

Report on	Bus Shelters Update
Date of Meeting	9th March 2021
Reporting Officer	Raymond Lowry

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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To update Members on the current bus shelter status.
2.0	Background
2.1	Council is empowered under the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions (NI) Order 1985, with the consent of the department to erect and maintain on any road within the district of the council, shelters for the protection from the weather or persons waiting to enter public service vehicles. Bus shelters are erected following local representations. They are provided, particularly for those who have to use public services who may have to stand out in the inclement weather.
2.2.	Following the bus shelter collaborative workshop held in March 2020, the bus shelter process was discussed and agreed at the Council meeting held on the 27 th March 2020. Members are advised in a monthly report of progress made on the various applications that have been lodged with the department.
2.3	Due to the Covid-19 pandemic progress has been delayed with unavailability of staff and priority of workloads within the various departments involved in dealing with the shelter installation. MUDC / DfI Roads have met (through "Microsoft Teams") to discuss a selection of these projects and will continue to carry out similar meetings to progress shelter applications.
2.4	<p>Members to note that an update workshop was held virtually on Monday 11th January 2021 at 12:30pm with elected members to review the existing Bus Shelter procedural guide / policy. It was agreed as follows;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All applications that presently do not meet the current criteria are to be put "On Hold" until procedure guide has been reviewed and approved by Council. • Revised Procedural Guide has now been presented to the March Committee for approval.

3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>The following information headings will be covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New applications made in the past month (see 3.2) • Progress on stages 2-4 application process (see 3.3) • Request for Council to move from stage 5 (see 3.4) • Progress update on stages 6-9 (see 3.5) • Progress update on stages 10-11 (see 3.6) • Update on statutory response times in relation to agreement on time related responses for application (see 3.7) • Other issues (see 3.8/3.9)
3.2	New Applications made in the past month – no new applications made in the past month.
3.3	Progress on stages 2-4 of the application process – see table in Appendix 1.
3.4	Requests for Council to move from stage 5 of the application process – no applications to move to stage 5 of the application process this month.
3.5	<p>Progress update on stages 6-9 – the applications below have been discussed with a view to getting approval and are “on hold” for community consultation until revised Procedural Guide has been approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Main Street, Benburb 2. Tullyhogue village 3. St Colmans Park, Moortown 4. Cappagh village 5. Whitebridge, Ballygawley 6. Innishrush Village 7. Annaghnaboe Road, Clonoe 8. Bellaghy (2 no) 9. Knockloughrim Village 10. Meenagh Park, Coalisland 11. Eglish View, Ballinderry
3.6	Progress update on stages 10-11 – no applications are currently being recommended for approval. No shelters installed since date of last meeting.

3.7 **Progress on response times** – Agreed response times within 30 days with statutory agencies.

Statutory Agencies	Number requests sent	Reply <30 Days	Reply >30 Days
Translink	2	1	1
Education Authority	2	0	2
DfI Roads	0	0	0
NIHE	1	0	1

**Translink,
Responses Outstanding** 1. Mountjoy road, Brocagh
2. Tullyhogue village, Tullyhogue

**Education Authority,
Responses Outstanding** 1. Brough Road, Castledawson
2. Mountjoy Road, Brocagh

**NIHE
Responses Outstanding** 1. Innishrush Village

- **Interagency Meeting;** Statutory update meeting held 20 January 2021 with DfI Roads, Education Authority, NIHE and Translink, to discuss new Bus shelter locations, response times and any other issues. Next meeting scheduled for 19 March 2021.
- Site meetings held with DfI roads and Translink for Derryvale, Coalisland, Jordan Engineering, Benburb and Glendavagh road, Aughnacloy on 08 February. Updates included on Appendix 1.

- 3.8 Members to Note the following shelters as listed in Table 1 have been passed to Property Services for installation and currently being programmed for installation.

Table 1

Shelter Location	Current Status	Date-Passed to Property services
Main Street, Culnady	Approved	17/01/2021
Killeenan Road, Cookstown	Approved	17/12/2020
Washingbay Road, Moor Road, Clonoe	Approved	17/12/2020
Brackaville, Coalisland	Approved	17/12/2020
Stewartstown	Approved	21/10/2020
Glebe Court, Dungannon	Approved	13/10/2020
Thornhill Road/Agharan Road, Pomeroy	Approved	17/12/2020
Drumullan village	Replacement shelter with one side removed to allow safe access from existng footpath	21/10/2020
Moygashel Village	Approved	17/12/2020

3.9 **Other issues:**

As advised at the October Environment Committee meeting, the current shelter application for Tirkane Road has been removed from the register due to its unsatisfactory location. Technical Services will review alternative locations for a new shelter and report back to the next available Committee.

4.0 Other Considerations

4.1 **Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications**

Financial: Within budget for Technical Services and Property services to action provision / installation costs within their budget.

	Risk Management: Non-delivery will have adverse impact of users of public transport.
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/a
	Rural Needs Implications: N/a
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members to note the content of the report on the progress made on bus shelters within the district.
5.2	<p>Members approval to progress the “On Hold” applications from the Bus Shelter Register following approval of the revised Bus Shelter Procedures .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main Street, Benburb • Tullyhogue village • St Colmans Park, Moortown • Cappagh village • Whitebridge, Ballygawley • Innishrush Village • Annaghnaboe Road, Clonoe • Bellaghy (2 no) • Knockloughrim Village • Meenagh Park, Coalisland • Eglis View, Ballinderry
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	Appendix 1 – Progress table with comments.