

Report on	Community Development
Date of Meeting	9 th July 2020
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Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	Council Good Relations Plan – to note the update delivery of the plan
1.2	Grants – to agree the rolling good relations grants
1.3	Community Development – to note the community development update
2.0	Background
2.1	Council Good Relations Plan 2020 – 2021 was agreed in February 2020 and submitted to the NI Executive Office for funding. A total allocation of £310,000 was received to be match funded by 25%.
2.2	Community Grants – Council annually delivers two rolling community grants programmes; Good Relations and Local Community Festivals. Local Community Festivals is on hold due to Covid 19. Good Relations grants are proposed to continue where possible using innovative methods of delivery.
2.3	Community Development includes the following areas, Community Support, Good Relations, PCSP, Connecting Pomeroy and facilitation of Community Planning.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>Good Relations Plan 2020 – 2021</p> <p>As part of the funding agreement the Executive Office is seeking an update on what elements of the plan, up to potentially 30 – 35%, could continue to be delivered in alternative formats during the current situation. Staff have been working to identify how part of the agreed plan could be delivered in an alternative format with the remainder to be reviewed by September.</p> <p>An update on projects that could commence now, in line with government guidance on social distancing, through online and other formats is presented in Appendix 1.</p>
3.2	<p>Grants - Rolling Good Relations - 2 applications are recommended for awards totalling £2280 - one application did not meet the minimum score threshold and feedback engagement will take place. Please refer to Appendix 2.</p>

3.3	<p>Community Development Update</p> <p>Community Support – The Good Relations and Community Support team continues to support the DFC community delivered food parcel to the end July 2020. It is also supporting groups, who have Council funding letters of offer, regarding flexible and alternative delivery or such as environmental community activity.</p> <p>The PCSP team continues to support with over 90 befriending calls to help reduce isolation at this time.</p> <p>The Teams are reviewing their 2020 – 2021 plans with funders to commence delivery in alternative formats.</p> <p>All of the partnership meetings have commenced through Zoom to accommodate members and external partners.</p>
4.0	<p>Other Considerations</p>
4.1	<p><u>Financial & Human Resources Implications</u></p> <p>Good Relations awards £2280</p> <p><u>Professional Support</u> None</p>
4.2	<p><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u> None</p>
4.3	<p><u>Risk Management Implications</u> None</p>
5.0	<p>Recommendation(s)</p>
5.1	<p>Good Relations – to note the alternative delivery for part of the agreed Good Relations Plan as per Appendix 1.</p>
5.2	<p>To agree the grant award recommendations for Good Relations</p>
5.3	<p>Community Development – to note the update report.</p>
6.0	<p>Documents Attached & References</p>
6.1	<p>Appendix 1 Good Relations Plan Delivery</p> <p>Appendix 2 Grant Award Recommendations</p>