

**Minutes of Meeting of the Development Committee of Mid Ulster District Council held on Wednesday 6 July 2022 in the Council Offices, Circular Road, Dungannon and by Virtual Means**

**Members Present**

Councillor Black, Chair

Councillors Ashton, Burton (7.15 pm), Clarke\*, Corry, Cuddy, Doris\*, Kerr\*, McNamee\*, Martin\*, Molloy, Monteith\*, Quinn\* and Wilson\*

**Officers in Attendance**

Mr Black, Strategic Director of Communities and Place  
Mr Gordon\*\*, Assistant Director of Health, Leisure and Wellbeing  
Ms Linney\*\*, Assistant Director of Development  
Ms McKeown\*\*, Assistant Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Strategic Programmes  
Mr O'Hagan\*\*, ICT Support  
Mrs Grogan, Democratic Services Officer

\* Denotes Members present in remote attendance

\*\* Denotes Officers present by remote means

\*\*\* Denotes Others present by remote means

The meeting commenced at 7 pm.

In the absence of the Chair, Councillor Clarke who was attending virtually, the Deputy Chair, Councillor Black took the Chair.

*The Chair, Councillor Black welcomed everyone to the meeting and those watching the meeting through the Live Broadcast. Councillor Black in introducing the meeting detailed the operational arrangements for transacting the business of the committee in the chamber and by virtual means, by referring to Annex A to this minute.*

**D113/22 Notice of Recording**

This meeting will be webcast for live and subsequent broadcast on the Council's You Tube site.

**D114/22 Apologies**

Councillor Elattar.

**D115/22 Declarations of Interest**

The Chair, Councillor Black reminded Members of their responsibility with regard to declaration of interest drawing attention in particular to agenda item on grants. He stated that if Members had already declared the interest it did not need reiterated.

*Councillor Kerr declared an interest in Coalisland Foodbank.*

## **D116/22      Chair's Business**

The Chair advised that Councillor Corry wished to raise an item under Chair's Business.

Councillor Corry sought permission for Council to write a letter of support for St. Patrick's PS, An Gleann, Watty Graham, An Gleann, St Patrick's PS and St Michael Davitt's, Swatragh. This letters of support is for the latest round of funding for "Your School, Your Club" scheme and were required before the 11 July 2022 deadline which is before the next Council meeting. Any help to provide these letters would be greatly appreciated.

The SD: Communities and Place advised that "Your School, Your Club" scheme is being administered by SportNI on behalf of Central Government and has previously been delivered across Northern Ireland and this district. The approach which had been taken under the last round was that any school or club which submitted an application, Officers would access those applications against our strategy which were previously agreed by Council and if they were in line with those strategies, then Officers would offer letters of support. As Councillor Corry has said, these schools and clubs referred to do require letters of support from the Council, with a deadline of 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022. He also advised that a request had been received from the Royal School, Dungannon and would suggest to members if they were content, that Council take the approach which was taken previously where Officers assess those applications against Council strategy and if in line with our strategies, particularly our Sports Facilities Strategy which was agreed previously, then Officers would pull together Letters of Support for these events.

*Councillor Cuddy declared an interest as he had attended the Royal School, Dungannon.*

Councillor Cuddy advised that it was important to support all schools under the same process and to support them any possible way we can.

Proposed by Councillor Corry  
Seconded by Councillor Cuddy

That a letter of support be issued to aforementioned named schools and clubs on the basis that the applications are assessed against the Council Strategy as previously was the case.

Councillor Wilson said that he previously raised the issue of requesting letters of support and wanted to make it clear that he did not have an issue with any of these but it was Council policy for whoever was looking a letter of support to write into Council themselves and not requested through individual Councillors. He sought clarification on whether the schools the member referred to had written into Council as he was aware that the Royal School did make their own request to Council in writing.

The SD: Communities and Place advised that Officers were not aware of Council receiving a request in writing from the schools that the member alluded to, however he said that this scheme was slightly different from the letters of support for the levelling up fund given that the Your School, Your Club scheme had been delivered before and the approach to offering support, which was prerequisite of the funding, was delivered as previously outlined.

Councillor Wilson said that it was his understanding that this was not Council policy in which a school or a person acquiring a letter of support. If a letter of support was required then it was up to the school or person to write directly to the Council and not requested by an individual Councillor.

The SD: Communities and Place agreed with member that this was the case for corporate letters coming from a corporate body which needed to be endorsed by Committee and Council. Those letters coming from Officers would only confirm that the applicants project would support and further enhance a Council Strategy, previously agreed.

Councillor Wilson advised if a Councillor submitted a letter, then it was deemed to be coming from the Council as a corporate body and was curious to see where this now sits.

The SD: Communities and Place advised that the wording of the letter would be very clear around alignment with a Council agreed strategy.

Councillor Ashton suggested that Councillor Corry liaise with the two schools involved and ask them to make a written request to Council to keep things in line.

The Chair concurred with Councillor Ashton that this would be the best way forward to keep things right.

Councillor Wilson said that he would be happy to support the suggestion..

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council that Councillor Corry liaise with aforementioned two schools advising them to write directly to Council to request a letter of support.

## **Matters for Decision**

### **D117/22 Development Report**

The AD: Development presented previously circulated report which provided update and sought approval on the following:

- **Community Grants - Rolling Grants Programme 2022–2023** - Rolling Grants Programme 2022–2023 recommendations
- **Irish Language Support Fund** - Awards
- **DFC Emergency Support Fund** - Award funding for provision of the social supermarket concept

- **Peace Heroines Art Project** – Council involvement, subject to further information
- **Seamus Heaney Home Place License** – Application for liquor license
- **Shared Island Art and Literary Residency Initiative** - To engage in discussions as part of the Shared Island fund
- **Shopmobility Mid Ulster** – Financial support
- **Development Department** – Update on progress

It was

Proposed by Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by Councillor Corry and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve the following:

- **Community Grants - Rolling Grants Programme 2022–2023**

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve the allocation of the Community Grants as recommended in appendix 1 of the Officers report.

- **Irish Language Support Fund**

Councillor Ashton said that she was aware of this being raised by a member previously, but there still seems to be programmes coming forward with no translation as previously requested. In referring to some, she stated that it seemed that where there was translations there appeared to be different meanings for similar words and said it would be important to get this clarified.

The AD: Development advised that an update would be provided.

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve:

- 1) The allocation of the Irish Language Support Fund as recommended in appendix 2.
- 2) That Officers clarify the translation of the Irish Language included within the report and issue an update.

- **DFC Emergency Support Funding**

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve the allocation of the DFC Emergency Support Funding as detailed within report.

- **Peace Heroines Art Project**

Councillor Ashton said that she appreciated that it was in the early stages regarding the arts project, but was conscious in relation to street murals that this would be featuring over the past 25 years or longer, it would be important to know what the

murals would involve and where they were going to be put. She said that it was important to know the criteria around these murals and how it was going to be managed.

The AD: Development concurred with the Member and agreed that this would need to be completely detailed as it was so high level at the minute and this was why it was an in principle agreement at this stage moment. The AD: Development advised that the project promoter would be advised that Council endorsement could not be guaranteed until committee considers further detail in relation to who could be profiled, location, what communities and areas were involved etc. She advised that all these details needed to be received and brought back to members before a final decision was made on the matter.

Councillor Monteith said that he would be of a similar thinking to Councillor Ashton and the importance of how these murals were going to be managed.

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to:

- 1) Agree in principle to the initial participation in the Peace Heroines Art Project.
- 2) That Officers investigate criteria on how these murals were going to be managed before commitment to the project.

- **Seamus Heaney Home Place License**

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to agree to apply for the extension of a license for a place of public entertainment (theatre liquor license) for outdoor section, adjacent to the café entrance at the Seamus Heaney Homeplace.

- **Shared Island Art and Literary Residency Initiative**

Councillor Cuddy referred to Northern Ireland, Southern Ireland and Scotland always being very close when it comes to Arts and enquired whether Council had investigated the opportunity of possibly linking up with the West Coast of Scotland. He was unsure whether this was ever requested in the past but felt it would be very beneficial to expand it out further as these two islands were sitting in the top left hand corner of Europe and had so much in common and no reason not to look at something a bit further afield.

The AD: Development said that the current project was under shared island funding between the two proposed centres, however there is currently international and UK linkages with the existing Tyrone Guthrie arts residential centre. She stated that reaching out to Scotland re links to similar arts projects and sharing good practice could definitely be explored.

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to agree:

- 1) To Council participation in a Stakeholder Engagement group to explore a potential Literary Residency Initiative at Bellaghy Bawn and potential funding opportunities via the Shared Island Fund.
- 2) That Officers feed into the stakeholder group the suggestions around wider national/international networking and best practice opportunities.

- **Shopmobility Mid Ulster**

Councillor Corry wished to commend AD: Development and her team on the great work which had been done regarding shopmobility. She said that she attended the AGM and was great to see them moving into more suitable premises

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to agree financial contribution of £5000 per annum (for an initial 3 year period) to assist with relocation of Shopmobility scheme to external suitable premises.

- **Development Department**

Councillor Monteith referred to Community Support update report – Clogher Valley Childcare Centre of Excellence. He said that a presentation had been made by the group and a commitment made by Council to assist them, it was suggested at the presentation that a suitable marking or memorial be placed for the people who died during the famine in Ireland similar to the memorial placed at South Tyrone Hospital recently. He said that the group seemed really keen on the idea and would be very appropriate to do it. He asked that Officers get in touch with the group to advise of the great initiative but it would be important that the heritage of the area was not forgotten about.

The AD: Development agreed to investigate the matter.

Councillor Cuddy referred to PCSP and advised that Councillor Molloy, himself and others attended two meetings with Technical Services team, one in Dungannon and one in Moy. He said that they were both good meetings, only issue would be in Moy the condition of the war memorial. He noted this would not be the remit of PCSP but could Council investigate who was responsible for the maintenance of the memorial. He said that this was a separate project and from what he could understand there has never been any maintenance done to the war memorial. He advised that it looked well from the road, but very dilapidated when go up close, with damaged blocks and some of the lead lettering missing.. He sought clarification on who was responsible for the maintenance of the cenotaph to keep it up to a satisfactory standard and in the event that this was the responsibility of the Council that a report be brought back on what steps they intend to take to get it to that standard.

Councillor Molloy concurred with previous comment regarding what Council was responsible for.

He referred to the a larger project in Moy regarding the need for public realm works due to broken pavements which needed replacing, tree bases being ready to fall

down and in urgent need for a public works programme. He said that he was aware of a population limit on the public realm but enquired if there was a next stage of a public realm which could be looked at for our larger villages.

Councillor Burton said she had raised this issue before regarding smaller villages like Caledon where footpaths were in dire need of replacing as some flagstones were unsteady and not fit for purpose. She said that this needs to be flagged to DfI as these flagstones could result in an injury as she previously indicated at a previous meeting, where a person had fallen in Castlecaulfield. She said that it was important that footpaths in villages were properly maintained and kept in a reasonable order.

The Chair advised that it would be more appropriate to flag to DfI in the event of health and safety concerns, but to feed into smaller villages which do not meet requirement due to a smaller population.

She referred to the childcare facility in Clogher and advised that a meeting had taken place with Early Years group and felt that going forward it would be important to link with them to ask if they could hold regular meetings to include community representatives. She agreed with Councillor Monteith's suggestion of having a record of what this building was previously; as Clogher was one of the oldest areas listed within Ulster history, and to include the Cathedral and graveyards which were important to recognise going forward with the project.

Councillor Monteith concurred with Councillor Molloy regarding the dire need for a public realm scheme. He said that there was a need for a strategy for all villages as these people also pay rates in smaller villages and was unfair just to champion the main towns. He felt that this would be a good piece of work going forward but there was also a need for a rural strategy for smaller areas also.

The Chair advised that public realms do have a criteria on population, but would be good going forward to see funding allocated to villages and agreed that Councillor Monteith made a good point.

Councillor Kerr said that he fully agreed with Councillors Burton and Monteith regarding maintenance in villages. He referred to Torrent area where there have been legacy issues regarding the maintenance of footpaths between Roads Service and Council and referred to the village of Cappagh and said that for some reason when a resident contacted Roads Service regarding removal of tree, they indicated that it was Council's responsibility. He said that he had requested on numerous occasions that a report be brought back on who was responsible for what up in Cappagh village. He said that there was a need to look after the smaller settlements within Mid Ulster and whilst it was great to see the five main towns getting attention, there was also the need to focus on the smaller towns and villages.

The Chair said although he did not disagree with the points made and did not want to get bogged down to one or two particular villages felt that it would be beneficial to look at the bigger situation which would apply to all below and then we can identify the perimeters that there is so we can see what was possible and wasn't possible and try and move forward from there

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council:

- 1) To note the contents of the development report.
- 2) That Officers liaise with representatives from Clogher Valley Childcare Centre of Excellence advising of the importance of marking the heritage of the area in relation to remembering the people who lost their lives in the Clogher Valley Workhouse.
- 3) That Officers to investigate who's responsible for the maintenance of Moy Cenotaph.
- 4) That Officers to investigate opportunities for Public Realm Works in small towns and villages.
- 5) That Officers investigate who's responsible for the maintenance of footpaths in smaller villages.
- 6) That Officers engage with Early Years to ask if Clogher Valley Childcare update meetings could be held regularly and keep the community representatives involved.
- 7) Investigate possible funding initiatives for smaller villages and settlements.

*Councillor Burton entered the meeting at 7.15 pm.*

## **D118/22 Community Lending Libraries**

The AD: Health, Leisure & Wellbeing presented previously circulated report to seek Council approval to grant permission for:

- Tullymeadow Community Group and Men's Shed, Augher to erect a community lending library in Augher Playpark
- Newmills Wildlife Gardening Club to erect a community lending library in Newmills Community Space

Councillor Doris said that she would be happy to propose the recommendation as it was a fantastic idea. She advised that Stewartstown Primary School provides this service and said the more of these community libraries opening up the better.

Councillor Quinn advised that there were also a few private lending libraries within Torrent, good idea and give everyone the opportunity to learn and was fully behind the initiative.

Proposed by Councillor Doris  
Seconded by Councillor Black and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve the installation of Community Lending Libraries in Newmills, Brackaville Road, and Augher Playpark, Knockview, via an appropriate written agreement.

## **D119/22 Economic Development Report – OBFD**

The AD: Economic Development, Tourism and Strategic Programmes presented previously circulated report which provided an update on the following:



- **Great Days Out Event**
- **Mid Ulster Enterprise Week 2022**
- **Rural Business Development Grants Scheme 2022**
- **Mid Ulster Labour Market Partnership (LMP)**
- **Mid Ulster Place Shaping Plans**
- **Mid Ulster Socio-Economic Analysis**

It was

Proposed by Councillor Corry  
Seconded by Councillor Molloy and

**Resolved** That it be recommended to Council to approve the key activities as listed below in the Economic Development Report – OBFD.

- **Great Days Out Event**

**Resolved** That it be recommended to the Council to approve delivery of the Great Days Out Trade Event 2022 to be funded from Council's existing tourism budget at a cost of circ. £2,500.

- **Mid Ulster Enterprise Week 2022**

**Resolved** That it be recommended to the Council to approve:

- 1) Budget of circ. £28,000 for the delivery of Mid Ulster Enterprise Week 2022 from within the existing Economic Development budget 2022/23.
- 2) That Council proceed to seek competitive quotes to appoint a professional Management / Delivery Partner to manage and co-ordinate the delivery of Mid Ulster Enterprise Week 2022. The costs for such to be apportioned from within the budget detailed at 5.2.1.
- 3) That the Chief Executive be awarded delegated authority to appoint the successful Management/Delivery Partner following the procurement exercise to allow work to commence over the summer period.

- **Rural Business Development Grants Scheme 2022**

**Resolved** That it be recommended to the Council to approve that delegated authority be granted to the Chief Executive to approve the issue of letters of offer to successful applicants in line with contractual timescales. A report will be brought to the Development Committee thereafter to update Members on the outcome of assessment and to note approved projects.

- **Mid Ulster Labour Market Partnership (LMP)**

**Resolved** That it be recommended to the Council to note report and approve for delegated authority be awarded to the Chief Executive to appoint successful delivery organisations following procurement exercises to allow LMP work to commence over the summer months (subject to receipt of official letter of offer).

- **Mid Ulster Place Shaping Plans**

The Chair stated that the report referred to specific towns and asked if they were being included because of the size of the population and asked if this was a factor in this one.

The AD: Economic Development, Tourism and Strategic Programmes stated that Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt towns were selected due to them being the largest towns, and cautioned against taking on any further Plans until these were well advanced. She stated that Place Making Plans are comprehensive documents and each required a tremendous amount of work and added that it may be opportune to phase work starting on each. She added that in future there will be the opportunity to carry out such Plans for Coalisland and Maghera.

Councillor Kerr referred to strategic funding initiatives for the next 10-15 years and expressed his disappointment that Coalisland wasn't included. He said that he was aware of Coalisland receiving major investment in the last number of years through the Public Realm Scheme and hoped that when the Gortgonis Centre is refurbished and up and running and Coalisland Canal progress. He alluded to this being a new initiative and similar to what the Chair had indicated, was it to do with larger populations and hoped that clarity would be made at a future meeting on what the threshold was for larger towns and if funding did become available that this programme is rolled out in Coalisland along with other sizable areas within the district as it was important if there was going to be plans for economical socio regeneration in the area that smaller settlements cannot be left behind.

The Chair agreed with member's point and advised that his particular question related to Maghera and the fact that it was very close to the threshold for population and who knows what the census may reveal in the months to come as well. He said that he appreciated the AD: Economic Development, Tourism and Strategic Programmes comments relating to this all being down to resources, but with Maghera and Coalisland being 2 of our 5 major towns and if and when the resourcing becomes available that they may be included as a priority.

Councillor Monteith enquired how much the Plans would cost and what would the 20% be to the Council and whether this was a similar thing that was done to the masterplans recently.

The AD: Economic Development, Tourism and Strategic Programmes advised that Place Making Plans are not dissimilar to masterplans and have a multi-dimensional approach focusing on such areas as the economic, community, social, tourism, leisure etc aspects of the towns and seeks to get views from an extensive consultation process with communities, businesses, schools, government stakeholders, etc In terms of cost she stated other similar Plans cost up to £45k each

due to the size and scale of the work involved in developing them. Each Plan is a major piece of work and other areas often do one or two at a time.

Councillor Monteith said that he did not want to hold back on funding, but when a plan takes 3 years to make, how useful is a tool going to be. Council is in the process of doing the Development Plan at the minute which is anticipated to keep going on years and feels that it actually restricts development plans for what people want to do rather than facilitate, good example was the old masterplan for Dungannon which DfC and DSD or its predecessor carried out and this is still quoted by DfC in order to restrict development in Dungannon town. He wonders if this was to keep people busy and genuinely query on how you can talk about the development of a town like Dungannon and not discuss the immediate surrounding villages and towns. He advised that there were six secondary schools in Dungannon each taking in pupils anywhere between 5 and 15 miles away. Most major employers take in people well outside the boundary of the town and he didn't get it and alluded to Councillor Kerr referring to Coalisland and how do you talk of a plan for Dungannon when Coalisland is 4 miles away and not included. He said that he was very apprehensive when masterplans is mentioned as there wasn't a good experience for Dungannon.

The AD: Economic Development, Tourism and Strategic Programmes clarified that the Plans would each take on average up to a year to complete, however if they are being progressed on a phased basis, it would take slightly longer to complete them all.

Councillor Monteith said that he would be happy to propose but wished to make his comments clear that if there was money sitting for year 5 for a town which was 3 or 4 miles away from a major town that this should be resourced.

**Resolved** That it be recommended to the Council to:

- 1) Approve for Council officers to submit a funding application to Department for Communities (DFC) seeking 80% funding towards costs to develop 3 No. Place Shaping Plans for Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt and that Council fund the remaining 20% of costs from its existing Economic Development budget 2022-2024.
- 2) Approve that authority be delegated to the Council's Chief Executive to sign and accept a letter of offer from DFC, subject to Council's funding bid being successful.
- 3) Approve for Council officers to proceed to procure professional expertise to manage and co-ordinate the development and production of 3 No. Place Shaping Plans for Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt, subject to confirmation of funding from DFC.
- 4) Approve authority be delegated to Council's Chief Executive to appoint the successful organisation following the procurement exercise to allow work to progress on the Place Shaping Plans, subject to confirmation of funding.
- 5) Note an update report will be brought to the Development Committee in the Autumn to update Members on progress.

- **Mid Ulster Socio-Economic Analysis**

The AD: Economic Development, Tourism and Strategic Programmes advised that since this report was submitted in the Committee papers and issued to members, a further discussion had taken place in the Mid South West Region where they had alerted Officers to the fact that they wish to procure professional expertise to carry out a large Socio-Economic Analysis of the Mid South West region which would first necessitate preparing a socio-economic analysis for the 3 Council areas.

She sought approval to work together with Mid South West Region on the initiative as this option would provide better value for money .

Councillor Kerr referred to key sectors which were outlined and asked that telecommunications be included in the specification as there were hundreds of these people employed in the local area.

**Resolved**            That it be recommended to the Council to:

- 1) Approve that Mid Ulster Council partner with Fermanagh & Omagh and Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon Councils through the Mid South West Growth Deal to procure a professional consultant to undertake a comprehensive Socio Economic Analysis for each of the 3 Council areas. The consultant will also be required to use the 3 Socio Economic Analyses to inform and develop a detailed Socio Economic Analysis for the MSW region.
- 2) Approve that Mid Ulster Council makes financial provision in it's Economic Development Budget 2022/23 of circ. £15,000, if there is a requirement to financially contribute towards this initiative on an individual Council basis, in addition to MSW Growth Deal funding.
- 3) That 'telecoms' be added to the following sectors within the project specification - to read; "manufacturing, engineering, agri-food, construction, retail, tourism (including hospitality), agriculture, telecoms and services".
- 4) Note a report will be brought to the Development Committee thereafter via the MSW Growth Deal to update Members on progress.

## **Matters for Information**

## **D120/22      Minutes of Development Committee held on 16 June 2022**

Members noted Minutes of Development Committee held on 16 June 2022.

Councillor Kerr referred to D099/22 – Request for funding and enquired if there was any update on the Washingbay Walkway regarding the traffic issues at the junction of the site.

The SD: Communities and Place advised that he would seek an update and come back to Councillor Kerr directly.

Councillor Kerr also referred to D102/22 – Enhancement Scoping report for Castlebay and enquired if there was a timescale for taking back a report.

The SD: Communities and Place that an update would be provided to the member.

Councillor Martin advised that she had attended the last meeting but was not included in the minutes as attending the meeting and wished to have it recorded.

Councillor Monteith referred to D103/22 – Clean Neighbourhood Action Plan and enquired if there was a meeting arranged yet with WISE.

The SD: Communities and Place advised that engagement had taken place with members services who were to investigate the matter but was unsure if a date had been agreed yet.

The AD: Health, Leisure & Wellbeing advised that a monthly review meeting had taken place with WISE today and it was anticipated that a date would be possibly arranged for member in the first week of September after cross checking other committees and commitments. He advised that confirmation would be sought within the next week or 10 days and members kept updated.

Councillor Monteith said that it was disappointing that this had taken more than 3 months after being raised at committee.

Councillor Monteith referred to Private Tenancies and said that it was good to get an update but felt that it wouldn't do any harm in getting a presentation from Environment Health in relation to their current powers and responsibilities in relation to housing and total, for Members to identify what Environmental Health can legally do. He said that there was an onus on Council to get their teeth into this and was aware of consultations taking place on fitness standards and issues around high rents in the private and indeed the public sector including social housing. He said that people were living in horrific housing conditions, some even very dangerous, although not the majority of private tenancies but there is a significant issue and we need to see if our Environmental Health department have the powers to deal with these issues and if not we need to be lobbying to see where we can get the power to deal with these issues. He advised that there were massive issues around private rent and affordability which needed to be investigated.

Proposed by Councillor Monteith

Seconded by Councillor Kerr and

**Resolved** That representatives from Environmental Health be invited to a future meeting to provide an update on Housing Tenancies and their powers in relation to ongoing issues around private and social housing.

The SD: Communities and Place advised that Officers would try and get this scheduled in for when committee comes back in September. He advised that Officers were trying to arrange training for members around HMO legislation from the HMO Regional Team based in Belfast and would try and roll the two in together, given their inter-relationship and given the fact that Environmental Health function previously under the responsibility of the Environment Committee, now under the Development Committee.

Councillor Monteith commended the SD: Communities and Place with being on the ball and being well prepared included HMO as it had been an oversight on his part.

Councillor Burton referred to D093/22 – Deputation – Into the West Rail and asked if it would be possible to get a copy of the presentation forwarded to her.

The SD: Communities and Place advised that he seek copy of the presentation and forward onto the Committee.

#### **D121/22 Private Tenancies Act (Northern Ireland) 2022**

Members noted previously circulated report which informed of the introduction of the Private Tenancies Act (Northern Ireland) 2022.

#### **D122/22 Economic Development Report – OBFi**

Members noted previously circulated report which provided an update on the following:

- Tourism Summer Campaign 2022
- Tourism Development Group Minutes 12.04.2022
- Cookstown Town Centre Forum Minutes 23.03.2022
- UK Tentative List Process of World Heritage Sites

*Live broadcast ended at 8 pm.*

#### **Local Government (NI) Act 2014 – Confidential Business**

Proposed by Councillor Molloy  
Seconded by Councillor Cuddy and

**Resolved** In accordance with Section 42, Part 1 Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014 that Members of the public be asked to

withdraw from the meeting whilst members consider items D123/22 to D125/22.

**Matters for Decision**

D123/22      Age Friendly

D124/22      Economic Development Report – CBFD

**Matters for Information**

D125/22      Confidential Minutes of Development Committee held on  
16 June 2022

**D126/22      Duration of Meeting**

The meeting commenced at 7 pm and concluded at 8.15 pm.

Chair \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **Annex A – Introductory Remarks from the Chairperson**

Good evening and welcome to the Council's [Policy & Resources/Environment/Development] Committee in the Chamber, [Dungannon/Magherafelt] and virtually.

I specifically welcome the public watching us through the Live Broadcast. The Live Broadcast will run for the period of our Open Business but will end just before we move into Confidential Business. I let you know before this happens.

Just some housekeeping before we commence. Can I remind you:-

- If you have joined the meeting remotely please keep your audio on mute unless invited to speak and then turn it off when finished speaking
- Keep your video on at all times, unless you have bandwidth or internet connection issues, where you are advised to try turning your video off
- If you wish to speak please raise your hand in the meeting or on screen and keep raised until observed by an Officer or myself
- Should we need to take a vote this evening please raise your hand in the normal way and keep raised until advised to lower it
- When invited to speak please introduce yourself by name to the meeting
- For any member attending remotely, if you declare an interest in an item, please turn off your video and keep your audio on mute for the duration of the item
- If referring to a specific report please reference the report, page or slide being referred to
- Lastly, I remind the public and press that taking photographs of proceedings or using any means to enable anyone not present to see or hear proceedings, or making a simultaneous oral report of the proceedings are not permitted

Thank you and we will now move to the first item on the agenda.