

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN MOSSLEY MILL ON MONDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 6.30 PM

In the Chair : Councillor M Cooper

Committee : Aldermen – J McGrath and P Michael

Members Councillors – P Dunlop, G Finlay, M Goodman,

N McClelland, V McWilliam, M Magill, N Ramsay, V Robinson, S Ross, L Smyth, M Stewart and R Wilson

Non Committee : Alderman L Clarke

Members Councillors – J Archibald-Brown, A Bennington,

R Lynch and B Webb

Officers Present: Director of Community Planning - N Harkness

Head of Arts & Culture – U Fay

Head of Capital Development – R Hillen Community Planning Manager – R McKenna

Systems Support Officer ICT – C Bell Member Services Officer – J Moreland Member Services Officer – S Boyd

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

The Chairperson welcomed Members to the February meeting of the Community Planning Committee, and reminded all present of the audio recording protocol.

The Chairperson and some Members congratulated Bronagh Doonan, former Head of Property and Building Services, on her new position and expressed their appreciation of her service to the Council.

In order to protect public health during the current COVID-19 emergency it was not possible to allow the public or the press to physically attend the meeting. The public and the press could access those parts of the meeting which they are entitled to attend via live stream (a link to which is on the Council website). The meeting minutes and audio recording would be published on the Council's website.

1 APOLOGIES

None

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Item 4.1 – Alderman J McGrath and Councillors M Cooper, P Dunlop, N McClelland and L Smyth

3 ITEMS FOR DECISION

3.1 CP/CD/347 SCHOOL UNIFORM RECYCLE SCHEME

Members were reminded of the successful school uniform recycle pilot scheme which was delivered in 2020 despite the difficulties presented by the COVID-19 crisis. Officers were able to identify three existing community based schemes and support four new community based schemes to participate in the project ensuring that there was an accessible scheme in each DEA. The following schemes committed to the pilot:

- First Antrim Presbyterian Church*
- Crumlin Community Hub*
- Carnmoney Presbyterian Church*
- Dunanney Centre, Rathcoole
- Monkstown Village Centre
- TIDAL, Toome House
- St John's Church of Ireland, Ballyclare

(*scheme already operational but participated in the Borough-wide pilot)

Evaluation of 2020 Pilot

Further evaluation of the schemes had allowed the following successes to be noted:

- 2200 + Items of good quality school uniform items were donated to the schemes.
- Donations covered 65 schools from across the Borough. These included Nursery, Primary, Second-level and SEN Schools, with the largest element of donations being for the Primary School sector.
- 230+ Families/children were provided with uniform items through the schemes.
- All 7 schemes continued to make uniform items available beyond the initial timeframe identified.

The method of supporting existing community-based organisations and facilities to run the schemes proved very successful because of their knowledge of the local community and ability to provide discreet venues for collections to take place.

There are also a variety of existing school based schemes operating across the Borough which tend to be specific to the school in which they are located. Some families welcome this type of scheme and find it easy to access, as they are in the school regularly. However, the community-based schemes provide a successful complimentary service, particularly for those

who do not wish to avail of a school-based scheme. The community-based schemes adopted a collection method that suited their staff/volunteers, location and clients. All 7 schemes have indicated they will participate again in 2021 and are keen to be involved with a Borough-wide promotion.

The following gaps were identified across the Borough during the 2020 pilot. It would be hoped that officers can support community-based Organisations in these areas to develop suitable schemes for 2021:

- Randalstown: An organisation in the area had expressed interest in 2020, however they were unable to deliver a pilot scheme due to time constraints and COVID-19. Officers will liaise with the group to establish interest and provide support if required.
- Glengormley/Mayfield: Whilst this area is covered by the Carnmoney Presbyterian Church Scheme, there were less donations being received from schools in the Glengormley/Mayfield area than in other parts of the Carnmoney/Mossley area. The Community Relations Forum (based in the Baron Hall) and Mayfield Village Community Association have expressed interest in acting as drop-off locations, however in order to counteract potential storage problems for both Groups it is hoped to develop a link between them and the Carnmoney Presbyterian Scheme that will provide benefits to the wider community.
- Lower Macedon (Whiteabbey/Whitehouse/Bawnmore): Officers will work
 with Councillors in the area to identify a suitable group and support them
 in their efforts to establish a scheme.

Planning for 2021

With regards to planning for 2021, it was proposed that the scheme follows a similar delivery plan to 2020 with the following amendments being made to further enhance and broaden the scope of the scheme:

- Officers work to fill the gaps identified above and provide support for new schemes in these areas.
- Centralised advertising and promotion to run from May 2021 and throughout the summer period.
- Stronger links to be developed with schools in the Borough. It would be hoped that schools will promote the community-based schemes in their area and also that Council could provide an information page on its website featuring those schools who run their own uniform exchange schemes and who would like these to be promoted.
- Highlight a two-week window as a focussed drop-off period (Monday 28
 June to Friday 9 July). However, it will also be important to emphasise that
 each scheme should be contacted directly regarding drop-offs outside
 these times, as many schemes will receive items at other times.
- Arrangements for collection of items to be made by contacting your local scheme directly. The 2020 pilot highlighted that a standard approach for this was less successful and that schemes should run as best suits the group/area.

 A small funding resource from within the Tackling Deprivation budget is made available to the Groups running schemes, should they require some assistance. Many of the schemes would benefit from clothes rails and appropriate storage containers. Up to 10 awards of £200 each, using a total of £2000 from the Tackling Deprivation budget, should be sufficient to support this.

Members commended the Tackling Deprivation Co-ordinator, Community Planning team and groups that had taken on expanding the scheme, for its success.

Proposed by Alderman McGrath Seconded by Councillor McClelland and agreed that

Officers continue to plan for a 2021 School Uniform Recycling Scheme as outlined above.

ACTION BY: Lara Townsend, Tackling Deprivation Co-ordinator

3.2 CP/CD/384 SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS CONSULTATION

Members were advised that correspondence had been received from the Department of Education to advise of two formal public consultations, one on the new special educational needs (SEN) Regulations and one on the new SEN Code of Practice.

The consultation and associated documents (including an equality screening) can be viewed on the Department's website at: https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/consultations

Members were advised that following a number of requests to further extend the Department's SEN consultations, the Minister of Education has extended the SEN consultations to Tuesday 2 March 2021.

Members may wish to respond on a corporate, individual or party political basis.

Proposed by Councillor McClelland Seconded by Councillor Smyth and agreed that

Members respond on an individual or party political basis.

ACTION BY: Ronan McKenna, Community Planning Manager

3.3 CP/GR/125 GOOD RELATIONS VIRTUAL EVENTS – IRISH LANGUAGE & RURAL AREAS

Members were advised that following an invitation from The Executive Office, the Council had secured an additional £10,000 under Shared Future Funding for the delivery of a virtual programme targeted at rural areas within the Borough, to be delivered by 31 March 2021.

Needs have been identified in the rural areas, through the current Good Relations Audit and Strategy, around barriers to participation and a need to bring people together. The digital programme will help to make the event more accessible to rural participants and ensure delivery under the COVID restrictions.

The virtual programme will be delivered through two online showcase events;

- Irish Language Week Mayor's Event
- Rural Community COVID-19 Response Showcase

Guide costs for this are approximately £5,000 per virtual event, at a total of £10,000.

Irish Language Celebration Week

Seachtain na Gaeilge is a non-profit organisation in Ireland which promotes the Irish language during a two-week festival held at the beginning of March (1-17 March) every year to celebrate the Irish language and showcase how the Irish language is commonly used.

As in previous years The Mayor of Antrim and Newtownabbey will host an event showcasing the Irish culture and language using existing groups and schools within the borough which have been very successful. As with many events during the current pandemic and government restrictions this celebration will move to a virtual stage show through Council's social media and internet platforms.

The proposed programme for this event will take on the theme of "Irish speaking community supporting our local area during the COVID-19 Pandemic", circulated for Members' consideration.

Rural Community COVID-19 Response Showcase

Content of the Rural Community COVID-19 Response Showcase is currently being finalised. It was proposed that the Showcase will include video interviews with community groups, beneficiaries and key community volunteers who have supported those in need during the COVID-19 pandemic to highlight community cohesion and partnerships. Content will be shared through ANBC's social media and website.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Councillor Goodman and agreed that

the Good Relations virtual events be approved.

ACTION BY: Mark Kent, Good Relations Officer

3.4 CP/CD/289 DFC FOOD PALLET SCHEME - LISTENING EAR REQUEST FOR TRAINING ROOM AT DUNANNEY CENTRE

The Department of Communities (DfC) had developed a bulk pallet of food and essential everyday items scheme (details circulated) to help mitigate any reduction in food supply as a result of Brexit.

DfC intended that the items would be made available at nil cost to community voluntary partners who had an assessment of need system and the capacity to distribute them to those in genuine food need. Officers had participated in a number of online workshops with DfC and Community and Voluntary groups to raise awareness and support the development of the scheme across the Borough.

The arrangements were made directly between DfC and participating Community and Voluntary groups. Within the Borough of Antrim and Newtownabbey there were 9 participating groups as listed below:

- 1. Monkstown Community Association
- 2. Women's Aid
- 3. Listening Ear
- 4. A Safe Space To Be Me
- 5. Community Relations Forum
- 6. Oasis Antrim
- 7. The Jam Store Randalstown
- 8. Whiteabbey Community Group
- 9. TIDAL-Toome

Listening Ear is a tenant at the Dunanney Centre in Rathcoole and is registered to participate in the scheme. A request had been received to use the Training Room at the Dunanney Centre for the storage of food items. The food pallet scheme begun with the first orders expected to arrive with Listening Ear at the end of January.

With the current NI Executive lockdown restrictions in place until 5 March 2021, the Training Room at Dunanney is vacant and available. The scheme runs to the end of March 2021 but may be extended. If the NI Executive restrictions were to ease and bookings able to resume, the group indicated that it would vacate the room in consultation with Officers to accommodate the normal bookings to take place safely.

Proposed by Councillor Goodman Seconded by Councillor Robinson and agreed that

Listening Ear be granted complimentary use of the Training Room at Dunanney Centre to facilitate the food pallet scheme.

ACTION BY: Paul Townsend, Community Facilities Coordinator

3.5 CP/CD/386 INTEGRATED EDUCATION FUND – POSITION PAPER ON INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF EDUCATION

Members were advised that the circulated correspondence had been received from The Integrated Education Fund regarding their Position Paper on An Independent Review of Education and the IEF & Ulster University Future Schools Pathways project.

The Integrated Education Fund had asked if it could make a short presentation to the Community Planning Committee, highlighting the work in support of their Position Paper on Independent Review of Education and on the project with Ulster University on Future Schools Pathways project.

Proposed by Councillor Goodman Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and agreed that

the Integrated Education Fund be invited to deliver a presentation to the Committee.

ACTION BY: Member Services

3.6 PBS/PS/006 TOWN CENTRE ILLUMINATIONS

As reported to the Community Planning Committee on 10 January 2021 there was a planned project to illuminate key assets and built attractions across the Borough's five main Town Centres with funding anticipated from the Department for Communities. The project is currently on DFC's indicative 5 year funding plan at an estimated cost of approx £500,000. Subject to funding and programme, the capital delivery of the scheme was forecast to commence in the first quarter of 2022 in order to allow time for consultation with and approval from the Historical Environment Division (HED) and the necessary procurement procedures. Some of the features proposed for illumination include the Randalstown Viaduct, Crumlin Clock Tower, Ballyclare Town Hall and surrounding trees, the Antrim under-pass and Court House and Lilian Bland Park in Glengormley.

It was agreed at last month's Community Planning Committee to retain a portion of the festive lighting as part of the Council's post-COVID economic recovery. Officers had subsequently identified the potential to provide a small number of additional lighting features in Towns with limited or no residual lighting features. The purpose is to make the Town Centres more attractive, increase footfall and so aid recovery when restrictions ease.

The proposals for features to be retained/added to were as follows:

Antrim Town

Retain - Drape Lights at Barbican Gates and 27 No LED Pole Mounted Wraps Additional cost $\pounds 0$

Ballyclare

Retain - Drapes on the Town Hall, lights to the trees in the upper car park at the Town Hall and 5 No LED pole wraps Additional cost $\pounds 0$

Crumlin

Nothing retained Add – 14 No Pole Mounted Wraps Additional Cost £4,200

Glengormley

Retain – 10 No LED Wraps in Lilian Bland Parking size bed Add – 20 LED Wraps in the town centre Additional Cost £6,000

Randalstown

Retain - Festoon lighting and tree lights at "The Look Out" Additional Cost £0

Total cost of £10,200

The lighting plan for each town, based on the above proposal, was circulated. Funding for this would be sought from DfC from the Town Centre Revitalisation funding being delivered by Economic Development.

Following a query from Members, the Director of Community Planning provided clarity on costs related to the removal of lighting.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Councillor Goodman and agreed that

the provision of additional lighting features, at a cost of £10,200, to supplement the lighting that can be retained, be progressed and included in a funding claim to DfC.

ACTION BY: Graham Reid, Senior Assets Officer

3.7 PBS/BC/003 VOL 2 STREET NAMING – DOAGH ROAD - BALLYCLARE

A development naming application was received from Samantha Shannon on behalf of Lotus Homes UK Ltd regarding the naming of a residential development at Doagh Road, Ballyclare. The development consisted of 131 dwellings these being a mix of detached, semi – detached and townhouses. The development names and developer's rationale had been submitted as outlined below, with the developer's application, location map and site plan circulated.

- 1 Rushwood Would like to keep the connection to Sixmilewater river. Research has shown that Ollar, the name of the neighbouring development, was the original name of the river. Ollar is also an ancient name for rushes that grow in the river. We feel this connection is a satisfactory rationale for the name proposed. We are not aware of any other development in the area with this name.
- 2 Rushfield Same rationale as above
- 3 Rushforde Same rationale as above.

Members were advised that there would be further phases to this development and were asked that the chosen name be used for the overall development with suffixes added as appropriate.

Should the Council not wish to select one of the above names; the matter would be referred back to the developer via the Building Control section for further consideration.

Proposed by Councillor Magill Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and agreed that

the name Rushfield be selected and officers be given discretion to add suffixes to the overall development name for ease of postal numbering.

ACTION BY: Liam McFadden, Principal Building Control Surveyor

3.8 PBS/BC/003 VOL 2 STREET NAMING - RASHEE ROAD - BALLYCLARE

A development naming application was received from Patrick Morwood on behalf of Orrson Homes regarding the naming of a residential development at Rashee Road, Ballyclare. The development consisted of 12 dwellings these being a mix of detached and semi – detached. The development names and developer's rationale had been submitted as outlined below, with the developer's application, location map and site plan circulated.

- 1 Marlborough Square The Duke of Marlborough was a driving force behind the building of a narrow gauge railway line to transport pulp from Larne directly to the paper mill at Rashee Road. This line and siding was invaluable in the town's prosperous paper town era in the late 1800s.
- 2 Merchants Square The owners of the Ballyclare paper mills formed a union with a Blackburn businessman and called it the North of Ireland papermill company. These men were collectively known in 1880 as 'The Merchants'
- 3 Archers Park A well-known local company 'Archers and Son' bought the papermill on Rashee Road in 1847 and established it as a thriving business. They were responsible for much of the town's commercial success in the 1850s.

Should the Council not wish to select one of the above names; the matter would be referred back to the developer via the Building Control section for further consideration.

Proposed by Councillor Stewart Seconded by Councillor Goodman and agreed that

following consultation with Ballyclare DEA Members, this item be referred back to the developer for reconsideration.

ACTION BY: Liam McFadden, Principal Building Control Surveyor

3.9 AC/EV/66 CENTENARY OF NORTHERN IRELAND

Members were reminded that the NI Centenary Working Group continued to meet regularly, with the minutes of the meeting of 25 November 2020 approved at the January 2021 meeting of the Community Planning Committee.

A further meeting of the Working Group was held on Wednesday 16 December 2020 via Zoom. The minutes of this meeting were approved virtually by the Group and will be formally adopted at its next meeting on 4 February. Minutes are circulated for Members' information.

Following a query from Members, the Director of Community Planning advised that the Section 75 screening of the Centenary Programme would be brought to the Working Group and to the next Committee meeting.

Proposed by Councillor Dunlop Seconded by Councillor Ramsay and agreed that

the minutes of the meeting of the NI Centenary Working Group on 16 December 2020 be approved.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Head of Arts and Culture

3.10 CP/CD/387 EVENT OF APPRECIATION WORKING GROUP

Members were reminded of the June 2020 decision that "this Council congratulates all those frontline workers who had worked tirelessly throughout this COVID-19 pandemic on all our behalf's, often at great risk to themselves, and the Council was called upon to organise an "Event of Appreciation" to be held at some suitable future date so that we can show our gratitude and publicly thank them for all they have done"

Members were reminded that the Council agreed to make preparations for the event by forming a working group of Councillors to take this forward.

A draft Terms of Reference for the working group was circulated for Members' consideration.

The following elected Members were nominated to the working group by their respective parties with one representative from each political party. These Members are nominated to serve for the term of the working group.

- Councillor Paul Dunlop DUP
- Councillor Glenn Finlay Alliance
- Councillor Leah Smyth UUP
- Councillor Noreen McClelland SDLP
- Councillor Michael Goodman SF

The first full meeting of the working group to be scheduled in March 2021. The Head of Arts and Culture along with other members of the Culture and

Heritage and Community Planning team would attend in support of the Members.

Proposed by Councillor Finlay Seconded by Councillor Magill and agreed that

the terms of reference for the Event of Appreciation Working Group be approved and the Elected Members nominated be approved.

ACTION BY: Ronan McKenna, Community Planning Manager

3.11 CP/GEN/032 ADVICE NI: INDEPENDENT ADVICE SECTOR FUNDING

Members were advised that the circulated correspondence had been received from Advice NI about a proposed reduction in funding to the independent advice sector informed by the Department for Communities Equality Impact Assessment draft DfC Budget 2021-22.

Advice NI had requested to meet with Council to discuss these concerns and that the Council supports the independent advice sector with a response to the consultation in the strongest possible terms.

Proposed by Councillor Ross Seconded by Councillor Wilson and agreed that

- (i) an invitation be extended to Advice NI to deliver a presentation to the Committee:
- (ii) a letter be sent to the Ministers for Finance and Communities requesting that full funding be restored; and
- (iii) a response to the consultation in support of the independent advice sector be sent.

ACTION BY: Ronan McKenna, Community Planning Manager/Member Services

4 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

4.1 CP/CD/354 COVID 19 COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND

Members were reminded that at the October Community Planning Committee authority was granted to the Director of Community Planning to approve successful applications received under all strands of the COVID-19 Community Support Fund. A list of delegated award decisions was circulated for Members' attention.

At the December meeting of Council, Members also agreed that "Officers be given delegated authority to deliver similar methods of grant distribution should additional funding become available for urgent spend".

Through the Warm, Well Connected Fund, a further £29,034.94 was distributed through Direct Awards to Citizens Advice Antrim and Newtownabbey, two

Good Morning Projects, A Safe Space to be Me, two Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships and a small Grants Programme which opened for applications on Friday 22 January 2021. The detail of this delivery plan was circulated for Members' information.

Members were advised that a further Letter of Variance had been received from the Department for Communities (DfC) for an additional amount of £149,707.86 under the Community Support Programme (CSP) for the delivery of the COVID-19 Community Support Fund - Tranche 3, targeting need, alleviating poverty and providing a response to the Coronavirus Pandemic in local communities.

Given the emergency nature of this fund and the fact that it had to be spent by 31 March 2021, Officers had consulted with a range of community and voluntary groups and community planning statutory partners and based on these consultations and the guiding principles of the Fund, Officers had developed the circulated delivery plan for Tranche 3 which was launched on Monday 1 February 2021.

Equality Screening and Rural Proofing was undertaken under Tranche 2 of the Fund and an Equality Impact Assessment was not required.

Proposed by Councillor Ross Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

4.2 CP/CD/385 DORMANT ACCOUNTS FUND NI

Members were advised that correspondence had been received from the National Lottery Community Fund advising that the Dormant Accounts Fund NI was now open for applications. This programme supports the Voluntary, Community & Social Enterprise sector in Northern Ireland to be more resilient and prepare for the future by funding activity that increases long term capacity and sustainability.

The Fund was being delivered by The National Lottery Community Fund and £20 million is currently available with additional budget to be released each year.

As part of the first phase, organisations can now apply for grants of £100,000 to support activity that improves long-term capacity, sustainability or resilience to best deliver their mission. There is no closing date, so organisations were being encouraged to take their time and carefully consider what activity they need to do in the long term to build their capacity, resilience and sustainability.

This first phase will also support larger Northern Ireland-wide or sector-specific proposals that will enable collaboration and develop new and creative

approaches to sustainability. These could focus on specific themes such as volunteering, digital capacity or diversity and inclusion.

For full details and how to apply visit The National Lottery Community Fund website. Officers had brought this opportunity to the attention of all the Community & Voluntary groups on our database.

The Chairperson advised Members that the application process was simple and encouraged them to advise community organisations accordingly.

Proposed by Councillor Robinson Seconded by Councillor Magill and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

4.3 CP/CD/350 NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL: ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE FUNDING

Members were advised that additional funding had been provided to both Rathcoole and Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships to facilitate Arts, Culture and Heritage Programmes within the respective Neighbourhood Renewal areas by the end of March 2021.

Rathcoole had been granted £13,493.70 and Grange had been awarded £2,381.24

No formal Letters of Offer were being issued for this funding, however DfC has advised that Projects should continue in line with the applications made. A copy of the applications was circulated for reference.

The Neighbourhood Renewal Officers in both areas would continue to work with the Community to ensure that projects are delivered successfully. The delivery of the funded projects would be modified to reflect the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions.

Proposed by Councillor Ross Seconded by Councillor Finlay and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

4.4 PBS/BC/002 Vol 2 BUILDING CONTROL MATTERS FOR THE PERIOD NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2020

BUILDING REGULATIONS

The following submissions under Regulation 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14 of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended) were received.

Applications Received

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Full Plans	41	57
Building Notices	157	117
Regularisation Certificates	188	73

Full Plans

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Approvals	29	39
Rejected applications requiring	36	57
resubmissions		

Commencements, Completions & Inspections

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Commencements	254	182
Completions	219	197

Inspections

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Total Site Inspections were	896	808
carried out		

Regularisation Certificate

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Regularisation Certificates issued	44	50
Building Notice		

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Completion Certificates issued	91	83

Property Certificates

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Number Received	297	213
Number Issued	180	335

<u>Income</u>

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Plan Fees Received for Month	£7263.25	£21334.00
Inspection Fees Invoiced for Month	£33664.28	£14330.76
Building Notice Fees Received for Month	£11758.00	£6820.00
Regularisation Fees Received for Month	£21672.80	£6057.59
Property Certificate Fees Received for Month	£20580.00	£15050.00
TOTAL	£94938.33	£63592.35

	Projected Income To Date	Year to Date Actual Income
NOVEMBER	£565,150	£473,633
DECEMBER	£602,024	£547, 636

Postal Numbering & Development Naming

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Numbers of official postal numbers issued	116	32
Number of new developments named	None required	3

LPS Partnership

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Property details surveys	38	40
completed		

Proposed by Councillor Ross Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

4.5 CD/PM/117 QUARTERLY UPDATE - CAPITAL PROGRAMME

A Capital Projects Status Report for January 2021 was circulated for Members' information.

Proposed by Councillor Goodman Seconded by Councillor Magill and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

4.6 ED/REG/013 ULSTER BAR CORNER ANTRIM – DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES RESPONSE

Members recalled that at the Community Planning meeting of 11 January 2021 The Mayor and some Members sought clarity on the position of the currently derelict Ulster Bar Corner in Antrim and, as agreed, the Mayor had written to Minister Hargey, Department for Communities (DfC).

Gerard Murray, Director of Regional Development, DfC had now replied and a copy of the response was circulated for Members' information.

Proposed by Councillor Dunlop	
Seconded by Councillor Smyth and agreed that	

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NO ACTION

There being no further committee business the Chairperson thanked everyone for their attendance and for adhering to the social distancing restrictions.

The meeting concluded at 7.07 pm.

MAYOR	