



9 February 2022

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Dear Member

MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Community Planning Committee will be held in the **Linen Suite, Mossley Mill on Monday 14 February 2022 at 6.30 pm**

You are requested to attend.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jacqui Dixon".

Jacqui Dixon, BSc MBA
Chief Executive, Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council

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3 ITEMS FOR DECISION

3.1 CP/CP/196 NIFRS DISTRICT STRUCTURE REALIGNMENT TO THOSE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES CONSULTATION

Members are advised that correspondence has been received from Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service (NIFRS), a copy of which is **enclosed**, in relation to the District Structure Realignment to those of Local Government Authorities Consultation.

NIFRS propose the structure alignment with local Councils, will enable NIFRS to identify a single dedicated point of contact for each Council, and ensure NIFRS can be fully involved in the development and implementation of local Community Risk Management Plans and Community Planning arrangements. This realignment will allow NIFRS to enhance collaboration at a local level and work more effectively in partnership to enhance public safety.

NIFRS are keen to obtain the views of stakeholders in relation to the proposal and a consultation process has launched, a copy of the consultation document is **enclosed** and the closing date for receipt of comments is 28 March 2022.

A summary of responses plus details of any further revisions as a result of the consultation will be available on the NIFRS website from April 2022.

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

Members' instructions are requested.

Prepared by: Amy Lynch, Community Planning

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.2 CP/P4/017/VOL2 PEACE IV PARTNERSHIP MINUTES

Members are reminded that the PEACE IV Partnership operates as a Working Group of Council.

As such the minutes of the following PEACE IV Partnership meetings, which have been approved at the Peace IV Full Partnership meeting on 19 October 2021 are **enclosed** for Members' information;

- Full Partnership meeting minutes 20 April 2021
- Working Group minutes 15 June 2021
- Working Group minutes 14 September 2021

RECOMMENDATION: that the minutes of the PEACE IV Partnership meetings be approved.

Prepared by: Lynda Kennedy, Peace IV Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Interim Head of Service

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Interim Deputy Director of Community Planning

3.3 CP/TD/001 SCHOOL UNIFORM RE-USE SCHEME 2022

Members are reminded that the continuation of the School Uniform Re-Use Scheme was approved by the Committee in September 2021.

The School Uniform Scheme was launched in 2019. It currently provides Borough wide support across each of the DEA's in partnership with the organisations outlined below:

DEA	School Uniform Scheme Provider
AIRPORT	A Safe Space to be Me: Crumlin Hub
ANTRIM	First Antrim Presbyterian Church
BALLYCLARE	St John's Church of Ireland
DUNSILLY	Randalstown Arches TIDAL – Toome House
GLENGORMLEY URBAN	Carnmoney Presbyterian Church Community Relations Forum Fit Moms & Kids
MACEDON	Listening Ear – Dunanney Centre Whiteabbey Community Group
THREEMILEWATER	Monkstown Village Centre

It is proposed the 2022 scheme will be formally opened week commencing 6 June 2022 until Friday 8 July 2022. The scheme will be promoted across various channels including Borough Life, Social Media and correspondence to community organisations and schools. It is proposed that schemes will re-open week commencing 18 July 2022 for collection of uniform items until 2 September 2022.

A review of the 2021 scheme identified some areas for improvement. It is proposed the modifications outlined below be incorporated into the 2022 scheme:

- Incorporating School Uniform Schemes into Community Events ie Fun Days and Seasonal Events
- Increased PR around recycling element
- Removal of appointment slots to access uniform (COVID restrictions permitting)
- Further expansion of schemes into local community groups (more informal)
- Consider Reused School Uniform sale with donations going to Foodbank or charity

RECOMMENDATION: that the proposed 2022 School Uniform Re-use Scheme be approved.

Prepared by: Stefanie Buchanan, Community Development Manager

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Faye, Director of Community Planning

3.4 CP/P4/047 PEACE PLUS PROGRAMME

Members are reminded that it was agreed at the August 2021 Council meeting that the existing Recovery Governance Structure be used to develop the Councils' PEACE PLUS Action Plan.

Officers have been engaging on a regular basis with SEUPB appointed consultants on the development of the Council's Peace Plus Action Plan generally and establishment of a PEACE PLUS Partnership specifically.

The consortium has provided a PEACE PLUS Partnership Development Discussion document for local authorities in Northern Ireland, which is enclosed for Members' information.

Members are reminded that the Peace IV Partnership was established in 2016 with the Partnership model agreed at the June 2016 Community Planning and Regeneration Committee as follows:

- 10 Elected members plus 1 additional nomination for TUV
- 10 Statutory and Social Partners

A PEACE PLUS Partnership now needs to be established by each Council. The discussion paper has been produced to ensure good practice around the establishment of an effective partnership which may include some or all of the following:

- Elected Members
- Public Sector Bodies
- Government Departments
- Youth Organisations
- Community and Voluntary Sector
- Good Relations Organisations
- Social Enterprises
- Third level Education Sector
- Tourism Bodies
- Environmental Organisations
- Trade Union and Business Federations

The PEACE PLUS Partnership will oversee the design and implementation of a co-designed process in the Borough which will be used to inform the development of an overarching PEACE PLUS Action Plan.

It is proposed to establish a PEACE PLUS Partnership for the Council on a similar basis to the Peace IV Partnership made up as follows:

- 10 Elected Members nominated by D'Hondt and representative of each DEA
- 4 Statutory Partners from Education Authority, NIHE, PSNI and NHSCT – nominated by the Statutory Partners
- 5 Social Partners appointed by public advertisement and selection process.

Members are advised that delivery of the Peace IV Action Plan is ongoing until 31 December 2022. There remains a role for the existing Peace IV Partnership to conclude delivery of the remaining activities under Peace IV programme.

The newly established PEACE PLUS Partnership will commence the process of designing the PEACE PLUS Action Plan. This ensures that the PEACE PLUS Action Plan can build upon the Peace IV programme.

Given the potential for duplication of membership on both partnerships scheduling of meetings will be coordinated whilst both partnerships exist to ensure efficient time management for all partnership Members and Officers.

RECOMMENDATION: that the membership of the PEACE PLUS Partnership as outlined be approved and the process of establishing the PEACE PLUS partnership including recruitment of social partners be commenced.

Prepared and Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.5 AC/EV/024 NORTHERN IRELAND CHILDREN'S HOSPICE

The Northern Ireland Children's Hospice is a local charity providing specialist care to over 370 infants, children and young people with life limiting and life threatening illness both in their homes and in the Hospice in Newtownabbey.

In 2022 the Children's Hospice will mark its 21st anniversary. The Hospice is doing a number of things to mark this significant anniversary, which they have asked the Council to consider supporting.

Elmer's Big Trail

From 20 June to the end of August 2022 Belfast will be brought to life by a herd of unique elephant sculptures. The free family friendly art trail is a collaboration between the Hospice, Wild at Art and Anderson Press bringing David McKee's popular children's character Elmer the Patchwork Elephant to life. Elmer has been chosen for this project as he symbolises 'difference' which is very relevant and fitting to the children supported by the Hospice over its 21 years.

The uniquely decorated Elmers will be positioned around key landmarks and open spaces in Belfast and will attract residents and visitors to discover or re-discover Belfast making art accessible to all. There is an opportunity to sponsor Elmer's Big Trail with a range of sponsorship packages available – see **enclosed** Sponsorship Pack, which details packages and benefits of sponsorship. Packages range from £70,000 to £7,000 and it is proposed that the Council becomes an 'Official Supporter' at a cost of £35,000. As an 'Official Supporter' the Council will receive a high media profile over the duration of the trail as well as many other benefits. It is intended that the trail is deeply rooted in the local community through support of sponsors and it will also include 30 'Young Elmer' sculptures designed and painted by local schools from across Northern Ireland. Borough schools will be encouraged to participate in this element of the project.

After the trail leaves Belfast it will travel around Northern Ireland and there is an opportunity to host the trail in the Borough from 2 to 4 September as part of a number of farewell weekends for the Elmer Trail. There is no cost to host the trail but elements of in kind support will be required such as assistance with installation of the sculptures all of which can be achieved through provision of staff support. Hosting the trail provides an opportunity to attract significant visitor numbers to the Borough and showcase key assets, venues and attractions animated by Elmer's Big Trail

Once the project is completed the Elmers will be auctioned and the Council has the opportunity to acquire an Elmer for permanent location in a Council venue at an estimated cost of between £3,000 and £7,000.

21st Birthday Garden Party

The Hospice would like to hold a 'Garden Party' on 6 May 2022 for approximately 300 guests made up of families they have supported over their 21 years as well as supporters and stakeholders. They have asked that the

Council consider hosting such an event at no cost with Mossley Mill, Antrim Castle Gardens or Sentry Hill potential suitable venues. It is proposed that officers will engage with the Northern Ireland Hospice team to identify a venue for hosting the 'Garden Party' in May 2022 and provide ongoing support in relation to organisation and delivery of the event.

RECOMMENDATION: that

- (a) the opportunity for the Council to become an 'Official Supporter' of Elmer's Big Trail at a cost of £35,000 be approved**
- (b) the opportunity to host Elmer's Big Trail in the Borough from 2 to 4 September 2022 be accepted, in kind support provided with final details of the specific locations be brought back to a future meeting**
- (c) the opportunity to acquire an Elmer, at the end of the project through the auction at a cost of between £3,000 and £7,000, be approved**
- (d) the provision of a Council venue free of charge to host a Garden Party on behalf of the NI Children's Hospice, as well as staff support in relation to organisation of the event, be approved**

Prepared and Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.6 AC/TH/001 COVID CERTIFICATION IN THEATRES

Members are reminded that the NI Executive approved reopening of theatres from 27 July 2021 initially with a requirement for 1m social distancing. On Monday 27 September the NI Executive announced that it was removing the requirement for social distancing in theatres but the wearing of face coverings was to remain as a legal requirement.

Ministers also issued additional guidance to venues advising them to consider the introduction of entry policies that required either proof of full Covid 19 vaccination, a negative lateral flow test or evidence of a positive PCR test within the previous six months. The measures at this stage were guidance and not mandatory. At the October 2021 Community Planning Committee, it was agreed to introduce entry policies as above for the Councils theatre venues. Subsequently the NI Executive made Covid Certification a mandatory legal requirement for a range of settings including theatres from 29 November 2021.

Members are advised that as part of the ongoing relaxation of restrictions since January 26 2022 the COVID 19 Certification scheme in Northern Ireland has changed with the legal requirement to prove Covid status remaining only for access to nightclubs and indoor unseated events with 500 or more in attendance.

Whilst it is no longer a legal requirement for other settings, the continued use of Covid Certification is strongly encouraged for the following settings:

- licensed hospitality premises, including 'bring your own' alcohol venues
- cinemas, theatres, conferences and exhibition halls
- outdoor events with 4,000 or more attendees with some or all of the audience not normally seated
- events where more than 10,000 people will be present regardless of whether they are seated

Officers have contacted other theatre venues including The Lyric Theatre and Grand Opera House and found that all intend to continue with Covid Certification as an entry requirement in line with the advice above, in the main to continue to provide audiences with the confidence to return to theatres.

RECOMMENDATION: that the continued use of Covid Certification as an entry requirement for the Councils theatres, whilst it is still recommended in guidance, be approved.

Prepared and Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.7 CP/CC/009 LADYHILL FLUTE BAND – MUCKAMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE REQUEST

Members are advised that Ladyhill Flute Band have made a request to hire Muckamore Community Centre on Saturday 19 March 2022, 7pm-12am for a cultural evening. In addition, they have requested permission to apply for a license to sell alcohol at this event. The consumption and sale of alcohol is permitted with agreement by Council if the relevant licence is obtained by the customer.

Members are advised that a number of previous requests to the Council seeking permission to serve and sell alcohol at functions have been approved, a recent request being a request approved for 21 March 2020 for a similar event in Ballyclare Town Hall.

RECOMMENDATION: that permission for Ladyhill Flute Band to apply for an alcohol licence to sell alcohol in Muckamore Community Centre on Saturday 19 March 2022 be given.

Prepared by: Paul Townsend, Community Facilities Coordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning (Interim)

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.8 CP/CD/437 EAST ANTRIM OLD VEHICLE CLUB CAVALCADE 2022

Members are advised that correspondence has been received from the East Antrim Old Vehicle Club requesting sponsorship for its Annual Portrush Cavalcade, Charity Classic Car Run 2022. This event has been sponsored by the Council since 2015 and previously by the legacy Council. Each year the Old Vehicle Club donates all sponsorship raised to a nominated charity.

Due to the pandemic the group cancelled their annual Cavalcade in 2020 and 2021 however the event held in 2019 attracted approximately 120 vintage vehicles, more than 250 participants and raised £5,000 for "The Welcome Organisation".

This year the groups chosen charity is "Autism NI", a Northern Ireland based charity that supports individuals and their families and campaigns to raise awareness of Autism.

Following a participants' breakfast and a display of vintage vehicles at Mossley Mill the Cavalcade will travel to the West Strand Car Park, Portrush, to showcase the vehicles in a static display. En route the vehicles will pass through Mallusk, Templepatrick, Dunadry and the outskirts of Antrim Town. This is a popular event which has potential benefits for the Borough in terms of publicity and tourism.

East Antrim Old Vehicle Club has requested the use of the car parks at Mossley Mill to host the event on Sunday 7 August 2022, from 7.30am to 11.00am and also if Council would meet the cost of a cooked breakfast for all participants up to a maximum of £2000. Should Members wish to approve the assistance requested sufficient provision exists within the Community Planning Budget 2022/23.

RECOMMENDATION: that

- a) the hosting of the Portrush Cavalcade, Charity Classic Car Run at Mossley Mill on Sunday 7 August 2022 from 7.30 am until 11.00 am be approved;**
- b) Financial assistance up to a maximum amount of £2,000 for the provision of a cooked breakfast for approximately 250 participants be approved.**

Prepared by: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.9 AC/EV/025 BALLYCLARE MAY FAIR

Members are reminded that the current membership of the Ballyclare May Fair Working Group includes the Ballyclare DEA Elected Members and independent members.

At the Council meeting in September 2021 it was agreed that Councillor Montgomery joins the Working Group. The Mayor and Deputy Mayor are also invited to attend meetings. Members are advised that meetings of the Working Group resumed in December 2021 and there have been two meetings of the May Fair Working Group held on 10 December 2021 and 12 January 2022. Minutes are **enclosed** for Members' information.

Members are advised that the May Fair has not been held since 2019 and that the Economic Development and Arts and Culture Sections are working in partnership to deliver May Fair 2022 from 21 to 28 May 2022.

RECOMMENDATION: that the minutes of the May Fair Working Group meetings of 10 December 2021 and 12 January 2022 be approved.

Prepared and Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.10 CP/CD/426 CHRISTMAS TOY SCHEME 2021

Members are reminded that the delivery of a Community Christmas Toy Scheme in 2021 was approved at the Council in September. It was agreed that an evaluation of the scheme be carried out with a report outlining recommendations brought back to a future meeting.

The scheme opened on 4 November and ran to 14 December in Community settings and up to 23 December in Recycling Centres.

The Scheme was delivered as follows:

- The Christmas Toy Scheme included three strands:
 - Community organisations;
 - Recycling Centres in partnership with Habitat for Humanity NI;
 - Habitat for Humanity (NI) Pop Up Shops.

- The Community Organisations involved in scheme delivery were:
 - Fit Moms & Kids (Glengormley DEA);
 - A Safe Space to be Me (Airport DEA);
 - Listening Ear (Macedon DEA).

- Habitat for Humanity (NI) Pop Up Shops took place on Thursday 9th December at:
 - Monkstown Community Forum (10am-12noon);
 - Muckamore Parish Development Association (2pm-4pm).

An evaluation has been carried out with key findings presented as follows:

Over 4500 toys were donated into the scheme. With the following breakdown:

DONATION POINT	NUMBER OF TOYS
Recycling Centres	3850
Community Schemes	650
Marks & Spencer (New Toys Only)	100
	4600

The Recycling Centres as donation points proved highly effective with the addition of a Pop Up Shop initiative to bring the donated pre-loved toys directly to communities in need at low cost prices very successful.

The Pop Up Shops were managed by Habitat for Humanity (NI). They managed the Toy Scheme at Recycling Centres in partnership with the Waste Department to collect donated toys and provide them at low cost to communities. This year they also delivered Pop Up Shops as an alternative way to reach families in need. The Pop Up Shops were very popular with highly favourable feedback that parents were able to access a wide range of good quality pre-loved toys at significantly reduced prices. On this basis it is intended to increase the number of Pop Up Shops provided across the Borough from two to four with a focus on Neighbourhood Renewal and Areas at Risk locations.

The Community organisations played an important role in this scheme but they were constrained by storage and significant other community commitments during Christmas period. These issues can be resolved by providing Community organisations with the opportunity to 'host' a Pop Up Shop in partnership with Habitat for Humanity(NI) Those organisations who still wish to run their own scheme will be able to do so.

Following review with the Waste Department and Habitat for Humanity (NI) it is proposed to deliver the Christmas Community Toy Scheme in 2022 on the following basis:

- Increase Pop Up Shops numbers from two to four to be held on Thursday 1 and Thursday 8 December 2022
- Operate two sessions each day 10am to 12noon and 2pm to 4pm
- Increase the promotional campaign to encourage donations for 'older children'
- Continue to work in close Partnership with local community organisations already working with families in need

Overall feedback across all the strands was extremely positive with a strong desire by all involved to carry this forward into 2022. The ongoing collaboration on this initiative between the Waste and Community Planning services is supporting both the Climate Change Action Plan and families in need throughout the Borough.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Community Christmas Toy Scheme for 2022 be approved.

Prepared by: Stefanie Buchanan, Community Development Manager

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.11 CP/CD/394 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT AID PROGRAMME SMALL GRANTS FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS 2021/2022

Members are 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 is to provide financial assistance to groups within the Borough of up to a maximum of £1,000, revised and approved by Council in October 2021, towards seeding costs and/or insurance or a small activity and/or insurance. Members are 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 2021/22 financial year.

In December 2019 Members agreed that from 1 April 2020 all Small Grant requests of £500 (now £1,000) or less be assessed on the basis of Pass/Fail against eligibility criteria and not subjected to a scored assessment process. All proposed awards are subject to the receipt of a Group Constitution, List of Committee Members, Bank Statement, Annual Accounts and a signed disclosure from the group confirming that all other appropriate supporting documentation is in place and can be provided on request or the offer of funding will be withdrawn.

During the month of January 2022, one application totalling £960.00 was received and assessed by Officers as outlined below.

Group Name/Project Promoter	Project Description/Title	Pass/Fail	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
Wolfe Tones GAC	Small Activity Grant To deliver two 12 week Irish Language Courses aimed at beginner and lower intermediate learners.	Pass	£960.00	£960.00
Total			£960.00	£960.00

The total budget available for the Small Grants Programme for the 2021/22 financial year is £10,000 however this has been exhausted.

The total amount of financial assistance requested by the application outlined above is £960.00 and if the application is approved by Council then this will be funded by cost savings identified within the Community Planning Budget.

The small grant applications have now been closed for the current financial year (21/22).

It is a condition of funding that all community/voluntary groups ensure compliance with all relevant and applicable COVID-19 Government and Public Health Guidance and Regulations.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Small Grant application outlined above be approved at a total cost of £960.00 funded from cost savings identified within the Community Planning Budget.

Prepared by: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.12 CP/TD/002 AREAS AT RISK FUNDING 2022/23

Members are reminded that the Areas at Risk(AAR) programme is delivered across six Super Output Areas in Antrim and Newtownabbey. Historically the Newtownabbey AAR programme is part funded by the Department for Communities (DfC), whilst the Antrim AAR programme is fully funded by the Council. Confirmation of DfC funding for 2022/23 is yet to be received.

Members are further reminded that a request to amend the delivery of the Areas at Risk programme from a direct award process to an open competitive format, approved in August 2020 was suspended in November 2020 pending review of the Areas at Risk Programme by DfC. The Areas at Risk programme will therefore remain a direct award process application for 2022/23.

At the January 2021 Committee meeting Members were advised that DfC planned to undertake a review of Neighbourhood Renewal and Areas at Risk and it was agreed that the Council review of AAR be deferred until after the DfC review findings are published. The DfC review has now commenced and is expected to be concluded within an 18 month to two-year time frame.

It was agreed by the Committee in May 2021 to bring the Areas at Risk programme into line with other Community Grant funding processes including moving groups onto the Council's Grant Manager System. Members are advised that the 2022/23 Areas at Risk funding programme will open for applications on 18 February 2022 and close by 18 March 2022.

The anticipated Areas at Risk Funding for 2022/23 is set out below:

	DfC Contribution 2022/23 TBC	Council Contribution 2022/23 TBC	Totals TBC
Newtownabbey AAR	£66,750 TBC	£60,170	£126,920
Antrim AAR	£0	£111,210	£111,210
Totals	£66,750	£171,380	£238,130

Newtownabbey AAR Projects Funded 2021/22

- The Areas at Risk Newtownabbey Project covers Carnmoney, Monkstown and Mossley.
- The contribution committed by the Council in 2021/22 to the Newtownabbey Areas at Risk Projects was **£60,170**
- A Letter of Offer from DfC to confirm their 2022/23 contribution is anticipated with no change expected.

Based on previous allocations the following awards are proposed for 2022/23:

Organisation	ANBC £	DFC TBC £
Monkstown Community Association	15,500	9,500
Monkstown Community Forum	12,650	4,750
Monkstown Boxing Club	10,200	4,750
Church of the Good Shepherd, Monkstown	1,000	5,000
Hollybank Primary School, Monkstown	13,820	4,750
Hollybank Pre-school, Monkstown	2,500	2,500
Carnmoney Presbyterian Church	2,500	22,500
New Mossley Presbyterian Church Youth Club (DAM Project)	2,000	13,000

Antrim AAR Projects Funded 2021/22

- The Antrim Areas at Risk Project covers Farranshane, Ballycraigy and Steeple
- The contribution committed by the Council in 2021/22 was **£111,210**.
- Project plans are subject to Council approval following submission of Project Proposals by Groups (this is completed retrospectively of the Newtownabbey Letter of Offer being received by Council).

Based on previous allocations the following awards are proposed for 2022/23:

Organisation	ANBC £
St Joseph's Nursery School Steeple Nursery School	16,500
Antrim Enterprise Agency	6,000
St Joseph's Primary School	12,980
Ballycraigy Primary School	16,000
Parkhall Primary School	14,420
Muckamore Parish Development Association	14,810
Rathenraw Youth Scheme	8,500
Antrim Grammar School	6,500
Inter Estate Partnership	10,500
Farranshane Community Trust	5,000

RECOMMENDATION: that the Areas at Risk Programme for 2022/23 be approved subject to confirmation of anticipated funding from Department for Communities.

Prepared by: Stefanie Buchanan, Community Development Manager

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Faye, Director of Community Planning

3.13 CP/CD/432 COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAMME LETTER OF VARIANCE

Members are advised that a letter of variance has been received from the Department for Communities (DfC) for the delivery of the Council's Community Support Programme 2021/22.

The total amount awarded is £577,857.73 which includes £95,802.64 for the Social Supermarket Support Fund. A copy of the Letter of Offer is enclosed for Members' consideration.

In December 2021 Members agreed that £25,900 of this funding be awarded to the 9 community and voluntary partners currently participating on the COVID-19 Food and Essential Supplies Transition Programme with the remaining £69,902.64 to be used to develop wrap around services and the purchase of white goods that will support the future development of a Social Supermarket.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Letter of Variance from Department for Communities for the delivery of the Community Support Programme 2021/22 be accepted.

Prepared by: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.14 CP/GEN/043 COMMUNITY FESTIVALS FUND GRANT AID RECOMMENDATIONS 2022/23

Members are advised that the closing date for receipt of applications under the Community Festivals Fund for 2022/23 was Friday 7 January 2022. To support applications to this grant aid programme, officers delivered two grant workshops via Zoom on 24 November and 20 December 2021 and offered one-to-one support to all groups.

Members are reminded that a pass threshold of 50% applies to applications to the Community Festivals Fund and that groups are not required to demonstrate match funding however where a group evidences match funding this is reflected in the scoring. Members should also note that proposed awards are subject to the receipt of all relevant supporting documentation, or the offer of funding will be withdrawn.

Members are also reminded that following a Council decision in October 2021 the award threshold for Community Festival Grants was increased from £5,000 to £10,000, effective from 1 April 2022, for festivals attracting in excess of 5,000 attendees.

In total 23 applications were received and assessed by a panel of officers and a full list of all the applications received and the scores awarded is enclosed for Members' information. The total amount requested from all 23 applications is £149,219.42.

A total of 18 applications achieved the required 50% pass threshold requesting £116,528.42.

As in previous years, officers will arrange to meet with any unsuccessful groups to provide feedback on their applications and to signpost to other relevant funders.

RECOMMENDATION: that the 18 applications totalling £116,528.42 be approved.

Prepared by: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.15 CP/CD/436 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT AID PROGRAMME RECOMMENDATIONS 2022/2023

Members are advised that the closing date for receipt of applications under the Community Development Grant Aid Programme for 2022/23 was Friday 7 January 2022. To support applications, officers delivered two grant workshops via Zoom on 24 November and 20 December 2021 and offered one-to-one support to all groups.

Members will be aware that a pass threshold of 50% applies to applications to the Community Development Grant Aid Programme and that groups are not required to demonstrate match funding however where a group evidences match funding this is reflected in the scoring. Members should also note that proposed awards are subject to the receipt of all relevant supporting documentation, or the offer of funding will be withdrawn.

Members are also reminded that following a Council decision in October 2021 the award threshold for Summer Scheme Grants was increased from £1,500 to £2,000 and Technical Assistance Grants from £3,000 to £10,000, effective from 1 April 2022.

In total 79 applications were received and assessed by a panel of officers and a full list of all the applications received and the scores awarded are enclosed for Members' information. The total amount requested from all 79 applications is £290,908.75.

A total of 65 applications successfully achieved the required 50% pass threshold requesting £229,493.34. In addition 16 premises grant recipients, who were successful in achieving 3 year funding in 2020 and 2021, submitted expenditure profiles for 2022/23 and have requested financial assistance totalling £71,833.92 bringing the overall total amount requested from the Community Development Grant Aid programme in 2022/23 to £301,327.26

A financial summary of all applications received for 2022/23 is provided in the table below:

Summary of Community Development Grant Aid Requests 2022/23				
Grant Stream	Number of Applications	Successful Applications (Scored 50% and above in 2022/23)	Total Requested	Total Awarded
Premises (New)	28	26	£133,348.84	£124,012.84
Premises (Year 2)	2	N/A	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Premises (Year 3)	14	N/A	£ 61,833.92	£ 61,833.92
Community Outreach and Involvement (Including Insurance)	26	20	£53,499.41	£37,670.00

Summer Scheme (Including Insurance)	15	14	£30,410.50	£28,410.50
Technical Assistance (Including insurance)	10	5	£73,650.00	£39,400.00
Total	95	65	£362,742.67	£301,327.26

As in previous years, officers will arrange to meet with any unsuccessful groups to provide feedback on their applications and to signpost to other relevant funders.

RECOMMENDATION: that the 81 applications totalling £301,327.26 be approved.

Prepared by: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

4 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

4.1 CP/CP/188 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS PROJECT OPEN UNIVERSITY

Members are reminded that participation in the Open University Community Partnerships Project was approved at the December 2021 Committee Meeting, when it was agreed that an update be brought back to the Committee in February 2022. The project is part funded by the Department for Economy with an aim of bringing learning to local communities.

Project delivery required the identification of Community Partners, usually local community organisations to lead the project and provide a community setting for learning to take place. A public advert for potential Community Partners has resulted in two community organisations, one on each side of the Borough, being nominated as Community Leads:

- Monkstown Community Association and
- Muckamore Parish Development Association.

The Council is also listed as a Community Partner of the Open University Project alongside the two lead Community Organisations. Members are reminded the unique aspect of this programme will be the face to face support to local learners through Open University Tutors. Learners will also be encouraged to establish peer support groups for their assignments and to meet at agreed intervals to support each other.

There are 9 participants enrolled on the Monkstown Community Association project and 15 participants enrolled on the Muckamore Parish Development Association project, which will take place in their Family Hub.

Participants will learn about 'People, Work and Society' through the Open University' 30-week Access model to help build study and digital skills and develop confidence to progress in education (degree level) and employment. The programme is fully funded and provided free to all participants who enrol (eligibility criteria apply). Those students who meet the Open University eligibility criteria will also be eligible to apply for a one of grant up to maximum of £250 towards the purchase of a laptop to assist them in their studies.

Students commenced study from 6th February 2022 and a further report detailing the outcomes of the programme will be brought back to Committee in September 2022.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Open University Community Partnership Project update be noted.

Prepared by: Stefanie Buchanan, Community Development Manager

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Faye, Director of Community Planning

4.2 CP/PCSP/134 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR STRATEGY FOR ANTRIM AND NEWTOWNABBEY

Members are reminded that work is ongoing by Antrim and Newtownabbey Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) to create an Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy for the Borough. The partners committed and contributing to the process as a Strategy Group are:

- Council – Environmental Health; Community Planning; Parks; Leisure; Economic Development
- PSNI
- NIFRS (NI Fire & Rescue Service)
- NIHE (NI Housing Executive)
- NIFHA (NI Federation of Housing Associations)
- YJA (Youth Justice Agency)
- Translink

The Strategy Group have been meeting since October 2021.

The PCSP recently completed a community consultation survey, receiving 124 responses, results enclosed which included within it a specific section on anti-social behaviour. The Strategy Group will now proceed with more detailed community consultation in the form of focus group / information evenings on a DEA basis. Members are encouraged to attend the event within their DEA and share the information with any Community and Voluntary Sector groups and interested residents that they are in contact with. Dates and venues for the events will be circulated to all Members. The consultation outcomes will be used to inform the ongoing development of the strategy.

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

Prepared by: Lynda Kennedy, Community Programmes Manager

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

4.3 CP/GR/143 HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL 27 JANUARY 2022

Members are reminded that Holocaust Memorial Day occurs each year globally on 27 January. The theme for Holocaust Memorial Day 2022 was 'One Day'. Holocaust Memorial Day is 'One Day' that is put aside to come together to remember, to learn about the Holocaust, Nazi Persecution and the genocides that followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur, in the hope that there may be 'One Day' in the future with no genocide. 'One Day' is about learning about the past, empathising with others and taking action for a better future.

A Special Remembrance Service was hosted by the Mayor Councillor Billy Webb MBE JP on Sunday 23 January 2022 at Monkstown Jubilee Centre as part of the Council's commitment to remembering the Holocaust. The event was attended by Her Majesty's Deputy Lieutenant Mrs Jackie Stewart MBE, Consul General of the Republic of Poland in Belfast Mr Pawel Majewski, and the US Consul General Mr Paul Narain who laid wreaths. Mr Peter McBride gave a presentation on the Holocaust, Genocide, and the community experience of trauma. Kathy Wolff from Community Relations Forum shared the story of creating the Holocaust Memorial Mosaic situated at Monkstown Jubilee Centre's Remembrance Garden. Photographs of the event **enclosed**.

The event was followed up with a special Holocaust Memorial Day video launched on 27 January via social media and available on the Council's website. The film features the Mayor paying tribute to all who lost their lives and those who survived, the film also features Mr Billy Kohner MBE who shared his family's experience of fleeing Czechoslovakia to find refuge here in Northern Ireland.

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

Prepared by: Jen Cole, Good Relations Officer

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Community Planning Manager

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning