

Report on	Mid Ulster Community Planning: Progress Update and Performance Statement 2021-2023
Date of Meeting	Thursday, 7 December 2023
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	No	X

1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To provide Members with an update on activity surrounding Mid Ulster Community Planning from October to December 2023 and to note the Mid Ulster Community Planning Performance Statement 2021-2023.
2.0	Background
2.1	As an outworking of the 2014 Local Government (NI) Act, councils have a remit to initiate, put arrangements in place and manage the progression of community planning within the district. Council has been actively engaged in the development and progression of Mid Ulster Community Planning through its Strategic Board and thematic based working groups since its formation following local government reform.
2.2	By way of background, Community Planning is a process involving the council and the community planning partners in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing and identifying long-term objectives which contribute to the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the Mid Ulster district • Identifying long-term objectives which contribute to the achievement of sustainable development in the Mid Ulster district • Identifying actions and functions to be exercised by council and the community planning partners to assist in meeting the established long-term objectives.
2.3	Activity on community planning, since its inception following local government reform, is focused on the themes of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Economic Growth & Infrastructure (ii) Education & Skills (iii) Health & Well-being (iv) Vibrant & Safe Communities
2.4	Further information is accessible from the council website by clicking through to https://www.midulstercouncil.org/your-council/community-planning

	<p>Community Planning Delivery</p> <p>2.5 Policy & Resources Committee is the parent committee for reporting to and authorisation purposes, as required.</p> <p>2.6 It is the intention of officers that Members receive timely Community Planning Action Update Reports adopting a standard approach to reporting on progress made on activities developed and delivered with the aim of bringing about the best possible outcomes for Mid Ulster's citizens.</p> <p>2.7 This reporting will be in addition to the required Community Planning Performance Statement, which is published every two years. The Performance Statement for the period 2021-2023 will be published in December 2023 and is attached for Members' information.</p>
<p>3.0</p>	<p>Main Report</p>
<p>3.1</p> <p>3.2</p> <p>3.3</p>	<p>Attached for Members' information are the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved Action Minutes from the Strategic Board meeting held on 21 June 2023, Appendix 1 • Mid Ulster Community Planning Performance Statement 2021 – 2023, Appendix 2. <p>The most recent Strategic Board meeting was held on 20 September 2023 at which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Health officials made a presentation on the Integrated Care System and Southern Test Area Integrated Partnership Board (AIPB) • Representatives from SEUPB and Mid Ulster District Council/Insight Solutions made a presentation on the Peace Plus Programme and Mid Ulster Local Peace Plus Community Action Plan • Agreement was made to rotate the role of Community Planning Co-Chair amongst each of the partners on a meeting by meeting basis • Representatives were nominated to attend a DfC Community Planning Workshop on the Review of the People and Place Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy on 25 October 2023 • The Draft Mid Ulster Community Planning Performance Statement 2021-2023 was presented for consideration and approval • Departmental and Strategic Board Partners provided updates on planned investments and funding streams. <p>The next Strategic Board meeting will be held late February 2024.</p> <p>Part 10 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 requires that every two years, a Performance Statement is published describing progress made and outcomes achieved in meeting the Community Plan objectives for the Mid Ulster District and the actions that have been taken and functions exercised for the purpose of meeting those objectives.</p> <p>The first Mid Ulster Community Planning Performance Statement detailed progress made from 2017 to 2019, the second from 2019 to 2021 and the third Performance Statement for the period 2021 to 2023 is attached for Members' information.</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>Other Considerations</p>
<p>4.1</p>	<p>Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications</p> <p>Financial: Not applicable</p> <p>Human: Not applicable</p>

	Risk Management: Not applicable
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None identified at this time.
	Rural Needs Implications: None identified at this time.
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	That members consider, review and comment as necessary on activity surrounding the Community Planning function and note the Mid Ulster Community Planning Performance Statement 2021-2023.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix 1: Action Minutes of Mid Ulster Community Planning Strategic Board meeting held on 21 June 2023 • Appendix 2: Mid Ulster Community Planning Performance Statement 2021 – 2023.