kirkpatrick (Union Theological College, QUB)
4. 'Women, the Vote, the War and the Irish Revolution 1912-21' By Dr Margaret Ward (QUB):
5. 'Labour Must Wait': the Labour Movement and the Irish Revolution 1916-21' by Dr Ferghal McCloskey
6. 'Great Empires have been Overthrown' (Churchill): The Versailles Treaty and the Reshaping of Europe: 1919-22' by Dr Peter Collins (St Mary's University College)
7. 'A Divided Ireland in a Dividing Europe 1917-22' : Discussion chaired by Dr Éamon Phoenix with 2 or 3 of above speakers pending availability (Prof Kirkpatrick and Dr Ferghal McCloskey).

### 3.5 DFC funding contribution – General Advice – A letter has been received from DFC providing an additional contribution, via Council to CAMU for specific front line advice provision. The amount is £15,274.78 existing frontline Generalist Advice provision. DFC funding contribution – Welfare Reform Support Project - A further letter has been received from DFC in respect of Welfare Reform Support Project with additional funding provision, again to be distributed via Council. The additional amount is £86,319.84 in respect of welfare reform advisors x 3 for each main offices and general office support.

3.6	<p>It is proposed to allocate these directly to CAMU as directed by DFC with the relevant Department targets and outcomes to be monitored.</p> <p>Community Development Update</p> <p><u>Community Support</u> Council grant letters of offer have been issued out to groups and support on delivery is ongoing.</p> <p>Community Development officers continue to work with groups across the District on a range of funding and development opportunities.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Renewal: DFC projects for 2018 – 2019 are ongoing.</p> <p>The development of a poverty initiative for Mid Ulster is progressing and an update will be provided when engagement has taken place with key agencies re potential funding.</p> <p><u>Peace and Good Relations</u> Good Relations Grant assessment and processing is ongoing. Delivery of the Plan has commenced.</p> <p>Peace IV delivery is ongoing – programmes commenced include Rural Peace IV Programme, Migrant and Urban Peace IV Programme, Youth Peace IV Programme, Peace IV Primary Schools Programme, Post Primary Schools Programme, Cross Border Heritage Programme, and Cross Border Literary Programme. The Arts engagement programme is out to tender at present closing on 8<sup>th</sup> June, and the sports programme is with SEUPB and procurement pending specification finalization and issue.</p> <p><u>PCSP</u> Development of the Plan has commenced in delivery. PCSP working group meetings continue to be facilitated, along with partner programmes.</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
4.1	<p><b><u>Financial &amp; Human Resources Implications</u></b></p> <p>Community Local Festival awards £13,668 Good Relations awards £3,628</p> <p>Festive Lights Capital Fund - The total allocation as one off contribution in year 1 of £12,500 and one off contribution in year 2 of £12,500 through 'one off' match funding support from economic development.</p> <p>DFC funding contribution – General Advice – direct allocations of DFC funding to CAMU of £15,274.78 for additional support service and Welfare Reform Support Project funding of £86,319.84. Combined total additional monies level of £101,594.62.</p> <p><b><u>Professional Support</u></b> None.</p>
4.2	<p><b><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u></b> None</p>

4.3	<p><b><u>Risk Management Implications</u></b> None</p>
5.0	<p><b>Recommendation(s)</b></p>
5.1	<p>To approve the grant award recommendations under the Community Local Festivals grants and Good Relations Grant as per Appendix 1 £13,668 and £3,628</p>
5.2	<p>To approve the Peace IV Partnership recommendations.</p>
5.3	<p>To approve the Festive Lights review and recommendations of continuation of revenue grant up to £73,000 as per current budget and an allocation of £12,500 for a one off capital support for lights for the larger settlements in year 1 and an allocation of £12,500 for a one off capital support for lights for the remaining key settlements in year 2.</p>
5.4	<p>To note the Good Relations Decade of Anniversaries Programme</p>
5.5	<p>DFC funding contribution –It is proposed to allocate the two allocations of funding directly to CAMU as directed by DFC with the relevant Department targets and outcomes to be monitored; £15,274.78 for additional support and £86,319.84 for welfare reform.</p>
5.6	<p>To note the community development update report.</p>
6.0	<p><b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b></p>
6.1	<p>Appendix 1 Rolling Grant Programmes award recommendations Appendix 2 Decade of Anniversaries Fund Criteria and Application.</p>



### Ineligible or Unsuccessful

Little Rainbows Early Years	Did not meet minimum threshold
Pomeroy After Schools Club	Ineligible Double Category Application

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%





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# Decade of Anniversaries Guidance

Mid Ulster Council will open its Grant Aid for  
Decade of Anniversaries Fund from Friday 15 June 2018 until  
Friday 29 June 2018.

**Please contact one of the following officers before  
submitting an application:**

Oliver Morgan 03000 132 132 (Ext 24605) [oliver.morgan@midulstercouncil.org](mailto:oliver.morgan@midulstercouncil.org)  
Paula Kelly 03000 132 132 (Ext 24604) [paula.kelly@midulstercouncil.org](mailto:paula.kelly@midulstercouncil.org)

**Please return your completed application to:**

**Louise Hall**

**Mid Ulster District Council**

**Dungannon Office**

**Circular Road**

**Dungannon BT71 6DT**

**E: [louise.hall@midulstercouncil.org](mailto:louise.hall@midulstercouncil.org)**

## Decade of Anniversaries Fund

### Purpose of Grant

To support communities in the delivery of the Decade of Anniversaries.

Anniversaries can bring people together and foster community spirit, and also allow for greater understanding of the past". Mid Ulster District Council as part of their Good Relations Action Plan wish to support community groups currently planning anniversaries or considering marking anniversaries that underpin the guiding principles on ethical and shared remembering.

The vision for marking the decade of anniversaries is that it should be exploratory and educational, plural, multi-dimensional, creative and ethical. Please consider the following principles to support the development of work programmes and activities that you seek Council funding for.

### Guiding Principles

- Start from the historical facts;
- Recognise the implications and consequences of what happened;
- Understand that different perceptions and interpretations exist; and
- Show how events and activities can deepen understanding of the period.

The following document outlines the good practice guidance presented by the Executive Department on participating in commemorative events:

CRC/HLF ethical remembering <https://www.community-relations.org.uk/sites/crc/files/media-files/final%20CRC-Toolkit%20Revised%202018.pdf>

Also for consideration - *Briefing on Human Rights and the 'Decade of Anniversaries'* (May 2011) Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission  
<http://www.nihrc.org/index.php>

**Criteria:** Maximum of £2500 Grant available (must be 50% match funded) e.g. If you are awarded £1,000 the total cost of your project must be a minimum of £2,000 in total costs.

## General Eligibility Conditions

1. Groups applying for a grant must be a not for profit constituted community or voluntary organisation with an annual AGM.
2. Statutory and 'for profit' organisations, activities and recipients (including activities that receive statutory core provision are not eligible for grant)
3. Regional groups/organisations are not eligible to apply.
4. Applications that are not completed accurately and in full will not be considered.
5. Religious or political activity cannot be funded under any grant.
6. All applicants must present a project that will take place within the Mid Ulster District Council area.
7. Projects must be open and inclusive to all Section 75 groups.
8. Projects must be in line with the HLF/CRC good practice principles on ethical remembering.
9. Applicants must present a project that will be delivered between 1 July 2018 - 31 March 2019.
10. Evidence of good management practices/policies, including annual AGM, Group bank account, financial management practice, insurances, etc. will be required.
11. Successful applicants will draw down grants retrospectively based on vouched expenditure, with procurement adhered to. Advance payments will be 50% up £2500 with final verification of all expenditure.
12. The following items are not eligible for funding:

Hospitality greater than 20% of the total project cost.	Bad debt, loans, bank charges, deficits or arrears in payments	Flags or bunting Alcohol.	Groups or activities that discriminate against one 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



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## DECADE OF ANNIVERSARIES APPLICATION FORM

**Notes: Please read grant eligibility and contact an officer prior to submission of this application.**

1. Organisation submitting an application (if have partners, please list)

Organisation	Stakeholder status

2. Name and address of Organisation:

Contact Person	
Name of Organisation	
Address	
Post Code	
Tel No.	
Email	
Website/Facebook	
Council Area	Mid - Ulster

3. How many members are involved in your organisation:

Paid Staff full time/Part time	
Committee members/volunteers	
Total voluntary hours per week	

4. Aims & Objectives of your organisation:

5. Please list your organisation's main activities:

6. **Project Event/Activity Details – Please refer to Guidance notes**

a. Date and Location of project/event

b. Please detail how your project will be considered a commemorative event? What would you like your project to achieve? Detail all outputs and programme/event activity e.g. number of days, speakers, topics

- c. Please detail how the project will ensure your project is in keeping with the Guiding Principles of Commemoration. Please refer to the guidance and reference materials as noted in the guidance.

- d. Please detail how the project will enhance your capacity to contribute to community cohesion and how does your event or project deepen understanding of the period and Good Relations?

- e. Please detail who you would like to participate and how you will make the project accessible to all target group(s)? Provide details of numbers attending and targeting/marketing to groups etc.

7. **The maximum grant award is £2,500 which requires Groups to Match Fund with 50% Contribution.** Please note that maximum grant is dependent on the number of applications and budget available.

**Provide brief estimate of expenditure/cost of project/event.**

Expenditure	Cost
<b><u>TOTAL GRANT APPLIED FOR</u></b>	

8. Have you applied to any other funder for the same activity/product? If so please give details below.

**DECLARATION**

We confirm that the information in this application is correct and, if successful, we will comply with all requirements of the MUDC Funding Programme. (One signatory from each organisation)

Signature  _____	Position in organisation  _____	Date  _____
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**CHECKLIST The following documents must be attached to your application**

Document required	✓
Copy of your Constitution	
List of Office Bearers	
Copy of most recent AGM	
Copy of Bank Statement/Building Society Statement (not more than 3 months old) that shows organisation details	
Details of insurance relating to project – if not applicable please indicate	
Child Protection Policy – if not applicable please indicate	

**Please return your application by 5pm, Friday 29 June 2018 to:**

**Post: Louise Hall, Mid Ulster District Council, Dungannon Office, Circular Road, Dungannon, BT71 6DT**

**Email:**

<b>Office Use Only</b>  <b>Received by:</b> _____ <b>Date:</b> _____
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