



25 July 2018

**To: Each Member of the Council**

Dear Member

**MEETING OF ANTRIM AND NEWTOWNABBAY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

A meeting of the Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council will be held in the **Chamber, Antrim Civic Centre** on **Monday 30 July 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 25 June 2018, a copy of which is **enclosed**.
- 5 (a) To take as read and confirm the Part 1 of the minutes of the proceedings of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 23 July 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 23 July 2018, a copy of which is **enclosed**.
- 6 Report on business to be considered:

## **PRESENTATION**

- 6.1 TinyLife Presentation

## **LEGAL**

- 6.2 To approve the Sealing of Documents

## **ITEMS FOR DECISION**

- 6.3 Super Cup NI
- 6.4 Scheme of Allowances Payable to Councillors 2018-2019
- 6.5 Children in Northern Ireland Membership
- 6.6 Visit Belfast: Proposed Service Level Agreement 2018-19
- 6.7 Street Naming – Residential Development, Ballymena Road, Antrim
- 6.8 Street Naming – Commercial Development at Doagh Road, Newtownabbey
- 6.9 Street Naming – Residential Development, Manse Road, Newtownabbey

- 6.10 Street Naming – Residential Development at Old Carrick Road/Farm Lodge Road Junction, Greenisland
- 6.11 Local Full Fibre Network (DCMS) Funding Bid
- 6.12 Virgin Media – 'Project Lightning' Network Expansion
- 6.13 Community Capacity and Building Programme 2018/19
- 6.14 Good Relations Grant Aid Programme 2018
- 6.15 Girls' Brigade 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- 6.16 Visit from Dorsten Delegation – 31 July to 2 August 2018
- 6.17 Social Enterprise World Forum
- 6.18 Belfast City Deal
- 6.19 Appointment of Policing and Community Safety Partnership Chairperson
- 6.20 Doagh to Larne Greenway
- 6.21 Consultation Notice – Department For Communities  
Classification Of Registered Housing Associations In Northern Ireland:  
Consultation Two – The Future Of The House Sales Schemes
- 6.22 Policing and Community Safety Partnership Pop Up Park and Road Safety Event
- 6.23 Ireland's Best Kept Town Awards – Randalstown Success
- 6.24 Car Park – Whiteabbey Village
- 6.25 Request for Support – European Championship
- 6.26 Request for Support – Commonwealth Fly Fishing Event
- 6.27 Commemorative VC Paving Stone
- 6.28 Changes to Committee, Working Groups and External Body Memberships By  
the Alliance Party
- 6.29 Department for Infrastructure - Proposed 50mph Speed Limit On Roguery Road,  
Toomebridge And 40pmph Speed Limit On Roguery Road And Loughbeg Road
- 6.30 New Mossley Housing and Open Space
- 6.31 Erection of Commonwealth War Grave Commission Commemorative Marker
- 6.32 Nominations to NILGA Executive

- 6.33 Request From NIE Networks to Carry Out Works on Council Land
- 6.34 Association for Public Service Excellence 2018

### **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- 6.35 Letter from Vice Principal of Fairview Primary School
- 6.36 Motion – Derry City and Strabane District Council – Medical Cannabis
- 6.37 Motion – Derry City and Strabane District Council – Marie Curie and Motor Neurone Disease Joint Campaign
- 6.38 Estimates Timetable 2019-2020
- 6.39 Budget Report – June 2018
- 6.40 Borough Arts & Cultural Advisory Panel
- 6.41 Building Control Matters for the Period 01-31 May 2018
- 6.42 Northern Ireland Public Service Ombudsman – Own Initiative Investigations
- 6.43 Monthly Update – Capital Programme
- 6.44 Equality and Diversity Working Group – Membership
- 6.45 Antrim and Newtownabbey Pensioners' Parliament 2018

### **ITEMS IN COMMITTEE**

- 6.46 Peace IV Combined Key Institutions Programme
- 6.47 Steeple Site, Antrim – Expression of Interest
- 6.48 Tender for Valley Leisure Centre Mini Pitches Refurbishment
- 6.49 Organisation Structures

- 7. Motion

Proposed by Councillor Kelly  
Seconded by Alderman Smyth

*“This Council notes the importance of Personal Independence Payments to sustaining and maintaining the lives of many across Northern Ireland; notes with concern the many issues associated with undergoing of assessments and the stress they can bring upon individuals; is concerned at the fall in figures of those receiving the benefit and the impact this is having on their lives; notes the link that exists between the drop in support provided and the '20m rule' for the highest rate of PIP mobility support as highlighted by 'PIP – a step too far' published by MS Society; and, will write to the Minister for Work and Pensions to urgently review the 20m rule and engage with key stakeholders to find a more appropriate alternative”.*

## **REPORT ON BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY 30 JULY 2018**

### **PRESENTATION**

#### **6.1 PRESENTATION BY TINYLIFE**

Members are reminded that it was agreed at the Council Meeting on 26 March 2018 that TinyLife be invited to attend a meeting of the Council to report into the need for investment in Neonatal services in Northern Ireland and also the lack of standards in Neonatal care, with a view to the Council agreeing a Motion to send to the Secretary of State.

Mrs Alison McNulty, Chief Executive of TinyLife will be in attendance to make a presentation to Council.

## **LEGAL**

### **6.2 TO APPROVE THE SEALING OF DOCUMENTS**

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

To approve the Sealing of Documents:

- Completion document for the sale of Toome Sewage Pumping Station to the Council from NIE.
- Wayleave agreement between Council and Virgin Media regarding broadband infrastructure for Ballyclare.
- Contract for works at Castleway (Central) Antrim Car Park.
- Works Contract for Carnmoney Cemetery Subterranean System.

## ITEMS FOR DECISION

### **6.3 L/LEI/00/7 SUPER CUP NI**

Members are advised that the Super Cup NI (previously known as the Milk Cup) will be held across various Council areas from 21 – 27 July 2018.

Council has previously supported this event through financial assistance in hosting a pre games tournament and Members have attended the VIP hospitality event on finals evening.

An invitation was received on 10 July 2018 to attend the VIP hospitality event on Friday 27 July 2018 (**enclosed**) at a preferential discounted rate of £58.50 per person or £585 for a table of 10.

The fee includes the following:

- access to Super Cup NI VIP hospitality suite and meal.

In 2017 Council approved a table of 10 at a cost of £585, 4 Members attended at a cost of £234 excluding VAT.

**RECOMMENDATION: that Council approves retrospectively the Deputy Mayor, Chair and Vice Chair of Operations attend as an approved duty at a cost of £175.50 plus VAT.**

Prepared by: Member Services

Agreed by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

#### **6.4 G/MSMO/1 SCHEME OF ALLOWANCES PAYABLE TO COUNCILLORS 2018-2019**

The Local Government (Payment to Councillors) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 require a Scheme of Allowances Payable to Councillors to be agreed annually. The Scheme of Allowances for 2018-19 is **enclosed**. There are no amendments from the 2017-18 scheme as revised guidance has not yet been issued by the Department for Communities.

A revised Scheme will be presented to Members when further guidance is issued.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Scheme of Allowances Payable to Councillors for 2018-2019 be approved.**

Prepared by: John Balmer, Head of Finance

Approved by: Sandra Cole, Director of Finance & Governance

## **6.5 CE/MSHIP/1 CHILDREN IN NORTHERN IRELAND MEMBERSHIP**

Members are advised that correspondence has been received from Children in Northern Ireland (CiNI) in relation to renewal of their annual membership subscription for 2018-2019, the associated renewal fee being £500.00.

CiNI provides training, policy, information and participation support services to 160 member organisations across the statutory, government, voluntary, community and independent sectors, and also supports the Public Sector to engage effectively with children and young people, their parents and carers in the development and review of policies, strategies and services that impact on their lives.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Council renews its annual membership with CiNI.**

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

## 6.6 ED/TOU/35 VISIT BELFAST: PROPOSED SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT 2018-19

Members are reminded that the Council agreed in April 2017 to enter into a Service Level Agreement (SLA) for one year with Visit Belfast at a cost of £20,000 giving the Council access to a wide range of marketing networks and media to promote the Borough. Visit Belfast operates the Welcome Centre in Belfast and also visitor information services at Belfast International Airport and George Best Belfast City Airport.

Visit Belfast has now submitted a request to Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council to renew the SLA for 2018-19 for £20,000.

**Current Service Level Agreement 2017/18 (£20,000).** A report summarising the benefits to Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council from the SLA to 31 March 2018 is **enclosed.**

1. The Service Level Agreement includes; a marketing and promotion service for the Council with 'gold' platform promotion in Visit Belfast's Welcome Centre, an external advertising screen, internal literature display, dedicated web presence for 7 key attractions, digital marketing channels, advertising in the Visit Belfast Guide and corporate member benefits
2. A presence at Visit Belfast's BIA Visitor Information Centre located in the arrivals lounge: images on digital screens, Borough branding on the desk, fielding enquiries about the Borough including accommodation bookings, literature and "destination images" of the Borough at Applegreen services on the M2 on the electronic kiosk

### **Proposed Service Level Agreement 2018-19 (£20,000)**

Visit Belfast has proposed a new Service Level Agreement with the Council based on services to be provided at Belfast International Airport and at the Welcome Centre in Belfast as follows:

#### **1. Belfast International Airport Visitor Information Centre**

- BIA VIC is projecting to handle 201,800 counter enquiries and 246,800 total enquiries in 2018/19.
- Have three destination images on the rotating holding screen (with literature racking space underneath) in a key area of the airport right next to UK arrivals and baggage reclaim at a point where visitors are actively looking for tourist information.
- Antrim and Newtownabbey branding on the front desk.
- Handle any Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough enquiries and provide a signposting service to attractions, products and events in the area.
- Priority Literature racking and distribution service for key print from a branded counter literature holder/rack at both BIA and GBBCA.
- Signpost and book any accommodation enquiries into the area.
- Literature ordering service when stocks are running low.
- Opportunity to provide platforms for Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council to promote specific events from the BIA TIC.

- Excellent opportunity to profile the borough and its attractions to visitors both out of state and NI residents using the airport.
- Antrim and Newtownabbey to have two resting screen images at the Applegreen M2 screen (North Bound).

## **2. 7 Elite partnerships:**

- Promotion of selected council and partner businesses and products across a range of chosen platforms
- Showcasing of offers and product updates suited to your business needs
- Inclusion in all networking and industry insight sessions as appropriate
- Web listings, digital marketing support, social media
- Product inclusion on self-serve touch screen located at airports, bus stations, east & west Belfast, Titanic Belfast, Applegreen & Visit Belfast Welcome Centre
- Inclusion in GTO and Cruise Belfast promotion as appropriate
- Inclusion in business tourism fam trips and site inspections
- Inclusion in conference and ambassador database for conference and sales activity as appropriate
- Opportunity to participate in conference sales activity
- Listing in bi annual conference guide - on line version.
- Bespoke review meeting and support as appropriate.

## **3. City Guide publication**

- 5 pages in the various Belfast City Guide editions (Summer & Winter 2018 and Spring 2019)

## **4. Business Tourism**

- 2 focused Business Tourism insight and advisory workshops
- Attend selected business tourism opportunities in early 2019 to provide the sector with a better understanding of this market and assist with the development of a stronger selling proposition for Antrim and Newtownabbey and it's positioning as a halo Belfast product.

Visit Belfast has Regional Tourism Partnerships (RTP) with Lisburn & Castlereagh and Ards and North Down in the Belfast Plus Initiative and are currently in discussions with the RTP Councils regarding the Belfast City Deal possibilities and have requested a meeting to explore this opportunity with Antrim and Newtownabbey for 2019/2020

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Service Level Agreement with Visit Belfast be renewed at a cost of £20,000 (plus VAT) for 2018/19 provision for which exists in the Economic Development budgets.**

Prepared by: Karen Steele, Tourism, Town Centre & Regeneration Manager

Agreed by: Paul Kelly, Head of Economic Development

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

## **6.7 PBS/BC/003 STREET NAMING - RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, BALLYMENA ROAD, ANTRIM**

An application was received on 4 July 2018 from Samantha Shannon on behalf of Lotus Homes, regarding the naming of a residential development at Ballymena Road, Antrim. The development consists of 48 units, these being a mix of detached dwellings, semi – detached dwellings and apartments. The development name and the developer's rationale has been submitted as outlined below with a site location map and site layout plan **enclosed**.

- 1 – Ferrard Green
- 2 – Ferrard Gardens
- 3 – Ferrard Grove

Should the Council not wish to select any of the above names, the matter will be referred back to the developer via the Building Control section for further consideration.

**RECOMMENDATION: that Council selects a name for this development.**

Prepared by: Liam McFadden, Principal Building Control Surveyor

Agreed by: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property and Building Services

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

## 6.8 PBS/BC/003 STREET NAMING – COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, DOAGH ROAD, NEWTOWNABBEY

An application was received on 21 June 2018 from Jim Burke on behalf of Hagan Homes, regarding the naming of a commercial development at Doagh Road, Newtownabbey. The development name and the developer's rationale has been submitted as outlined below with a site location map and site layout plan enclosed.

1 – Houston Business Park

The large roundabout is known as Houston's Corner

2 – Eight Business Park

The Business Park is off the A8 road

3 – A8 Business Park

The Business Park runs along side the A8

Should the Council not wish to select any of the above names, the matter will be referred back to the developer via the Building Control section for further consideration.

**RECOMMENDATION: that Council selects a name for this development.**

Prepared by: Liam McFadden, Principal Building Control Surveyor

Agreed by: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property and Building Services

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

**6.9 PBS/BC/003 STREET NAMING – RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, MANSE ROAD, NEWTOWNABBEY**

Correspondence was received on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018 from Justin McClay on behalf of Viewpoint Developments, regarding the naming of a residential development at Manse Road, Newtownabbey. The development consists of 6 dwellings, these being a mix of detached and semi – detached. The proposed development names and the developer's rationale has been submitted as outlined below with a site location map and site layout plan **enclosed**.

1 – Shaws Mill Gardens

2 – Manse Manor Gardens

3 – Linen Mill Gardens

Should the Council not wish to select one of the above names, the matter will be referred back to the developer via the Building Control section for further consideration.

**RECOMMENDATION: that Council selects a name for this development.**

Prepared by: Liam McFadden, Principal Building Control Surveyor

Agreed by: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property and Building Services

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

**6.10 PBS/BC/3 STREET NAMING – RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT OLD CARRICK ROAD/FARM LODGE ROAD JUNCTION, GREENISLAND**

Correspondence was received on 19 July 2018 from GMG Developments, regarding the naming of a residential development at Old Carrick Road/Farm Lodge Road junction, Greenisland. The development consists of 5 detached dwellings. The development names and the developer's rationale have been submitted as outlined below with a site location map/layout plan **enclosed**.

- 1 – Silverstream Farm
- 2 – Silverstream Lane
- 3 – Silverstream Lodge

Should the Committee not wish to select one of the above names, the matter will be referred back to the developer via the Building Control section for further consideration.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Committee selects a name for this development.**

Prepared by: William Richmond, Principal Building Control Surveyor

Agreed by: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property and Building Services

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

## 6.11 ED/ED/130 LOCAL FULL FIBRE NETWORK (DCMS) FUNDING BID

Following the successful digital conference held at Mossley Mill on 24 April 2018, Officers have been developing a possible fibre ring scheme for the Borough seeking funding support from the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS).

The eligibility criteria for the scheme is extremely tight and therefore the proposal prioritises additionality and engages Council facilities and local business areas in the development of a 'fibre ring' concept centred on Mossley Mill, Ballyearl Leisure Centre, the crematorium site, Global Point and the Mallusk Industrial Estate a copy of which is enclosed. This is felt to be the optimal location for such a Scheme within the Borough, with over 300 businesses located within 100m of the proposed ring (not including Mallusk Industrial Estate), delivering and enhancing an improved level of fibre connectivity in the area. Belfast City Council and Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council were both successful in a previous funding wave with similar proposals under the scheme.

At the conference, DCMS had indicated that an application call was likely to be opened in June, however recent correspondence from the Department has now changed this to a rolling timeframe. In addition, the eligibility criteria has also changed. Rather than encouraging individual applications, DCMS is now advocating the need for innovative bids to be submitted and, following discussions with other Council areas, it is recommended that a consortium bid, drawing together all the individual Council bids, be collated under one application. It is felt this provides the best opportunity for successful consideration by DCMS. In respect of connectivity with Mallusk Industrial Estate, Mallusk Enterprise Park has agreed in principle to host any incoming connections.

This approach will not alter or amend the nature or proposed route of the Antrim and Newtownabbey fibre ring, it will simply be grouped within a co-operative bid enveloping all of the other Council areas wishing to participate. Newry, Mourne and Down District Council has volunteered to take the lead on this proposal and it is understood that the Chief Executive has written to his counterparts to seek support to pursue this approach with immediate effect. In addition, the development of a fibre ring in the Mallusk area will play a crucial role in supporting the SMART Business Innovation Hub proposal being considered by the Belfast Region City Deal initiative. Such infrastructure would embellish and strengthen the argument for the development of such a hub facility.

It should be noted that work undertaken to date and assistance from consultants will not be jeopardised or prejudiced in any way, and Members' approval is sought to proceed with this approach.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the proposed consortium approach in respect of the LFFN funding application be approved.**

Prepared by: Alastair Law, Innovation and Funding Officer.

Agreed by: Paul Kelly, Head of Economic Development.

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration.

**6.12 G/MSMO/007/Vol 4 VIRGIN MEDIA – ‘PROJECT LIGHTNING’ NETWORK EXPANSION**

Members are advised of correspondence received from Virgin Media (copy enclosed) requesting the opportunity to update Members at a future Council Meeting, in respect of the company's network development plans to date and to outline future expansion proposals as they move into other parts of the Borough going forward into 2019.

**RECOMMENDATION: that Virgin Media representatives be invited to address a future Council Meeting.**

Prepared by Alastair Law, Innovation & Funding Officer

Agreed by: Paul Kelly, Head of Economic Development

Approved by Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

### 6.13 CP/CD/249 COMMUNITY CAPACITY AND BUILDING PROGRAMME 2018/19

Members are reminded that provision was made in the estimates for a Community Capacity Building Programme to be delivered in 2018/2019. The purpose of this programme is to develop the capacity and skills of individuals and groups within the Borough, to enable them to participate more fully in society and have a positive impact on the number and quality of successful community development projects delivered across the Borough.

This year North Antrim Community Network (NACN) has been awarded a tender from the Department of Agriculture, Environment & Rural Affairs (DAERA) for the provision of a local community development support and advice service within the rural areas of Antrim and Newtownabbey. As part of this work NACN will contribute towards the capacity building programme as detailed in the table below.

This year the programme will include sessions such as General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Emergency (First) Aid, Event Management, Food Safety in Catering, Defibrillator training and Funding Clinics.

Courses will be delivered from September 2018 to the end of March 2019. The new programme will be advertised and promoted through the Council's website and through an electronic and direct marketing campaign to all community and voluntary groups within the Borough. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis and a non-refundable deposit of £5.00 will be required to secure a place.

#### COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME 12 SEPTEMBER 2018 – 31 MARCH 2019

COURSE	Estimated Costs
1. General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)	Costs covered by NACN
2. Event Management (2 nights)	£950
3. Food Safety in Catering	£400
4. Emergency (First) Aid x 2	£648
5. Defibrillator training	£252
6. Funding Clinics	Costs covered by NACN
7. Hospitality	£600
<b>Total Cost to the Council</b>	<b>£2850</b>

The total budget for the Community Capacity Building Programme for 2018/2019 is £5,000, the remaining budget of £2,150 will cover any other training identified before the end of the financial year.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Community Capacity Building Programme for 2018/19 at a cost of £2,850 be approved.**

Prepared by: Kerry Brady, Community Support Officer

Agreed by: Elaine Manson Community Services and Tackling Deprivation  
Manager

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning &  
Regeneration

#### 6.14 CP/GR/085 GOOD RELATIONS GRANT AID PROGRAMME 2018

Members are reminded that the annual Good Relations Action Plan submitted to The Executive Office includes a budget of £20,000 for the implementation of a Good Relations Grant Aid Programme to support community and race relations locally. This is a rolling programme open until November 2018 subject to budget availability.

A summary of the Good Relations applications received for June and an overview of the assessment and funding details is provided for information. Members will be aware that a pass threshold of 50% for Good Relations Grant Aid applications was agreed at the Community Planning and Regeneration Committee in November 2014.

Group Name/ Project Promoter	Project Description/Title	Scored (%)	Amount Awarded
Bardic Educational Arts and Media	The 'Our Island' Project aims to develop and implement a good relations project for young people from 4 Post Primary Schools from across the Antrim & Randalstown areas between September 2018 and December 2018. A series of 8 interactive workshops for approximately 20 young people per workshop, using drama as a medium to explore issues of identity, cultural diversity, civic pride, and equality. A school assembly workshop will be undertaken in participating schools and a film will also be produced and shared with schools throughout Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough to help showcase the project.	60%	£2,500

**RECOMMENDATION: that the proposed funding award totaling £2,500 be approved.**

Prepared by: Andrew Irwin, Community Safety and Good Relations Manager

Agreed by: Louise Moore, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

## 6.15 CP/CD/49 GIRLS' BRIGADE 125<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Members are advised that correspondence has been received from the Girls' Brigade NI (GBNI) in relation to sponsorship for a programme of fundraising events and activities to mark its 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2018/19.

GBNI currently works with 18,219 girls across Northern Ireland supported by 3,772 volunteers. The anniversary events will begin in September 2018 and continue throughout the academic year. The Programme of events will include working with Fields of Life, a non-denominational Christian organisation, committed to working with communities in the poorest regions of the world to improve the lives of local people. GBNI will support the rebuilding of a primary school in Uganda which has over 330 pupils who travel miles each day. Part of the rebuild will include dormitories for the pupils and teachers so that they don't need to make the gruelling journey every day. To date GBNI has raised £35,000 towards this project and hopes to raise an additional £90,000 in order to complete the rebuild.

The events organised to mark the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary will happen alongside the normal activities which will clearly require significant effort and resources. The organisation has approached all 11 Councils in Northern Ireland and various other key potential sponsors. There are various options for sponsorship ranging from £500-£10,000, or alternatively organisations can donate an amount of money for a particular element of the Programme. Details of the Sponsorship packages are **enclosed** for Members' consideration.

**RECOMMENDATION: that Council contributes £1000 towards sponsorship.**

Prepared by: Elaine Manson, Community Services & Tackling Deprivation Manager

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

#### **6.16 ED/ED/038/A VISIT FROM DORSTEN DELEGATION – 31 JULY TO 2 AUGUST 2018**

Correspondence has been received advising that a delegation from Dorsten will be in the Borough from 31 July to 2 August 2018. The group of 5 visitors are undertaking a bike ride from Dorsten to Newtownabbey, leaving Dorsten on 24 July, cycling 90-100km each day. As part of the Council's twinning relationship with Dorsten the Council has committed to developing social and economic ties that will be beneficial to both areas.

To this end the delegation wishes to focus on:

- (i) Leisure Development - to learn about the Council's new Leisure Membership Scheme and how it might be applied in Dorsten.
- (ii) Wider International Relations – to hear about our new Economic Development Strategy (draft) and proposed new linkages including China.

As has been the arrangement on previous visits, the costs of the accommodation for the visitors will be met by the Council. It is also proposed that the Mayor hosts a dinner on the 1 August 2018 to be attended by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chairperson of the Community Planning & Regeneration Committee, Chairperson of GROW and the relevant Officers.

**RECOMMENDATION: that costs as outlined be approved.**

Prepared by: Emma Stubbs, Economic & Rural Development Manager

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

## 6.17 ED/ED/020 SOCIAL ENTERPRISE WORLD FORUM

Members are reminded that the function of local economic development along with a significant budget transferred to the Council under the Review of Public Administration, includes responsibility for supporting social enterprise. The Council is a Member of Social Enterprise NI which also supports the social enterprise sector.

An invitation has been received for Council representatives to attend a Social Enterprise World Forum (SEWF) on 12-14<sup>th</sup> September in Edinburgh, Scotland. The SEWF is an international event where social enterprises from all over the world come together, share wisdom, build networks and discuss how to create a more sustainable future. The event attracts social enterprise practitioners, social entrepreneurs, policy makers, community leaders, investors, activists, academics, supporters and more from across the globe. The full programme for the event is available on the event website <http://sewfonline.com/sewf2018/>

The forum is returning to Edinburgh after 10 years, having recently been held in places such as Calgary, Rio de Janeiro, Seoul and last year in Wellington, New Zealand. Social Enterprise NI will be attending the event and has offered bursaries for social enterprises to attend.

The cost to attend the SEWF is estimated to be £750 per person, being £350 conference fee and £400 for travel and subsistence including flights and 2 nights' accommodation.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Chairperson for the Community Planning and Regeneration Committee, or their nominee, and an appropriate officer attends the Social Enterprise World Forum 2018 in Edinburgh at an estimated cost of £1,500, provision for which exists in the Economic Development budget.**

Prepared by: Emma Stubbs, Economic & Rural Development Manager

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

## 6.18 ED/REG/018 VOL 2 BELFAST CITY DEAL

Members will be aware that the City Deal Joint Forum meeting took place at Mossley Mill on 25 June 2018. This workshop session included Members and Officers from the 6 partner Councils and sought to further explore the themes and programmes to be included in the City Deal proposition. This productive workshop was followed by a meeting of Chief Executives, Senior Civic Servants and representatives from Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) on 5 July 2018. Positive discussion took place regarding the work undertaken to date and the Strategic Business Cases to be developed over the summer.

The research/development work required to bring these deals to fruition is presented below.

**City Deal Cost Breakdown - July 2018**

			BCC	ANBC	LCCC	MEABC	ANDBC	NMDDC	TOTAL
<b>Project</b>	<b>Costs</b>	<b>EPP 2017/18</b>	5,875,174	1,979,191	2,103,274	1,718,827	2,156,424	2,277,215	16,110,105
Capital Cost Validation	<b>25,000</b>		9,117.22	3,071.35	3,263.90	2,667.31	3,346.38	3,533.83	25,000.00
KPMG Phase 2	<b>250,000</b>		91,172.19	30,713.50	32,639.05	26,673.12	33,463.84	35,338.30	250,000.00
Digital Phase 2	<b>270,000</b>		98,465.96	33,170.58	35,250.17	28,806.97	36,140.95	38,165.37	270,000.00
David Simmonds	<b>29,968</b>		10,928.99	3,681.69	3,912.51	3,197.36	4,011.38	4,236.07	29,968.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>209,684.36</b>	<b>70,637.12</b>	<b>75,065.63</b>	<b>61,344.76</b>	<b>76,962.55</b>	<b>81,273.57</b>	<b>574,968.00</b>

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Council supports the work required to advance the City Deal proposition provision for which has been made in the Economic Development estimates.**

Prepared & Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

## **6.19 CP/PCSP/70 APPOINTMENT OF POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP CHAIRPERSON**

Members are advised that the Justice Act 2011 states that the position of Chairperson of the Policing and Community Safety Partnership is held by an Elected Member for a period of 12 months, or for a period ending with the reconstitution date. The Justice Act also states that position is held in turn by each of the 4 largest parties represented on the Council immediately after the last local general election. The position of Vice-Chairperson is held by an Independent Member, appointed by the Independent Members.

Members are reminded that Councillor Neil Kelly was appointed to the position of Chairperson at the Community Planning and Regeneration Committee in June 2017 for a period of 12 months starting from 25 August 2017. Due to a delay in reconstituting the PCSP in 2015, the appointment of the Chairperson for the 2018/19 will unavoidably be less than 12 months, as the current term of the PCSP expires on the 31 March 2019.

Members are therefore requested to appoint a Chairperson from 25 August 2018 to 31 March 2019 from the fourth largest party represented on the Council. The SDLP is the fourth largest party and, one SDLP representative is currently serving on the Policing and Community Safety Partnership, Councillor Noreen McClelland.

**RECOMMENDATION: that Councillor Noreen McClelland be appointed to the position of Chairperson of the PCSP from 25 August 2018 to 31 March 2019.**

Prepared by: Andrew Irwin, Community Safety and Good Relations Manager

Agreed by: Louise Moore, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

## 6.20 PK/BIO/19 DOAGH TO LARNE GREENWAY

### Introduction

Correspondence **enclosed** has been received from the Department for Infrastructure notifying Council that it is prepared to make an offer of a small grant of £25,000 towards the cost of working up a project bid and detailed design for the Doagh to Larne Greenway proposal (route as per map **enclosed**).

### Background

Members are reminded that following proposals by the Department for Infrastructure to develop a network of Greenways, Council was involved in two submissions for completion of feasibility studies – details as follows:

<b>Greenway</b>	<b>Lead Council</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
Doagh – Larne Greenway  Approved by Council through Operations Committee	Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council	Stage 1 – Expression of Interest submitted  Stage 2 completed and feasibility submitted to Department (March 2017)  <b>Initially not selected to progress to Stage 3</b>  <b>Now selected to proceed to Stage 3(2)</b>
Greenisland – Monkstown Greenway  Approved by Council through Community Planning and Regeneration Committee	Mid and East Antrim Borough Council	Stage 1 – Expression of Interest submitted  Stage 2 completed and feasibility submitted to Department (March 2017)  <b>Selected to progress to Stage 3</b> (received a grant of £25,000 to develop detailed design)  In January 2018 Council resolved not to support the proposed Greenway and MEA was informed.  Subsequently MEA submitted all relevant documents by the deadline. The project has not proceeded to date.

The Department requested that Council complete the acceptance form for the grant for by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2018. In order that this can be considered at the July Council meeting, an extension has been granted until 31<sup>st</sup> July.

In accepting the grant, the next stage will involve consultation with local landowners and residents on the proposed route prior to submitting full

proposals to the Department. If successful thereafter Council would be required to submit an application for funding through the Department's Capital Grants for Greenways competition by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

**The Council's instructions are requested.**

Prepared and approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

**6.21 G/MSMO/8 CONSULTATION NOTICE – DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES  
CLASSIFICATION OF REGISTERED HOUSING ASSOCIATIONS IN NORTHERN  
IRELAND: CONSULTATION TWO – THE FUTURE OF THE HOUSE SALES SCHEMES**

Members are advised that correspondence (**copy enclosed**) has been received from the Department for Communities to advise that a consultation paper entitled “Classification of Registered housing Associations in Northern Ireland: Consultation Two – The future of the House Sales Schemes” has been issued.

The consultation seeks views on the next stage of the Department's work in response to the decision of the Office for National Statistics to classify Registered Housing Associations to the public section. If not reversed this decision has the potential to significantly reduce the amount of money available for the Northern Ireland Executive's programme for developing new social homes.

The consultation will close on 24 September 2018 and responses should reach the Department by 5 pm on Monday 24 September 2018.

The consultation, associated documentation and details of public events to be enable Members to find out more about the proposals are available at the link: [www.communities-ni.gov.uk/consultations/future-of-hss](http://www.communities-ni.gov.uk/consultations/future-of-hss)

Members may note the correspondence, respond on an individual/party political basis or formulate a corporate response on behalf of the Council.

**The Council's instructions are requested.**

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

## **6.22 CP/PCSP/063 POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP POP UP PARK AND ROAD SAFETY EVENT**

Members are reminded that reduction of anti-social behaviour, addressing road safety and community engagement are key priorities of Antrim & Newtownabbey Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP). To assist in achieving these priorities the PCSP will be hosting a 'Pop Up Park' event in Randalstown and a Road Safety event, including pop up park, in Ballyclare during August 2018.

The Pop up Park will take place on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August, from 5-8pm at John Street Play Park, and will include a range of fun activities to assist in animating the space. This event will provide the opportunity for members of the public to engage with the PCSP on issues of concern, as well as providing alternative activities for young people from the area. Permission is sought to segregate part of the Car park in John Street on 4<sup>th</sup> August to host the event. Please see back-up for details (a copy of which is enclosed).

The Road Safety Event is scheduled to take place on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August, from 2-5pm. This event will include a range of fun activities as well as a range of information and performances to help raise awareness around a range of road safety issues. In addition this event will provide the opportunity for members of the public to engage with the PCSP around any road safety concerns. Permission is sought for use of the Sixmile Leisure Centre Sports Hall and to segregate part of the associated car park to host the event. Please see back-up for details (a copy of which is enclosed).

**RECOMMENDATION: that the car park at John Street Play Park, Randalstown and the Sixmile Leisure Centre, Ballyclare are segregated and facilities at Sixmile Leisure Centre be provided to help facilitate the PCSP Pop Up Park and Road Safety events in August 2018.**

Prepared by: Andrew Irwin, Community Safety and Good Relations Manager

Agreed by: Louise Moore, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

## **6.23 PK/GEN/022 IRELAND'S BEST KEPT TOWN AWARDS - RANDALSTOWN SUCCESS**

Members are reminded that each year Council nominates towns and villages from the Borough in both the Northern Ireland Amenity Council Best Kept Awards and the Translink Ulster in Bloom completion.

In the 2018 Northern Ireland Amenity Council Best Kept Awards, Randalstown won the Small Town Category. As a winner, the town went forward to the 2018 Ireland's Best Kept Town Awards, held in the Harbour Commissioner's Office in Belfast in June. At this prestigious event Randalstown was successful in winning the "Best Kept Small Town" category and then went on to win the award for Overall Winner of all the categories in the competition. Council has received a prize of €5,000.

The success for Randalstown has been remarkable in recent years and is down to the partnership between Council, Tidy Randalstown, the Town Team, sponsors and volunteers. This winning formula exists in a small number of other villages but is starting to be replicated, by Officers, in the other towns and villages across the Borough.

Randalstown has also been successful in the last 12 months in both the Ulster in Bloom and Britain in Bloom awards.

In view of the unstinting commitment of Tidy Randalstown and the many volunteers who work year round in the village it is proposed that the prize money of €5,000 invested in the town in consultation with the Tidy Randalstown group.

An event to celebrate this success is being organised and members will be informed in due course.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the prize money from Ireland's Best Kept Awards for Randalstown in the amount of €5,000 is invested improvements in the town in consultation with Tidy Randalstown.**

Prepared and Approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

## **6.24 PK/CP/012 CAR PARK - WHITEABBEY VILLAGE**

Members are reminded that the Shoreline Festival is scheduled to take place from Saturday 25 August 2018 to Sunday 26 August 2018. As reported to the Council in June, the Whiteabbey Village Business Association is progressing a village festival event, linked to the Shoreline Festival with the aim of attracting visitors and helping to promote the village.

The proposed Festival will require a Special Road closure and this process is ongoing. In addition the Association has requested that the car park in the village be closed to facilitate the market stalls and children's entertainment being organised as part of the Festival and have requested a temporary closure from 6.00am on Saturday 25 August 2018 through to 8.00pm on Sunday 26 August 2018.

The Association will consult extensively with local businesses, local residents and the appropriate stakeholders to ensure local community support.

**RECOMMENDATION: that, following a request by the Whiteabbey Village Business Association, approval is given for the temporary closure of the car park in Whiteabbey from 6.00am on Saturday 25 August 2018 to 8.00pm on Sunday 26 August 2018.**

Prepared by: Ivor McMullan, Head of Leisure

Approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

## 6.25 L/LEI/GEN/2 REQUEST FOR SUPPORT – EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

A request for financial support has been received from ZKJ Dojo, a Mixed Martial Arts and Olympic Wrestling Club, based in Glengormley. The Club, through its membership of the International Mixed Martial Arts Federation, has made a bid to host the 2019 European Junior and Senior Championships in the Borough. This will be the first time this prestigious competition will have been held in Northern Ireland, the UK or Republic of Ireland.

Around 200-300 competitors are expected to participate in the event from a range of countries including; Bulgaria, Austria, Germany, Sweden, Italy, Finland, Portugal and France. The event will run from Monday to Friday in June or July 2019 and the local club intend to have the event in the Valley Leisure Centre. In addition, coaches, other officials and family members are expected to attend with accommodation providers in the Borough as well as other services expected to benefit from the visitors.

The event will be televised globally on [www.immaf.tv](http://www.immaf.tv) channel as well as being streamed live with a significant following of the sport world-wide.

The Club has requested that the Mayor officiates at the opening and closing ceremonies and has indicated that all members will be invited to attend these ceremonies and any or all of the week-long competitions.

The local club is run entirely by volunteers and has achieved major successes in recent years including 2 World medallists, 2 Bronze European medallists, the youngest ever world silver medal female Courtney McCrudden and the first ever under 21 medallist in Northern Ireland, Jack Corr. With a focus not only on the sporting achievements of young people, but on personal development and personal effectiveness this Club is a very valuable resource in the greater Glengormley area. It has developed a programme which is supported by Comic Relief to help young people in the area develop in their local areas through community engagement and access to coaching and youth services. In recent years, the Club has worked very closely with Council on Peace projects and youth diversion initiatives to the benefit of local young people and communities.

The Club will have marketing, logistics, equipment, administrative and other costs to meet and therefore has requested assistance from Council.

**RECOMMENDATION: that £5,000 in funding is approved for ZKJ Dojo for hosting the European Junior and Senior Mixed Martial Arts Championships to be held in the Borough in 2019.**

Prepared by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

## 6.26 L/LEI/GEN/2 REQUEST FOR SUPPORT – COMMONWEALTH FLY FISHING EVENT

A request has been received from representatives of Straid Fishery for support in relation to a Commonwealth Fly Fishing Event which they have been asked to host from 31<sup>st</sup> August to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Straid Fishery is the only fishery in the Borough.

It is expected that there will be over 700 visitors attending from outside the Borough, with 70 competitors travelling from a range of countries including Australia, New Zealand and Canada. Visitor spend is estimated in the region of £61,000.

Support of £2,000, to meet the cost of fish, would greatly assist the organisation to be able to host this prestigious event.

**RECOMMENDATION: that £2,000 in financial support be approved for Straid Fishery, for the Commonwealth Fly Fishing Event 31<sup>st</sup> August to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2018.**

Prepared by: Janine Beazley, Leisure Grants and Special Projects Officer

Approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

## 6.27 PK/GEN/112 COMMEMORATIVE VC PAVING STONE

Earlier this year, Members approved the installation of a memorial VC pavement stone for Major Hugh Colvin VC who is buried at Carnmoney Cemetery.

The commemorative stone has been procured and foundation preparations will be completed by mid-August. The stone will be mounted on a suitable granite plinth in an area adjacent to the Cross of Sacrifice (near the cemetery house.)

Traditionally the memorial paving stone is laid as close to the date of the VC conferment. On this basis, plans are being progressed for the installation on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Arrangements will be progressed with the Royal British Legion to prepare for the installation ceremony and invitations will be issued in due course.

Members had also requested that Officers research any other VC recipients from the Borough. As far as can be confirmed the single other recipient from the Borough is Charles McCurry VC. A sign was erected in Killead marking Charles McCurry's birthplace by legacy Antrim Borough Council.

**RECOMMENDATION: that a commemorative VC paving stone is also installed in recognition of Charles McCurry VC and that detailed arrangements are reported to Council in due course.**

Prepared by: Ivor McMullan, Head of Parks

Approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

**6.28 G/MSMO/2 CHANGES TO COMMITTEE, WORKING GROUPS AND EXTERNAL BODY MEMBERSHIPS BY THE ALLIANCE PARTY**

Following recent membership changes within the Alliance Party, the Nominating Officer, has advised of the following changes to Committees, Working Groups and External Body memberships:

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Cllr J McGrath	Operations Committee	6 July 2018
Cllr J McGrath	Community Planning and Regeneration Committee	6 July 2018
Cllr J McGrath	Members' Development Working Group	6 July 2018
Cllr J McGrath	Equality and Diversity Working Group	6 July 2018
Cllr J McGrath	Glengormley Urban Place Shaping Forum	6 July 2018
Cllr J McGrath	Glengormley Town Team	6 July 2018
Cllr N Kelly	arc21	9 July 2018
Cllr B Webb	Community Planning Partnership	9 July 2018
Ald T Campbell	Making Services Accessible Working Group	9 July 2018

The Nominating Officer has also advised in relation to GROW South Antrim the party will not be nominating anyone to fill the vacancy created by Cllr N Kelly for the remaining term. Nominations to this Board were made using the d'Hondt mechanism and under this method the next eligible party to nominate someone is the Ulster Unionist Party. It is recommended that the Chief Executive should write to the relevant Nominating Officer to seek a nomination for the GROW South Antrim Board.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the changes to Committee, Working Groups and External Body Memberships by the Alliance Party highlighted in the table be noted and that the Chief Executive write to the Nominating Officer of the Ulster Unionist Party, as the next party under d'Hondt, to seek a nomination for the Board of Grow South Antrim following the decision by the Alliance Party not to fill their vacancy.**

Prepared by: Liz Johnston, Head of Governance

Approved by: Sandra Cole, Director of Finance and Governance

**6.29 CE/GEN/4 DEPARTMENT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE - PROPOSED 50MPH SPEED LIMIT ON ROGUERY ROAD, TOOMEBRIDGE AND 40MPH SPEED LIMIT ON ROGUERY ROAD AND LOUGHBEG ROAD**

Correspondence has been received (map enclosed) from the Department for Infrastructure outlining new proposed speed limit on Roguery Road. The correspondence states that the proposal will start at No 172 Roguery Road and finish at Brecart Roundabout. The existing 40mph sections will remain the same except for a short extension at Gorthill where the existing 40mph will be extended to include the Loughbeg Road junction and will extend 200m on the Loughbeg Road to include the community centre.

The DfI have requested a letter from the Council confirming agreement with this proposal.

**The Council's instructions are requested.**

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

### 6.30 CP/CP/098 NEW MOSSLEY HOUSING AND OPEN SPACE

Members will be aware that discussions have been underway for some time now regarding the potential for new social/affordable housing in New Mossley. It is anticipated that the new housing will be developed on the large green in front of Hillcroft School. To bring forward the current proposal, the Housing Executive has engaged with community organisations, elected members and other key stakeholders for the area. The proposed new housing is welcomed, however there is a desire to ensure that the green spaces in the wider estate can be protected and improved alongside this investment. To achieve this there are two main areas which have been highlighted and are shown on the enclosed map.

(i) Wildflower Garden (marked A)

This area was developed with significant community involvement and is valued greatly by local people. Whilst the area is zoned for housing, it is felt that the housing need in the area can be met through the current proposal and other sites in the locality. The Housing Executive has agreed that this is the case. To this end, it has been requested that the Council leases/acquires this area from the Housing Executive and maintain it as a wildflower garden/community space.

(ii) Land along the Manse Road (marked B)

The land along the Manse Road is understood to be in the ownership of the Department of Infrastructure and may have previously been intended to facilitate a road widening scheme. It is proposed that this area could be developed as a walkway/recreational space and would help to link New Mossley with neighbouring communities. To achieve this it is suggested that the Council leases/acquires part of this land from the Department.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Council writes to the Housing Executive and Department of Infrastructure to request that the land in question be leased/acquired by the Council for the benefit of the community.**

Prepared & Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

### **6.31 CCS/CEA/8 ERECTION OF COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVE COMMISSION COMMEMORATIVE MARKER**

Email correspondence has been received from the Commonwealth War Grave Commission who has responsibility for ensuring all Commonwealth War casualties from the two World Wars are adequately commemorated.

The Commission has been informed that Rifleman James Carson has been afforded war grave status. Until now, Rifleman James Carson was not recorded by the Commission in its records and his grave in Carnmoney Main Cemetery is unmarked and not commemorated by name. The Commission is seeking permission to erect a standard war pattern type headstone at the head of the grave (which meets the memorials size requirements). The manufacture, erection and future upkeep of the memorial would be borne by the Commission.

The headstone would be erected on the grave space on the understanding that should at some future point, a member of the family object, it would be removed at the expense of the Commission.

Council records show the grave was purchased by John Carson of 170 North Queen Street, Belfast in 1915 for the burial of Isabella McVeigh (aged 72 years). Rifleman James Carson was buried there in 1918 (aged 24) followed by John Carson (aged 65) in 1932 and Isabella Carson (aged 60), later the same year.

The Commission is requesting the erection memorial fee be waived which is normally £150.00

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Council waives the memorial fee.**

Prepared by: Lisa Hall, Customer Services Manager

Approved by: Andrea McCooke, Director of Organisation Development

### 6.32 CE/OA/005 NOMINATIONS TO NILGA EXECUTIVE

NILGA has advised that, in accordance with the NILGA Constitution, Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council should have two places on the NILGA Executive but currently has none.

At the Annual Meeting in June 2018, the following Members were nominated to NILGA - Councillors Arthurs, Bingham, Hamill, Lynch, Webb and Aldermen DeCourcy, Smyth and Swann.

In order to ensure that the Council is fully represented on the NILGA Executive, NILGA has now requested that two of these Members be nominated to the Executive. There is currently a vacant position on the Executive for a DUP Member and the Group Leader has nominated Councillor Hamill to fill the vacant position.

NILGA has further advised that there is another position on the Executive available for the Council.

Any nominations are to be confirmed with the relevant NILGA Office Bearer.

**RECOMMENDATION: that Members note the nomination of Councillor Hamill to the NILGA Executive and nominate one other Member from the current NILGA Members to the Executive.**

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

### **6.33 G-LEG-14/323 REQUEST FROM NIE NETWORKS TO CARRY OUT WORKS ON COUNCIL LAND**

Officers received a request from NIE Networks to carry out works on Council land at Antrim Loughshore Park, Antrim Forum and Clotworthy House.

The **enclosed** maps highlight the works to be carried out and the locations.

The following works are proposed at Antrim Loughshore Park:

- Removal of double pole substation beside the caravan park reception building and 4no. connected poles and overhead lines.
- New substation in the Loughshore carpark.
- Underground cabling to be installed along Lough Road to the new substation in the Loughshore carpark.
- Underground cabling from the new substation to an existing pole at the river's edge.
- Underground cabling from the new substation to the caravan park reception building.

The following works are proposed at Antrim Forum and Clotworthy House:

- Removal of double pole substation opposite Clotworthy, 3no. poles at the river's edge and overhead lines.
- Underground cabling to be installed from an existing substation at the Forum to the removed double pole substation location, passing under the Sixmilewater River to Castle Gardens and underground to the boundary with the old Massereene Barracks site.

The terms of the wayleaves associated with the works state that the Council will be unable to build over the top of the cables and cannot create a dangerous situation by excavating in the vicinity of the cables. The wayleave allows for the Council to request the relocation of the cables if there is bona fide development.

Officers have assessed that the impact on Council land will be minimised as the land will be reinstated to its prior condition on completion of the works. The works will be scheduled to be carried out in order to avoid peak user times. The works will take approximately one month from the starting date. The proposed starting date for the works at Antrim Loughshore Park is September 2018. The proposed starting date for the works at Antrim Forum and Clotworthy House is yet to be confirmed. The works will be monitored by Council Officers.

At present the available electrical supply to the Loughshore Park is limited and the proposed Gateway project requires a supply above what is currently being provided. The new substation is designed to allow provision for the new Gateway building and spare capacity for potential future developments at the Loughshore Park. This new provision will enhance the visual character of a protected area by allowing for the removal of the existing overhead supply network and its replacement with new underground cabling.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Members approve the request from NIE Networks for access to Council land to carry out works at Antrim Loughshore Park, Antrim Forum and Clotworthy House.**
- 2. Officers agree the necessary wayleaves with NIE Networks.**
- 3. Officers obtain a valuation from Land and Property Services to ascertain any compensation payable by NIE Networks to the Council in respect of the works.**

Prepared by: Paul Casey, Borough Lawyer

Approved by: Liz Johnston, Head of Governance

### 6.34 CE/GEN/018 ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2018

Members are advised that the Council has once again been shortlisted for an award in the Association for Public Service Excellence (APSE) Service Awards 2018 in the category:

- **Best Service Team – Sports, Leisure and Cultural Services.**

The nomination was for the inter-departmental team which developed and implemented the More Membership scheme.

APSE works with over 300 councils throughout the UK promoting excellence in public services and the 2017 Awards attracted 310 submissions from over 100 organisations from across the UK. All of the finalists were required to present best practice case studies in their respective categories which '*showed them all to be front runners in implementing innovative ideas that support continuous improvement in local services*'.

This is the third consecutive year that the Council has been successfully shortlisted having been a finalist in 2016 and a winner in 2017 for Antrim Castle Gardens.

Category winners will be announced at the APSE Annual Dinner on Thursday 13 September 2018, in the Assembly Rooms in Edinburgh. It was agreed that the Mayor and chair of the Operations Committee or their nominees attend the 2017 Awards event in Oxford, and 2 officers.

The cost to attend the 2018 APSE Awards Dinner is:

- Individual Reservation £119 plus VAT
- Table of 5 Guests £849 plus VAT and
- Table of 10 guests £1,690 plus VAT

The costs for travel to and accommodation in Edinburgh are estimated to be approximately £200 per person.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the Mayor and Chair of Operations Committee, or their nominees, attend as an approved duty plus 1 officer.**

Prepared by: Matt McDowell, Head of Leisure

Approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

## **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

### **6.35 PK/BIO/012 LETTER FROM VICE PRINCIPAL OF FAIRVIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Correspondence has been received from the Vice Principal of Fairview Primary School, Mr Neil McAllister, thanking the Council for the support given over the year. The letter particularly thanks Lindsay Houston, the team of horticulturists at Ballyearl Depot, and also pays tribute to the work of Denis McAuley and expresses sincere condolences on his loss.

A copy of the correspondence is **enclosed** for Members' information.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the correspondence from Mr Neil McAllister, Vice Principal, Fairview Primary School, be noted.**

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

**6.36 G/MSMO/14 MOTION – DERRY CITY AND STRABANE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Members are advised that correspondence has been received from Derry City and Strabane District Council regarding a Motion in relation to the use of Medical Cannabis.

A copy of the letter is **enclosed**.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the correspondence from Derry City and Strabane District Council be noted.**

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

**6.37 G/MSMO/14 MOTION – DERRY CITY AND STRABANE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Members are advised that correspondence has been received from Derry City and Strabane District Council regarding a Motion in relation to the joint Marie Curie and Motor Neurone Disease Association campaign highlighting deep concern about the impact of the current definition of terminal illness used for eligibility for benefits and requesting support for the campaign.

A copy of the letter is **enclosed**.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the correspondence from Derry City and Strabane District Council be noted.**

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

### **6.38 FI/FIN/11 ESTIMATES TIMETABLE 2019-2020**

Members will be aware that the Council is required to fix its District Rates for the 2019-2020 financial year prior to 15 February 2019. The estimates timetable setting out the key milestones in the estimates setting process is **enclosed** for the information of Members.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the estimates timetable 2019-2020 be noted.**

Prepared by: Richard Murray, Management Accountant

Agreed by: John Balmer, Head of Finance

### **6.39 FI/FIN/4 BUDGET REPORT – JUNE 2018**

A budget report for June 2018 is enclosed for Members information. The Council's variance on Net Cost of Services for the period to the end of June is £253k 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 £253k.

This includes a contribution of £187k 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

#### **6.40 AC/GEN/10 BOROUGH ARTS AND CULTURAL ADVISORY PANEL**

Members are advised that the first quarterly meeting of the Borough Arts and Cultural Advisory Panel of 2018/19 was held in the Old Courthouse on Wednesday 27 June 2018 and the minutes are **enclosed** for Members' information.

At this meeting the autumn 2018 performing arts programmes for Theatre at The Mill, The Old Courthouse and The Courtyard Theatre were presented and agreed by the Panel and are **enclosed** for members' information.

**Recommendation: that the minutes of the meeting of 27 June 2018, including autumn programmes for the three theatres, be noted**

Prepared by: Ursula Fay, Head of Arts & Culture, Operations Department

Approved by: Geraldine Girvan, Director of Operations

## 6.41 PBS/BC/002 BUILDING CONTROL MATTERS FOR THE PERIOD 01-31 MAY 2018

### **BUILDING REGULATIONS**

The following submissions under Regulation 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14 of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended) were received.

#### **Applications Received**

Full Plans – 59

Building Notices – 149

Regularisation Certificates – 59

#### **Full Plans**

Approvals – 56

Rejected applications requiring resubmissions – 70

#### **Commencements & Completions**

Commencements – 390

Completions - 291

**Inspections** - A total of 1066 Site Inspections were carried out.

**Regularisation Certificate** - 96 Regularisation Certificates issued.

**Building Notice**- 123 Completion Certificates issued

**Property Certificates** Received – 276

#### **EPB**

EPC's checked – 193 & 95% compliance

A/C checked – 1 & 0% compliance

#### **Income**

Plan Fees Received for Month £16387.75

Inspection Fees Invoiced for Month £25186.78

Building Notice Fees Received for Month £10560.00

Regularisation Fees Received for Month £9313.20

Property Certificate Fees Received for £17340.00

Month £78787.73

**TOTAL**

#### **Postal Numbering**

Numbers of official postal numbers issued – 81

Number of new developments named - 2

#### **LPS Partnership**

Commercial Vacancies – 60 (Commercial vacancy tranche received on 15/11/2017).

Property details surveys completed 63

**RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.**

Prepared by: Vicky Jordan, Clerical Officer

Agreed by: Bronagh Doonan, Head of Property & Building Services

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

#### **6.42 NORTHERN IRELAND PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN – OWN INITIATIVE INVESTIGATIONS**

Correspondence has been received (**enclosed**) from Marie Anderson, NI Public Services Ombudsman in relation to Own Initiative Investigations. The beginning of April 2018 saw the commencement of the power to undertake investigations on the Ombudsman's own initiative. This new investigation power allows the Ombudsman to proceed with an own initiative investigation where one or more complaints have been made or where no complaints have been made. The establishment of this new power is designed to help the office to identify and address systemic failures which have the potential to affect the wider public and not just individual complainants.

The criteria for selecting subjects for potential Own Initiative Investigations are one or more of the following:

1. The issue of concern has been identified by the Ombudsman to be one of public interest.
2. The issue of concern affects a number of individuals or a particular group of people.
3. The investigation has the potential to improve public services.

#### **AND**

4. The Ombudsman considers the investigation of the chosen issue is the best and most proportionate use of investigative resources.

Therefore, selection criterion 4 must always be applied in addition to at least one other.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the correspondence be noted.**

Prepared by: Member Services

Approved by: Jacqui Dixon, Chief Executive

**6.43 CD/PM/117 MONTHLY UPDATE - CAPITAL PROGRAMME**

A Capital Projects Status Report for July 2018 is enclosed for Members' information.

**RECOMMENDATION: the report be noted.**

Prepared by: Claire Minnis, Capital Projects Manager

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

#### 6.44 CP/GR/055 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY WORKING GROUP - MEMBERSHIP

Members are reminded that in March 2017, it was agreed that the Council's quarterly Good Relations Working Groups be replaced by an Equality and Diversity Working Group which would take a broader look at service provision across the Council and advise, review and champion changes relating to the positive promotion of equality and diversity across the Borough.

The membership is currently comprised of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Community Planning and Regeneration Committee and the Operations Committee and the Chair of the Community Planning and Peace IV Partnerships alongside the Council's 3 diversity champions.

At their first meeting held on 13 February 2018, it was proposed that the membership of the Equality & Diversity Working Group be extended to include the 2 mental health champions.

The membership of the Working Group is now as follows:-

	Representative of	Title	First Name	Surname
1	Diversity Champion	Cllr	Michael	Goodman
2	Diversity Champion	Ald	Mandy	Girvan
3	Diversity Champion	Cllr	Julian	McGrath
4	Community Planning & Regeneration Committee (Chair) and Community Planning Partnership (Chair)	Cllr	Stephen	Ross
5	Community Planning & Regeneration Committee (Vice Chair)	Cllr	Michael	Maguire
6	Operations Committee (Chair)	Cllr	Drew	Ritchie
7	Operations Committee (Vice Chair)	Cllr	Jordan	Greer
8	Peace IV Partnership (Chair)	Cllr	David	Hollis
9	Mental Health Champion added 13.3.18	Cllr	David	Arthurs
10	Mental Health Champion added 13.3.18	Cllr	Noreen	McClelland

**RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.**

Agreed by: Louise Moore, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration

#### 6.45 CP/CD/207 ANTRIM AND NEWTOWNABBEY PENSIONERS' PARLIAMENT 2018

Members are reminded that the Council agreed in February 2018 to support Age Sector Platform to run the biennial event of the Antrim and Newtownabbey Pensioners Parliament in Mossley Mill. The event took place on 20 April 2018 and attracted over 70 older people from across the Borough.

The event was attended by several Elected Members who participated in a question and answer session during the event. The Elected Members subsequently brought some of the issues raised by the audience to the attention of Officers. The key issues raised at the event and subsequent actions being progressed are listed below:

Issue	Action
Perceived lack of leisure facilities for over 50's in Leisure Centres. Crumlin was mentioned specifically, however engagement with older people who currently use the Leisure Centre identified no issues.	Following engagement with users the following activities are being organised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Activity days –but these were very poorly attended so have now been cancelled;</li> <li>- New Zumba class and Tai Chi classes organised to start in September;</li> <li>- A programme of arts, crafts and dance classes planned to begin in September;</li> <li>- Sign posting to existing classes such as Yoga.</li> </ul>
Dog Fouling	During 2017/18: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Over 2000 patrols by enforcement team;</li> <li>- Dog waste bags now available in all community centres, 21,500 distributed;</li> <li>- 200 warning signs erected;</li> <li>- Leaflets encouraging responsible dog ownership distributed to almost 700 homes in hotspot areas;</li> <li>- Almost 250 stray dogs collected.</li> </ul>

In addition to the above some other issues were raised for clarification namely:

- (i) The procedure for lodging a complaint with ANBC regarding an internal service;
- (ii) Intended use of the Gate Lodge in Antrim.

**RECOMMENDATION: that the report be noted.**

Prepared by: Elaine Manson, Community Services & Tackling Deprivation Manager

Agreed by: Louise Moore, Head of Community Planning

Approved by: Majella McAlister, Director of Community Planning & Regeneration