



8 June 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 **Council Chamber, Mossley Mill on Monday 13 June 2022 at 6.30 pm**

You are requested to attend.

Yours sincerely

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

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Chief Executive, Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council

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3 ITEMS FOR DECISION

3.1 AC/GEN/078 DUKE OF EDINBURGH WORKING GROUP

Members are reminded that it was agreed by the Council in April 2021 that a permanent memorial to Duke of Edinburgh Prince Philip be placed in Antrim Castle Gardens and the creation of an annual bursary scheme, to benefit young people be explored.

A working group was established in August 2021 and minutes of its meetings of 15 March and 5 April 2022 are **enclosed** for Members' information.

RECOMMENDATION: that the minutes of the Duke of Edinburgh Working Group held on Tuesday 15 March and Tuesday 5 April 2022 be approved.

Prepared by: Kerry Brady Community Support and Governance Officer

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.2 CP/CF/002 HAZELBANK PAVILION – ABBEY SURE START EXTENSION REQUEST

Members are reminded that Abbey Sure Start hire a number of Council facilities for their Early Years programme, including Dunanney Centre, Mossley Pavilion, Lilian Bland Pavilion and Hazelbank Pavilion.

Approval to extend the Abbey Sure Start's short term let of Hazelbank Pavilion until 1 July 2022 was given at the Council meeting on 28 June 2021.

Abbey Sure Start have advised they have secured a classroom within Abbott's Cross Primary School specifically for their children's programme and that they will be moving to their new premises at the Diamond in Rathcoole for their office space and children with additional needs provision.

Abbott's Cross Primary School have indicated they will require time at the end of the school term to clear the available classroom, which will be available for Abbey Sure Start during the week commencing 18 July 2022. Abbey Sure Start have requested to extend the let of Hazelbank Pavilion for an additional month until the end of July 2022 to facilitate this move.

RECOMMENDATION: that a one month extension to the Abbey Sure Start let of Hazelbank Pavilion be approved.

Prepared by: Paul Townsend, Community Facilities Coordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.3 CP/CF/001 COMMUNITY FACILITIES AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)

Members are advised that as part of the ongoing review of Community Facilities service provision a need has been identified for Arterial Emergency Defibrillators (AED's) to be readily accessible to staff and service users within Community Facilities.

Without immediate defibrillation and CPR when cardiac arrest occurs, the chances of survival are less than 5%. With a defibrillator being used alongside effective CPR the odds of survival can be increased to 50%.

The installation of AED's within Facilities supported with community and staff training will provide reassurance and demonstrate commitment to community and staff safety whilst potentially saving lives.

It is proposed to install AED's at the following facilities:

- Northern Ireland Centenary Centre Ballyduff
- Dunanney Centre
- Lillian Bland Pavillion
- Mossley Pavilion
- Muckamore Community Centre
- Stiles Community Centre
- Greystone Community Centre
- Neillsbrook Community Centre
- Rathenraw Community Centre
- Parkhall Community Centre
- Rathfern Social Activity Centre
- Monkstown Jubilee Centre

The total cost to provide 10 AED's at identified Community Facilities is £15,787.20

RECOMMENDATION: that the installation of 10 AED's at Community Facilities including community and staff training at a total cost of £15,873.20 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

3.4 CP/TD/023 PERIOD POVERTY AND ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVE

Members are aware that 'period poverty' is a significant issue impacting women and girls in the Borough who are experiencing a lack of access to sanitary products as a result of income disadvantage. Hey Girls UK published the following statistics in 2021

- 1 in 10 girls aged 14 to 21 cannot afford essential products;
- 40% of girls in the UK at some time have not been able to afford sanitary products;
- Sanitary items are the least donated item in foodbanks.

The opportunity has been identified to deliver a 'period poverty' and environmental initiative in Community Facilities across the Borough. The aim of this initiative will be to encourage use of reusable and environmentally friendly sanitary products and in doing so address 'period poverty'.

Over a 5-year period sanitary products cost on average £330 per person. By opting for reusable products this cost can be reduced to around £70 per person.

It is proposed to invest £3,000 to purchase zero waste reusable and sustainable sanitary products for placement in the following Community Facilities:

- Northern Ireland Centenary Centre Ballyduff
- Dunanney Centre (Rathcoole Neighbourhood Renewal)
- Lillian Bland Pavillion
- Mossley Pavilion
- Muckamore Community Centre
- Stiles Community Centre
- Greystone Community Centre
- Neillsbrook Community Centre
- Rathenraw Community Centre
- Parkhall Community Centre
- Ballyclare Town Hall (Grange Neighbourhood Renewal)

In addition, an education and awareness programme in relation to reusable sanitary products will be delivered in the Neighbourhood Renewal areas of Grange and Rathcoole by Hey Girls. Hey Girls is a social enterprise established to eradicate period poverty.

Products will be made available in cloakrooms in the community facilities and through the Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships for an initial 6-month pilot at which point a review will be carried out, the outcome of which will be reported to a future meeting.

Community Planning Officers are working with the Climate Change and Sustainability Officer and Waste Education and Awareness Officer to deliver this pilot.

RECOMMENDATION: that a six month 'Period Poverty' and Environmental initiative be delivered at a cost of £3,000, the outcome of which will be reported to a future meeting of the Committee.

Prepared by: Stefanie Buchanan, Community Development Manager

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.5 CP/CC/004 NEILLSBROOK COMMUNITY CENTRE – NIE NETWORKS PROPOSED ALTERATIONS

Members are advised that correspondence has been received from NIE Networks requesting alterations to the existing electricity network by laying new underground cables on Council land at Neillsbrook Community Centre, Randalstown.

Officers attended a site visit with NIE Networks on 5 May 2022. NIE Networks have provided a proposal map and Wayleave Agreement for Council approval, a copy of which is **enclosed**.

The proposed route will cause minimal disruption or disturbance to existing structures. The cable will run from a substation in Neillsbrook Park, through the car park at Neillsbrook Community Centre and connect to a transformer by the river at the back of Neillsbrook Community Centre.

The work is scheduled to start on 18 July and will take up to two weeks to complete. The electricity supply to Neillsbrook Community Centre will need suspended for up to 1 day to allow work at the transformer to be completed but a date for this will be agreed with NIE Networks in advance and communicated to customers if there is an impact.

NIE Networks will reinstate any ground excavated. The majority of the route will be on grassland with a trench required across the entrance to the car park extension which will be made good.

RECOMMENDATION: that the NIE Networks Wayleave Agreement to carry out alteration works at Neillsbrook Community Centre be approved.

Prepared by: Paul Townsend, Community Facilities Coordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.6 CP/CD/440 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT AID PROGRAMME SMALL GRANTS FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS 2022/2023

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 2022/23 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 May two applications totalling £1,400 were received and assessed by Officers as outlined below:

Group Name/Project Promoter	Project Description/Title	Pass/Fail	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
Muck and More Allotment Association	Small Activity/Insurance Grant Annual Insurance	Pass	£ 400.00	£ 400.00
Burnside Village Committee	Small Activity/Insurance Grant Annual Insurance	Pass	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Total			£1,400.00	£1,400.00

RECOMMENDATION: that the two Small Grant applications outlined above be approved at a total cost of £1,400.00.

Prepared by: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.7 CP/GR/154 GOOD RELATIONS GRANT AID 2022-23

Members are reminded that the 2022/23 Good Relations Action Plan submitted to The Executive Office, includes a budget of £20,000 for the Good Relations Grant Aid Programme.

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 traditional community cultures and traditions as well as other people's cultures and traditions are understood, respected and accepted.

Members are advised that applications are required to score higher than 50% to be deemed successful. One application was received in May 2022, scoring above the 50% threshold requesting a total amount of £2,000.

A summary of the application received and the proposed award recommendations overview of the assessment and funding details are **enclosed** for Members' consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: that a £2,000 Good Relations Grant Award to Hollybank Pre School be approved.

Prepared by: Jen Cole, Good Relations Coordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Community Planning Manager

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

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

Members are reminded that the School Uniform Re-Use Scheme was launched in 2019 providing schemes across all of the District Electoral Areas. The continuation of the Scheme was approved at Community Planning Committee in September 2021.

The Scheme can relieve financial pressures on local families and contributes to the ecological responsibility to actively reduce carbon emissions, items going to landfill and encourage residents to act sustainably through participating and utilising the scheme. The positive environmental impact of the scheme contributes to the Council's commitment to deliver the Climate Change Action Plan and achieve net zero carbon by 2030.

Feedback was received from community partner organisations highlighting space and storage challenges they faced delivering the School Uniform Scheme this year, as other summer activities and events recommence in their venues.

To help alleviate some of the storage and space challenges facing community partners, Council Officers are proposing delivery of 2 'School Uniform Re-Use Events' at different locations in the Borough. All community partners will be invited to bring their donated uniforms to the events, to help facilitate the distribution of a large volume of uniforms in a short period of time.

The scheme will formally open week commencing 6 June 2022 for donations and be actively promoted across various channels including Borough Life, Social Media and with correspondence to community organisations and schools.

The following community partners are committed to providing a School Uniform Re-Use Scheme this year:

District Electoral Area	School Uniform Scheme Provider
Airport	Safe Space to be Me
Antrim	Christian Fellowship Church Oasis Antrim
Ballyclare	St Johns Church Ballyclare
Dunsilly	TIDAL Toome House Mac Nissis' Parish
Glegormley Urban	Cammoney Presbyterian Church Community Relations Forum Fit Moms
Macedon	Listening Ear
Threemilewater	Monkstown Village Centre

It is proposed that the 2 'School Uniform Re-Use Events' take place as follows:

Area	Venue	Event Date
Newtownabbey	Mossley Pavillion	26 July 2022
Antrim	Parkhall Community Centre	02 August 2022

In previous years some families utilising the scheme wished to provide a financial donation to the scheme. It is proposed donation points are discreetly placed at the 'School Uniform Re-Use Events' for voluntary donations with proceeds going to support local Foodbanks in the Borough.

RECOMMENDATION: that

- (a) the proposed 2022 School Uniform Re-Use Scheme including the delivery of 2 School Uniform Re-Use Events be approved**
- (b) the facility to receive voluntary donations, which are donated to local Foodbanks, at the School Uniform Re-Use Events be approved.**

Prepared by: Amy Lynch, Tackling Deprivation Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Stefanie Buchanan, Community Development Manager and
Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.9 CP/PCSP/128 ANTRIM AND NEWTOWNABBEY PCSP – COMMUNITY SAFETY WARDENS

Members are reminded that Antrim and Newtownabbey Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) fund and deliver a Community Safety Warden Scheme across the Borough. The PCSP secures additional funding through an application to the NIHE Community Safety Fund towards the scheme, on a year by year basis.

The current contract (2019-2022) provides for 2700 hours of on street presence per annum, which equates to provision of one team deployed four nights, comprising two wardens in a team.

However, in order to be able to cover all areas and carry out additional meaningful engagement with young people, residents and businesses across the Borough it is proposed to increase the scheme by having two dedicated teams of Community Safety Wardens deployed four nights per week, Thursday – Sunday.

PCSP have allocated £60,000 in their 2022-2023 Action Plan towards the Community Safety Warden project and have applied to the NIHE Community Safety fund for a further £25,000.

The increased Community Safety Warden cover as outlined, is likely to cost in the region of £105,000 and therefore there is a potential budget shortfall of £20,000.

It is proposed that the Council provides a contribution up to a maximum of £20,000 towards the Community Safety Warden Scheme to enable two dedicated teams of Community Safety Wardens to be deployed 4 nights per week.

RECOMMENDATION: that a Council contribution up to a maximum of £20,000 towards the Community Safety Warden Scheme be approved.

Prepared by: Lynda Kennedy, Community Programmes Manager

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.10 PK/GEN/104 WHITEABBEY GARDEN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Members are reminded that approval for the development of a garden project at Whiteabbey Community Centre and £4,500 match funding was approved at the Council meeting in June 2018 subject to a successful funding application to the Alpha Programme. The Group applied to the Alpha Programme in 2018 but were unsuccessful.

The project concept has been revisited as part of the Shared Housing Programme that Clanmill Housing and Connswater are delivering in the Whiteabbey area. The project has been endorsed by the Abbeyville/Glenwhirry Advisory Group and the Department for Communities (DfC) has approved funding of £30,000 through their Good Relations Plans to deliver the garden.

It is proposed to grant approval for this project to be delivered at Whiteabbey Community Centre overseen by the Capital Project Team.

RECOMMENDATION: that the development of the garden at Whiteabbey Community Centre be approved.

Prepared and Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

3.11 AC/EV/003 GARDEN SHOW IRELAND

Members are reminded that purchase of Garden Show Ireland was agreed at the 2019 November Council meeting and it is one of the Councils flagship events delivered on 29, 30 April and 1 May 2022. The event brand of 'A Festival of Flavours, Food and Fun' was retained and this was the first time the event had been delivered since 2018. A budget of £40,000 was approved for the event.

A review of the event has been carried out and key findings are as follows:

- Total Number of Visitors 22,161
- Total Expenditure £140,132
- Total Income from Ticket Sales £109,120 net
- Total Income from Traders and Sponsors £27,800 net
- Total Income £136,920 net
- Net Cost of Event £3,212
- Level of Satisfaction with the Event 81% from 1267 responses to the post event survey
- Percentage of Visitors from Outside the Borough 70% including visitors from ROI
- 86% of respondents felt Garden Show Ireland raised the profile of the Borough

Planning for the event in 2023 has commenced and it is proposed to hold the event on 21,22 and 23 April 2023 avoiding any clash with the May Day Steam Rally and the Local Government election.

RECOMMENDATION: that the review of Garden Show Ireland 2022 be noted and delivery of the event on 21,22 and 23 April 2023 be approved.

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

3.12 CP/CD/106 QUEENS AWARD FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service (QAVS) is the highest award given to local volunteer groups across the UK to recognise outstanding work done in their communities. It was created in 2002 to celebrate the anniversary of The Queen's coronation. It is the MBE for volunteer groups. Any group doing volunteer work that provides a social, economic or environmental service to the local community can be nominated for the award. Each group is assessed on the benefit it brings to the local community and its standing within that community.

Members are advised that the Council has received notice of the successful achievement of the QAVS in 2022 by three groups in the Borough, namely:

- Whiteabbey Community Group
- Monkstown Community Association and
- The River Bann and Lough Neagh Association Company

Most recent previous recipients of the QAVS in the Borough are Rathfern Community Association, A Safe Space To Be Me, Friends of Antrim Castle Gardens, Monkstown Boxing Club, Antrim Festival Group, Tidy Randalstown and the Girls Brigade. The official announcement of 2022 QAVS recipients was made by Buckingham Palace on Coronation Day Thursday 2 June 2022. A total of 244 awards were issued across the UK with 13 in Northern Ireland.

It is proposed to support the delivery and planning of presentation events to each of the recipients by working in partnership with the Groups, representatives of the QAVS and the Antrim Lieutenancy.

RECOMMENDATION: that

- (a) the achievement of the Queens Award for Voluntary Service by Whiteabbey Community Group, Monkstown Community Association and The River Bann and Lough Neagh Association Company, be noted;**
- (b) provision of support to each group in relation to the award presentation events be approved.**

Prepared and Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director Community Planning

3.13 AC/HE/037 STEEPLE ROUND TOWER AND HERITAGE CONSERVATION PROJECT – HERITAGE FUND APPLICATION

Members are reminded that the development of the Steeple Park in Antrim is one of the Council's Capital Projects with a number of elements to the project. The Park itself has been identified as an underused heritage asset which includes a scheduled monument and Grade 1 listed structure in the Round Tower along with other natural and built heritage features. Antrim DEA Elected Members have been involved in progressing the proposals to design and improve the park area Steeple Park, which will compliment the Council's other health and well-being, cultural and heritage plans for the location as a whole.

Having developed the scope of the Steeple Round Tower and Park Heritage Conservation Project the opportunity to submit an application to the Heritage Fund has been identified. There are a range of funding streams for heritage projects with the grant category offering funding of between £250,000 to £5 million identified as the appropriate funding stream for this project.

In order to make an application to this fund a two stage process applies with an Expression of Interest (EOI) to be submitted in the first instance. EOIs are invited by the Heritage Fund on a quarterly basis with the last round in May.

Members are advised that an EOI for the Steeple Round Tower and Park Heritage Conservation Project for £1,024,320 was submitted by the May deadline with the project estimated to cost £1,280,000. A copy of the EOI is enclosed for Members' information. The project scope includes the following:-

- Park restoration and path construction
- Drainage and wetland creation
- Tree planting and conservation
- New heritage entrance feature
- Landscaping
- Round Tower refurbishment
- Signage and interpretation

Correspondence has been received from the Heritage Fund advising that the EOI has been successful and that a formal application for funding for this project is invited. There is a twelve-month period allowed for the submission of a full application and Heritage Fund Officers will engage with Council Officers to assist with both the development of the project and the application process.

It is proposed to appoint a suitable architect to progress the development of the project to the stage required for submission of a full application to the Heritage Fund.

RECOMMENDATION: that the appointment of an architect to progress the development of the Steeple Round Tower and Heritage Conservation Project

and submission of an application for funding to the Heritage Fund be approved.

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

3.14 AC/GEN/075 CRAFT MONTH 2022

Members will be aware that inclusion of craft in the Council's arts and culture programme as a participation and educational activity as well as for exhibition purposes and as a retail offer in events and fairs has been ongoing and proved popular. In 2018 the Council developed its first dedicated craft event in the form of the Spinning Yarns Festival.

Members are reminded that that participation in 'craft month' in August 2021 and ongoing collaboration with Craft NI in relation to continued development of 'craft' in the Borough was approved at the June 2021 Committee.

Correspondence has been received from Craft NI advising that they are once again running Craft Month 2022 in August. This is a celebration of Northern Ireland's unique craft sector and provides opportunities for the public to experience, participate in, buy and learn about Craft. Craft NI have requested that the Council help raise the profile of August Craft Month and participate in a range of initiatives.

Development of craft as an art form, as a retail offer and as a potential experience has many benefits for residents, visitors and crafters themselves.

RECOMMENDATION: that participation and promotion of Craft Month in August 2022 be approved.

Prepared by: Ursula Fay, Deputy Director of Community Planning

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

4. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

4.1 CP/GEN/019 COMMUNITY PLANNING SECTION - PARTNERSHIP MINUTES

Members are advised that the quarterly update Partnership Minutes as listed below can be viewed in the electronic folder called "**Partnership Minutes for Members Information**" on your I pads.

Community Development		
File Ref	Date of Meeting	Name of Partnership
D/Gen/91	-	Antrim & Newtownabbey Citizens Advice Bureau
D/CSP/48	-	Antrim & Newtownabbey Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP)
D/DP/67	11 Jan 2022 1 Mar 2022	Rathcoole Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership
D/DP/67	23 Feb 2022	Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership
	-	Joint Cohesion Group
CP/GR/43	-	Traveller Issues Local Government Partnership

RECOMMENDATION: that the Partnership Minutes be noted.

Prepared by: Wendy Donaldson, Business Support Community Planning

Agreed by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

4.2 CP/CD/433 CENSUS 2021: FIRST RESULTS PUBLISHED

Members are advised that the first results from Census 2021 were published on 24 May 2022. The first release of data consists of headline population statistics by age, sex, number of households with usual residents, and communal establishment population.

Other main Census 2021 statistics will be released in stages up to summer 2023.

The results and further information on Census 2021 are available on the NISRA website; www.nisra.gov.uk/Census2021

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

Prepared by: Amy Lynch, Tackling Deprivation Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

4.3 CP/GEN/044 IPB PRIDE OF PLACE AWARDS 2021/22

Members are reminded of The Annual IPB Pride of Place Awards in association with Co-operation Ireland the aim of which is to recognise the efforts and endeavours of communities throughout Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland to make their place the best place in which to live.

The Mayor, Officers and nominated Community Groups attended the 2021/22 Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony in Killarney on 16 May 2022 where two local groups were successful:

- Queenspark Women's Group - Winners of the Housing Estates Category
- Muckamore Parish Development Association - Runners up in the population 2,000-5,000 Category.

Entries for the 2022 competition closed on Friday 13 May 2022 and the following groups, which were approved by the Council in April 2022, were nominated:

- A Safe Space to be Me (Community Wellbeing Initiative)
- Bawnmore and District Residents Association (Housing Estates)
- Whiteabbey Village Business Association (Urban Neighbourhoods)

Following assessment, visits are due to take place during August/September 2022 and a further report will be brought to Committee in October 2022.

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

Prepared by: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

4.4 CP/PCSP/074 MULTI AGENCY SUPPORT HUB FUNDING UPDATES

Members are reminded of the ongoing work of the Multi-Agency Support Hub (MASH) that was established within Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough in July 2017. The Support Hub aims to provide vulnerable individuals with the right support at the right time via the most appropriate organisation.

The Antrim and Newtownabbey MASH is led by the Council and includes representation from statutory organisations including, Policing & Community Safety Partnership, Police Service of Northern Ireland, Northern Ireland Fire & Rescue Service, Northern Ireland Housing Executive, Youth Justice Agency, Northern Health & Social Care Trust, Northern Ireland Ambulance Service, Northern Ireland Probation Board and the Department for Communities.

Following the launch of the Support Hub, the Department for Justice provided an annual financial contribution of up to a maximum of £3,600 per annum, towards administration costs of the Hub for up to three years. It had been initially anticipated that the Hubs would be subsumed within normal running costs of Council operations after this initial three-year period.

However, correspondence **enclosed** has been received from the Department of Justice to confirm that funding of up to £3,600 is being provided for the 2022-2023 financial year.

RECOMMENDATION: that the financial assistance up to £3,600 from Department of Justice towards administration costs 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

4.5 CP/TD/025 PEOPLE AND PLACE REVIEW: BRIEF APRIL 2022

Members are advised that correspondence has been received from Department of Communities (DfC) a copy of which is enclosed, in relation to the People and Place Review and update on the Co-Design process and structure.

Members are reminded 'People and Place – A Strategy for Neighbourhood Renewal' was launched in June 2003. It was aimed at targeting urban communities in Northern Ireland suffering the highest levels of deprivation by bringing together collective Government Departments in partnership to address disadvantage.

The People and Place Strategy encompasses Neighbourhood Renewal, Areas at Risk and Small Pockets of Deprivation programmes which have been in place since early 2000's. There have been subsequent evaluations of these programmes with limited change proposed.

A locality Co-Design Group for the Borough has been established to take forward the review. It is made up of Officers, statutory agencies, and community/voluntary organisations with the first meeting taking place on 19th May 2022 in Lillian Bland Pavilion.

Further stakeholder engagement will take place over coming months with specific Member sessions planned.

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

Prepared by: Stefanie Buchanan, Community Development Manager

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

4.6 CP/CF/001 COMMUNITY FACILITIES REVIEW 2022

Members are reminded that there are 10 Community Facilities, including Mossley and Lillian Bland Pavilions which were transferred from Parks in April 2021, managed by the Community Planning Section as follows: -

- Greystone Community Centre
- Muckamore Community Centre
- Parkhall Community Centre
- Rathenraw Community Centre
- Stiles Community Centre
- Northern Ireland Centenary Community Centre Ballyduff
- Dunanney Centre
- Mossley Pavillion
- Lillian Bland Pavillion

An additional two Community Facilities are managed under Service Management Agreements with community organisations operating the facilities in partnership with the Council:

- Monstown Jubilee Centre
- Rathfern Social Activity Centre.

As part of the Corporate Recovery Plan 2021-23, Officers initiated a review of operational and service delivery of Community Facilities. The key focus of this review is to improve customer experience, through operational and service modernisation ensuring Community Facilities contribute to community development efficiently and effectively. The terms of reference for the review are **enclosed** for Members' information.

Members are also reminded of the Community Centres Capacity Building Programme that commenced in February 2022. This programme is providing community organisations who may wish to manage one of the community facilities in the future the opportunity to develop their capacity to do so. An update on the programme will be reported to a future meeting of the Committee.

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

Prepared by: Stefanie Buchanan, Community Development Manager

Agreed by: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning