

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN MOSSLEY MILL ON MONDAY 9 DECEMBER 2019 AT 6.30 PM

In the Chair : Councillor V McWilliam

Committee : Aldermen – L Clarke and M Girvan,

Councillors - P Dunlop, G Finlay, R Kinnear, T McGrann, D McCullough, S Ross, L Smyth,

M Stewart and R Wilson

Non Committee

Members

Councillors - M Magill, N McClelland and B Webb

In attendance : Social Enterprise NI – David Arthurs and Amanda

Johnston

Officers Present : Director of Community Planning - Nick Harkness

Head of Property & Building Services – B Doonan

Head of Arts & Culture – U Fay

Head of Community Planning – L Moore Head of Capital Development – R Hillen

Head of Finance – J Balmer ICT Change Officer – A Cole ICT Helpdesk Officer – J Wilson

Media and Marketing Officer – A Erwin

Mayor and Member Services Officer - S Fisher

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

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

1 APOLOGIES

Aldermen – D Kinghan and J McGrath

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. PRESENTATION

3.1 PRESENTATION BY SOCIAL ENTERPRISE NORTHERN IRELAND

Members were reminded that at the September Council meeting it was agreed to accept a request to present from Social Enterprise Northern Ireland.

David Arthurs, Business Development Executive and Amanda Johnston, Operations and Membership Manager from Social Enterprise NI made the presentation following which the Chair thanked them for the presentation and they left the Chamber.

3.2 FI/FIN/011 DRAFT RATES ESTIMATES UPDATE 2020/21

An update on the 2020/21 Estimates for the Community Planning Department was presented at the meeting.

4. ITEMS FOR DECISION

4.1 PBS/BC/003 STREET NAMING – TRENCH LANE NEWTOWNABBEY

An application had been received on 7 November 2019 from Justin McClay on behalf of Trench Lane Developments regarding the naming of a residential development at Trench Lane, Newtownabbey. The development consisted of 43 units, these being a mixture of detached, semi-detached and apartments. The development names along with the developer's rationale had been submitted as outlined below, with the developer's application, location map and site plan circulated.

- 1 Hydepark Mews: We have chosen Hydepark Mews as it leads off Hydepark Manor and, as the development is off a laneway, this works in conjunction with Council guidance notes.
- 2 Hydepark Gardens Hydepark Gardens would be appropriate as it leads off Hydepark Manor
- 3 Hydepark Avenue Hydepark Avenue would be appropriate as it leads off Hydepark Manor

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 Wilson Seconded by Alderman Girvan and agreed that

the name Hydepark Mews be selected for this development.

ACTION BY: Liam McFadden, Principal Building Control Surveyor

4.2 PBS/BC/003 AMENDED STREET NAMING – CARNMONEY ROAD, NEWTOWNABBEY

A development naming application from Clanmil Housing Group, regarding the naming of a residential development at Carnmoney Road, Newtownabbey, was referred back to the developer from the Council Meeting on the 29 July 2019. The development consisted of 48 units, these being a mixture of detached, semi-detached and apartments.

Subsequently correspondence was received on 13th November with alternative proposals for the naming of this development.

The development names along with the developer's rationale had been submitted as outlined below, with the developer's application, location map and site plan circulated.

- 1 Glenrua Close Glen for Glengormley and Rua for the red brick (Rua is Irish for red)
- 2 Carncoole Close Carn for Carnmoney and Coole based on history of local area and townlands
- 3 Mayfly Mews Chosen by a pupil from Carnmoney Primary School. Development close to Lilian Bland Park. Lilian Bland's aeroplane was called the Mayfly.

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 Wilson Seconded by Councillor Kinnear that

the name Glenrua Close be selected for this development

AMENDMENT

Proposed by Councillor Ross Seconded by Councillor McCullough that

the name Mayfly Mews be selected for this development

On the amendment being put to the meeting, 7 Members voted in favour, 4 against, 1 abstention and it was agreed as the substantive proposal.

On the substantive proposal being put to the meeting, 7 Members voted in favour, 4 against and 1 abstention and it was agreed that

the name Mayfly Mews be selected for this development.

ACTION BY: Liam McFadden, Principal Building

4.3 PBS/BC/003 STREET NAMING – MAYFIELD LINK, MALLUSK

Further to a Building Regulation application received on 18 November 2019 for the construction of a retail unit in Mallusk, it had become apparent that the road off which this unit is to be constructed has never been officially named. The road was known locally as Mayfield Link and this appeared as such on Ordnance Survey maps. Pointer, the body responsible for Northern Ireland's mapping system confirmed that although the road name appears on their system it does not have an official Unique Street Reference Number (USRN).

A location map of the road was circulated.

Proposed by Councillor Finlay Seconded by Alderman Girvan and agreed that

Committee approves Mayfield Link as the name of this road which will allow it to be assigned a unique street reference number.

ACTION BY: William Richmond, Principal Building Control Surveyor

4.4 AC/HE/017 NORTHERN IRELAND LINEN BIENNALE 2020

Members were advised that the inaugural Northern Ireland Linen Biennale was held in 2018 led by the R-Space gallery in Lisburn. Council's participation in this Northern Ireland wide initiative was approved by the Operations Committee in April 2017 and the new Spinning Yarns event was delivered in September 2018 as part of this first Linen Biennale.

Correspondence had been received from the R-Space Gallery inviting expressions of interest from individuals and organisations who would like to be involved, participate in or contribute to the 2020 Linen Biennale programme. R-Space Gallery has provided a detailed evaluation of the 2018 programme a copy of which was circulated for Members' information. The 3 themes of Recall, Rethink, Reform will once again form the basis of enquiry and delivery of the 2020 programme.

The Northern Ireland's Linen Biennale 2018 celebrated the past, present and future landscape of linen through an extended arts festival with Lisburn at its hub and was Northern Ireland wide enhanced by collaboration between all the Councils. The project aimed to stimulate new thinking about linen through a festival of arts, craft and design, exhibition, installations and performances over 3 months from September to November 2020.

A renowned local artist Elin Johnston MA, has produced a linen exhibition for the Biennale called "Resonant Flow". Full details of the artists' proposal were circulated for Members' information." Resonant Flow refers to the Rivers Lagan, Bann, Mourne, Bessbrook, and Braid, being the principal conduits of the fundamental natural resource that sustained the Linen Industry. The creative aim is to offer salutation to that emblematic fluid power, interpreting, honouring, and making visible the interwoven resonances of Northern

Ireland's renowned industrial and social linen heritage. The artist has agreed to hold this exhibition in Museum at The Mill throughout October 2020.

It was proposed to participate in the 2020 Linen Biennale by hosting the Resonant Flow linen exhibition by Elin Johnston in October 2020 in Museum at The Mil at no cost to the Council

Members were reminded that the Council has formed a Working Group tasked with delivering a NI Centenary Programme in 2021. At its first meeting working group Members suggested that it may be appropriate to begin delivery of some centenary activity in the autumn of 2020, which coincides with the second Linen Biennale.

Participation in this Festival also provided the opportunity to brand the linen related activities as part of the Council's NI Centenary programme of activity which is in early stages of development through the established Working Group.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Councillor Ross and agreed that

the participation of the Council in the Northern Ireland Linen Biennale in 2020 as outlined be approved with any further developments on the project to be reported to the Committee.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Head of Arts and Culture

4.5 AC/GEN/037 ARTS AND CULTURE GRANT AID PROGRAMME

Members were reminded that a revised Arts and Culture Grant Aid Programme was approved by the Operations Committee in March 2017. The purpose of the grant programme was to provide financial assistance to individuals and groups in the Borough for a range of arts and heritage purposes.

To be successful, applicants must score a minimum of 50% in their application and all proposed awards are subject to the receipt of all relevant supporting documentation or the offer of funding will be withdrawn.

The grants are delivered on a rolling funding programme linked to the financial year or until the funding for the year is exhausted. One application has been assessed by officers under the appropriate funding category and maximum award available. A summary of the application is set out below along with the proposed award:

Ref	Group Individual	Funding Category	Funding Purpose	Score	Amount Awarded
5184	Mrs Stephanie Conn	The production of art work	To enable the applicant to attend a residential writing retreat facilitating the completion and editing of a third poetry collection. Start: 01/04/2020 End: 30/08/2020	75%	£500

The applicant is a multi-award winning, published poet. Her first full collection, 'The Woman on the Other Side' Doire Press (2016) made the shortlist of 3 in the Shine/Strong Award for best first collection of poetry in Ireland. Pamphlet 'Copeland's Daughter' Smith/Doorstep (2016) won the Poetry Business Pamphlet Award 2015/6. Her most recent collection, 'Island,' was published by Doire Press in May 2018.

The applicant's work had been shortlisted and highly commended in range of competitions including Patrick Kavanagh Award, Gregory O'Donoghue award, Mslexia, Bridport, Dromineer and Tools for Solidarity Poetry Competitions.

Mrs Conn had also been the winner of a number of prizes including:-

- The inaugural Seamus Heaney Award for New Writing,
- Translink Haiku Prize,
- Yeovil Poetry Prize and Funeral Services
- NI National Poetry Prize
- MA in Creative Writing from Seamus Heaney Centre,
- QUB and currently completing a PhD in Creative Writing at Ulster University.

The remaining budget available for arts grants in 2019/2020 was £9,700. The total amount proposed for this award was £500 leaving a balance of £9,200 to fund any future applications in the current financial year.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Councillor Dunlop and agreed that

the Arts and Culture Grant Award be approved.

ACTION BY: Naomi Litvack, Arts Development Officer/Bernard Clarkson, Arts Services Manager

4.6 AC/EV/66 CENTENARY OF NORTHERN IRELAND

Members were reminded that in January 2019 Council agreed to make preparations to mark the Centenary of Northern Ireland in 2021 by forming a Working Group made up of Councillors and other local key stakeholders.

The Community Planning Committee approved draft Terms of Reference for the Working Group, which included membership to be made up of 8 elected members and 6 openly recruited independent voluntary members representative of the community and stakeholders.

This exercise was carried out in November and the advertisement and application form were circulated for Members' information. This opportunity was promoted widely on Council social media platform and web site and also shared by Working Group elected Members.

At the closing date of 20 November one expression of interest had been received from Mr Brian Kerr of Cloughfern District Loyal Orange Lodge. Having assessed his application it is proposed to invite Mr Kerr to become an independent member of the NI Centenary Working Group and to attend the next meeting of the Group. Given that there is provision of up to 6 places for independent members on this group it was also proposed to open the Expression of Interest process again without a closing date and suggested that elected Members direct any interested parties to the Council's website where an application can be made. If the 6 places were filled the opportunity to apply would be closed.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Councillor Ross and agreed that

the appointment of Mr Brian Kerr as an independent member of the NI Centenary Working Group be approved with the recruitment process reopened on a rolling basis for further interested parties up to a maximum of 6.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Head of Arts and Culture

4.7 AC/GEN/045 ANTRIM LIVE FESTIVAL 2020

Members were advised that The Antrim Live Festival, a 3 day arts and cultural festival in Antrim Town, was delivered in Spring 2017 and 2018 through the DEA Funding Programme having been identified by Antrim DEA Members as a potential project which could bring life to the town and achieve positive economic impacts.

In April 2018 it was agreed by the Operations Committee that the Festival become a mainstream part of the Arts and Culture annual programme and was delivered in April 2019 using funding previously allocated to Garden Show Ireland, which was not taking place in 2019.

Antrim Live 2019 took place from 5 to 7 April and the programme included:

- Artisan Craft Market
- Funfair
- Wonderland Wood Treasure Trail
- Baby Bops
- Comedy Night
- Living History at Pogues Entry
- Street Theatre
- Live Music
- Dino Loc Down

Members were reminded that it was agreed by the Council in November to take on the delivery of Garden Show Ireland in Antrim Castle Gardens over the first weekend in May 2020. Members were also reminded that it was approved at the Committee in June that the Council develop a VE Day 75 programme for delivery in May 2020 and as part of this deliver two street party events in Mossley Mill Civic Square on Saturday 9 May and Antrim Castle Gardens on Sunday 10 May.

Given the resources required to deliver both Garden Show Ireland as a Council event over the first weekend in May followed by VE Day 75 events over the next weekend it was proposed to incorporate Antrim Live Festival in 2020 within Garden Show Ireland so that the town centre has an enhanced offer to compliment Garden Show Ireland and achieve increased footfall from the event to the town centre.

Proposed by Councillor Dunlop Seconded by Councillor Wilson and agreed that

the delivery of Antrim Live Festival 2020 in Antrim Town Centre be included as part of the Garden Show Ireland event taking place in Antrim Castle Gardens over the first weekend in May 2020.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Head of Arts and Culture

4.8 CP/GR/100 CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

Members were advised that following on from the recent visit to Leshan City, China, and building on developing these links a Chinese New Year Celebration was proposed for February 2020, date to be confirmed.

Chinese New Year commences on Saturday 25 January until Saturday 8 February 2020, this year celebrating the year of the Rat. The Chinese Welfare Association had recommended that the event be held outside of these dates in order to increase participation from the local Chinese community.

The proposed event would be held in an appropriate Council venue in February 2020 (or alternative date to be confirmed) and would feature traditional Chinese music, dance, food and other cultural elements.

Invitations would be circulated via both targeted invitations and an open invitation managed by a ticketing system.

A budget of £3,000 was available through the Good Relations Action Plan 2019/20 from an underspend identified under the Who Do You Think We Are Programme. A further report would be brought to Members for information.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Councillor Kinnear and agreed that

a Chinese celebration event to be held in February 2020 (or alternative date to be confirmed) at a suitable Council venue be approved at a cost of around £3,000 from underspends in the Good Relations Action Plan.

ACTION BY: Jen Cole, Good Relations Officer/ Andrew Irwin, Community Safety & Good Relations Manager

4.9 CP/CD/281 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT AID PROGRAMME 2019/20 – SMALL GRANTS FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Members were reminded of the Small Grants Programme which was agreed by the Council in October 2014 as part of the new Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council Community Development Grant Aid Programme.

The purpose of the Small Grants programme was to provide financial assistance to groups within the Borough of up to a maximum of £500 towards seeding costs and/or insurance or a small activity and/or insurance. Members were advised that groups who apply for a small grant are not permitted to apply for any other funding available under the wider Community Development Grant Aid Programme during the course of the 2019/20 financial year.

To be successful in securing a small grant groups applying must score a minimum of 50% in their application assessment and all proposed awards are subject to the receipt of all relevant supporting documentation or the offer of funding will be withdrawn.

Members were advised that due to an administrative error the grant recommendations for the two organisations in the table below did not go to the November Community Planning Committee.

Group Name/Project Promoter	Project Description/Title	Scored Percentage	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Notes
All About Us – ASD Teens Antrim based group for 8 – 18 year olds on the autism spectrum	Small Activity Grant for a Christmas Celebration Event	73%	£500	£500	

Burnside & District Community Group To address local issues & poverty & isolation in a rural area & encourage village enhancements	Small Activity Grant for Insurance, telephone, stationery	0	£500	£0	Limited detail and insufficient evidence.
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Given that All About Us – ASD Teens application was successful and their celebration event is taking place in December, approval had been granted by the Director of Community Planning (in consultation with the Chair) to progress this and present this to the Community Planning Committee in December 2019.

The total budget available for Small Grants for the 2019/20 financial year was £14,812.34. The total amount of financial assistance awarded to date was £9,450 leaving a balance of £5,362.34 to fund future applications that may be submitted to the Council during the remainder of the year.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Councillor McCullough and agreed that

the Small Grant award recommendations be approved retrospectively and that feedback is given to the unsuccessful applicant who may reapply.

ACTION BY: Kerry Brady, Community Support & Governance Officer

4.10 CP/GR/105 GOOD RELATIONS GRANT AID PROGRAMME 2019/20

Members were reminded that the 2019/20 Good Relations Action Plan submitted to The Executive Office, which included a budget of £20,000 for the Good Relations Grant Aid Programme. There is currently £14,330 budget available within the Good Relations Grant Aid Programme 2019/20.

The aim of Good Relations Grant Aid Programme is to improve day to day relationships by encouraging everyone to treat others fairly and encouraging a society in which our own cultures and traditions as well as other people's cultures and traditions are understood, respected and accepted.

Members were advised that applications are required to score higher than 50% to be deemed successful. A total of one application has been received during the period of 29 October 2019 to 25 November 2019, scoring above the 50% threshold requesting a total amount of £2,500.

A summary of the application received, the proposed award recommendations and an overview of the assessment and funding details were circulated for consideration.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Alderman Girvan and agreed that

the proposed funding award totalling £2,500 be approved for Listening Ear – North South Educational Visits.

ACTION BY: Jen Cole, Good Relations Officer/Andrew Irwin, Community Safety and Good Relations Manager

4.11 CP/CD/281 REVISED SMALL GRANTS PROCEDURES RECOMMENDATIONS - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT AID PROGRAMME 2020/21

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All community grant awards to date, regardless of value of award ranging from £500 to £5,000, have been subject to the same grant administration processes in terms of the Application Form detail, supporting documents requested and vouching of awards.

Officers had reviewed the grants administration process for the Small Grants Programme and concluded that the process is:

- Overly bureaucratic for applicants and administration staff
- Disproportionate to the risk

In an effort to reduce bureaucracy and efficiency in grants administration, proportionate to the low value of award, approval was sought from members to trial a revised administration process for the Small Grants Programme only at this stage.

A summary of the proposed changes for trial are noted below;

- Small Grant application form to be simplified to reduce the demands on applicants
- 2. Requirement for all supporting documents at application stage to be reduced Applicant to complete a Disclaimer confirming the appropriate documents are in place and can be provided on request 10% random sample will be requested to submit all supporting documents
- 3. Return period for Form of Acceptance to be reduced from 28 days to 10 working days in line with other Council departments
- 4. Each application to be risk assessed with vouching carried out as follows;

- Low Risk 5% of grant vouched (Established organisation with good history and projects costs easy to identify)
- Medium Risk 10% of grant vouched (Less established organisation and/or more complex project costs)
- High Risk 100% of grant vouched (New/poor history organisation and/or difficult procurement route)
- 5. All grants for £500 or less are assessed only on the basis of Pass/Fail against eligibility criteria and not subjected to a scored assessment process. The proposed changes had been discussed with Corporate Governance and deemed to be low risk. Full details of the revised process were circulated.

Proposed by Councillor Ross Seconded by Councillor Finlay and agreed that

the pilot of the revised Small Grant Vouching process for the Community Development Grant Aid Programme for 2020/21 be approved.

ACTION BY: Clare Adair, Community Services Manager

4.12 CD/PM/117 CORPORATE PLANNING WORKSHOP – CAPITAL PROJECTS

At the Corporate Planning Workshop on 8 November 2019, Members received a presentation which covered the following issues:-

- Capital spend by DEA since 2015/16
- Projects completed in the last 12 months: £8m
- Projects approved and progressing: £19m
- Projects approved and not yet commenced: £12m
- Potential new projects: TBC

After consideration and discussion on the contents of the presentation, Members proposed a number of related actions, which were included in the circulated updated slides.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Councillor Finlay and agreed that

the enclosed updated Capital Investment Programme be approved.

ACTION BY: Claire Minnis, Project Development Manager

4.13 CP/GR/107 GOOD RELATIONS ACTION PLAN 2020/21

Members were reminded that an annual submission is made by Council to The Executive Office (TEO) requesting financial assistance for the delivery of a local Good Relations Action Plan for Antrim and Newtownabbey. The Draft Action Plan 2020/21, which reflects the aims and objectives of the central government strategy Together Building a United Community (T-BUC) were circulated for Members' consideration.

Members were advised that the draft Good Relations Action Plan reflects the commitment to improving good relations across the Borough. It outlines how Government, stakeholders, community and individuals will work together to achieve change against the following key priorities:

- 1. Our children and young people;
- 2. Our shared community;
- 3. Our safe community; and
- 4. Our cultural expression.

The draft 2020/21 Action Plan reflects the priorities identified through the Good Relations Audit completed in February 2017. Members may wish to note that the next audit is planned for 2020/2021 and Members will be invited to a workshop.

Members were reminded that The Executive Office requires match funding of a minimum of 25% from local councils. The total amount required to enable implementation of the Good Relations Action Plan in 2020/21 is £193,194.67. A total amount of £144,896.00 which consists of £89,475.00 programme costs and £55,421.00 staff costs, has been requested from The Executive Office. Provision of £61,847.00 has been made in the 2020/21 Council estimates towards the delivery of the plan.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Councillor Ross and agreed that

the draft Good Relations Action Plan 2020/21 be approved.

ACTION BY: Jen Cole, Good Relations Officer/Andrew Irwin, Community Safety and Good Relations Manager

5 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

5.1 PBS/BC/002 Vol 2 BUILDING CONTROL MATTERS FOR THE PERIOD 1-31 SEPTEMBER 2019

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

Full Plans – 43 Building Notices – 141 Regularisation Certificates – 104

Full Plans

Approvals – 57

Rejected applications requiring resubmissions – 66

Commencements & Completions

Commencements – 232 Completions - 216

Inspections - A total of 801 Site Inspections were carried out.

Regularisation Certificate - 41 Regularisation Certificates issued.

Building Notice- 81 Completion Certificates issued

Property Certificates Received – 197

Energy Performance of Building Regulations

Energy Performance Certificate's checked – 4 & 75% compliance Display Energy Certificate's checked – 12 & 75% compliance Air Conditioning Units Checked – 1 checked & 100% compliance Income

Plan Fees Received for Month	£10444.00
Inspection Fees Invoiced for Month	£17601.28
Building Notice Fees Received for Month	£9304.00
Regularisation Fees Received for Month	£7646.39
Property Certificate Fees Received for	£11340.00
Month	£56335.67

TOTAL

Projected Income To Year to Date Actual

Date Income £534,628 £541,539

Postal Numbering & Development Naming

Numbers of official postal numbers issued – 31 Number of new developments named - 1

LPS Partnership

Commercial Vacancies – 60 (Commercial vacancy tranche received Sept 19).

Property details surveys completed 31

Proposed by Councillor Ross Seconded by Alderman Girvan and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

5.2 CP/GEN/19 COMMUNITY PLANNING SECTION - PARTNERSHIP MINUTES

Members were advised that the quarterly update Partnership Minutes as listed below can be viewed in the new electronic folder called "Partnership Minutes for Members Information" on their iPads.

Community Development				
File Ref	Date of Meeting	Name of Partnership		
D/Gen/91	-	Antrim & Newtownabbey Citizens Advice Bureau		
D/CSP/48	31 July 2019	Antrim & Newtownabbey Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP)		
D/DP/67	6 Aug 2019	Rathcoole Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership		
D/DP/67	-	Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership		
	-	Joint Cohesion Group		
CP/GR/43	8 March 2019	Traveller Issues Local Government Partnership		

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Alderman Girvan and agreed that

the Partnership Minutes be noted.

NO ACTION

5.3 CP/PCSP/095 PCSP COUNSELLING SERVICE FOR MALE VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE 2019-2022

Members were reminded that Antrim and Newtownabbey Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) continue to address domestic violence by raising awareness and assisting victims within Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough as agreed in the PCSP 2019-2022 Strategic Plan. Police statistics indicate that in 2017/18, 31% of domestic violence crime victims regionally were male.

Members were advised that following the successful delivery of the pilot programme is 2018-19, Antrim and Newtownabbey PCSP have appointed Men's Advisory Project to deliver a weekly outreach counselling service within Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough to support male victims of domestic abuse with an annual budget of £10,000.00.

The project aims to deliver a minimum of 300 counselling sessions per year to male victims of domestic abuse within Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough. This service is normally only available within Belfast and male victims from Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough, currently have to travel to Belfast to avail of the service. PCSP will fund the cost of a Men's Advisory Project counsellor for two mornings per week, based within Antrim and Newtownabbey to support victims who live within the Borough. Council financial guidelines have been followed in identifying and selecting this service.

It is anticipated that the Antrim session will run on Monday mornings from 10am until 2pm and Newtownabbey will run on Friday mornings from 10am until 2pm. Members are advised that Officers are currently securing suitable venues and further information will be provided to Members in due course.

Councillor Ross paid tribute to those who had highlighted the issue from the legacy Council and to the Officers who had worked to deliver the service.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Alderman Girvan and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

5.4 CP/P4/047 PEACE PLUS PROGRAMME STAKEHOLDER EVENTS

Members were advised correspondence had been received from SEUPB a copy of which was circulated on a new Peace Plus EU cross border programme. A series of information events was taking place between December 2019 and February 2020 running from 6pm-8pm with registration from 5.30pm.

Date	County	Venue	
Tue 10 December	Donegal	Jacksons Hotel, Ballybofey	
Wed 8 January	Leitrim	Lough Rynn Castle, Mohill	
Thu 9 January	Sligo	Sligo Park Hotel, Sligo	
Mon 13 January	Derry - Londonderry	Lodge Hotel, Coleraine	
Wed 15 January	Monaghan	Four Seasons Hotel, Monaghan	
Thu 16 January	Cavan	Cavan Crystal Hotel, Cavan	
Mon 20 January	Derry - Londonderry	Guildhall, Derry-Londonderry	
Tue 21 January	Tyrone	Corrick House Hotel, Clogher	
Thu 23 January	Fermanagh	Killyhevlin Hotel, Enniskillen	
Mon 27 January	Down	Burrendale Hotel, Newcastle	
Thu 30 January	Antrim	Tullyglass Hotel, Ballymena	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/antrim- stakeholder-information-event-tickets- 82799233737
Tue 4 February	Armagh	Armagh City Hotel, Armagh	
Wed 5 February	Antrim	Belfast City Hall, Belfast	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/antrim- stakeholder-information-event-tickets- 82799743261
Thu 6 February	Louth	Ballymascanlon Hotel, Dundalk	

A representative from Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council's Community Planning department would attend the event in Belfast City Hall on 5 February. Members were advised that they may wish to register at an

event that would be convenient to their own diary arrangements via the link provided in the table above.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Alderman Girvan and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

5.5 CP/P4/048 PEACE IV LOCAL ACTION PLAN - PROGRAMME EXTENSION

Members were reminded of the PEACE IV Local Action Plan, funded by the Special European Union Programmes Body (SEUPB), which is designed to support peace and reconciliation. Members will be aware that the Peace IV local Action Plan began in September 2017 and was scheduled for completion by December 2019, containing three key themes:

- Children and Young People
- Shared Spaces and Service
- Building Positive Relationships

Members were advised that a programme extension request was submitted to SEUPB, along with associated budget profiling of the existing PEACE IV budget, which is 100% funded by SEUPB. The request for extension was submitted to the Peace Steering Committee in November 2019 and subsequently correspondence has been received from SEUPB indicating that the request for extension was approved. Formal correspondence including revised Letters of Offer have yet to be received, however this will be progressed by the Antrim and Newtownabbey Peace IV Partnership.

The extension proposes to extend the 'Children and Young People' and 'Building Positive Relationships' themes until March 2021 and the 'Shared Spaces and Services' theme until December 2021. There were no anticipated implications for Council budgets as a result of this programme extension.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson Seconded by Alderman Girvan and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

The Chair advised that the following supplementary reports would be taken at this point.

5.6 CP/CD/170 BALLYDUFF COMMUNITY CENTRE – POLLING STATION 12 DECEMBER 2019

Members were reminded of the long standing use of Ballyduff Community Centre as a polling station. The Electoral Office had booked Ballyduff Community Centre for the General Election on 12 December 2019. The

Playgroup and relevant bookings had been advised and arrangements made to facilitate the Electoral Office.

Proposed by Councillor Ross Seconded by Alderman Girvan and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

5.7 CP/CD/283 IPB PRIDE OF PLACE AWARDS 2019

Members were reminded of The Annual IPB (Sponsor) Pride of Place Awards in association with Co-Operation Ireland, the aim of which is to recognise the efforts and endeavours of communities throughout the Island of Ireland to make their place the best place in which to live. It has grown into the largest competition recognising community development achievements across both the North and South of Ireland.

Five groups from the Borough; Carnmoney Church, Newtownabbey Senior Citizens Forum, The Bridge Association, Tidy Randalstown and Whiteabbey Community Group were nominated for the Awards. The Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony was held on Saturday 30 November 2019 in the Lyrath Estate Hotel, Kilkenny. Councillor Dunlop and a Council officer along with 10 group representatives attended the Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony.

Two community awards were received at the event as follows: Population 1,000 – 2,000 Category – Winner – Whiteabbey Community Group Population over 5,000 Category – Runner up – Tidy Randalstown.

In addition, there was a Special Council Award which Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council were awarded for being the Best Local Authority.

The judges praised Council for their efforts to build resilient and socially responsible communities that reflect the true purpose of the Pride of Place competition. They also commented that the wide reaching community plan "Love Living Here" had created strong communities who contribute greatly to the quality of life of its residents.

Councillor Dunlop highlighted the prestige of the event, the breadth of applicants and commended the Council for winning the top award of the event. He also congratulated Whiteabbey and Tidy Randalstown on their achievements.

Proposed by Councillor Dunlop Seconded by Councillor McCullough and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

5.8 CP/CC/005 SENIOR CITIZENS GRANTS 2019 – LEGACY NEWTOWNABBEY

Members were reminded of the annual opportunity for Senior Citizens Groups in Antrim to apply for funding to run Christmas events. Following Members' feedback from the 14 October Community Planning & Regeneration Committee, Members agreed to extend funding to legacy Newtownabbey Senior Citizens Groups.

The budget allocated for the Senior Citizens Groups in Newtownabbey was £8,000.

Applications closed on Monday 25 November 2019 at midday after an extension to the deadline to encourage further uptake. Six applications have been received with the total amount being request being £3,201.60. Due to the short time frame, Members agreed to delegate authority to the Director of Community Planning & Regeneration to approve the grant aid. The applications have been awarded as follows:

Seniors group 2019	Nos	Cost of event	Amount Requested	Grant Awarded
Newtownabbey Men's Shed	30	£360.00	£360.00	£360.00
Newtownabbey Methodist Mission Friendship Centre	40	£635.00	£435.00	£435.00
Belfast City Mission Rathcoole – Tuesday Lunch Club	28	£508.60	£508.60	£508.60
Carnmoney Parish Church	100	£480.00	£350.00	£350.00
The Breakaways	53	£1098.00	£1098.00	£1098.00
St Vincent De Paul Whitehouse	45	£1287.75	£450.00	£450.00
TOTAL			£3201.60	

Proposed by Councillor Ross Seconded by Councillor McCullough and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

6 ITEMS IN CONFIDENCE

PROPOSAL TO PROCEED 'IN CONFIDENCE'

Proposed by Councillor McCullough Seconded by Councillor Wilson and agreed that

the following Committee business be taken In Confidence.

The Chairperson advised that the audio recording would now cease.

6.1 IN CONFIDENCE G-LEG-14/351 & D/F/CD/105 Vol 1 LAND AT LONGLANDS AVENUE/ARTHUR ROAD, NEWTOWNABBEY - RENEWAL OF LEASE

In 2004, Council approved a 10-year lease of lands at Longlands Avenue/Arthur Road, Newtownabbey from the Northern Ireland Housing Executive. The purpose of which was to provide a community space and play area for the local area. The lease has since expired and has continued on the same terms and conditions. Officers are currently working with NIHE to undertake the necessary preparatory work for lease extension. A map of the area was circulated.

At present, Council sublet the land to Church Road, Longlands and Arthur Social Programme (C.L.A.S.P) who deliver local community service projects from a portacabin on site. The renewal of the Head Lease will enable C.L.A.S.P to continue their work within the local community.

In line with good practice, NIHE requested and received a lease valuation from Land and Property Services. They have advised that the rental value is \mathfrak{L} per annum.

In response to a request by a Member, the Director of Community Planning agreed that the rental charged to C.L.A.S.P would be reviewed following their move to a different office.

Proposed by Councillor McGrann Seconded by Councillor Ross and agreed that

Committee approves the renewal of the lease with NIHE for 10 years at the rate of £ per annum subject to a new sub-lease being in place with C.L.A.S.P for the term of the Head Lease.

ACTION BY: Nick Harkness, Director Community Planning

PROPOSAL TO PROCEED OUT OF 'IN CONFIDENCE'

Proposed by Councillor McCullough Seconded by Councillor Wilson and agreed that

the remainder of Committee business be taken in Open Session.

The Chairperson advised that audio-recording would recommence at this point.

There being no further committee business the Chairperson thanked everyone for their attendance and on behalf of the Committee, thanked the Head of Community Planning, Louise Moore, for all her hard work and wished her well in her new job.

She then wished everyone a happy Christmas and peaceful New Year and the meeting concluded at 7.12 pm.



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