



24 October 2018

To: Each Member of the Council

Dear Member

MEETING OF ANTRIM AND NEWTOWNABBEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council will be held in the **Chamber, Mossley Mill** on **Monday 29 October 2018 at 6.30 pm.**

You are requested to attend.

Yours sincerely

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

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

PLEASE NOTE:
Hot fork buffet will be available in the cafe from 5.30 pm.

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A G E N D A

- 1 Bible Reading and Prayer (In accordance with Standing Orders, Members are not required to attend for this part of the meeting and, following this part of the meeting, Members outside the Chamber will be called to the meeting).
- 2 Apologies.
- 3 Declarations of Interest.
- 4 To take as read and confirm the minutes of the proceedings of the Council Meeting of the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council held on Monday 24 September 2018, a copy of which is **enclosed**.
- 5 To approve the minutes of the proceedings of the Operations Committee Meeting of Monday 1 October 2018, a copy of which is **enclosed**.
- 6 To approve the minutes of the proceedings of the Policy and Governance Committee Meeting of Tuesday 2 October 2018, a copy of which is **enclosed**.
- 7 To approve the minutes of the proceedings of the Community Planning and Regeneration Committee Meeting held on Monday 8 October 2018, a copy of which is **enclosed**.
- 8(a) To take as read and confirm the Part 1 of the minutes of the proceedings of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 15 October 2018, a copy of which is **enclosed**.
- (b) To approve Part 2 of the minutes of the proceedings of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 15 October 2018, a copy of which is **enclosed**.
- 9 Report on business to be considered:

PRESENTATION

- 9.1 Presentation by NIHE

LEGAL

- 9.2 To approve the Sealing of Documents

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- 9.6 Ballynure War Memorial Park – Interpretation Panel
- 9.7 World War 1 – End of War Centenary
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- 9.9 Department for Infrastructure Correspondence - Proposed Hard Shoulder Bus Lanes
- 9.10 Corporate Improvement Plan 2018-19 – Quarter 1 Progress Report
- 9.11 Annual Report 2017/18
- 9.12 Application for the Grant of an Entertainment Licence (Annual Licence) Crown and Shamrock, 584 Antrim Road, Newtownabbey, BT36 4RF
- 9.13 Request for Free Use – Crumlin Leisure Centre
- 9.14 Sister Cities Student Exchange 2019
- 9.15 Development Trusts NI: Creating Resilient Local Economies Through Public/Social Enterprise

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- 9.16 Holiday World Show 2019
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- 9.20 Quotation for Catering Vendors for Council Events
- 9.21 Tender for the Transportation and Reprocessing of a Range of Recyclables from Household Recycling Centres
- 9.22 DRD Greenway Small Grants Programme
- 9.23 Tender for the Supply, Delivery, and Maintenance of a Range of Vehicles
- 9.24 Tender for the Provision of Fleet Maintenance

9.25 Tender for Property Condition Surveys at Council Sites in the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Area

9.26 Organisation Structures

**REPORT ON BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE COUNCIL MEETING ON
MONDAY 29 OCTOBER 2018**

PRESENTATION

9.1 PRESENTATION BY NORTHERN IRELAND HOUSING EXECUTIVE

Members are advised that a presentation, providing the 2018 annual update on the Housing Investment Plan (copy enclosed), will be made by representatives of the NI Housing Executive.

LEGAL

9.2 TO APPROVE THE SEALING OF DOCUMENTS

Members are advised of the undernoted item for signing and sealing by Council, approval having been previously granted and all necessary legislative requirements being met:-

To approve the Sealing of Documents:

- Fields in Trust – Centenary Field – Deed of Dedication for Ballyclare War Memorial Park

ITEMS FOR DECISION

9.3 NON-DETERMINATION APPEAL – APPLICATION LA03/2017/0644/F AT BALLYCORR ROAD, BALLYCLARE

A report to the September meeting of the Planning Committee made Members aware that the applicant for the following planning application at Ballycorr Road, Ballyclare had lodged an appeal with the Planning Appeals Commission (PAC) in default of a decision being made by the Council. This is what is commonly referred to as a Non-Determination Appeal. This means that jurisdiction for determination of this application has now passed to the PAC, rather than the Council.

APPLICATION NO: LA03/2017/0644/F
APPEAL REF: 2018/A0072
PROPOSAL IN BRIEF: Residential housing development of 124 no. dwellings
SITE/LOCATION: Land to the north of 93 to 103 Ballycorr Road north east of 13 to 27 Elizabeth Gardens and south east of 92 Ballyeaston Road, Ballyclare
APPLICANT: QTH

The PAC has since written to the Council (copy enclosed) to advise that this appeal is to be conducted by the Informal Hearing procedure on 12 December 2018 and requesting that the Council submit its Statement of Case outlining its position on the proposed development no later than 4pm on 13 November 2018.

Whilst the Planning Section had originally anticipated presenting its detailed report to the October meeting of the Planning Committee, it was unable to do so. Presentation to the November meeting of the Committee would not meet the PAC deadline for submission of the Statement of Case and as a consequence this matter is now being presented to full Council.

The Planning Section report (copy enclosed) considers that the proposed development is at this time unacceptable for the reasons summarised below:

- the Transport assessment as submitted does not adequately address key traffic/transport issues arising in Ballyclare, including the relationship of development of the site to delivery of the Ballyclare Relief Road;
- there are concerns that the proposal will not deliver a quality residential environment and there are elements of the layout which would cause detriment to the amenities of both existing and proposed dwellings; and
- there is insufficient information to demonstrate that the proposal would not cause harm to bats, a European Protected Species

RECOMMENDATION: that the Officer recommendation proposing draft reasons of refusal on the application is agreed and that Officers are authorised to submit a Statement of Case to the PAC on this basis and defend this position at the forthcoming Informal Hearing.

Prepared by: John Linden, Head of Planning

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Strategic Director of Economic
Development and Planning

9.4 NON-DETERMINATION APPEAL – APPLICATION LA03/2017/0790/F AT BALLYCORR ROAD, BALLYCLARE

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APPLICATION NO: LA03/2017/0790/F
APPEAL REF: 2018/A0075
PROPOSAL IN BRIEF: Residential housing development of 26 no. dwellings
SITE/LOCATION: Land at Ballycorr Road approximately 18m east of Ballycorr Heights Ballyclare
APPLICANT: Salvare Properties Ltd

The PAC has since written to the Council (copy enclosed) to advise that this appeal is to be conducted by the Informal Hearing procedure on 6 December 2018 and requesting that the Council submit its Statement of Case outlining its position on the proposed development no later than 4pm on 7 November 2018.

Whilst the Planning Section had originally anticipated presenting its detailed report to the October meeting of the Planning Committee, it was unable to do so. Presentation to the November meeting of the Committee would not meet the PAC deadline for submission of the Statement of Case and as a consequence this matter is now being presented to full Council.

The Planning Section report (copy enclosed) considers that the proposed development is at this time unacceptable for the reason summarised below:

- no comprehensive Transport assessment has been submitted that adequately addresses key traffic/transport issues arising in Ballyclare, including the relationship of development of the site to delivery of the Ballyclare Relief Road;

RECOMMENDATION: that the Officer recommendation proposing a draft reason of refusal on the application is agreed and that Officers are authorised to submit a Statement of Case to the PAC on this basis and defend this position at the forthcoming Informal Hearing.

Prepared by: John Linden, Head of Planning

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Strategic Director of Economic Development and Planning

9.5 CE/GEN/4 AMENDED PROPOSED STOPPING UP OF WEST END OF INISHMOYNE GREEN, ANTRIM

Members are advised that correspondence (**copy enclosed**) has been received from the Department for Infrastructure (Dfi) proposing stopping up of the West end of Inishmoyne Green, Antrim.

Members will recall that previous correspondence from Dfi in relation to the stopping up of the East end of Inishmoyne Green was considered at the Council Meeting in August 2018 and Dfi were requested to hold a second consultation with residents to agree on which end of Inishmoyne Green should be stopped up.

The Department has requested a letter confirming that the Council is in agreement with the amended proposal to stop up the West end of Inishmoyne Green, Antrim.

The Council's instructions are requested.

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

9.6 PK/BIO/017 BALLYNURE WAR MEMORIAL PARK – INTERPRETATION PANEL

Ballynure has an active community group which has been contributing to recent successes in Ulster in Bloom and Best Kept Competitions. Working with local heritage experts, the group has identified a number of local people who fought in World War I. The group has developed an interpretation panel (draft enclosed) as a tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

The group has requested permission from Council to install a panel in the Ballynure War Memorial Park.

The cost to the Council for the installation of the panel is estimated to be £100 which can be met from existing Parks budgets.

RECOMMENDATION: that approval be given for the installation of an interpretive panel in Ballynure War Memorial Park, depicting those local men who made the ultimate sacrifice in World War I.

Prepared by: Lindsay Houston, Parks Development Officer

Agreed by: Ivor McMullan, Head of Parks

Approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

9.7 AC/EV/013 WORLD WAR 1 – END OF WAR CENTENARY

Members are reminded that it was agreed at the Council meeting in August to work in partnership with the Antrim branch of the Royal British Legion (RBL) to establish the names of those from Antrim lost in both world wars and have them added to the Antrim Town War memorial.

Officers working in partnership with the RBL and a local historian and author, have established a definitive list of 107 names of those from Antrim lost at the First World War. However, they have concluded that it is not going to be possible to establish, with any confidence, a similar list of names of those lost at the Second World War. There has not been the same research carried out to date on those lost in this war and there is no agreement amongst the various parties who hold such records in relation to a complete record of second world war fallen. The local historian consulted advises that an extensive and time consuming research exercise would be necessary to achieve with confidence a similar definitive list of world war two dead.

It is proposed to proceed to have the names of First World War dead from Antrim, as agreed with the RBL, added to the Antrim Town War Memorial at an approximate cost of £3,700. Upon completion of this, it is also proposed that the Mayor leads a rededication ceremony, at a date to be agreed in late November, which can bring to a fitting close A Borough's Tribute programme of events to mark the centenary of the end of the First World War.

RECOMMENDATION: that

- i. the addition of 107 names of those from Antrim lost in the First World War, to the Antrim Town War Memorial at an approximate cost of £3,700, be approved**
- ii. following completion of this work, a rededication ceremony of the Antrim Town War Memorial, led by the Mayor be held to mark the end of A Borough's Tribute programme of events.**

Prepared by: Ursula Fay Head of Arts and Culture

Approved by Nick Harkness, Director of Community Planning

9.8 AC/EV/7 ENCHANTED WINTER GARDEN 2018 – SANTA PAWS

Members are reminded that delivery of the Enchanted Winter Garden event in 2018 was approved at the Council meeting in May. To date the event has operated on a 'dog friendly' basis with dogs on leads permitted to attend and in 2017 large numbers dogs were once again observed attending the event.

Planning for the event has been underway for some months with the aim once again to enhance the visitor experience, make the event even more appealing and to expand the range of activities and attractions on offer within budget.

The Mid Antrim Animal Sanctuary has contacted officers with a proposal to deliver a 'Santa Paws' element to the event. The Sanctuary is a not-for-profit, independent registered charity, which has been in existence since 1996 and concentrates its work on animal re-homing, education and relieving the distress and suffering of unwanted animals. The charity operates a strict 'No Kill' policy and year on year finds new homes for approximately 1000 cats and dogs, which have been saved from possible destruction. Prior to re-homing, and on the successful completion of a home check, all animals are vaccinated, neutered, wormed, de-fleaed and micro-chipped. Measures are also put in place to ensure that all animals may be returned to the safe haven of the Sanctuary should they encounter any difficulties in their new home.

The 'Santa Paws' element would appeal to visitors with dogs and would consist of a photo back drop 'Doggie Grotto' along with mini play park area for dogs around the Eyre Studio external space. Both would be operated by the Sanctuary who would commit to attending the event during all opening hours and to providing some interaction and fun activities for the dogs, while also:

- Promoting animal welfare and education
- Providing water, treats and poo bags
- Advising on animal welfare related matters
- Promoting the work of the Sanctuary and its contribution to the community
- Distributing magazines and promotional material
- Advising on animal behaviour

The Sanctuary has full public liability insurance in place (£10m) and would complete the necessary risk assessment relating specifically to the event. A post evaluation would also be completed. They have successfully delivered something similar with Garden Show Ireland and the Antrim Festival Group.

Dog friendly events and activities have become increasingly popular with the 'hound pound' a tourism target area of growth and it is anticipated a 'Santa Paws' feature within Enchanted Winter Garden would prove very popular and therefore contribute to ongoing enhancement of the event.

It is proposed to work in partnership with the Sanctuary to deliver this new event feature on a pilot basis to operate with no admission charge but the

option for visitors to donate to The Sanctuary with all income from this to be retained by them.

RECOMMENDATION: that a partnership with Mid Antrim Animal Sanctuary to deliver a Santa Paws element within Enchanted Winter Garden 2018, as a pilot on the basis outlined, be approved, with a post event evaluation brought back to a future meeting.

Prepared by: Ursula Fay Head of Arts and Culture

Approved by: Nick Harkness, Director of Community Planning

9.9 CE/GEN/004/ VOL 2 DEPARTMENT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE CORRESPONDENCE - PROPOSED HARD SHOULDER BUS LANES

Correspondence has been received from the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) Roads (**enclosed**) advising that in order to improve provision of public transport facilities on the M1 and M2 approaches to Belfast, DfI is proposing to introduce new sections of hard shoulder bus lanes, which will be additional to those already in use. These will improve journey time reliability for bus services and help encourage modal shift from car to bus use.

The Council's comments are requested.

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

9.10 PT/CI/019 CORPORATE IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2018-19 - QUARTER 1 PROGRESS REPORT

Members are reminded that Part 12 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 puts in place a framework to support the continuous improvement of Council services. The Council's Corporate Improvement Plan 2018-19 was approved in June 2018 with seven identified improvement objectives and a selection of self-imposed indicators and standards.

The Quarter 1 progress report was presented to and reviewed by the Audit Committee on 18 September 2018.

Members are advised that a copy of the Corporate Improvement Plan 2018-19 Quarter 1 Progress Report is **enclosed** for Members' attention.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Corporate Improvement Plan 2018-19 Quarter 1 Progress Report is approved.

Prepared by: James Porter, Performance Improvement Officer

Agreed by: Helen Hall, Head of Performance and Transformation

Approved by: Sandra Cole, Director of Finance and Governance

9.11 PT/GEN/012 ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18

Members are reminded that in March 2015 the Council approved its Corporate Plan 2015-2030 and on an annual basis publishes a report of progress towards the delivery of the Plan.

In addition, Members will be aware that Part 12 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 (the Act) puts in place a framework to support the continuous improvement of Council services. The development of an annual performance report is a requirement of Section 92 of the Act. A report on Performance (2017-2018) Self-Assessment was approved by Council in September 2018 and published on the Council's website in line with statutory obligations.

Members are advised that a graphically designed copy of the Annual Report 2017-18, including a self-assessment report on performance of the Corporate Improvement Plan 2017-18 is **enclosed** for Members' attention.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Annual Report including the self-assessment report on performance of the Corporate Improvement Plan 2017-18 is approved.

Prepared by: James Porter, Performance Improvement Officer

Agreed by: Helen Hall, Head of Performance and Transformation

Approved by: Sandra Cole, Director of Finance and Governance

9.12 EH/EL/181 APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF AN ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE (ANNUAL LICENCE) CROWN AND SHAMROCK, 584 ANTRIM ROAD, NEWTOWNABBEY, BT36 4RF

An application has been received for the grant of an Entertainment Licence (annual licence) for the following area.

Licensee	Location of Premises	Type(s)and hours of entertainment	File Number	New Application or Renewal
Aidan McAlindon	Crown and Shamrock 584 Antrim Road, Newtownabbey, BT36 4RF	Singing, Music, dancing or entertainment of a like kind Monday to Sunday 12 Noon to 1am Number of persons 80	EL181	New

In line with the Council Protocol for the hearing of Entertainment Licence applications, approved in December 2016, the application must be considered at a full meeting of the Council.

The Council can decide the following:

- i. Grant the licence
- ii. Grant the licence with specific additional terms, conditions and restrictions
- iii. Refuse the licence
- iv. Defer an application for further consideration or to obtain further information.

If the Council makes a decision against an Officer's recommendation, then members must state their reasons for doing so. In such circumstances a recorded vote will be taken.

RECOMMENDATION: that an Entertainment Licence (annual licence) is granted to the applicant Mr Aiden McAlinden, for the Crown and Shamrock, 584 Antrim Road, Newtownabbey, BT36 4RF.

Operating hours

Monday to Sunday - 12 Noon – 1am

Prepared by: Clifford Todd, Head of Environmental Health

Approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

9.13 L/LEI/CLC/004 CRUMLIN LEISURE CENTRE - REQUEST FOR FREE USE

Members are advised that a written request has been received from Crumlin Community Group for free use of a number of areas within Crumlin Leisure Centre to host a Christmas community event. It is proposed that the event runs from Friday 30th November to Sunday 2nd December.

Crumlin Community Group have organised the Christmas 'Light Switch On' event in Crumlin for the past 4 years, with last year being the first time that an associated part of the event was held in Crumlin Leisure Centre. The group plan to run a variety of events including a Santa's Grotto, soft play and toddler zone, and craft demonstrations.

The specific areas and times requested for free use are as follows: -

Date	Time	Areas
Friday 30 th November	6am – 9pm	Dance studio
Saturday 1 st December	10am – 8pm	Sports Halls, Dance Studio
Sunday 2 nd December	10am – 8pm	Sports Halls, Dance Studio

To note that the impact on regular customers of Crumlin Leisure Centre is limited, with the fitness suite and outdoor pitches operating as normal during these times and two bookings for Judo and Netball being rescheduled if approval is given. This year's event is expected to exceed the numbers attending in the previous year.

Subject to approval by Council, Centre staff will use the opportunity to promote the Leisure facilities and activities to those who attend as well as the More Membership scheme. Officers will also request that the Council logo be used on any promotional material for the event as well as provide promotion through Council's various social media platforms.

RECOMMENDATION: that Council approves free use of the above facilities at Crumlin Leisure Centre to Crumlin Community Group for a Christmas event being held Friday November 30th to Sunday 2nd December 2018.

Prepared by: Matt McDowell, Head of Leisure

Approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

9.14 ED/ED/137 SISTER CITIES STUDENT EXCHANGE 2019

Members are reminded that the Council has supported a student exchange with the Borough's Sister City, Gilbert since 2000 (formerly through legacy Newtownabbey Borough Council) and it is proposed to run the programme again in 2019.

The Sister Cities Student Exchange Programme is a cross-community programme that provides four students, two from Antrim and Newtownabbey and two from Gilbert, Arizona with an opportunity to develop an understanding of a different country, its culture and people through a family living experience. The programme lasts approximately six weeks during the summer with half the time spent in Gilbert and half in Antrim and Newtownabbey. Prior to the exchange, the successful Antrim and Newtownabbey applicants are required to take part in a social benefit project, and both sets of students undertake some volunteering during the exchange programme.

The 2018 exchange saw two students from Antrim and Newtownabbey, Maeve Denver and Molly Scarlett along with Trey Lines and Nicole Schuermann from our Sister City, Arizona taking part in the exchange. The students volunteered with Belfast Lough Sailability, and had the opportunity, along with the host family, to meet members of the Community Planning & Regeneration Committee at a BBQ at Sentryhill House on 27 July 2018. Feedback from the students participating on the 2018 programme has been very positive.

It is proposed to commence recruitment of the 2019 Sister Cities Student Exchange Programme for young people in year 13 (or equivalent) in the Borough. It is intended to advertise the programme through schools, colleges, youth organisations and through the community directory starting in November 2018, with a selection process taking place thereafter. It is intended that the exchange will take place for approximately six weeks during summer of 2019. The cost of the programme is up to £5,000 and provision has been made in the Economic Development budget.

RECOMMENDATION: that Officers commence the marketing and selection process for the Antrim and Newtownabbey 2019 Sister Cities Student Exchange Programme, and proceed to organise the 2019 exchange, provision for which has been made in the Economic Development budgets.

Prepared by: Seonaid Rooney, Economic Development Officer

Agreed by: Emma Stubbs, Economic and Rural Development Manager

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Economic Development and Planning

9.15 ED/ED/138 DEVELOPMENT TRUSTS NI - CREATING RESILIENT LOCAL ECONOMIES THROUGH PUBLIC/SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

Development Trusts NI has approached the Council to be a partner in a project which aims to devise an enhanced role for communities in building social capital, physical infrastructure and providing services that meet local needs. The project will seek to link community development interventions and economic development actions, providing joint working between local government and local community and economic development stakeholders.

The pilot project will work with NILGA and 2-3 local councils (Mid Ulster, Antrim and Newtownabbey and Newry, Mourne and Down) to test a new approach to local economic development. The pilot will consider:-

- The role of local elected members in driving social & economic development
- The role of local government and other local authority agencies in maximising public finances through direct investment/service level agreements and procurement of service to support more resilient local economies
- The role of community development trusts and local enterprise agencies in fulfilling local social, economic development objectives

The project will determine:

- How to better design services with local community service users
- How procurement can be better managed to stimulate economic & social development including the delivery of public goods and services by community businesses
- How assets can be utilised as vehicles for economic activity
- How social finance can be better directed towards area regeneration and community enterprise development

The outcomes expected as a result are

1. A greater understanding of the relationship between community development & local economic development with more joined up thinking, decision making & delivery across public service bodies investing in community and economic development
2. An appreciation of how procurement can regenerate & build wealth in local communities with a willingness within public bodies to procure for social value and approve the necessary internal changes that will make this possible
3. Agreed development interventions to enhance the roles of existing community economic supply chain providers
4. Understanding of best & emerging practice across the public and community sectors across GB resulting in a shared understanding of the desired social outcomes to be achieved in two council areas and each sector's role in addressing these.

The project is being funded by Friends Provident.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Council participates in the programme as outlined.

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Strategic Director of Economic Development and Planning

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

9.16 ED/TOU/049 HOLIDAY WORLD SHOW 2019

Holiday World Show is held every January in Dublin and attracts a wide range of international tour operators as well as tourism agencies from overseas and Councils from throughout Ireland. This year's Show attracted over 900 exhibitors and over 40,000 visitors. The 2019 event, which is open to the public and is now in its 29th year, will take place at the RDS in Dublin from 25-27 January 2019, inclusive, and will feature a newly extended Tourism Northern Ireland Village providing local Councils with an opportunity to showcase their tourism offer.

Officers have now booked stand space at Holiday World Show 2019 in the RDS, Dublin to use the event as a means of delivering key parts of the Council's new Tourism Strategy. Local hotels and tourist attractions will be notified of the Council's presence at the Show to help ensure that the local industry is able to benefit from the event.

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

Prepared by: Paul Kelly, Head of Economic Development

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Strategic Director of Economic Development and Planning

9.17 G/GEN/015 CONSULATE GENERAL FOR SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

Members are advised that correspondence (**copy enclosed**) has been received from Dr Christopher Stange, advising of the formation of a Consulate General for Northern Ireland by the Government of St Vincent and the Grenadines and of his appointment to the post of Consul General.

RECOMMENDATION: that the correspondence be noted.

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

9.18 FI/FIN/4 BUDGET REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2018

A budget report for September 2018 is enclosed for Members' information.

The Council's variance on Net Cost of Services for the period to the end of August is £265k favourable, with income from District Rates and the De-Rating grant being on budget for the period, resulting in an increase to the Council's General Fund of £265k.

This includes a contribution of £373k to the Council's Strategic Projects and Rates Appeal Reserves.

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

Prepared by: Richard Murray, Management Accountant

Agreed by: John Balmer, Head of Finance

Approved by: Sandra Cole, Director of Finance and Governance

9.19 G/GEN/001 MALLUSK POST OFFICE

Notification has been received from the Post Office (**copy enclosed**) advising of a further period of public consultation in relation to the relocation of the post office currently sited at Unit 2, Building 10, Central Park, Mallusk, to Hendersons Retail Ltd, Spar Stores, 45 Mallusk Road, Newtownabbey, BT36 4PP.

The information is also available from the Post Office Consultation Hub at [Consultation Hub - Mallusk BT36 4FS](#)

RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive