



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD IN MOSSLEY MILL ON MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2022 AT 6.30 PM**

- In the Chair** : Councillor J Gilmour
- Committee Members (In Person)** : Aldermen – J McGrath
Councillors – M Brady, M Cooper, P Dunlop, N McClelland,
V McWilliam, V Robinson and M Stewart
- Members Present: (Remote)** : Councillors - J Burbank, T McGrann
- In Attendance** : Francis Loughlin – Senior Youth Officer, Education Authority
Lynsey Branniff – Head of Youth Service Local Delivery, Education Authority
- Officers Present** : Director of Community Planning – U Fay
Head of Community Planning – R McKenna
Head of Arts, Culture, Tourism & Events – S Goldrick
Systems Support Officer ICT – C Bell
Member Services Officers – J Moreland & C McIntyre
Mayor and Member Services Officer – S Fisher

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

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

Although the COVID restrictions had been relaxed, to manage numbers and minimise risk, members of the public and press could continue to access those parts of the Council meetings which they are entitled to attend through the livestream on the Council's website.

1 APOLOGIES

Alderman P Michael
Councillors P Bradley, R Lynch and L Smyth

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Item 5.2 Councillors Brady and Gilmour
Item 5.13 Councillor Dunlop

3 INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF

The Chairperson introduced Janet Moreland and Clare McIntyre, Member Services Officers.

4.1 PRESENTATION FROM THE EDUCATION AUTHORITY – YOUTH SERVICE

Members were reminded that at the Council Meeting on Tuesday 30 August 2022, Members agreed to receive a presentation by the Education Authority – Youth Service.

A presentation from Francis Loughlin, Senior Youth Officer and Lynsey Branniff, Head of Youth Service Local Delivery was provided via Zoom and they responded to questions from Members.

The Chairperson confirmed the presentation will be sent to all Members.

The Chairperson thanked Francis Loughlin and Lynsey Branniff for the presentation and they left the meeting.

Proposed by Councillor Dunlop
Seconded by Councillor Cooper and agreed that

that the presentation be noted.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning and Member Services.

5 ITEMS FOR DECISION

5.1 CP/CD/444 ANTRIM AND NEWTOWNABBEY SENIORS' FORUM

Members were reminded that at the July Council Meeting it was agreed to provide funding of £15,000 for the 2022/23 financial year to Antrim and Newtownabbey Seniors' Forum and that a service level agreement between the Council and the Forum be developed.

Officers had continued to work with the Forum and Community Planning partners (NIHE, PHA, NHSCT, PSNI, NIFRS) to manage the service level agreement.

Members were also reminded it was agreed at the July Council Meeting that a quarterly performance report be provided to the Community Planning Committee, from September 2022. The Quarter 2 Quarterly Performance Report based upon agreed measures in the Service Level Agreement was circulated for Members' information.

Proposed by Councillor Cooper
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and agreed that

the Quarter 2 Quarterly Performance Report on Antrim and Newtownabbey Seniors' Forum be approved.

ACTION BY: Conor Cunning, DEA Engagement Coordinator

5.2 CP/CP/113 BARNARDO'S THE THRIVE PROJECT

Members were reminded it was agreed at the July Council to provide £25,000 in financial assistance to Thrive for 2022/23 subject to a quarterly performance report being provided.

The Thrive Project was a collaboration of local parents, schools, community and voluntary organisations and statutory agencies working together to help children and young people in Macedon and Threemilewater DEAs to achieve their full potential and have the best start in life.

An elected member from each of the Macedon and Threemilewater DEAs was nominated to serve on the Thrive Project Board at the January 2021 Community Planning Committee.

The Quarter 2 Quarterly Performance Report was circulated for Members approval.

Proposed by Councillor Robinson
Seconded by Councillor Cooper and agreed that

the Quarter 2 performance report be approved.

ACTION BY: Ronan McKenna, Head of Community Planning

5.3 CP/CD/426 COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TOY SCHEME

Members were reminded that the 2022 Community Christmas Toy Scheme was approved at the October Community Planning Committee meeting with agreement that a report on the number of Community and Voluntary Organisations participating in the scheme, including grant funding recommendations, be brought back to the November Committee Meeting.

Members were advised officers had been in contact with Community & Voluntary organisations to establish interest in participation. The following organisations had committed to delivering a Community Christmas Toy Scheme in 2022:

- Listening Ear
- Fit Moms & Kids
- A Safe Space to Be Me

'Pop-Up Toy Shops' would be delivered in partnership with Habitat for Humanity (NI) with a selection of toys donated into Council Household Recycling Centre available to purchase at minimal cost. Opening hours at Pop-Up Shops had been extended to include 5pm to 7pm opening as an additional provision for working families. The Pop-Up Shops would take place as follows:

- Muckamore Community Centre, hosted by Muckamore Parish Development Association.
Thursday 1 December 2022, 10am – 3pm and 5pm – 7pm
- Dunanney Centre, Rathcoole, hosted by Listening Ear.
Thursday 8 December 2022, 10am – 2pm and 5pm - 7pm

Members were reminded that a social media campaign would be launched beginning of November to encourage people to donate 'pre-loved toys directly into local community schemes or at one of the recycling centre donation points:

- Newpark
- Bruslee
- Crumlin
- O'Neill Road
- Craigmore

Community Planning and Waste Management Teams would work in partnership to deliver the 2022 scheme. It was proposed to further support community delivery with a grant of £200 provided to each of participating community organisations to support with additional scheme management expenses such as storage, volunteers, running costs.

In response to a question from a Member, the Director of Community Planning confirmed that officers would try to identify additional groups to participate in the Scheme to ensure all DEAs are covered.

Proposed by Councillor Brady
Seconded by Councillor Dunlop and agreed that

- (a) delivery of the Christmas Community Toy Scheme in 2022 as outlined be noted**
- (b) the provision of a £200 support grant to each participating community organisation be approved.**

ACTION BY: Will McDowell, Tackling Deprivation Co-Ordinator

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

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 £1,000 (revised and approved by Council in October 2021) towards seeding costs and/or insurance or a small activity and/or insurance. Members were advised that groups who applied for a small grant were 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 would be assessed on the basis of Pass/Fail against eligibility criteria and not subjected to a scored assessment process. All proposed awards were 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 was in place and could be provided on request or the offer of funding would be withdrawn.

During the month of October, 4 applications totalling £3,475 were received and assessed by Officers as outlined below:

Group Name/Project Promoter	Project Description/Title	Pass/Fail	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
Parkgate & District Community Group	Small Activity/Insurance Grant Annual Insurance and Hospitality/Confectionary for Christmas Event	Pass	£1,000	£1,000
St Comgall's Women's Group	Small Activity/Insurance Grant Materials for Craft Classes	Pass	£975	£975
Fairview Primary School PTA	Small Activity/Insurance Grant Equipment and Hospitality for a Christmas Trail	Pass	£1,000	£1,000
M.G. Bowling Club (Moneyglass)	Small Activity/Insurance Grant Annual Insurance and Hall Rental	Pass	£500	£500
Total			£3,475	£3,475

Proposed by Councillor Robinson
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and agreed that

the Small Grant applications outlined above be approved at a total cost of £3,475.00.

ACTION BY: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

5.5 CP/GEN/044 IPB PRIDE OF PLACE AWARDS 2022

Members were reminded of The Annual IPB Pride of Place Awards in association with Co-operation Ireland the aim of which was 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.

In May 2022 the Council nominated three groups for the 2022 competition:

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

Judging of the three entries took place in August 2022 and correspondence had been received from Co-operation Ireland indicating that the annual Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony would take place on Saturday 21 January 2023 at the Clayton Hotel, Burlington Road, Dublin.

Eight complimentary tickets would be made available for this event with guidance that they were to be distributed as follows: Two tickets per nominated group with the remaining two tickets being allocated to Elected Members/Officers. A separate invitation would be issued to the Chief Executive.

As the venue was approximately a two- hour journey from the Borough and with the awards ceremony running until midnight it was proposed that Council provide financial assistance to cover the cost of one night's bed and breakfast accommodation.

Hotel accommodation costs in Dublin had been researched and the total cost for the accommodation was estimated at approximately £1,600 for eight attendees.

In addition, it was also proposed to provide financial assistance of up to £100 per group to cover the costs of travel and subsistence, provision for which had been made in the existing Community Planning Budget.

It was proposed that the Mayor accompanied by a Council Officer attended the Ceremony along with the 6 group representatives.

In response to a proposal from Members, the Director of Community Planning agreed to consider attendance by the Chair and/or Vice Chair, or their nominee, of the Committee.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

Proposed by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Robinson and agreed that

- a) the attendance of the Mayor and an officer at the IPB Pride of Place Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony in Dublin on 21 January be approved and that the attendance of the Chair and/or Vice Chair or their nominee be explored.**
- b) funding of approximately £1,900 to cover the cost of accommodation, travel and subsistence for all those attending be approved.**

ACTION BY: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

5.6 CP/GR/161 GOOD RELATIONS GRANT AID 2022-23

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

The aim of Good Relations Grant Aid Programme was to improve day to day relationships by encouraging everyone to treat others fairly and encouraging a society in which all cultures and traditions were understood, respected and accepted.

Members were advised that applications were required to score higher than 50% to be deemed successful. One application was received in October 2022, scoring above the 50% threshold requesting a total amount of £2,500. A summary of the application received and the proposed award recommendations overview of the assessment and funding details were circulated for Members' information.

Proposed by Councillor Brady
Seconded by Councillor Cooper and agreed that

the Good Relations grant aid application outlined be approved at a total cost of £2,500

ACTION BY: Jen Cole, Good Relations Coordinator

5.7 AC/GEN/010 BOROUGH ARTS AND CULTURAL ADVISORY PANEL

Members were reminded that the Borough Arts and Cultural Advisory Panel meets quarterly. The Panel met on 20 October 2022 at Mossley Mill and the minutes of this meeting were circulated for Members' information.

Programmes for Theatre at The Mill, The Old Courthouse Theatre and The Courtyard Theatre for the Autumn 2022 and Spring 2023 were agreed by the Panel and were circulated for Members' information.

Proposed by Councillor Robinson
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and agreed that

the minutes of the Borough Arts and Cultural Advisory Panel of 20 October 2022, including the autumn and spring programmes for the Councils theatres, be approved.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

5.8 AC/GEN/068 THE JOYCE TORPEDO RETRIEVAL BOAT

Members were reminded that it was agreed at the Community Planning Committee in January 2022 that provision of secure mooring for The

Joyce at The Gateway Visitor Centre be approved. This work had now been completed and plans to have The Joyce permanently moored at the Gateway Visitor Centre were nearing completion. An application to this fund to design and install a range of interpretation materials to tell the story of The Joyce was submitted.

Members were advised that the Heritage Environment Division of the Department for Communities (DfC) contacted all Councils in June to advise of a small grant scheme the Department made available for Councils with a maximum of £10,000 in funding available for a specific heritage development projects. The underlying aims of the scheme were to support and encourage work to increase the understanding protection, conservation and celebration of heritage.

Members were advised that the circulated correspondence had been received from the Department offering a funding award of £10,000 for this project.

It was proposed to accept this offer of funding and complete the project before the end of March 2023.

Proposed by Councillor Dunlop
Seconded by Councillor Brady and agreed that

acceptance of the offer of £10,000 from the Historic Environment Fund administered by the Department for Communities for The Joyce Torpedo Boat be approved with the project to be completed by the end of March 2023.

ACTION BY: Mark McGrann, Tourism Manager

5.9 AC/HE/038 LEASE OF POGUES ENTRY

Members were reminded that Pogue's Entry Historical Cottage in Antrim had not yet reopened to the public since the pandemic. Members were advised that the Friends of Antrim Castle Gardens had put forward a proposal to utilise the apartment and craft workshop facilities at Pogue's Entry as their administrative and workshop base, and to operate the site as a visitor attraction on behalf of the Council in lieu of rent. They had proposed that the arrangement operated as follows:

- The Group occupied the Apartment as an office and meeting space and run workshops and creative activities in the adjoining Craft Workshop on a rent free basis, but paid for running costs associated with utilities
- The Heritage Cottage and the adjoining Interpretative Room would remain under the care of Council, but the Group would facilitate the opening and staffing of the buildings as a visitor attraction on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from Easter until the end of September each year
- The Garden space would remain under the care of the Irish Garden Plant Society
- Council would retain responsibility for maintenance and repair of the buildings

It was proposed to rent Pogue's Entry to the Friends of Antrim Castle Gardens on the basis outlined for an initial twelve-month period with a lease to be drawn up between both parties.

In response to a question from a Member, the Director of Community Planning agreed to review the signage at Pogue's Entry.

Proposed by Councillor Dunlop
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and agreed that

the proposal from the Friends of Antrim Castle Gardens to rent Pogue's Entry on the basis outlined, at no cost for an initial 12-month period be approved.

ACTION BY: Philip Magennis, Culture & Heritage Officer

5.10 AC/THB/008 BALLYCLARE TOWN HALL

Members were advised that Ballyclare Protestant Boys Flute Band had made an application to hire Ballyclare Town Hall on Saturday 25 February 2023 for a concert and culture evening. In addition, they had requested permission to apply for a license to sell alcohol at this event. The current terms and conditions of hire for the Town Hall state the following in relation to alcohol:

- Alcohol was not permitted on the premises without prior consent from the Council.

In addition, if a group wished to sell alcohol then they must seek the Council's permission to apply for a license to do this.

Members were advised a number of previous requests to the Council seeking permission to serve and sell alcohol at functions had been approved including a request by Protestant Boys Flute Band for an event in October 2021, which was approved by the Committee in September 2021.

Proposed by Councillor Brady
Seconded by Councillor Dunlop and agreed that

permission for Ballyclare Protestant Flute Band to apply for an alcohol licence to sell alcohol in Ballyclare Town Hall on 25 February 2023 at their concert be given.

ACTION BY: Jenna Collier, Theatre Bookings, Conference and Events Manager

5.11 AC/GEN/082 ARTS COUNCIL RURAL ENGAGEMENT ARTS PROGRAMME

Members were advised that the Arts Council of Northern Ireland (ACNI) invited applications to a Rural Engagement Arts Programme over the summer. The purpose of the programme was to provide an integrated and cohesive approach to the needs of rural communities as they emerged from the pandemic and to promote social inclusion through the arts.

A requirement of the fund was to demonstrate delivery in partnership with a maximum of £10,000 available per project.

An application was submitted for £10,000 to deliver an interactive theatre experience at The Junction in partnership with both The Junction and Cahoots Theatre Company. Correspondence had been received from ACNI advising that the application had been successful with an offer of £10,000 for the project.

This funding would be used to deliver an interactive show called "Finding Santa" between 9 and 24 December 2022 at The Junction. They had committed £25,000 to the project with an additional £2,000 having been secured from The Enkalon Foundation.

"Finding Santa" would be open to the public and it aimed to attract an audience from the surrounding rural areas. In addition, schools and older peoples groups from small towns, villages and rural areas across the Borough would be invited to attend one of the performances.

Proposed by Councillor Robinson
Seconded by Councillor Brady and agreed that

the offer of £10,000 from the Arts Council of Northern Ireland Rural Engagement Arts Programme for the delivery of "Finding Santa" at The Junction in December 2022 be accepted.

ACTION BY: Samuel Hyndman, Culture and Events Manager

5.12 AC/GEN/075 CRAFT NI CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN

Members were reminded that the implementation of the various craft initiatives and ongoing collaboration with Craft NI in relation to continued development of 'craft' in the Borough was approved at the June 2021 Community Planning Committee. At the November 2021 Committee provision of £750 funding support to Craft NI for their 'Buy Craft –Christmas 2021' advertising and promotional campaign was approved.

Craft NI had contacted the Council to advise that they were planning a similar Christmas Craft campaign in 2022, which would include a Council specific 'Spotlight on Local Crafters' element. The campaign would once again be designed to spotlight some of the best craft in Northern Ireland and the Borough.

They had requested that the Council consider provision of funding to support delivery of this campaign, which would allow Craft NI to purchase advertising resources across a number of platforms including outdoor, digital and radio and also deliver the following promotional initiatives:

- Regional gift guides as hard copy supplements in the print media
- Online gift guides organised by theme, discipline or council area
- Promotion of makers by Council area and

- Council events promoted through Craft NI social media, driving traffic to Christmas listings on their website.

Craft NI were hoping for support from all the Councils so that the campaign could have real impact in promoting craft makers and the story they told about the areas of Northern Ireland where they lived and worked. The Council area had a strong craft sector and talented craft makers, who could be supported by such a campaign.

In response to a question from a Member, the Director of Community Planning agreed that contact would be made with the crafters identified through the now closed GROW initiative.

Proposed by Councillor Cooper
Seconded by Councillor McClelland and agreed that

provision of £750 funding support to Craft NI for their Christmas 2022 advertising and promotional campaign be approved.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

Having declared an interest in the next item Councillor Dunlop left the Chamber.

5.13 CE/GEN/097 REQUEST FOR SUPPORT WITH DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

Members were reminded that the Council had supported a number of groups with Levelling Up Fund and PeacePlus applications related to capital projects by providing consultancy support.

The Antrim Community Development Association had met with Officers to express interest in developing the former Antrim Protestant Hall for community use. Since a fire in 2007 much of the building was out of use. The building itself dates back to 1880 and was a B2 listed building and as such of historical significant.

It was proposed to provide consultancy support to Antrim Community Development Association to explore development options for the hall.

Proposed by Councillor Cooper
Seconded by Councillor Brady and agreed that

the appointment of a consultant to explore development options, including development of a business case, for Antrim Community Development Association be approved.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

Councillor Dunlop returned to the Chamber.

5.14 AC/EV/025 BALLYCLARE MAY FAIR

Members were advised that the Ballyclare May Fair Working Group met on 27 October in Ballyclare Town Hall to commence planning for the May Fair 2023. At this meeting Councillor Jeannie Archibald-Brown was elected as Chair of the Working Group and Valerie Jenkins as Vice Chair. Minutes of the meeting were circulated for Members information.

Proposed by Councillor McWilliam
Seconded by Councillor Brady and agreed that

(a) the election of Councillor Jeannie Archibald-Brown and Valerie Jenkins as Chair and Vice Chair respectively of the May Fair Working Group be approved.

(b) the minutes of the May Fair Working Group meeting of the 27 October 2022, be approved.

ACTION BY: Simon Goldrick, Head of Arts, Culture, Tourism & Events

Alderman McGrath left the meeting during this item.

5.15 CP/CP/178 DEA MEMBER ENGAGEMENT GROUP MINUTES

Members were reminded that the DEA Member Engagement Groups were now a central part of the Community Planning engagement framework. Draft minutes for the seven DEA Member Engagement Groups were circulated for Members' information, these would be formally adopted at the next meetings of the groups.

Community Planning Section – DEA Member Engagement Group Meetings		
File Ref	Date of Meeting	Name of Partnership
CP/CP/168	12 October 2022	Airport DEA Member Engagement Group
CP/CP/169	19 October 2022	Antrim DEA Member Engagement Group
CP/CP/170	26 October 2022	Ballyclare DEA Member Engagement Group
CP/CP/171	24 October 2022	Dunsilly DEA Member Engagement Group
CP/CP/172	11 October 2022	Glengormley DEA Member Engagement Group
CP/CP/173	11 October 2022	Macedon DEA Member Engagement Group
CP/CP/174	20 October 2022	Threemilewater DEA Member Engagement Group

Proposed by Councillor Cooper
Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and agreed that

the draft minutes of the DEA Member Engagement Groups be approved.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

5.16 CP/PCSP/081 TARGETED CONSULTATION ON AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS TO PCSPs & DPCSPs

Members were advised that correspondence circulated had been received from the Department of Justice regarding a targeted consultation on amendments to the Code of Practice for the appointment of Independent Members to Policing and Community Safety Partnerships (PCSPs) and District Policing Community Safety Partnerships (DPCSPs).

The consultation was open for six weeks from Monday 24 October 2022 until Monday 5 December 2022. Responses could be submitted via email DOJCSU_PDB.Mailbox@justice-ni.gov.uk or post.

Proposed by Councillor Cooper
Seconded by Councillor Robinson and agreed that

Members respond on a party or individual basis.

NO ACTION

6 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 CP/GR/086 ASYLUM ACCOMMODATION UPDATE

Members were advised that The Executive Office (TEO) had established an Asylum Accommodation Operational Group with representatives from the TEO, Home Office, Migrant Help, NIHE, PSNI, EA and Council's currently providing Asylum Seekers accommodation. Members were aware that the provision of accommodation for asylum seekers was the responsibility of the Home Office and managed through a contact with Mears locally.

To date most asylum seekers coming to Northern Ireland had been accommodated in the Belfast City Council area through hotel accommodation with approximately 1500 asylum seekers currently accommodated in Belfast in this way. Hotel contingency accommodation had also been procured by the Home Office outside of Belfast with the Chimney Corner Hotel currently in use locally for this purpose. In addition, the Home Office had advised that there were a small number of families and single adults being accommodated in residential properties in the Borough in both family accommodation and houses of multiple occupancy (HMO's)

This Operational Group had been established in recent months as Belfast was at capacity in terms of being able to accommodate additional asylum seekers and the next areas likely to see dispersal of asylum seekers were the surrounding Council areas. The Terms of Reference for the Group were circulated for Members' information. At the Community Planning Committee meeting in September it was noted that a Newcomers Welcome Park had been created to support any of those who would be arriving in the Borough through this scheme.

Members were advised that in addition to the Operational Group TEO had more recently established a multi-agency Asylum Seekers Assistance Centres Group. Up until June 2021 Belfast was receiving on average 40 asylum seekers per month but this had increased since this time to approximately 190 each month. It was anticipated that as a result of this increased demand and limited capacity in the Belfast area the number being accommodated in the Borough and neighbouring areas would increase in the coming months and would reach such a level as to require the support of assistance centres. Meetings of this group had commenced and discussions about what an assistance centre might look at in each Council area were taking place recognising that the context in each Council area was different. It was anticipated that the first such facility would be operational in Belfast at the end of November.

It was intended that these centre would provide access to health, education and legal services as well as translation and other support services. Whilst led by the Council the assistance centres would be supported by key agencies such as the Health Trust and Education Authority. Members were advised that establishment of any assistance centre in the Borough would be based upon need and local context and any such proposal, including location, access, operation and resourcing of such a Centre, would be brought to a future meeting of the Committee.

Proposed by Councillor Cooper
 Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and agreed that

the report be noted.

NO ACTION

6.2 ED/ED/080/VOL4 EVALUATION OF COUNCIL SPONSORED EVENTS IN 2022

Members were reminded that Council sponsors a number of events in the Borough each year that have the potential to attract significant levels of tourism to the area. This sponsorship was administered through the Corporate Events Sponsorship Fund.

A condition of funding was that post-event evaluations were carried out by the event organisers. The key outcomes from these evaluations for the supported events in 2022 were summarised as follows:

Event	Council sponsorship value	Visitor numbers	Participant numbers	Bed nights generated	Direct economic benefit to ANBC
Shane's Castle Vintage Steam Rally	£15,000	14,372 (including 13,252 from outside the borough)	1,422 (including 1,300 from outside the borough)	1,905	£359,467 (visitor and participant spend)

Irish Game Fair and Fine Food Festival	£15,000	13,850 (including 12,048 from outside the borough)	3,320 (including 3,030 from outside the borough)	2,076	£371,948 (visitor and participant spend)
STATSports SuperCup NI	£30,000	65,500 (including 59,300 from outside the borough)	2,855 (including 2,655 from outside the borough)	2,144	£892,233 (visitor and participant spend)
ISPS Handa World Invitational	£50,000	21,008 (including 18,908 from outside the borough)	3,186 (including 2,965 from outside the borough)	2,015	£3.3million (visitor and participant spend)

Proposed by Councillor Cooper
 Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and agreed that

the report be noted

NO ACTION

6.3 CP/TD/025 PEOPLE AND PLACE REVIEW: BRIEF NOVEMBER 2022

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

Members were 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 encompassed Neighbourhood Renewal, Areas at Risk and Small Pockets of Deprivation programmes which had been in place since early 2000's. There had been subsequent evaluations of these programmes with limited change proposed.

A locality Co-Design Group for the Borough had been established to take forward the review. It was made up of Officers, statutory agencies, and community/voluntary organisations with the first meeting taking place on 19th May 2022 in Lillian Bland Pavilion, followed by a second meeting of the Locality Co-Design Group at Antrim Civic Centre on 11th October 2022. Further stakeholder engagement would take place over the coming months with specific sessions for Elected Members planned.

Proposed by Councillor Cooper
 Seconded by Councillor McWilliam and agreed that

the update on the Department for Communities People and Place review be noted.

NO ACTION

8 ANY OTHER RELEVANT BUSINESS

In response to questions from Members regarding the progress of naming Loughshore Park and Steeple Park new development, as agreed through the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Working Group, the Director of Community Planning agreed to seek guidance from the Lord Lieutenant.

PROPOSAL TO PROCEED 'IN CONFIDENCE'

Proposed by Councillor Robinson
Seconded by Councillor Dunlop and agreed

that the following Committee business be taken In Confidence and the livestream and audio recording would cease.

7 ITEMS IN CONFIDENCE

7.1 IN CONFIDENCE CP/CD/452 RENEWAL OF LEASE WITH CLASP – LAND AT LONGLANDS ROAD NEWTOWNABBEY

Members were advised that the lease with CLASP, for the piece of land on which their portacabin was situated was now up for renewal. The land was owned by the Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE) and was situated at Longlands Road Newtownabbey.

The existing portacabin which was owned by the group was opened in 2017 and provided a base for the group to deliver its wide and innovative programme of community, social, and educational activities.

In order to facilitate the group in the future delivery of its community development programme it was proposed that a further 10-year lease be drawn up with the group subject to the Council renewing its lease with the NIHE.

Over recent months Officers had been in contact with the NIHE regarding the renewal of the lease and correspondence had recently been received, copy circulated, from the NIHE outlining the following two options:

- Option 1 – Renewal of the existing lease with NIHE valued at £██████ per annum with restricted open space and community use.
- Option 2 – Purchase the site at the full market value of £██████ on the assumption that the land could be developed for housing.

The NIHE had indicated that it would be their preference to sell the land to the Council. The Council first leased this land in 1994 and there had been

established community and open space use since this time. Therefore, it was proposed that Option 1 be approved.

Following renewal of the lease with the NIHE it was proposed that a further 10-year lease be renewed with CLASP. A site map outlining the boundary of the area to be leased was circulated for Members' consideration.

Proposed by Councillor McGrann
Seconded by Councillor Brady and agreed that

- (a) the renewal of the existing lease with NIHE at £[REDACTED] per annum with restricted open space and community use be approved.**
- (b) the lease of this land to CLASP for a further ten-year term be approved.**

ACTION BY: Jonathan Henderson, Community Services Co-ordinator

PROPOSAL TO PROCEED OUT OF 'IN CONFIDENCE'

Proposed by Councillor Dunlop
Seconded by Councillor Robinson and agreed

that the remainder of Committee business be taken in Open Session.

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

The Chairperson advised that the Supplementary item would be taken at this point.

5.17 AC/GEN/008 FREE USE OF BALLYCLARE TOWN HALL

Members were advised that a request for free use of the Town Hall Ballyclare had been made by the Education Authority for the Southern String Orchestra to deliver the Education Authority Music Service Ensemble on Monday 12 December 2022. In addition, they had requested free use for a pre-concert rehearsal on Monday 5 December. This request was outside the scope of the Free Use Policy and required Elected Member approval.

It was proposed to permit free use of Ballyclare Town hall by the Education Authority on Monday 5 and Monday 12 December 2022.

Proposed by Councillor McWilliam
Seconded by Councillor Brady and agreed that

the request for free use of Ballyclare Town Hall by the Education Authority on Monday 5 and Monday 12 December be approved.

ACTION BY: Ursula Fay, Director of Community Planning

There being no further Committee business, the Chairperson thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting concluded at 7:44 pm.

MAYOR

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