

Report on	Consultations Information notified to Mid Ulster District Council
Date of Meeting	14 December 2023
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Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
If 'Yes', confirm below the exempt information category relied upon	No	x

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To update members on the consultations notified to Mid Ulster District Council and to seek approval for a draft consultation response.
2.0	Background
2.1	Council is a consultee for many government departments, statutory agencies and other bodies, and as such receives consultation documentation inviting commentary on a wide range of issues that may be pertinent to council services and/or the District.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Documentation relating to the aforementioned consultations can be accessed via the links provided in the table provided in Appendix A.
3.2.	Members were notified of the consultation on the Draft Transmission Development Plan Northern Ireland and SEA 2023-2032 at November's Full Council Meeting. Appendix B contains a draft response for comment and approval.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: N/A
	Human: N/A
	Risk Management: N/A
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: To be considered as part of any Council consultation response submission.
	Rural Needs Implications: To be considered as part of any Council consultation response submission.
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Members review and note active consultation and provide comment/approval for the draft response attached.

6.0	<p>Documents Attached & References</p> <p>Appendix A: Details of Current Consultations</p> <p>Appendix B: Draft Consultation Response- Draft Transmission Development Plan Northern Ireland and SEA 2023-2032</p> <p>Appendix C: NIO NI Policing Board Appointments Letter to CE</p>
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Appendix A: Details of Current Consultations

Organisation	Consultation Title	Issue	Closing Date	Response Currently Being Developed
Department of Justice	Anti-Social Behaviour Consultation	<p>The Anti-Social Behaviour Legislation Review Delivery Group has considered the outworkings of the previous consultation and are now seeking views from stakeholders to shape the final decisions for proposals which seek to amend legislation to help address ASB and its effects within our communities. The proposals relate to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs); • Drinking in Public; • Injunctions Against Anti-Social Behaviour; and • Absolute Grounds for Possession 	4 March 2024	No
	Link to Consultation	https://consultations.nidirect.gov.uk/doj/anti-social-behaviour-consultation/		
	Delegated Authority required to be granted to a Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?	No		
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NIO	Independent Members Appointment to the NI Policing Board Consultation	The SoS for NI is seeking comments on his appointment functions in relation to the appointment of independent Board Members to the NI Policing Board Consultation. The terms of appointment of three Board members expire at the end of March 2024. Therefore the Department of Justice will shortly commence a recruitment process in order to fill these vacancies.	4 December 2023 (an extension has been sought)	A response can be developed following the provision of feedback from members.
	Link to Consultation	No relevant link available. Appendix C contains full details of the issue.		
	Delegated Authority required to be granted to a Committee if Council agrees that a response should be made (where an extension is not given)?	No- approved comments to be provided at December's Full Council meeting.		