

Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan 2015 – 2018

This revised action plan is based on a review of the existing Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan 2015-2018.

NB: Funding for the Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Programme currently ends on 31 March 2016. Details of any future programme and associated funding beyond this date have not been confirmed.

Strategic Objective: Community Renewal

To develop confident communities that are able and committed to improve the quality of life in the most deprived neighbourhoods

Key areas: Lack of community involvement

There has been an increase in community involvement with a number of new groups having been established in the Estate. Community consultation highlighted that the appearance and location of the Community House and the lack of activities currently available for all contributes to the apathy of residents becoming involved. Residents also claimed that there is a need for a consistent method of communication about what is going on in the Community House. There is also a perception of two separate estates within Grange, one of which is reasonably well settled (lower end) and the other which suffers from a range of social problems (top end).

A note on the progress to March 2015

A Community Development Worker is now in place and it has been noted that there is increased use of the Community House. The running costs for the Community House have been secured until March 2016. Programmes have been, and continue to be, delivered for young people and others within the community. It was commented that there is 'buy-in' and interest from local young people and the representation by local people on the Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership has increased. Community safety orientated programmes have been taken forward involving young people – e.g. activities on Friday and Saturday evenings - and there is anecdotal evidence that this is having a positive effect.

There is a need to build on the progress made to date by continuing to encourage community participation and involvement.

Continuing needs / issues / opportunities

The following were noted as considerations for updating the 2015-18 Community Renewal Actions:

- the need for a larger Community House. It was also suggested that the current location of the Community House needs to be reviewed.
- the opportunity for the community within Grange NRA to make more use of the Ballyclare Community Concerns premises if BCC management agree to make the necessary improvements to make the facilities fit for purpose.
- the need to establish and deliver an annual rolling programme of community activities in a co-ordinated way which would create its own momentum (a progressive programme, as opposed to one-off, ad hoc activities).
- that the specific activities to be taken forward need to be identified in consultation with the wider community.
- the suggestion that community safety activities should include work to address the fear of crime.
- the need to improve communications with the community around activities and programmes.
- the opportunity to share out responsibilities and to continue to encourage volunteering.
- the opportunity to promote the 'return' to the individual of taking part in voluntary activity.
- the need to promote further networking activity between organisations in the local area.
- the need for access to crèche facilities to support community programmes.

Strategic Objective: Community Renewal

Desired Outcomes: A confident community committed to working together for the benefit of all residents

Agreed Priorities from April 2015:

- (1) Continue to provide opportunities for the increased use of the community house.
- (2) Continue to improve relationships between residents in all areas of the Estate.
- (3) Ensure that local residents are kept well informed of what is happening in the NRA.
- (4) Continue to encourage all residents to become involved in activities within the Estate.
- (5) Continue to increase the number of local residents involved in decision making and related activities and build capacity within the Estate.
- (6) Specifically, develop an engagement / consultation mechanism to inform and shape an annual programme of community activities.
- (7) Encourage greater use of Ballyclare Community Concerns premises to support the activity programme and other events if BCC agree to make the necessary changes to make the facilities fit for purpose.
- (8) To become the voice of Grange residents in terms of the future community plan for Antrim/Newtownabbey Borough Council. To engage the community in gathering qualitative data on the needs for local services for residents in the area in terms of, for example, Health, education, unemployment and crime.

Action	Lead Responsibility	Supporting Responsibility	Resource Implications	Progress Continuing and new milestones	Timescales		
					Apr 15 – Mar 16	Apr 16 – Mar 17	Apr 17 – Mar 18
<p>No 1</p> <p>Neighbourhood Renewal Community Development Project:</p> <p>All stakeholders know what the role entails and the type and level of support the CDW can offer.</p> <p>Take best practice visits and look at DSD funded projects relevant to rural areas e.g. Allotment Project, Men's Sheds, Women's Groups etc.</p> <p><i>(e.g. best practice visits, festivals, community development activities and children & family events but informed by needs, interests and preferences articulated by the community)</i></p> <p>(Note. Training Plan for GNRP and others – to include NINIS, outcome setting and at least one annual best practice visit)</p> <p>Continue and implement communication networks within the NRA and between the Grange community and other communities and organisations within the local area.</p> <p><i>(E.g. to include open days in the Community House to promote information sharing and networking, regular newsletter, Facebook page)</i></p> <p>Community Engagement Event</p>	<p>Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council(ANBC) up to 31/03/2016</p> <p>GNRP</p>	<p>DSD</p> <p>Volunteer Now</p> <p>GY & CG</p> <p>ANBC</p> <p>EA</p> <p>GY&CG</p>	<p>£44,461.68</p> <p>Funding for a Community Development Worker Post</p> <p>1 April 2015 – 31 March 2018</p> <p>Premises required</p> <p>Resources required</p> <p>Funding for Best Practice Visits.</p> <p>Resources for delivery of projects.</p> <p>Continue with activities of Communications & Events Sub Group to develop the Communications Strategy.</p> <p>The Communications Task Group will also meet in years 2 and 3 to monitor strategy implementation.</p> <p>Funding</p> <p>Staff time</p> <p>Volunteer time</p> <p>Availability of funding.</p> <p>Volunteers</p>	<p>The Community Development Worker is now in post and is located in Ballyclare Community Concerns.</p> <p>The Community Development Worker supports the delivery of this Action Plan.</p>	<p>6 GRNP meetings and 6 Youth Sub-group meetings</p> <p>Review Training Plan</p> <p>All actions incl. 2 NRIF project</p> <p>Review and update CDW action plan and Communication & Events Strategy by 1/5/15</p> <p>Annual Report for 2014/15 by 30/4/15</p>	<p>6 GRNP meetings and 6 Youth Sub-group meetings</p> <p>Review Training Plan</p> <p>All actions incl. 2 NRIF projects</p> <p>Review and update CDW action plan and Communication & Events Strategy by - 1/2/16</p> <p>Annual Report for 2015/16 by 30/4/16</p>	<p>6 GRNP meetings and 6 Youth Sub-group meetings</p> <p>Review Training Plan</p> <p>All actions incl. 2 NRIF projects</p> <p>Review and update CDW action plan and Communication & Events Strategy by - 1/2/17</p> <p>Annual Report for 2016/17 by 30/4/17</p>

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No 2 Grange Community House: (running costs have been secured up to 31 st March 2016):	Grange Youth & Community Group	DSD	£5,192.06 Continued funding for Community House running costs beyond March 2016 Programmes funding per Action 4	Community House running costs have been secured to end of March 2016.	✓	✓	✓
		ANBC		The Community House is open Monday-Friday with timetable of activities facilitated by the Community Development Worker and GY&GC	✓	✓	✓
				There is increased use of BCC premises by people from the NRA area and for NRA specific activities.	✓	✓	✓

No 3 The need for Crèche facilities to support community programmes has been identified.	TBC		Funding and resources needed to enable crèche facilities to be provided to reduce the barriers to parental participation in classes and activities. Participation from the local community	Need has been identified through consultation with parents. Future programme applications should include costing for child care provision.	✓	✓	✓
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<p>No 4</p> <p>Community Safety initiatives: reduce crime, increase reporting of crime and reduce the fear of crime</p> <p>Anti – social behaviour activities and education programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - continue with diversionary activities - take forward specific anti-social behaviour education work - raise the profile of young people in the NRA in a positive manner <p>Young Women and Young Men's Programmes</p> <p>It has been identified that the need exists to develop a Young Men's Group to work in tandem with the young women's group in the delivery of personal and social development programmes for the young men of the area.</p>	<p>Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI)</p> <p>PCSP</p>	<p>GY & CG</p> <p>Northern Regional College (NRC)</p> <p>EA</p> <p>DSD</p> <p>ANBC</p>	<p>Funding</p> <p>Premises</p> <p>Resources</p> <p>Staff time</p> <p>Volunteer time</p> <p>Participation</p>	<p>Work is ongoing and planned with youth groups.</p> <p>There is increased reporting of crime.</p> <p>Diversionary and anti-social behaviour awareness activities are delivered and anti-social behaviour is reduced as a result.</p> <p>Young Women's Programme has commenced.</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>
<p>No 5</p> <p>Development and recruitment of volunteers – explore possibility of a link with Volunteer Now to support the recruitment of new volunteers and the development of existing volunteers within the NRA</p>	<p>Grange Youth & Community Group</p>	<p>Volunteer Now</p> <p>ANBC</p>	<p>Funding and resources essential to progress the development of volunteering</p> <p>Participation from the local community</p>	<p>Baseline volunteer activity has been recorded for use in measuring impact later.</p> <p>A useful link has been established with Volunteer Now.</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>

Strategic Objective: Economic Renewal

To develop economic activity in the most deprived neighbourhoods and connect them to the wider urban economy.

Key areas: Lack of Skills, Training and Qualifications: Unemployment

The 2015 DSDNI Measurement of Outcomes report for Ballyclare NRA highlighted a positive change in the percentage of school leavers with no GCSE's reducing from 37.5% in 2005 to 30% in the latest year. However this is still much higher than non-NRA's which was 1.4% in the latest year. This in turn results in higher than average unemployment in the Estate. Part of this may be accounted for by the higher than average number of older residents. However, the community consultation also highlighted the six main barriers to employment as: no local jobs, no incentive to find a job, lack of transport, no opportunities for training or gaining qualifications and lack of affordable childcare.

Continuing needs / issues / opportunities

A number of opportunities to support and encourage participation in relevant programmes and services were identified. These included:

- the new Jobclub in Ballyclare Library. Discussions highlighted the possibility of Jobclub services being targeted within the NRA area. However, this was ran as a pilot project with little success. It was emphasized during the workshop that support for job applications, interviews etc. needed to be included in the NR Action Plan.
- a new youth employment scheme
- Ongoing Homework Club provision by Grange CDW and Grange Health Co-ordinator is planned in connection with Ballyclare Primary School in the form of the 'Time to Read' programme.
- opportunity to develop a project with the Prince's Trust
- current provision between DSD, NRC and NEELB regarding provision in all NR areas for young people not in education, training or employment is in place in the form of the CALL Project.
- An opportunity to complete 'Maths in a Month' is being explored.

Strategic Objective: Economic Renewal

Desired Outcomes: A thriving and economically active community that is better qualified to avail of job opportunities.

Agreed Priorities from March 2015:

- (1) To develop and provide opportunities for local residents to avail of accredited training
- (2) To help address the number of young people leaving school with no qualifications
- (3) To develop opportunities for access to local employment
- (4) To support the concept of social economy jobs
- (5) To secure increased engagement with the business community locally
- (6) Focus on wider basis on opportunities to use the new functions in terms of economic development, transferring to the Council to connect the NRA to the wider economy.

The following indicators from the 2015 DSDNI Measurement of Outcomes report for Ballyclare NRA provide evidence of the need for increased lobbying and advocacy for the area on the part of the Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership:

There continues to be higher levels of benefit uptake across the eligible population in Ballyclare NRA compared to Non NRAs.

Benefits/Allowances

- Job Seekers Allowance claimant rate in 2014 dropped to 8.2% compared to 9.5% in 2013. This remains higher than non-NRA's at 3.9 % and Antrim & Newtownabbey LGD at 3.8%. Although the number of claimants aged under 25 from the Ballyclare NRA not in employment, education or training (NEET) increased from 14% in 2013 to 20% in 2014, it was lower than non-NRA's at 25%.

Income support claimant rate in 2014 reduced to 9.6% from 12.2% in 2013 although still remains high in comparison to 3.0% in Non NRA areas and 3.2% in Antrim & Newtownabbey LGD.

- Disability Living Allowance uptake witnessed a steady rise over the period 2012-2013 but has remained relatively static over the period 2014-2015. It is still considerably higher than the Non NRAs at 9.3% and Antrim & Newtownabbey LGD at 9.2%. Learning difficulties as well as mental and behavioural disorders are the main reasons for claiming and represent 52% of all claimants.

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<p>No 6</p> <p>Homework Club / Afterschools Club:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assess fit between current provision and needs within the NRA - seek to improve participation from the NRA including with help from Junior Youth Leaders - link to other Action Plan areas which seek to increase positive parental involvement; provide a socially beneficial outlet for young people 	<p>GY&CG</p> <p>EA</p>	<p>ANBC</p>	<p>Funding</p> <p>Volunteer time</p> <p>Staff time</p> <p>Resources</p>	<p>From May 2014 a Thursday after schools club has been in operation on an ad hoc basis. This has been well attended.</p>	✓	✓	✓
<p>No 7</p> <p>CALL Project throughout NRA hopes to:</p> <p>Provide a strategic approach for training to increase skills/employability within the NRA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -scope current and upcoming vocational training and employability programmes - approach providers to consider improving access to programmes for eligible NRA residents -secure other relevant programmes for NRA residents – including programmes for younger residents <p><i>(Prioritise programmes where benefit entitlements are protected)</i></p>	<p>Northern Regional College</p>	<p>DSD up to 31/03/2016</p> <p>ANBC up to 31/03/2016</p> <p>EA</p> <p>Prince's Trust</p>	<p>£15,359.60</p> <p>Training and Employment Task Group established to develop a strategic programme for 2012 to 2017</p> <p>Link to established programmes</p> <p>Funding for bespoke programmes or to bring specific programmes into the NRA</p>	<p>Basic ICT programme delivered by NRC – 17 participants. OCN accredited training programmes for young people are taking place locally. Contact has been made with DEL Job Club, Prince's Trust and other providers.</p> <p>Economic & Employability Sub Group is established.</p> <p>CALL Project is widely advertised. CALL project, has sought to recruit residents from the Grange NR area and offer taster sessions in community education courses, free at the point of entry. A wide variety of training opportunities are available through NRC community education team.</p>	✓	✓	✓

Strategic Objective: Social Renewal

To improve social conditions for the people who live in the most deprived neighbourhoods through better co-ordinated public services and the creation of safer environments

Key Areas: Anti-social behaviour, crime, health.

The Community Consultation highlighted that the estate suffers from anti-social behaviour with this being one of the most serious problems identified by residents. The lack of recreational facilities for children and young people contributes to this high level of anti-social behaviour. This links to the high number of residents who stated they did not feel safe out alone at night and the number who will not answer the door after dark. The area also continues to have the highest percentage of lone pensioner households (25%) which is significantly higher than the percentage across both all NRAs and non-NRAs (both 11%).

Residents (57%) also said they considered policing in the area was inadequate although there were only a small number of incidences of actual crime in the last five years.

Health and well-being is also an issue within the estate and progress is being made under this objective by the Health Coordinator who is now in post until 31 March 2016. The 2014 Census Comparison report highlights that the percentage of working age people with a long term illness increased to 27.4%, an increase of 7.4%. This is the greatest increase across all NRA's. The percentage exceeds that across all NRAs (25%) and in non-NRAs (15%).

Ballyclare NRA had a significant decrease in the number of deaths under the age of 75 which, in 2014, was 53.3% compared to 83.3% in 2012 and 32.8% in Non-NRAs and 35.5% in Newtownabbey LGD in 2012. There were no recorded deaths from Suicide and undetermined Intent or drug related deaths in Ballyclare NRA during the 2009-2013 period which was lower than non-NRA's as well as Antrim & Newtownabbey LGD.

A note on the situation at March 2015

There has been progress in addressing the level of anti-social behaviour in the area and there has been a significant reduction across almost all categories with the gap to non-NRA's having reduced by almost 70% since 2006. Ballyclare NRA now has one of the lowest levels of recorded crime when compared to other NRAs. There has also been a similar decline in the number of Anti Social Behaviour incidents reported, which have reduced by almost 60% since 2006. This is thought to be linked to the efforts to provide activities for young people at key times including Friday and Saturday evenings. Work under this objective is linked to that of the Policing and Community Safety Partnership. As well as locally based activities, provision of access to the Valley Leisure Centre also seems to have had a positive effect. However the need to continue to monitor anti-social behaviour has also been highlighted. A young women's programme is now progressing.

The Health and Well-being worker is in place until 31st March 2016 and a programme of health related activities is on-going with various groups within the area.

Continuing needs / issues / opportunities

It was pointed out that while the incidence of crime within the Grange NRA appears to be low, however it was acknowledged that there may be under-reporting of crime underlying this.

There is a need to continue work to address anti-social behaviour, including further activities aimed at young people. It was felt that steps were required to engage with parents as a priority.

Desired Outcomes: A healthier community that feels safe and secure without anti-social behaviour and fear of crime

Agreed Priorities from April 2015:

- (1) To reduce the incidences of anti-social behavior.**
- (2) To provide recreational activities for children and young people.**
- (3) To help reduce the fear of crime through home safety measures.**

- (4) To reduce the fear of crime through continued Community Police presence and involvement in key programmes.**
- (5) To help local residents live healthier lifestyles.**
- (6) To improve awareness and access to better health services.**
- (7) To identify opportunities to collaborate with Antrim Borough Council as part of the new super council area, to promote the well-being of the population of Grange NRA and to ensure that their needs are addressed in the new community plan.**
- (8) To secure funding for a Health & Well-being Officer post March 2016.**

Education

Statistics relating to education continue to highlight a growing performance gap at GCSE Level.

In 2011/12 Ballyclare NRA primary school pupils were achieving higher than the Non NRAs at Key Stage 1. When comparing Key Stage 2, the gap starts to widen with only 66.7% of pupils achieving Key Stage 2 in Maths compared to 80.7% in Non NRA areas and 79.6% in Antrim & Newtownabbey LGD. The results are similar with English with only 66.7% of pupils from the Ballyclare NRA achieving Key Stage 2 compared to 79.3% in non-NRAs and 78.2% in the Antrim & Newtownabbey LGD.

In 2011/12 only 10% of school leavers achieved at least 5 GCSE's at grades A-C compared to 79% in Non NRA's. However, by 2012/13 this gap had started to close with 45.5% of pupils from Ballyclare NRA

leaving school with at least 5 GCSE's. Although this continues to be significantly lower than non-NRA's (80.7%) and Antrim & Newtownabbey LGD (81.3%). Similarly the percentage of pupils achieving grades A-C inc. English and Maths was 10% compared to 65.6% in Non NRA's.

The number of pupils leaving school with no GCSE's was significantly higher at 30% in Ballyclare NRA compared to 1.4% in Non NRA's and 2.8% in Newtownabbey LGD. However this represents a decrease overall from 2010/11.

In 2012/13 the number of half days not attended school at Post Primary reduced from 12.6% to 10.7% although remained higher than that of Non NRA's (6.6%).

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					Apr 15 – Mar 16	Apr 16 – Mar 17	Apr 17 – Mar 18
No 8 Intergenerational programme: to increase communication links and social interaction between older and younger people in the community Eco Warriors Project - training programmes for older and younger people – e.g. Safe Talk, Dare to Stretch, NI Anti-bullying Campaign - Muddy Boots project	Grange Youth & Community Group	PCSP Northern Health & Social Care Trust (NHST) ANBC PSNI	Funding currently made available through ANBC Outreach & Involvement grant up to 31/03/16 Resources Premises Participation	Increased communication links between older people and younger people in the community – development of a network of relationships / interactions. Social interaction and positive impact on health and well- being for all participants. Reduction in the fear of crime.	✓	✓	✓
No 9 Breakfast Club	Ballyclare Youth for Christ	Ballyclare Presbyterian Church	Staff and volunteer time	Only a small number from the Grange attend the Breakfast Club.	✓	✓	✓

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No 10 Good Morning, Befriending: establishment of morning telephone call service, befriending service for vulnerable people in the NRA community	Good Morning Newtownabbey Age NI	ANBC Volunteer Now Public Health Agency (PHA)	Funding Volunteer time Premises	<p>Only a small number of older residents from the NRA are currently availing of the Good Morning Newtownabbey Service.</p> <p>Signposting from GPs, PSNI or local community within the NRA</p> <p>Continuing links with Befriending and Good Morning Services.</p> <p>Leaflet drop within NRA to be distributed along with Issue 5 of the Grange Newsletter completed.</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>

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<p>No 11</p> <p>Allotments project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - develop Grange allotments project further - deliver initiatives which lead to raised awareness of healthy eating / benefits of 'grow your own' - deliver an intergenerational project using the allotments - deliver a community event each year using the allotments (suggested annual Community Barbeque) - use the allotments to support planting around the Community House 	<p>Grange Community Allotments Forum</p> <p>NIHE</p>	DSD	Volunteer participation	Allotments are maintained and Grange allotments project is further developed.	✓	✓	✓
<p>No 12</p> <p>Health and Well-being Coordinator</p>	NHSCT	<p>DSD</p> <p>ANBC</p> <p>PHA</p>	<p>£37,709.28</p> <p>Funding</p> <p>Volunteer time</p> <p>Premises</p>	<p>Health and Well-being Officer has commenced and is in post until 31 March 2016.</p> <p>Health and well-being plan developed.</p>	✓	✓	✓

<p>No 13</p> <p>Developing a family wide initiative including Summer Scheme and Luncheon Club. Host Mothers and Toddlers over the summer.</p>	<p>Grange Youth & Community Group EA</p>	<p>Ballyclare Presbyterian Church</p>	<p>Funding Volunteers Premises</p>	<p>Increase uptake in parenting programmes.</p> <p>Structured Summer Scheme/Summer Intervention and family days.</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>
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Strategic Objective: Physical Renewal

To help create attractive, safe, sustainable environments in the most deprived neighbourhoods.

Key Areas:

Maintenance of Public Areas; Recycling, Housing.

One of the main issues confirmed by the Community Consultation was the residents' concern about the speed of traffic through the Estate and quad bikes. There was also the issue resident parking as the Estate is not designed to accommodate off street parking.

Residents were also concerned that public spaces are not maintained properly. Litter, dog fouling and dumping rubbish are all highlighted as a major concern. Murals and flags also pose a problem for some residents. Residents confirmed the need for housing repairs and renovations.

A note on the situation at March 2015

Annual community clean-up have been undertaken.

Traffic calming measures have been installed – this priority has been achieved. An application to support car parking measures has been prepared and an application for environmental improvements has been taken forward by GRNP.

Home repairs are ongoing and gas meters are currently being installed.

There is a need for an improved community response to recycling initiatives and activities which offer relevant learning and promote recycling could usefully be supported.

The need to consider how the current Community House premises could be developed was also raised in relation to this Strategic Objective.

Desired Outcomes: A clean, environmentally friendly and attractive area with a good standard of amenities and where residents are proud to live

Agreed Priorities from April 2015:

- (1) To improve the physical appearance of the Estate.**
- (2) To explore the feasibility of the development and / or relocation of Grange Community House.**
- (3) To address the issue of inadequate car parking within the Estate.**
- (4) To address the issue of recycling.**
- (5) To continue with the home repair programme.**
- (6) To implement training on the future role of the new council in relation to planning and regeneration and how the NRA can use this to the advantage of Grange.**
- (7) Enhance the capacity of the community to engage in discussions on land use planning and to build relations with and to learn from other groups outside of Grange.**

Action	Lead Responsibility	Supporting	Resource	Progress	Timescales
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		Responsibility	Implications	Continuing and new milestones	Apr 14 – Mar 15	Apr 15 – Mar 16	Apr 16 – Mar 17
<p>No 14</p> <p>Environmental projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - annual community environmental activities - community clean up, bins, recycling etc. - encourage reporting and removal of graffiti 	Grange Youth & Community Group	ANBC NIHE Ballyclare Youth for Christ Ballyclare Presbyterian Church	Volunteer time Resources	Community clean up annually Appearance of the local environment is improved	✓	✓	✓
<p>No 15</p> <p>Grange Community House:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Long term: purpose built building to accommodate workshops and activities locally. - Increased use of community house building as well as increased numbers attending classes and workshops means this action is becoming more of a priority. - Community house is currently being used to its full capacity and limited space is hampering further development of projects. 	NIHE	ANBC	Funding Limited space	Some improvements have been made around the Community House. Physical appearance of Grange Community House is improved and this is sustained – e.g. weeds controlled, new planting linked to allotments. Identify site and funding for purpose built community facility in the area.	✓	✓	✓

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No 16 Car parking at Grahamstown Park/Walk: application for scheme of work in progress.	NIHE	DSD NIHE DRD ANBC PSNI	£190,001.06 Funding DSD & NIHE	Application approved by DSD Senior Management Team Increased space for resident's car parking. Access for emergency services and delivery services i.e. oil suppliers Due to be onsite October 2015.	✓	✓	✓

Appendix 1:

Composition of Grange Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership

1	Chair	Kathy Wolff
	<u>Statutory Sector</u>	<u>Representation</u>
2	NIHE	Sharon Crooks/Stephen Gamble/June McGookin
3	PSNI	Via Des Logue/Ian Lockyer
4	Ballyclare Nursery School	Karen Castles
5	Ballyclare Secondary School	Michael Houston
6	Ballyclare High School	Trevor Martin
7	Fairview Primary School	Paula Matthews
8	Ballyclare Primary School	Kim Mulligan
9	Ballyclare Primary School	Simon McLean
10	EA	Davey Norris
11	Northern Regional College	Arlene Watson
12	Northern Health & Social Care Trust	Angela Denver/Pamela Davis
13	Department of Employment and Learning	Fred Tohill/Heather Hall
	<u>Community & Voluntary Sector</u>	<u>Representation</u>
14	Ollardale Residents Association	Valerie Jenkins
15	Grange Youth & Community Group	Celia Drummond

16	Grange Youth and Community Group	Caroline McAlister
17	Grange Youth and Community Group	Corry McMurray
	Faith Sector	
18	Ballyclare Presbyterian Church	Michelle Purdy (Deaconess)
19	Youth for Christ	Jonny Farrell
20	Sacred Heart Chapel	Father Eugene O'Hagan
	Local Councillor Representation	Numbers to be determined by Partnership Chair in consultation with the Department
21	Councillor	Jim Bingham (VICE CHAIR)
22	Councillor	Mandy Girvan
23	Councillor	Tim Girvan
24	Councillor	Vera McWilliams
25	Councillor	David Arthurs
	<u>Support</u>	<u>Representation</u>
26	DSD	Hugh Killough
27	DSD	Anne Currie
28	Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	Joanne Drummond
29	Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	Elaine Manson