

November 18th, 2019

Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend the meeting to be held on **Monday, 18th November 2019** at **6:00 pm** in **Mourne Room, Civic Centre Downpatrick.**

Chairperson Liz Kimmins

Vice Chairperson Mark Gibbons

Cllr S Doran

Cllr H Gallagher

Cllr G Malone

Cllr L McEvoy

Cllr K McKevitt

Cllr A McMurray

Cllr G O'Hare

Cllr B Ó Muirí

Cllr M Ruane

Cllr M Savage

Cllr D Taylor

Cllr J Trainor

Cllr W Walker

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Not included

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Not included

Invitees

Cllr Terry Andrews

Mr Alan Beggs

Cllr Patrick Brown

Cllr Robert Burgess

Cllr Pete Byrne

Mrs Dorinnia Carville

Cllr charlie casey

Cllr William Clarke

Cllr Dermot Curran

Cllr Laura Devlin

Mr Eoin Devlin

Ms Louise Dillon

Cllr Sean Doran

Cllr Cadogan Enright

Cllr Hugh Gallagher

Cllr Mark Gibbons

Cllr Oonagh Hanlon

Cllr Glyn Hanna

Cllr Valerie Harte

Cllr Terry Hearty

Mrs Janine Hillen

Cllr Roisin Howell

Cllr Liz Kimmins

Cllr Mickey Larkin

Cllr Alan Lewis

Mr Michael Lipsett

Cllr Oonagh Magennis

Mr Conor Mallon

Cllr Gavin Malone

Cllr Cathy Mason

Colette McAteer

Cllr Declan McAteer

Cllr Leeanne McEvoy

Cllr Harold McKee

Patricia McKeever

Cllr Karen McKevitt

Cllr Andrew McMurray

Mr Roland Moore

Cllr Roisin Mulgrew

Cllr Barra Ó Muirí

Linda O'Hare

Cllr Gerry O'Hare

Cllr Kathryn Owen
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Cllr Henry Reilly
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Cllr Gareth Sharvin
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Donna Starkey
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Cllr Gary Stokes
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Sarah Taggart
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Paul Tamati
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Cllr David Taylor
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Cllr Jarlath Tinnelly
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Cllr John Trainor
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Central Support Unit
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Cllr William Walker
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Mrs Marie Ward
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ACTIONS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS ACTIVE & HEALTHY COMMUNITIES MEETINGS

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
AHC/077/2019	Notice of Motion referred from Council meeting Monday 3 June 2019 – Suicide Down to Zero	It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Gibbons, seconded by Councillor Bain that officers investigate the possibility of adopting a 'suicide down to zero' approach to combating the high prevalence of suicide across our district; exploring closer partnership working with local mental health and suicide prevention charities; investigate the establishment of a suicide prevention working group with a dedicated Council officer responsible; explore the possibility of establishing a new small grants scheme within the existing financial assistance programme to fund projects specifically dealing with mental health and suicide in the district; Council also to write to the Permanent Secretary of the Department of Health lamenting the abject failure of the Department to implement the Protect Life 2 strategy, and that this strategy should have been signed off regardless of the absence of an Executive given its vital lifesaving and non-contentious nature.	M. Lipsett E Devlin	Letter sent to the Permanent Secretary. Report to December AHC Committee Meeting.	N
AHC/089/2019	Kilbroney Park Pitches	It was agreed to proceed with the appointment of a design team and business plan consultants for the upgrading of Kilbroney playing pitches.	P Tamati	It was agreed to consult with Shared Environmental Services as a result of SMT report presented on the 5 th Nov 2019 prior to proceeding with the appointment of a design team and business plan consultants for the upgrading of Kilbroney playing pitches.	N

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
				Paul to work with the Capital Team to consult with Shared Environmental Services prior to commissioning – Work ongoing	
AHC/092/2019	Leasing of Council land known as Rosconnor Playing Fields, Strangford Playing Fields and the back Pitch, Greenbank, Newry	It was agreed subject to Departmental Consent that the following leases be agreed at a peppercorn rent: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lease of Rosconnor Playing Fields, Downpatrick to Teconnaught GAC for the term of 5 years. • Lease of Strangford Playing Fields, Strangford to Strangford FC for the term of 5 years. • Lease of the Back Pitch, Greenbank, Newry to Newry AFC for the term of 25 years. 	C Haughey	Subject to Departmental Consent Ongoing	N
AHC/120/2019	Application to DfC: New Model Farm Community Centre proposal, Downpatrick	It was agreed to accept the following recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • that the Committee agree to proceed with an application to DfC for a replacement facility for the Trojan Horse, Downpatrick. Including the development of a business case, design proposals and submission of a planning application. 	K Hynds	Ongoing. Funding application to be completed by NHR Officer & CDRCN for submission to DfC.	N
AHC/143/2019	Installation of RAPID bin at Newry Leisure Centre	It was agreed to proceed with the installation of a RAPID Bin at Newry Leisure Centre.	J Hillen	Ongoing	N
AHC/144/2019	Castlewellan Lease & 3G Pitch Condition Survey	It was agreed to note and approve the following:	J Hillen	Discussions with Legal Department ongoing	N

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council to pay a contribution of 50% towards the replacement of the synthetic carpet in 5 years' time. • The Council to forward the fencing improvements for consideration in 20/21 rate estimates. • Improvement works to bring the 3G pitch up to necessary standards to be completed by Neighbourhood Services department using existing maintenance budgets. • Council to provide replacement goals from existing budgets. 		<p>Actioned</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Y</p> <p>N</p> <p>N</p>
AHC/148/2019	Healthy Vending Machines in Leisure Centres	It was agreed to note that when clear guidance on minimum nutritional standards (MNS) for Council Catering Outlets and Vending is established, a future report will be brought back to Active and Healthy Communities Committee regarding the potential implementation of these standards.	P Tamati	Report to future AHC Ongoing, MNS not established yet, anticipated April 2020.	N
AHC/152/2019	Notice of Motion – Disability Access on to Newcastle Beach (Referred from Council Meeting 2 September 2019)	<p>It was agreed that officers investigate the provision of disability access on to Newcastle beach to enable the facility to be inclusive, which will enhance the visitor experience for all.</p> <p>An update report to be provided to the Active & Health Communities Committee following on from a meeting of Neighbourhood Services department, Enterprise, Regenerations & Tourism department and Corporate Services departments.</p>	<p>M Lipsett</p> <p>M Lipsett</p>	<p>Meeting held with internal officers on 18 October 2019 and further meeting to be arranged.</p> <p>Report to future AHC Meeting.</p>	N

ITEMS RESTRICTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 6 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NI) 2014					
AHC/132/2019	Land at Barcroft Community Centre	It was agreed that the Committee agree to extend the existing lease with Newry Felons to include the site marked G2 on the site plan (subject to a satisfactory valuation from LPS)	J McCann	Complete	Y (see AHC/171/2019 below)
AHC/133/2019	Mullaghbane Community Centre Lease	It was agreed that the Committee agree to changes to the original terms of the Mullaghbane Community Centre lease as per recommendations as set out in para 3.1 of the officer's report and that a deadline of all lease negotiations to be finalised by 31 December 2019 and agreement that failure to do so will result in lease not being renewed.	J McCann	Ongoing – with Council's Legal Department	N
AHC/134/2019	Ballyholland Land Transfer	It was agreed that the Committee agree to proceed with the leasing of Councils play area in Ballyholland to BHGAC in exchange for the leasing of separate lands from BHGAC to Council for the establishment of play park facilities in line with the Councils Play strategy.	C Haughey	Lease to be formalised	N

ACTION SHEET ARISING FROM AHC MEETING HELD ON 21 OCTOBER 2019

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
AHC/158/2019	Action Sheet from 16 September 2019	Councillor Ó Muirí would receive an update from Mrs J Hillen, Assistant Director Community Planning regarding Mullaghbane Community Centre	J Hillen	Actioned	Y
AHC/160/2019	District Electoral Area (DEA) Forums	<p>It was agreed to note the report and agree to approve the actions from the following DEA Forum Private Meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rowallane DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Wednesday 4 September • Slieve Croob DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 10 September 2019. • Crotlieve DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 24 September 2019. <p>At the request of Councillor McKeivitt the dates for a virtual dementia bus tour in the Crotlieve area were to be provided.</p>	<p>J Hillen</p> <p>J Hillen</p>	Actioned	Y
AHC/161/2019	Review of operation of DEA Forum	<p>It was agreed to note and approve amendments to the draft revised DEA fora Terms of Reference and Operating Protocol as outlines in Appendix 1, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amendment 1a on page 2 • Amendment 1b on page 3 • Amendment 2 on page 4 • Amendment 3 on page 5 	J Hillen	Actioned	Y

AHC/162/2019	Saintfield Community Centre	<p>It was agreed to note and agree to approve the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proceed to Expression of Interest Process in line with Councils Sporting and Community Facilities Leasing Policy for the rear of Unit C and the whole of Unit B. • Providing an additional area to the rear of Unit C to increase the amount of storage space within the Community Centre, approximate cost £15,000. 	J Hillen	Ongoing	N
AHC/163/2019	Financial Assistance Update	<p>Timescales for Financial Assistance Call 1 2020/2021 (process rolled out with caveat that all future awards will be subject to the outcome of the rates estimates process) agreed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call open Monday 4 November 2019. • Call closed Monday 9 December 2019. • Information workshops early November 2019. • Assessment and processing January and February 2020. • Reports submitted for consideration at February Active & Health Communities Committee Meeting and March 2020 Council Committee Meeting. • Decision letters will be issued to groups by end of March 2020 (subject to rates estimates process). 	J Hillen	Agreed	Y
AHC/164/2019	Carers Allowance	<p>It was agreed for individuals receiving Carers Allowance to be eligible for concession prices as part of the 2020/21 scale of charges review which will be introduced on 1 April 2020.</p>	P Tamati	Ongoing - report to a future AHC Meeting	N

AHC/165/2019	Leisure Facilities Public Holiday Opening Dates	The 2020/21 Public Holiday Arrangements for Leisure and Sports Facilities were agreed.	P Tamati	Agreed	Y
AHC/166/2019	Consultation response to the Food Standards Agency Northern Ireland on Official Controls in relation to Food Safety	<p>It was agreed to provide the response to the Food Standards Agency's consultation on official controls in relation to food safety as outlined.</p> <p>It was noted the response was returned by the required date on the proviso that it would be subject to Council approval.</p>	E Devlin	Response returned	Y
AHC/167/2019	Consultation on Invasive Species	<p>It was agreed to approve the response being provided to the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs consultation on management measures for widely spread Invasive Alien Species in Northern Ireland.</p> <p>It was noted the response was to be returned by 23 October 2019.</p> <p>It was agreed that Council take the lead in coordinating responsibility for different areas throughout the District i.e. Council, Northern Ireland Housing Executive, Roads Service, Rivers Agency.</p>	E Devlin E Devlin	Response returned Letter issued to all other responsible bodies requesting details of their current and planned management regimes	Y
AHC/168/2019	Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership	It was agreed to note the contents of the report and minutes of the Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting held on 24 June 2019 (adopted at the Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting held on 17 September 2019).	J Hillen	Noted	Y

AHC/169/2019	Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership	It was agreed to note the contents of the report and minutes of the Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting held on 12 June 2019 (adopted at the Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting held on 11 September 2019).	J Hillen	Noted	Y
AHC/170/2019	Policing and Community Safety Partnership Report	It was agreed to note the contents of the report and minutes of the Policing Committee Meeting held on 30 July 2019 (approved at Policing Committee Meeting on 18 September) and the minutes of the PCSP Meeting held on 30 July 2019 (approved at the PCSP Meeting held on 18 September 2019).	J Hillen	Noted	Y
AHC/171/2019	SIF Report	It was agreed to note the contents of the report and minutes of Social Investment Fund Board Meetings held on 8 July 2019, 5 August 2019 and 9 September 2019.	J Hillen	Noted	Y
AHC/172/2019	Crossgar Community Centre	It was agreed to note the contents of the report.	J Hillen	Noted	Y

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AHC/173/2019	Wi-Fi in Community Facilities	<p>It was agreed to accept the business case for the provision of Wi-Fi for Council owned Community run facilities.</p> <p>It was further agreed to proceed to work with the IT Department to implement Phase II of the roll out of Wi-Fi to community facilities.</p> <p>It was agreed to circulate a list detailing those Council owned community facilities to all Councillors for their information.</p>	J Hillen	Agreed	Y
AHC/174/2019	Castlewellan 3G Pitch	It was agreed to remove the agreement to lease the 3G pitch to Castlewellan Community Partnership as per minute (AHC/071/2019) and replace this with a Facility Management Agreement for the 3G pitch.	J Hillen	Ongoing	N
AHC/175/2019	Lands at Barcroft	It was agreed to the application being made for departmental approval to allow Newry, Mourne and Down District Council to lease the site identified at a peppercorn rent.	J Hillen	Ongoing	N
AHC/176/2019	No 16 The Square, Rostrevor	It was agreed to note the officers report.	J Hillen	Noted	Y

END

Report to:	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 November 2019
Subject:	District Electoral Area (DEA) Forums Update Report
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Janine Hillen, Assistant Director Community Engagement
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement

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1.0	Purpose and Background				
1.1	Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none">To note the report.To consider and agree to approve the actions in the attached Action Sheets from the DEA Forum Private Meetings listed in 3.1 below.				
1.2	Background <p>The information in Appendix 1 is provided to update the Committee on the on-going work of the DEA Forums. DEA Coordinators continue to implement actions detailed in their respective local action plans.</p>				
2.0	Key issues				
2.1	None.				
3.0	Recommendations				
3.1	That the Committee: - <ul style="list-style-type: none">Note the report.Agree to approve the actions in the Action Sheets attached for:<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Slieve Gullion DEA Forum Private Meeting held Tuesday 15 October 2019.➤ Downpatrick DEA Forum Private Meeting held Wednesday 16 October 2019.➤ Special Crotlieve DEA Forum Private Meeting held Wednesday 16 October 2019.➤ Mourne DEA Forum Private Meeting held Tuesday 22 October 2019.➤ Newry DEA Forum Private Meeting held Thursday 24 October 2019.				
4.0	Resource implications				
4.1	Support and assistance from partners to deliver actions in the DEA action plans.				
5.0	Equality and Good Relations implications				
5.1	No Equality of Opportunity or Good Relations adverse impact is anticipated. Should have a positive impact on Equality of Opportunity and Good Relations.				
6.0	Rural Proofing implications				
6.1	Due regard to rural needs has been considered.				
7.0	Appendices				
7.1	Appendix 1: Update on the work of DEAs. Appendix 2: Action Sheet Slieve Gullion DEA Forum Private Meeting 15 October 2019. Appendix 3: Action Sheet Downpatrick DEA Forum Private Meeting 16 October 2019. Appendix 4: Action Sheet Special Crotlieve DEA Forum Private Meeting 16 October 2019. Appendix 5: Action Sheet Mourne DEA Forum Private Meeting 22 October 2019. Appendix 6: Action Sheet Newry DEA Forum Private Meeting 24 October 2019.				
8.0	Background Documents				
8.1	None.				

Appendix 1

The following information is an update for the Committee on the ongoing work of the DEAs.

Level of Educational Wellbeing:

> Slieve Croob DEA in partnership with PSNI, NIFRS, PCSP and Driving Techniques organised a Road Safety Event on Wednesday 2nd October at Bishopscourt Racing Track. 30 young people from St Malachy's High School, Castlewellan, had the opportunity to use the virtual reality goggles and witness as a passenger what it is like to be in a road traffic accident. Young people had the opportunity to get behind the wheel and drive in a safe and controlled environment. The event culminated in a cut out demonstration by the NIFRS so young people could witness what happens in the aftermath of an accident.

> Slieve Croob DEA organised a building resilience programme in Croob Park Primary School for children in Primary 6. The programme which commenced on Wednesday 2nd October will last for 6 weeks and will help young people develop coping mechanisms.

> Crotlieve DEA in partnership with the Education Authority and Safer Warrenpoint Project have been working together to enable the Education Authority's youth group to take part in the Halloween Celebrations in Warrenpoint. The young people have been meeting with the older peoples Friendship Club talking about Halloween in days gone by and the young people also attended and served refreshments at the Friendship Club Halloween Party. The young people also made props to decorate Warrenpoint Promenade for a Halloween Zombie Colour Run and did makeup artistry which formed part of their college assessment.

Level of Health Status:

> Within Downpatrick DEA, Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership officially opened the new state of the art play park in Meadowlands Estate, Downpatrick. The project, which was funded by Department for Communities (DfC), was opened by the Chair of Council and DfC's Deputy Permanent Secretary. Young people and residents from the Estate, along with Council Officials and Contractors attended the opening.

> Downpatrick DEA in partnership with the SEHSCT, the NIHE and the Council's Health & Well-Being Department held a Coffee and Connect morning in the Great Hall at the Downshire. The event which marked World Mental Health Day and the 150th Anniversary of the Downshire Complex was attended by over 200 members of staff. Life Changes Lives, Downpatrick Men's Shed and Lifeline had information stands at the event advising of the services they offer. An array of photographs showing the transformation of the Downshire site over the years were on display.

> Downpatrick, The Mournes, Rowallane and Slieve Croob DEAs in partnership with CDRCN, and the Council's Health & Well-Being Department organised a Silver Screening Event on Thursday 3rd October. Over 370 people aged 55+ attended the event. Prior to a screening of Downton Abbey, older people had the opportunity to engage with a number of statutory and voluntary agencies offering vital information and advice. The event aimed to bring people together in a social atmosphere and provide an opportunity for them to chat, connect and build new relationships.

- > On Tuesday 8th October, Slieve Croob DEA in partnership with CDRCN and Homestart organised a Coffee and Connect Event for parents and toddlers to mark World Mental Health Day. Parents were provided with vital information on the Take 5 message to help improve their mental health.
- > In partnership with CDRCN, Slieve Croob DEA organised the Action Cancer Bus to be in Leitrim. All appointments were fully booked.
- > Crotlieve DEA held their annual Positive Ageing Afternoon Tea Dance in Warrenpoint Town Hall on 8th October. The event was well attended, and this year's theme was Social Isolation. Attendees obtained information from various local organisations about "What's On" in their local area and enjoyed lunch, dancing and a special performance from the U3A's Men Choral group.

ACTION SHEET- Slieve Gullion District Electoral Area Meeting – 15th October 2019

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ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed
DEA/SG/87/2019	Declaration of Interest	No declarations of interest were made	
DEA/SG/15/2016	WiFi in Community Centres	WiFi issues to be raised through Active and Healthy Communities	On-going
DEA SG/88/2019	Peace IV Cultural Event Ring of Gullion	Meeting to be set up with Darren Rice in relation to the Funding for the Cultural Event – “The Tunes of the Ring of Gullion Past and Present”.	Completed. ArtsEkta to contact community groups regarding projects.
DEA SG/89/2019	Environmental	Request for running the late-night bus scheme over a 12 month period to be made from Translink.	Completed. Cost of pilot was priced at approximately £8,500.
DEA SG/90/2019	Capital Projects	(a) Site meeting at Poets Meadow, Creggan with ERT, Maintenance and Forum members. (b) Request to Director of ERT to put the Poets Meadow, Creggan on next agenda.	DEA Coordinator contacted ERT and they are currently looking into the background of this issue.
DEA SG/91/2019	Health and Wellbeing	The possibility of running the “Home to Hospital Scheme” like the one that runs in the Mourne area. To be raised.	Completed – Tender for services has been issued.
DEA SG/92/2019	Health and Wellbeing	Community Services had received £30,000 from Dep. Of Justice through their deprivation and anti-social provision for the Bessbrook area. Enquiries into targets for spending to be made. A review of current funding to completed to ensure a wider	Cllr. Mulgrew to set up a meeting with the Community Services Manager in relation to the current anti-social issues in Bessbrook.

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		distribution of programme is Slieve Gullion.	Community Services Manager & DEA Coordinator to meet to discuss
DEA SG/93/2019	Letter to Disability Action	Disability Action and Department of Health to be contacted regarding champion for disabled parking spaces in Crossmaglen. Maps out-lining proposed parking spaces to be re-sent to Cllr. Hearty prior to DFI site meeting	DEA Coordinator to contact on behalf of the Forum
DEA SG/94/2019	Bessbrook Handball Alley	Council's outdoor Leisure department to look at leasing the Handball alley in Bessbrook	Completed. Council no longer lease this property.
DEA SG/95/2019	New Toilet Block Installation	New toilet block installation at Kiltybane Lake	Completed. Toilet Block installed.
DEA SG/96/2019	Up-Coming Good Relations Projects and events spend for September and October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared Schools Education Programme • 10 week Mental Health Sessions in Crossmaglen • Support delivery of Silver Screening event on Wednesday 25th September 2019 in Newry Omniplex. • Support delivery of Newtownhamilton's Men's Shed event on 21 September 	<p>On-going</p> <p>Completed</p> <p>Completed</p> <p>Completed</p>

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EID Muslim community celebration event on 14 September Inter- Youth Club Programme Positive Ageing Event (DEA Public Event) – 24 October Mental Health Event 	<p>Completed</p> <p>In Progress</p> <p>In Progress</p>
DEA SG/97/2019	Health and Safety	Site meeting with South Armagh Halloween Festival organizers, Head of Maintenance , and Cllr. Hearty to identify health and safety issues in the Crossmaglen Square be organised ahead of the Festival on 31 October.	DEA Coordinator to liaise with organisers and Head of Maintenance for meeting.
DEA SG/98/2019	Health and Safety	Request for 30 mile per hour speed limit sign by Newtownhamilton Primary School to be moved up.	DEA Coordinator to contact DFI

ACTION SHEET – DOWNPATRICK District Electoral Area Meeting – 16th October 2019

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION (including Actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed)
2.0	Declarations of Interest	Forum members to declare conflict of interest of any item on the agenda at the start of each DEA meeting.	No conflicts of interest were declared.
3.0	Action Sheet and Minutes of Meeting held on 14 th August 2019	Action Sheet and Minutes were proposed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Curran and seconded by Jenny Lavery.	Contents noted.
4.0	Consideration of use of Pocket Park, Strangford by a local business.	This item has been postponed.	Awaiting information from ERT
5.0	Consideration of proposed amendments to Downpatrick MasterPlan – Priority Action Plan.	Downpatrick Masterplan – Priority Action Plan was reviewed by members and actions noted.	DEA Co-Ordinator to request ERT to update Downpatrick Masterplan Action Plan with agreed amendments.
5.0	Consideration of proposed amendments to Downpatrick MasterPlan – Priority Action Plan. ‘Tourism Strategy’	Downpatrick DEA Forum agreed to request an email update from Assistant Director of Enterprise, Regeneration and Tourism (ERT) regarding the Hotel proposal at the former Abbey Lodge Hotel site.	Project Development Manager to email request from Downpatrick DEA. Response to be communicated back to Forum via DEA coordinator.

ACTION SHEET- Crotlieve SPECIAL DEA Private Forum Meeting 16th October 2019

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
DEA/C/25/2019	Emerging Themes Economic Development, Regeneration and Tourism	<p>South East Coast Masterplan</p> <p>Baths to Dobbins Point</p> <p>Promenade Car Park</p> <p>Public Art</p> <p>Former Osborne Hotel Site</p>	<p>Extension of the Scheme to remain a priority and ERT department to include this in discussions with Project Task and Finish Group.</p> <p>Improvements are required to make car-park more user friendly for events. ERT department to include this in discussions with Project Task and Finish Group.</p> <p>DEA Co-Ordinator to request ERT department to include this in discussions with Project Task and Finish Group.</p> <p>DEA Co-Ordinator to request ERT department to investigate current state of site and ask for same to be included at European Stage in Cannes.</p>

DEA/C/25/2019	Emerging Themes Economic Development, Regeneration and Tourism	Hilltown Environmental Improvement Scheme	<p>DEA Co-Ordinator to request ERT department to ensure Bus Shelter is replaced as part of the scheme.</p> <p>DEA Co-Ordinator to request ERT department to check if footpath at Rostrevor Road Hilltown can be included in the scheme.</p>
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ACTION SHEET- Mournes District Electoral Area Meeting – Tuesday 22 October 2019

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed
DEA19/1	Declarations of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were stated	
DEA/19/2	Anti-Social behaviour	Councillor Sean Doran requested a meeting with the PSNI regarding anti-social behaviour in the Kilkeel area	Ongoing – DEA Coordinator and PCSP Officer
DEA/19/3	Rat Infestation	Councillor Henry Reilly raised concerns regarding rat infestations Aughrim River, Kilkeel. Environmental Health to be contacted	Ongoing – DEA Coordinator
DEA/19/4	Kilkeel Harbour project	ERT be requested to invite Seasource to present to a meeting of the committee regarding Kilkeel Harbour Project	DEA Coordinator to contact Acting Director ERT
DEA/19/5	Newcastle Leisure Project	Leisure Services be requested to update on the proposals for Newcastle Leisure to next Mournes DEA Meeting	DEA Coordinator to contact Assistant Director Leisure
DEA19/6	Annalong EI scheme	Councillor Hanna to be forwarded copy of relevant form regarding naming of facilities etc	DEA Coordinator to contact Head of Equality/Policy

DEA/19/7	River Clean-up	Ronnie Sloan to be invited to the next Mournes DEA Meeting to discuss ongoing issues at Aughrim River	Ongoing – DEA Coordinator
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Newry DEA Action Sheet – 24 October 2019

Item	SUBJECT	DECISION	<i>FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed</i>
2019/1	Alleygating – Dominic Street	Coordinate a site meeting with relevant officials at Dominic Street	Coordinator to progress Liz Kimmins to provide map for circulation
		Request alleyway ownership mapping exercise be gathered and circulated to members. Contact NMDDC, NIHE, DfI	Coordinators request further meeting with DfI
2019/2	Southern Relief Road	DEA Coordinator to contact Planning Dept/DfI to seek clarification on HGV rerouting from Newry City Centre	Coordinator to progress
2019/3	Ravensdale Villas	DEA Coordinator to contact Roads Service regarding road realignment. Coordinator to request Council to consider other funding options for these works	Coordinator to progress
2019/4	Lights out at Abbey Way Subway	PSNI to contact DfI regarding safety and encourage prompt replacement	PSNI to progress
2019/5	Speeding Issues at Belfast Road/Damolly area	Coordinator to liaise with community reps/PSNI/PCSP/Road Safety Committee to address concerns	Coordinator to progress
2019/6	Speeding across Camlough Road/Armagh Road/Dublin Road	Members requested the PSNI undertake traffic management/speeding interventions in these sites and be time appropriate	PSNI to progress
2019/7	Bollards at Clanrye Avenue/NLC	Members requested NLC be notified of a gap between fence and bollards at Clanrye Avenue which is being misused for entry to NLC	DEA Co-Ordinator to request Arlene Barton, Area Manager Indoor Leisure to progress
2019/8	Enforcement of use of accessible parking at NLC	Members requested Leisure Centre consider enforcement options for accessible parking District wide	DEA Co-Ordinator to request Paul Tamati, Assistant Director of Leisure to consider enforcement options at NLC
2019/9	Drainage – Newry City Area	Members requested a cleansing of the drainage system across Newry DEA	Coordinator to progress with DfI

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2019/10	Lights in trees – Clanrye Avenue	Members requested that the trees be cut back to make the lights more visible for the safety of pedestrians	Coordinator to progress with DfI
2019/11	Supporting Communities NI	Members requested Supporting Communities NI are contacted with regard to ensuring all Newry Councillors are invited to the appropriate meetings in the area.	Coordinator to progress
2019/12	Newry City Centre Masterplan	Members requested the Newry City Centre Masterplan be circulated for consideration and comments.	Coordinator to progress

Report to:	Active and Healthy Community
Date of Meeting:	18 th November 2019
Subject:	Community Trails – Legal Agreements
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Paul Tamati, Assistant Director Leisure and Sport
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Conor Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure

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1.1	Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none">To consider and approve Council to enter into legal agreements for a period of 20 years (subject to a fee of 5 pence per annum) with the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs in respect of Forest/Community Trails and Car Parking (if relevant) at the following locations:<ol style="list-style-type: none">Drumkeeragh ForestTivenadarragh ForestCorrywood ForestSeaforde Forest				
1.2	Background <ul style="list-style-type: none">Council previously approved a Service Level Agreement in 2018 for Outdoor Recreation NI (ORNI) to identify, develop business cases, access and other legal agreements and seek external funding for the development of forest/community trails within the Council area.Projects in Drumkeeragh Forest, Tivenadarragh Forest, Corrywood Forest and Seaforde Forest have been identified and progressed and are owned by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs - Forest Service.Funding opportunities for these projects have also recently been identified and applied for through the Rural Development Programme and TRIPSY.				
2.0	Key issues				
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In order to comply with the terms and conditions of funders, Council requires legal agreements to be in place between Council, forest service and land owners.The legal agreements allow Council to create new trails, upgrade existing trails and ensure that trials are maintained for use by the public.The Forest Service have agreed in principle to enter into a 20 legal agreement with the Council in respect of the Trails in the aforementioned Forests.				
3.0	Recommendations				
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">To consider and approve Council to enter into legal agreements for a period of 20 years (subject to a fee of 5 pence per annum) with the				

	<p>Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs in respect of Forest/Community Trails and Car Parking (if relevant) at the following locations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Drumkeeragh Forest 2. Tivenadarragh Forest 3. Corrywood Forest 4. Seaforde Forest
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once established it is anticipated that there will be annual costs of approximately £10,000 per trail per year for maintaining the identified community trails plus ongoing insurance cost and it is proposed that the maintenance costs will be accounted for within the Councils maintenance section as part of up and coming estimates processors. • Council approved £289,000 of match funding in August 2019 for the x4 aforementioned community trails which will be absorbed within Councils Capital Programme.
5.0	Equality and good relations implications
5.1	No equality or opportunity or good relations adverse impact is anticipated.
6.0	Rural Proofing implications
6.1	There are no negative implications identified at this stage.
7.0	Appendices
	None
8.0	Background Documents
	None

Report to:	Active and Healthy Community
Date of Meeting:	18 th November 2019
Subject:	Play Strategy New Build - Kilclief Play Park
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Paul Tamati, Assistant Director Leisure and Sport
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Conor Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure

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1.0		Purpose and Background			
1.1		Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none">To consider and agree the commencement of design consultation, capital works and spend for the following play area as per the Councils Play Strategy.New Build<ol style="list-style-type: none">Kilclief Play Park: £119,995 Total			
1.2		Background <ul style="list-style-type: none">Council approved the NMDC Play Strategy in February 2017 and allocated a Capital Budget of 2.5 million over 5 years.Council approved in December 2017 a 3-stage consultation process with regard to the procedure for delivery of upgraded & transformed play parks.Stage 3 has now been completed with regards to the play park identified above, however Council approval is now required to progress this scheme.All play park designs have taken into consideration recommendations from Playboard NI guidance who have also advised that the best and safest creation for these play parks is as per the designs drawings outlined in appendix 1.			
2.0		Key issues			
2.1		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Subject to approval of this report, Play Board NI will present the park upgrade designs to local communities as per the final stage of the Consultation process.The site identified and agreed by the Kilclief Community Association is at Kilclief GAA Grounds, Shore Road, Kilclief, Strangford.Kilclief Play Park as been identified as a potential Rural Development funded project and therefore may be prioritised to ensure compliance with funders requirements.			

3.0	Recommendations
3.1	<p>That the committee agree to proceed with the commencement of design consultation, capital works and spend for the following play area as per the Councils Play Strategy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Build 1. Kilclief Play Park: £119,995 Total
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	The budget for this project has been accounted for within the Capital Programme.
5.0	Equality and good relations implications
5.1	No equality or opportunity or good relations adverse impact is anticipated.
6.0	Rural Proofing implications
6.1	The Play Strategy was subject to rural proofing and there are no negative implications identified.
7.0	Appendices
	Appendix 1a & 1b Kilclief Play Park Design
8.0	Background Documents
	None

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- A Bongo - Musical Play Panel
- B Eden Echo Chimes - Musical Play Panel
- C Make It Rain - Musical Play Panel
- D Cuckoo Clock - Interactive Play Panel
- E 4m Shamwell Pavilion
- F 2400mm Timber Swing - 1 Flat, 1 Cradle
- G Windsor 3 Seat - DDA Picnic Table
- H 3x Mini Seating Boulder
- I Unicorn Urban - Strangford 120L Steel Hooded Litter Bin
- J Pick Up Sticks & - Trail/Climbing Multipay
- K Fallen Tree
- L Sensory Island Multipay including:
 - Talking Flowers
 - Rainbow Non-Slip Steps
 - 8x Play Panel
 - Artificial Grass
- M Rock 'N' Bowl - Roundabout
- N 410mm Magic Todd Stool
- O Glow Worm - See-Saw
- P Built-In 1.5m Square Ground Trampoline
- Q 20m All Steel Cableway
- R Bespoke 4m High Tree House Multipay with Plastic Tube Slide



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Report to:	Active and Healthy Community
Date of Meeting:	18 November 2019
Subject:	Autism Friendly Swim Sessions – Newry and Kilkeel Leisure Centre and Tropicana in Newcastle.
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Paul Tamati, Assistant Director Leisure and Sport
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Kieran Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure

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1.1	Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none">To consider and agree to introduce Autism Friendly Swim Sessions at Newry and Kilkeel Leisure Centre and Tropicana (subject to closures and holiday arrangements) as a pilot with a 6-monthly review period from 1 April 2020.Newry Leisure Centre: Saturdays from 4:00pm to 5:00pmKilkeel Leisure Centre: Monday's from 3:45pm to 4:30pmNewcastle – Tropicana: Friday's from 12noon to 1pm (July & August Only)				
1.2	Background <ul style="list-style-type: none">In August 2019, approval was given to permanently introduce autism friendly swimming sessions in DLC on Thursday evenings from 6pm to 7pm after a pilot program from April to August 2019.It is estimated that the introduction of Autism Friendly Swim sessions in DLC will have an annual -£7000 impact on income generation, however have a wider social and societal non-monetary benefit.Feedback from those who attended the Autism Friendly Sessions was extremely positive with arrangements generally well received by all users within DLC.In both August 2019 and September 2019 AHC Committee, Councillors have asked for the possibility of introducing Autism Friendly Swim sessions in both Newry and Kilkeel leisure Centre.Public requests for Autism Friendly Swim Session in Tropicana in Newcastle have also been received.				
2.0	Key issues				
2.1g	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In order to accommodate Autism Friendly Sessions a number of operational considerations and changes are required including:<ol style="list-style-type: none">Changing of pool and changing room programmes to accommodate sessionsExclusive use pool sessions (no open swim session, users group bookings, swim lessons)Exclusive use changing room time both pre and post sessions.				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a high demand for swimming pool time across the district. This demand is managed to ensure a balance of centre led programmes, clubs and user groups activity programme is in place. • Although the introduction of Autism Friendly Sessions has been positive, it is important to acknowledge that the impact of exclusive use sessions and operational dynamics associated with such programmes is likely to have an impact on user numbers and income going forward. • The introduction of Autism Friendly Swim Sessions in Downpatrick, Newry and Kilkeel Leisure Centre has been programmed and coordinator to ensure this provision is in place across the district at different times and days of the week and to ensuring a balanced programme of activities remain in place at these sites. • During the pilot periods, numbers will be recorded for comparison to customers attending general swimming pool admission prior to the launch of the programme
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider and agree to introduce Autism Friendly Swim Sessions at Newry and Kilkeel Leisure Centre and Tropicana (subject to closures and holiday arrangements) as a pilot with a 6-monthly review period from 1 April 2020. • Newry Leisure Centre: Saturdays from 4:00pm to 5:00pm • Kilkeel Leisure Centre: Monday's from 3:45pm to 4:30pm • Newcastle Tropicana: Friday's from 12noon to 1pm (July & August Only)
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	It is anticipated there will be approximately an annual -£16,000 budget implication that will need to be absorbed within existing revenue budgets with the permanent introduction of these programmes across the district and will need accounted for in future rates estimates processors.
5.0	Equality and good relations implications
5.1	No equality or opportunity or good relations adverse impact is anticipated.
6.0	Rural Proofing implications
6.1	There are no anticipated rural proofing implications.
7.0	Appendices
	None
8.0	Background Documents
	None

Report to:	Active and Healthy Community
Date of Meeting:	18 November 2019
Subject:	Carers Allowance Eligibility for Concessions Charges
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Paul Tamati, Assistant Director Leisure and Sport
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Kieran Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure

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1.1	Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To consider and agree for those individuals receiving Carers Allowance to be eligible for concession prices as part of the 2020/21 scale of charges review which can be introduced on the 1st April 2020.• At Council meeting held on 4 November 2019 it was agreed that a report detailing the budget to introduce concessionary charges for those in receipt of Carers' Allowance be brought to the November meeting of the Active and Healthy Communities Committee.				
1.2	Background <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In September 2019 a notice of motion was brought to AHC committee by Councillor Patrick Brown stating: "Council's Active and Healthy Communities Department will immediately recognise Carers Allowance as a means tested benefit enabling recipients of that benefit to qualify for concessionary rates at leisure facilities across the District."• Leisure and Sports Services Section currently operate a 'buddy' scheme under its current schedule of charges which entitles those accompanying someone who requires assistance, free entry.• At present those in receipt of careers allowance can earn no more than £123 per week and must spend a minimum of 35 hours a week caring for someone who is ill or has a disability.				
2.0	Key issues				
2.1g	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Currently those individuals in receipt of careers allowance are not eligible for concession prices under the current 2019/20 Leisure and Sport Scale of Charges.• The introduction of careers allowance may have a negative impact of revenue budgets which will need to be absorbed within current budgets if introduced immediately and accounted for in future rates estimates processors.				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under the carers allowance benefit in Northern Ireland, there is a restriction placed on earnings (£123 per week) to be eligible for the scheme. Any changes to the current schedule of charges will require a lead in time to agree proof of eligibility documents and process, communicate changes internally, change front of house and online systems and update literature. Front of house systems do not hold information on current full members that may be eligible for a concession membership under the new carers allowance proposals or those that are already on a concession membership under different eligibility criteria. Furthermore, it is impossible to anticipate how many new members may choose to avail of a concession membership under the new carers allowance proposals.
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider and agree to for those individuals receiving Carers Allowance to be eligible for concession prices as part of the 2020/21 scale of charges review which will be introduced on the 1st April 2020.
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	It is anticipated there may be budget implications that will need to be absorbed within existing revenue budgets if immediately introduction and accounted for in future rates estimates processors.
5.0	Equality and good relations implications
5.1	No equality or opportunity or good relations adverse impact is anticipated.
6.0	Rural Proofing implications
6.1	There are no anticipated rural proofing implications.
7.0	Appendices
	None
8.0	Background Documents
	None

Report to:	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 th November 2019
Subject:	Support request from Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful for Eco Schools Programme for period 2020-21
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Eoin Devlin, Assistant Director Health and Wellbeing
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Sheena McEldowney, Head of Sustainability

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1.1	Purpose To consider and agree to approve the contribution of £1,700 for the period 2020 – 2021 to support Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful in the delivery of the Eco Schools Programme for period 2020 - 2021.				
1.2	Background The Eco Schools programme is an international programme that aims to make environmental awareness and action an intrinsic part of the life and ethos of a school. The programme has three awards – Bronze, Silver and the highest award of the coveted Green Flag. Both Newry and Mourne and Down legacy Councils have been supporters of the programme at local level over the years and this has continued into the new Council. The programme in Newry, Mourne and Down has proven highly successful. Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful operate the programme in Northern Ireland. As a charity, they rely on financial support to enable them to continue to operate the programme - work that includes administration, running a web site, providing a monthly newsletter, arranging award assessments and attending Eco Schools events organised by Councils such as the "Eco Schools Teacher Information Events" and "Chairman's Green Flag Reception" which are held annually.				
2.0	Key issues				
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful (see letter appendix 1) is requesting a contribution of £1,700 from the Council for the period 2020 - 21. They work out that this contribution is at a cost to the Council of 6p per pupil in the District.				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The programme in Newry, Mourne and Down has proven highly successful. All schools in the District are registered with the programme. • Currently forty schools have obtained green flag status. • Fifty-nine schools have silver awards • Fourteen schools have bronze awards. • Schools undertaking the programme work on ten environmental topics - Litter, Energy, Water, Waste, Transport, Healthy Living, Schools Grounds/Outdoor Learning, Biodiversity, Global Perspective and Climate Change. These topics, and the work carried out by schools, are in keeping with the mission statement contained in the corporate plan: "to lead a district that is prosperous healthy and sustainable". <p>There are one hundred and thirty-seven schools in the District in total and so there is still work to be done if all schools are to progress through the programme.</p>
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	Council approve the contribution of £1,700 for the period 2020-21 subject to the rates process.
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	£1,700 for the period 2020-21 subject to the rates process.
5.0	Equality and good relations implications
5.1	<p>All schools in the District can take part in the programme.</p> <p>No equality or opportunity or good relations adverse impact is anticipated.</p>
6.0	Rural Proofing implications
6.1	<p>All schools in the District can take part in the programme.</p> <p>This report has not been subject to a rural needs impact assessment.</p>
7.0	Appendices
	Appendix I: Letter from Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful entitled "Council support request for the Eco-Schools Programme in NI 2020 – 2021"
8.0	Background Documents
	<i>None</i>

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Eoin Devlin
Newry Mourne & Down District Council

12 November 2019

Dear Eoin,

Council support request for the Eco-Schools Programme in Northern Ireland 2020/21.

This letter is a request for support for the Eco-Schools programme in your council area in 2020/2021. Your continued support both financially and with staff time is highly appreciated by Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful and is critical to the success of the programme in educating your people on the issues of waste, litter and more recently plastic pollution in your Council area. We look forward to continuing the relationship we have established over the years which has helped cement Northern Ireland as top achiever globally in the Eco-Schools programme.

As well as educating young people in your Council area on environmental issues we wish to empower them to make informed choices, take positive action and be the change needed to ensure a sustainable Northern Ireland. We seek to give young people a platform to make their voices heard and influence their peers, communities, policy and decision-makers. The Eco-Schools programme encourages and directs young people to think about litter, waste and recycling, energy saving, water conservation, transport options, biodiversity, the natural environment they are custodians of, and make positive choices for a better future.

Impacts that we have already seen from the Eco-Schools programme are:

- 100% of schools signed up to Eco-Schools Programme which equates to 325,900 pupils in 1,134 schools here.
- 323 schools currently have the Eco-Schools Green Flag and we've seen increases from 147 in 2016/17 to 176 in 2018/19 indicating the upward trends in interest in the programme.
- 340,040 sustainable journeys have taken place since 2016 through the Translink Travel Challenge with 13,586 pupils getting involved
- 46% raised knowledge and awareness of Healthy Living topic since 2015/16
- 19% increase in awareness of Litter topic since 2015/16
- 26% of schools in Northern Ireland are flying the internationally recognised Green Flag - Ensuring a positive experience for our young people – through engaging them in actioned-based and socially-responsible learning.

The Eco-Schools programme is the world's largest environmental education programme run by the Foundation for Environmental Education. Support from local councils has been invaluable and has helped Northern Ireland schools, including those in your Council area, stand out on a global stage, excelling in a programme that now engages in excess of 20 million pupils in 51,000 schools across 67 countries.

Here in Northern Ireland it is run by environmental charity Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful with support from DAERA and all 11 local councils. Its standing with schools here is such that in 2015 we became the first country in the international programme to achieve 100% registration from all our schools. It is going from strength to strength every year however this cannot be achieved without your vital and much appreciated support.

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The support request for **2020/2021** is **£1,700** which equates to an investment of around 6 pence per **pupil** in your council area. This represents only a £50 increase in fees from 2019/20 despite a significant increase in support requests from schools as the Eco-Schools programme continues to grow in popularity. Maintaining costs at this level is also an indication of our commitment to work hard to add value to your investment in our young people. We bring additional support from the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, grant making bodies and other corporate and charity funders and continue to make efforts to diversify funding opportunities for environmental education in Northern Ireland.

The funding which we receive from councils across Northern Ireland is a vital part of our match funding for the grant received from DAERA to keep this important programme operational. Your funding will secure growth in the programme so every school in Northern Ireland can fly the Green Flag and the programme can grow with its young people to support them through the next level of their education in colleges and campuses around Northern Ireland.

Your continued support also ensures that Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful can offer other environmental education initiatives to schools in your Council area most notably Young Reporter's for the Environment; Single Use Plastic initiatives and the Wheelie Big Challenge, all of which contribute to schools achieving Eco-Schools Green Flag status.

It is important to note that we have so far, because of your continued support, not had to pass the cost on to schools and have been able to offer the programme and assessments for free. We hope to continue this in the future as schools come increasingly under financial pressure.

As well as the associated environmental benefits mentioned above for your funding we can provide your council with:

- A pre-existing programme to **assist council delivery of their waste and litter prevention programmes and to help councils meet waste prevention and landfill reduction targets.**
- Support councils in educating and raising awareness on litter and avoidable single use plastics that will be dealt with in forthcoming EU and (in the absence of an Assembly) UK legislation.
- The opportunity to be associated with this prestigious international environmental education programme.
- Clear linkage to Council support for young people's environmental leadership development.
- Free training for your staff to become Eco-Schools Green Flag Assessors.
- Support of Cluster Group meetings for teachers in the council area which deliver valuable information to schools progressing through the Eco-Schools programme and provide the council with opportunities to promote their own projects and build relationships with teachers.
- Attending and promoting Green Flag award ceremonies hosted by the Council which are important to schools and pupils, re-enforcing the importance of their work and introducing pupils to their local council's involvement and relevance in what they are doing in school.
- Development of the Ambassador Eco-School network in your Council area - Ambassador Eco-Schools are flagship schools driving their environmental message further into the community and mentoring other schools in their area.

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- Providing reports and statistics on schools in your Council area which are involved in the Eco-Schools programme. Biannual reports are provided to supporting councils highlighting statistics for schools and information about initiatives. We provide support for council staff and elected representatives such as responding to ad hoc queries on the status of schools in the council area.
- Access to the Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful Data Hub, which puts information and statistics from Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful programmes you support at your fingertips (www.keepnorthernirelandbeautiful.org).
- Opportunities to promote your campaigns and activities through the monthly Eco-Schools newsletter and multiple social media channels and signposting schools to relevant council contacts on the Eco-Schools website (www.eco-schoolsni.org).
- Preference given to schools in council areas supporting the programme for promotion through media outlets.
- Allowing schools access to additional funding provided through Eco-Schools for projects such as the international Wrigley Litter Less campaign.

We can all sense that these are important times for the environment and society both locally and globally. Eco-Schools therefore will have an increasingly critical role in mobilising staff and pupils to adapt to the changes that will be required and to be part of the answer and the solution to the many issues becoming apparent. It is evident from recent developments including the Global Climate Strikes that young people also are asking for support and affirmative action. Eco-Schools provides a very practical action-based delivery mechanism for the many solutions. Working together we can all build a better future. Whilst any one of us working alone will struggle to get the critical mass needed.

Enclosed is an Eco-Schools Support Request Form. I would be very grateful if you could provide the necessary Purchase Order number by the end of January 2020 to ensure access to the benefits listed above is maintained in 2020/21.

If you require any further information or clarification on anything above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely



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Eco-Schools Support 2020/2021 Request Form

Eco-Schools Support Cost £1,700

..... Council

☐ Agrees to support the Eco-Schools Programme

OR

☐ Do not wish to support the Eco-Schools Programme

Council Purchase Order Number (required for invoicing)

Signed

Name

Position/job title.....

Date.....

Please return to:

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Report to:	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 November 2019
Subject:	Request for support of Live Here Love Here initiative from Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Eoin Devlin Assistant Director Health and Wellbeing
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Sheena McEldowney Head of Sustainability

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1.1	Purpose To consider and agree to continue to support the Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful Live Here Love Here campaign						
1.2	Background Live Here Love Here has three main elements: a media campaign, a volunteering support programme and a small grants scheme. It is building a movement of enthusiastic local people who volunteer their time and expertise to promote Civic Pride, particularly by tackling littering, dilapidation of buildings and improvement of green space. The campaign aims to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create a downward trend in the Litter Pollution Index• To engage 50,000 volunteers annually on the Civic Pride programme• To build 40% brand awareness of the Civic Pride programme The Council has been a supporter of this scheme since 2015						
2.0	Key issues						
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The media campaign has been instrumental in helping achieve these incremental gains using bespoke billboards in supporting council areas, television and radio advertising and increasingly, social media to reach specific audiences.• Three years ago, they also created the Live Here Love Here Community Awards, which are already a huge success in recognising the value of volunteering. Newry, Mourne and Down has won a number of these awards during this time period• They previously requested that we consider putting in place a new three-year agreement to continue to programme in the Newry, Mourne and Down area from 2019/20 through to 2021/2022.						

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This would require an annual budget of £26,000 as in previous years • The Council agreed to this request on a one-year basis and hence this report is seeking approval for a further year of support for the scheme • It should be noted that half (£13,000) of the Council's funding goes straight back into supporting this area through the small grants programme.
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To support Live Here Love Here for the 2020-2021 period at a cost of £26000 subject to approval within the estimates process
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	£26000 subject to the rates process
5.0	Equality and good relations implications
5.1	No equality or opportunity or good relations adverse impact is anticipated.
6.0	Rural Proofing implications
6.1	Officers confirm due regard to rural needs has been considered;
7.0	Appendices
	Appendix 1: Letter from Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful requesting support
8.0	Background Documents
	None



Liam Hannaway
 CEO
 Newry, Mourne and Down District Council
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20th September 2018

Dear Liam

I hope this finds you well.

RE: LIVE HERE LOVE HERE

I know you are extremely busy as you enter the process of budgeting for 2019/20 so I will try and keep this brief whilst providing some of the encouraging facts in relation to the progress made by Live Here Love Here. As you know, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council is a long-term supporter of this growing initiative to build civic pride, and for that I am very grateful.

If, having read this, you would like to meet, to add more detail, answer your questions and share your thoughts, please just let me know.

Since I last wrote the **Live Here Love Here** partnership has grown considerably, as we have worked to keep our promise to not ask for more money, but instead to meet growing needs by adding more partners. It now includes Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful, the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, the Housing Executive, Choice Housing, ten Councils (not Causeway Coast and Glens yet), McDonald's and Coca Cola.

Live Here Love Here has the three main elements: **a media campaign, a volunteering support programme and a small grants scheme.** It is building a movement of enthusiastic local people who volunteer their time and expertise to promote Civic Pride, particularly by tackling littering, dilapidation of buildings and improvement of greenspace. We aim to:

- Create a downward trend in the Litter Pollution Index (Result: it has dropped from 17 at the start to 15 in 2017/18 and the presence of dog fouling has dropped from 10% to 6% in 2017/18. Admitted littering is also down from 34% two years ago, to 26% of the general public in 2018);
- To engage 50,000 volunteers annually on the Civic Pride programme (Result: it has engaged well in excess of 100,000 every year and the numbers continue to grow),
- To build 40% brand awareness of the Civic Pride programme (Result: unprompted awareness rose 10% in the past year and now stands at 31%).

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The media campaign has been instrumental in helping achieve these incremental gains using bespoke billboards in supporting council areas, television and radio advertising and increasingly, social media to reach specific audiences.

Two years ago we also created the **Live Here Love Here Community Awards**, which are already a huge success in recognising the value of volunteering. Newry, Mourne and Down has won four awards already with St Louis Eco-Warriors, Ardglass Development Association, Love Your Lough and Charlie and the Hamilton Cooper Family.

I am writing to ask you to consider putting in place a new three year agreement to continue to programme in the Newry, Mourne and Down area from 2019/20 through to 2021/2022.

This requires the same annual budget of £26,000 as previously.

Note that half (£13,000) of the Council's funding goes straight back into supporting that Council area through the small grants programme. The Council has also benefitted from receiving additional grant income from the NI wide sources each year, with the total in 2018 amounting to an extra £3,450. Over £200,000 has been allocated across NI in 2018.

I know other Councils have added to the grant pot and this has helped simplify their grant processes and reduce confusion over how and when community groups and schools should apply. I believe there are opportunities for Newry, Mourne and Down to consider such an approach, which would also help address the issue of this programme's over-subscription (that is often 4 or 5 times the available pot). Please let me know if this is of interest.

Live Here Love Here is creating opportunities for Councils to build a strong rapport with the public as together we develop the kind of place we want to live and work in, are proud of and where tourists want to visit and return to. The impact of this relatively small investment on anti-social behaviour is now becoming tangible, ultimately helping Councils save in areas currently draining large budgets (eg £45m for street cleansing, £100m+ for dealing with vandalism and graffiti and £100m for the hidden costs of litter on tourism, crime, house prices and health).

The momentum is here and now for **Live Here Love Here** and I would welcome your ongoing support. Without your Council's support the campaign simply cannot succeed.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely



Ian Humphreys
Chief Executive

Report to:	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 th November 2019
Subject:	Sustainability & Climate Change Forum
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Eoin Devlin, Assistant Director Health and Wellbeing
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Sheena McEldowney, Head of Sustainability

For decision	X	For noting only	
1.0			Purpose and Background
1.1			Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note the report. To consider and agree to approve the actions in the attached Action Sheet
1.2			Background The Sustainability & Climate Change Forum took place on Thursday 10 th October 2019.
2.0			Key issues
2.1			The actions arising from the meeting are attached 'SCCF Action Sheet 10 th October 2019' in Appendix 1. The Forum requested that the Committee consider amendments to the Terms of Reference.
3.0			Recommendations
3.1			Members to approve the proposed change to the Terms of Reference.
4.0			Resource implications
4.1			None.
5.0			Equality and good relations implications
5.1			No equality or opportunity or good relations adverse impact is anticipated.
6.0			Rural Proofing implications
6.1			This report has not been subject to a rural needs impact assessment.
7.0			Appendices
			Appendix 1: SCCF Action Sheet 10 th October 2019
8.0			Background Documents
			None

Sustainability and Climate Change Standing Forum**Thursday 10th October 2019 Downshire Civic Centre 3 00pm****Councillors present:****McAteer, Andrews, Curran, Enright, Clarke, Mason, Brown, Tinnelly, Larkin.****Chaired by Councillor Andrews****Officers present: M.Lipsett, E Devlin, S. McEldowney, R. Moore, J. Parkes, K. Scullion****Apologies for non-attendance: None received.**

Agenda Item Number	Subject	Agreed way forward (if matter requires Committee/Council approval, a separate Report should be compiled and submitted to Committee)	Lead Officer	Actions taken/Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
2.0	Appoint Chairperson	Agreed by all that Cllr Andrews as Vice-Chair of Council chair inaugural meeting.	M. Lipsett	In Progress	N
3.0	Terms of Reference	Cllr Enright proposed two amendments to ToR, agreement that the proposed amendment to Point (iv) Energy Programme, would be brought to AHC Committee for approval. <i>iv) Overseeing Councils energy efficiency and renewable energy program towards and internal net zero carbon target.</i>	E. Devlin	In progress.	N

4.0	Sustainability Update	S. McEldowney delivered a presentation 'Sustainability Update'. Content noted.	S. McEldowney	None	Y
5.0	Strategic Waste Management Update	R. Moore delivered a presentation 'Strategic Waste Management Update'. Content noted.	R. Moore	None	Y
6.0	Dates of Future Meetings	Agreement to meet monthly for the next period to develop a Climate Symposium Proposal. Officers to arrange and circulate dates.	E. Devlin	In Progress	N
7.0	Agenda next meeting	Officers to prepare report on Climate Symposium.	S. McEldowney	In progress	N

Signed: _____ Lead Officer

Report to:	Active and Healthy Communities
Date of Meeting:	18 November 2019
Subject:	Mid Year Assessment of Directorate Business Plan 2019-20
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Michael Lipsett, Director of Active and Healthy Communities
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Eoin Devlin, Assistant Director of Health and Wellbeing Janine Hillen, Assistant Director of Community Engagement Paul Tamati, Assistant Director of Leisure and Sports

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For decision	X	For noting only			
1.0	Purpose and Background				
1.1	Directorate Business Plans are an essential part of the Council’s Business Planning and Performance Management Framework, which drives and provides assurance that corporate priorities are being delivered.				
1.2	The Business Plans demonstrate how planned activity during 2019-20 will contribute to the achievement of strategic outcomes in relation to the Community Plan, Corporate Plan, Performance Improvement Plan and other key strategies.				
2.0	Key issues				
2.1	A Mid-Year Assessment of each Business Plan has been undertaken in order to provide an overview of progress between April-September 2019. This exercise is an important part of the Council’s statutory obligations to strengthen the way performance is monitored, reviewed and reported across the organisation.				
2.2	The Mid Year Assessment of the AHC Business Plan is outlined at Appendix 1.				
3.0	Recommendations				
3.1	To consider and agree: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Mid Year Assessment of the AHC Business Plan 2019-20				
4.0	Resource implications				
4.1	There are no resource implications contained within this report.				
5.0	Equality and good relations implications				
5.1	There are no equality or good relations implications arising from this report. However, specific actions and projects within the Directorate Business Plan may be subject to their own statutory equality screening.				
6.0	Rural Proofing implications				
6.1	There are no rural proofing implications contained within this report. However, specific actions and projects within the Directorate Business Plan may be subject to their own statutory rural needs impact assessment.				

7.0	Appendices
7.1	Appendix I - Mid Year Assessment of the AHC Business Plan for 2019-20
8.0	Background Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AHC Business Plan for 2019-20

Appendix 1

Active and Healthy Communities Directorate

Mid-Year Assessment Business Plan 2019-20

Introduction

This report provides an overview of progress in delivering the Active and Healthy Communities Directorate Business Plan 2019-20 between April-September 2019, across the following service areas:

- Leisure and Recreation
- Parks and Open Spaces
- Sports Development
- Environmental Health
- Sustainability
- Health Improvement
- Engagement and Community Development
- Strategic Programmes
- Community Services, Facilities and Events




The delivery of the Active and Healthy Communities Directorate Business Plan 2019-20 supports the achievement of the following corporate priorities, and performance has been tracked using the legend below.

Support improved health and wellbeing outcomes

Advocate on your behalf specifically in relation to those issues which really matter to you





Empower and improve the capacity of our communities







Legend






Status	
	Target or objective achieved / on track to be achieved
	Target or objective partially achieved / likely to be achieved / subject to delay
	Target or objective not achieved / unlikely to be achieved






Progress at a glance






CANN project midterm Conference successfully delivered	
Cleaner Greener Communities initiative delivered with recognition events	
Biannual Council engagement with Health Trusts and Northern Ireland Ambulance Service facilitated	
Contingencies in place to enable issue of Export Health Certificates to Fishing industry in event of No Deal EU Exit	
Play Strategy and Sports Facilities Strategy Projects on target	
New Open Space and Sports Development Strategies on target	
Financial Assistance funding call successfully administered	






Meetings of DEA Forums, Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships, PCSP and Policing Committee have good levels of engagement and participation.	
PCSP Action Plan being implemented as agreed with Joint Committee.	
Newry/Downpatrick NHR Action Plans being delivered as agreed with DfC.	
GR Action Plan being implemented as agreed with TEO.	







Key AHC Actions				
	Supporting Actions	Timescale	Status	Progress
Leisure and Sport	Undertake Recommendations of Play Strategy and deliver 8 key projects by March 2020.	Q2		Several Key projects have already been delivered to date, eg. Carlingford Park, Forkhill and Meadowlands. Works are currently ongoing to ensure the completion of remaining projects by March 2020.
	Undertake Recommendations of Sports Facilities Strategy and deliver 6 Key projects by March 2020.	Q2		Several Key projects have already been delivered to date, eg. Newcastle Bowling Pavilion, Bessbrook Bowling Green and Ardglass Football Pitch and Pavilion. Works are currently ongoing to ensure the completion of remaining projects by March 2020.
	Undertake the development of an Open Space Strategy and Action Plan with a draft strategy in place for March 2020.	Q3		Tender specifications have now been drafted, various Local Government Frameworks are now being assessed for delivery.
	Undertake the development of a Sports Strategy and action plan with a draft strategy in place for March 2020.	Q3		Tender specifications have now been drafted, various Local Government Frameworks are now being assessed for delivery.
	Develop design proposals for a Newry City Park at the Albert Basin site for consideration.	Q2		A contamination report has now been completed for the site. The stakeholders group Terms of reference have now been approved. The next stage of the consultation to commence subject to rates approval.
	Review the indoor leisure business plan to promote	Q4		On target and to be reviewed during Q4 of this year.







	alignment of operational practices and structures linked to service needs			
	Implement measures to effectively manage Sickness absence	Ongoing		Ongoing management via relevant policies and procedures.
	Carry out statutory functions in relation to Food Safety, Health and Safety at Work, Public Health and Housing, Environmental Protection and Consumer Protection	Q2		Work ongoing
	Facilitate Biannual formal engagement between Council, the local Health Trusts and NIAS	Q2 & Q4		Meetings facilitated at end of April 19 and October 19
Health and Wellbeing	Work to mitigate the day one Brexit implications for local business by providing Export Health Certificates for relevant businesses who will be exporting their produce to Third Countries.	Ongoing		Office accommodation secured Staff trained in Certification, Stakeholder engagement carried out. Additional recruitment exercise completed.
	Working with the Office for Product Safety & Standards to ensure consumers continue to be protected through the regulation of consumer products at Ports			
	Work in partnership with PHA, Community voluntary sector and	Ongoing		




	the Local Health Trusts to address Health inequalities through agreed action plan			
	Develop a one stop shop to advise SMEs in relation to Food safety, Health and safety and Consumer Protection	Q1 & Q3		Progress slow due to severe demand on department from EU exit preparations
Health and Wellbeing	Establish baseline of Customer satisfaction with Environmental Health Service	Q3		This project has not yet been developed due to severe pressures operationally with EU exit preparations
	Develop and deliver 'Cleaner Greener Communities Initiative' alongside the Neighbourhood Services Directorate to include a recognition event for participating groups	Q3		Project completed. Groups recognised on both sides of district
	Continue to support and develop the Age Friendly Strategic Alliance with Statutory and Community Voluntary sector partners	Q1, 2, 3 & 4		
	Lead Partner for the Collaborative Action for the Natural Network (CANN) INTERREG VA project ensuring the delivery of all areas	Ongoing		Work ongoing and relevant targets achieved. Mid project conference staged in September 2019




	Carry out the following measures in relation to Energy Efficiency:			
	1. Develop a pilot Energy Efficiency advice service for residents	Q3		Pilot Energy advice service will not proceed due to officers now working on SLA with Armagh Banbridge and Craigavon BC to provide Affordable Warmth scheme to both Council areas
	2. Increase Councils renewable energy generation through Solar, Photovoltaic and Heat Pump technologies with the aim of making Councils Buildings Nearly Zero Energy' where feasible	Q2		
	3. Investigate and implement battery storage on a trial site with Photovoltaic Panels with a view to roll out to other sites.	Q3		Delayed due to problems backfilling Energy Officer post
	4. Continue energy efficiency drive in Council's estate and extend the use of the Energy Metering and Monitoring system across Council Facilities.	Q1,2,3 & 4		Delayed due to problems backfilling Energy Officer post
Health and Wellbeing	Deliver a funding programme for Biodiversity Improvement / Enhancement Projects across the District to assist and encourage local people and organisations to play a vital part in enhancing and maintaining the area's biodiversity.	Q1		Financial call issued and successfully administered over 10 local groups in receipt of assistance

	Assist a minimum of 10 local groups through this programme.			
	Achieve accreditation for Newry, Mourne and Down District Council to become a member of the Sustainable Food Cities Network.	Q3		Officers are working on this task and are on track at present
	Implement measures to effectively manage Sickness absence	Ongoing		Sickness absence being satisfactorily managed
Community Engagement	Implement recommendations arising from the Community Centres Effectiveness Review including the development of a Community Facility Strategy.	Q4		
	Implement the recommendations arising from the Financial Assistance Audit, including the implementation of the Financial Assistance Policy and the Electronic Grant Management System.	Q3		Most recommendations implemented. The following are still outstanding: E7 - Partly implemented. G5 - Will be fully implemented in conjunction with the introduction of the Electronic Grant Management System.
	Further develop levels of engagement and participation through existing structures (eg DEAs, NHR, PCSP, PEACE IV)	Q4		Meetings of DEA Forums, Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships, PCSP and Policing Committee have been held monthly /bi-monthly/quarterly as required with good levels of engagement and participation as evidenced under this report's 'Measures of Success' section. Monthly PEACE IV Partnership meetings ongoing.






Community Engagement	Harmonise service provision by developing new policies (and related procedures) to address identified gaps.	Q3		DEA Fora Terms of Reference & Operating Protocol reviewed and recommendations going to October AHC Committee. New Financial Assistance Policy developed and approved by Council. Implementation ongoing.
	Full implementation of statutory responsibilities in relation to Community Engagement service provision (including PCSP, Peace IV & DEAs)	Ongoing		Engagement Section (i.e. PCSP, DEAs, NRP, GR) working towards full compliance with all relevant statutory responsibilities.
	Develop and implement a District wide Good Relations Programme, PCSP Action Plan, NHR Action Plan (Downpatrick & Newry), PEACE IV Local Action Plan	Q2		PCSP Action Plan being implemented as agreed with Joint Committee. Newry/Downpatrick NHR Action Plans being delivered as agreed with DfC. GR Action Plan being implemented as agreed with TEO. PEACE IV Local Action Plan being implemented as per SEUPB's Letter of Offer.
	Develop and deliver 7 DEA Fora Action Plans and further develop their input into the implementation of the Community Plan	Q4		All 7 DEA action plans were reviewed in January 2019 and revised accordingly for 2019/2020 ensuring alignment with, and continued input to, the Community Plan. Each DEA action plan has been considered and approved by its respective DEA Forum.
	Work with external organisations, and internally across departments to deliver a minimum of 2 Financial Assistance Calls per annum, and roll out external training sessions	Ongoing		2 Financial Assistance Calls delivered this year and three external training sessions.
	Positively engage minority groups through an outreach service provision (Downpatrick & Newry)	Ongoing		Regular BME service provision in Newry and Downpatrick.






Develop proposals for community facilities in line with Councils capital programme.	Ongoing		Community Facilities Strategy currently being developed
Continue to logistically support local community run events and festivals	Q4		Event Working group meetings ongoing. Ongoing logistical support provided across community led events
Develop a New PCSP Action Plan	Q2		2019/2020 PCSP Action Plan in place being implemented.
Develop a DEA Action Plan	Q2		7 DEA Action Plans in place for 2019/2020 and being delivered.
Develop a Good Relations Action	Q2		2019/2020 Good Relations Action Plan in place and being implemented.
Implement measures to effectively manage Sickness absence	Ongoing		Revised HR procedures being implemented by Engagement Section and any sickness absence is closely monitored and managed.






Measures of Success – Leisure and Sport				
Measure of Success	2019-20		Status	Explanatory note
	Target	YTD Actual		
2.6% increase in attendances at indoor leisure facilities, including a 14% increase by 2019-20	1678140	1012512		The Council has achieved 60% of the 2019-20 target. Overall, attendance levels across indoor leisure facilities have increased by 21% when compared to Q1 and Q2 2018-19. (835,433 attendances)
5-6% year on year increase in the number of participants using Newry Leisure Centre	652904	473074		The Council has achieved 72.5% of the 2019-20 target. Overall, attendance levels have increased by 20.5% when compared to Q1 and Q2 2018-19. (392,515 attendances)
9% increase in attendances at Downpatrick Leisure Centre, including a 72% increase by 2019-20 (when the new leisure	360000	172754		The Council has achieved 48% of the 2019-20 target. Overall, attendance levels have increased by 48% when compared to Q1 and Q2 2018-19 and this is a result of the new Leisure Centre opening in November 2018. (116,612 attendances)

centre completes)				
Complete user satisfaction with indoor leisure facilities	NLC	70%		Satisfaction levels across the six leisure centres range from 64% in Down Leisure Centre to 85% in the Ballymote Centre, and compare favourably to the UK average of 73.19% It is planned to complete another round of surveys, during Q4 of this year.
	St Colman's	74.8%		
	Newcastle Centre	71.2%		
	Ballymote Centre	84.8%		
	DLC	64.3%		
	KLC	76.1%		
Number of children and young people engaged in Community Play and other health and wellbeing initiatives	1850	2365		These figures are a combination of free play sessions throughout the 7 DEA areas, along with Summer Schemes directly run in our centres.
Number of participants from targeted groups involved in physical activity programmes	EBA 2020	Target		Q2 report from Sport NI has confirmed that the key target figure of 98% has been met, with people with disability over achieving. Expectation that all targets will be met by March 2020.
	Total participants	8310		
	Women and Girls	4680		
	Sustained participation	2424		
	People with a disability	1260		
	High social need	2652		









*EBA 2020 is the regional Everybody Active Programme.

Measures of Success – Community Engagement				
Measure of Success	2019-20		Status	Explanatory note
	Target	YTD actual		
Number of meetings and public engagement events	-	56		The five community engagement structures continue to meet on a regular basis and have hosted a range of public engagement events, on themes including neighbourhood watch, safety, education and housing.
Number of events delivered	-	66		The community engagement structures have organised 42 events and 24 programmes which attracted over 5,000 attendees. Programmes included 'Shared Schools' which 120 young people took part in, 'Youth Leadership' which attracted 150 attendees and 'Shared History and Culture', which over 60 people took part in. Events included International Childrens Day which attracted over 120 attendees and the Traveller Living History exhibition which 220 people attended.
Number of events supported	-	15		The community engagement structures supported 15 events, including the Kilbroney Vintage Show, Newry Triathlon, Chairman's Charity Walk and 'Back to School' initiatives.
Number of capacity building programmes	-	11		Through the community engagement structures, approximately 245 attendees took part in 11 capacity building programmes, including PEACE IV capacity building sessions and financial assistance workshops.
The effectiveness of Council run community engagement structures in facilitating stakeholder participation	-	52%		52% of the 196 places currently occupied through the community engagement structures are taken by representatives from the community, voluntary and business sectors. This demonstrates the Council's commitment to working alongside key stakeholders, enabling them to

				inform and influence the local decision making process and have their say on the future of the district.
Maintain the number of Neighbourhood Watch Schemes	-	171		There are currently 171 Neighbourhood Watch Schemes across the District, which represents a slight reduction from 175 schemes in March 2019.
Number of beneficiaries of the 'Good Morning, Good Neighbour' scheme	-	Service users		Between April-September 2019, 274 service users, including 46 new referrals, received a total of 21,557 calls through the 'Good Morning Good Neighbour' scheme. The 53 active volunteers registered with the scheme also received training on software updates and call handling. This represents a slight reduction when compared to the 315 service users who received a total of 21,072 calls between April-September 2018.
		274		
		Calls made		
		21,557		
Number of beneficiaries of the 'Home Secure' scheme	-	Referrals		Between April-September 2019, 343 referrals were made to the 'Home Secure' Scheme, which resulted in 2,791 devices being fitted. The majority of referrals were made in the Newry and Mourne DEA's. This represents a slight increase when compared to the 285 referrals which were made and 2,676 devices which were fitted between April-September 2018.
		343		
		Devices fitted		
		2,791		
Percentage of people who feel safer in their homes	-	During the day		The 2018 Residents Survey revealed that 94% of residents feel 'very safe' or 'fairly safe' in their local area during the day. 87% of residents feel 'very safe' or 'fairly safe' in their local area after dark.
		94%		
		After dark		
		87%		
Number and percentage of financial assistance projects funded and successfully delivered	-	Applications		Through calls one and two of the Financial Assistance Scheme, the Council received 697 applications, 71% of which were awarded a total of £1,243,284 across a range of themes including Christmas illuminations, community engagement, community safety and good relations. This is similar to 2018-19, when 71% of the 668
		697		
		Success rate		
		71%		

				applications received were awarded £1.56m.
Approved Community Facility Strategy	-			
Development of operational policies relating to individual service areas (3 per annum)	-			DEA Fora Terms of Reference & Operating Protocol reviewed and recommendations going to October AHC Committee. New Financial Assistance Policy developed. Implementation ongoing.
Develop and deliver 7 DEA Action Plans	-			7 DEA Action Plans in place and being delivered.
Advertise and roll out a minimum of 2 FA Calls and 3 external training sessions for grant recipients	-			2 financial assistance calls rolled out and 3 external training sessions for grant recipients.
Maintain the number of visits to the Ethnic Minority Support Centre	-	- 1,385		Between April-September 2019, the Ethnic Minority Support Centre recorded 1,385 visits, receiving free, confidential and impartial advice in a range of languages including Arabic, Romanian, Russian and Polish. Over 60% of clients are Romanian or Romanian / Bulgarian Roma. This is similar to April-September 2018, when there were 1,500 recorded visits at the centre.
Develop proposals and implement capital works programme (completion of 1 community facility per annum)	-			
Support up to 200 community run events per annum.	-	231		Between April-September 2019, Community Services organised and supported 231 events, meetings and programmes which attracted around 16,000 attendees. This included large scale events such as 'Pride in Newry' and 'Blues on the Bay', as well as smaller events such as movie nights, roller skating discos and Summer Fitness Camps for kids.

*The data collated in relation to the community engagement structures remains indicative, and the methodology and data collection processes will continue to strengthen in future years.

Measures of Success – Health and Wellbeing				
Measure of Success	2019-20		Status	Explanatory note
	Target	YTD Actual		
80% of service requests responded to within 3 days	80%	91%		
80% of general planning applications processed within 15 working days of receipt (or 21 days)	80%	95%		
80% of premises within the scope of the Food Hygiene Rating Scheme that have been scored and advised within statutory timescales	80%	Data collation development process underway. Will be reported at end of year		
Customer satisfaction with core Environmental Health Services (% of customers that were 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied')	-			Baseline survey work has not been commenced as at Q2 due to extra pressure on department
Percentage increase in number of groups assisted with litter picks/Environmental initiatives	-	44%		Increased profile through Cleaner Greener initiative
Percentage of target Home Safety visits completed	-	133%		Additional resource provided on temporary basis has allowed extra visits on top of PHA set target
Number of school environmental awareness talks completed	-	65		
Number of Groups receiving financial assistance from the Biodiversity call	-	10		Budget fully allocated. Good quality of interested groups and projects. Call to be reissued next year

Active and Healthy Communities Directorate

Annual Business Plan 2019-20



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1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The Active and Healthy Communities Directorate (AHC) is responsible for developing Leisure and Sporting Facilities, Health and Wellbeing Programmes and Community Engagement structures across the district. The Directorate has overall responsibility for the management of Safety and Good Relations and performs a lead role in promoting sustainability within the Council and across the district. It is also responsible for all the statutory functions in relation to the Environmental Health Service.
- 1.2 The core responsibilities of the Directorate are:
 - **Leisure and Recreation**
 - **Parks and Open Spaces**
 - **Sports Development**
 - **Environmental Health**
 - **Sustainability**
 - **Health Improvement**
 - **Engagement and Community Development**
 - **Strategic Programmes**
 - **Community Services, Facilities and Events**

2.0 Background and Context

- 2.1 The AHC Business Plan is developed within the context of the Community Plan, Corporate Plan and Performance Improvement Plan. The Community Plan sets out the long-term outcomes for the District, based on the needs and aspirations of local people. The Corporate Plan sets out the key priorities for the Council between 2015-19, and how it will contribute to achieving the community planning outcomes. The Performance Improvement Plan highlights the improvements stakeholders can expect to see through the annual performance improvement objectives, which are clearly aligned to community planning outcomes and corporate priorities.
- 2.2 The Community Plan, Corporate Plan and Performance Improvement Plan are cross cutting and strategic in nature. They guide all activity within the organisation, as well as the subsequent allocation of resources, and sit within a hierarchy of plans, as outlined in the 'Business Planning and Performance Management Framework' (Figure 1).
- 2.3 The Business Planning and Performance Management Framework drives and provides assurance that the Council is delivering its corporate vision and priorities, whilst securing continuous improvement in the exercise of functions. It provides a mechanism to join up and cascade the various plans and strategies across the organisation, demonstrating how employees

contribute to achieving community planning outcomes and corporate priorities, for the ultimate benefit of the citizens we serve.

Figure 1: Business Planning and Performance Management Framework



- 2.4 Whilst the Corporate Plan focuses on issues which cut across the organisation and are strategic in nature, the AHC Business Plan provides an overview of the key operational activities for the coming year. These activities are explicitly linked to corporate priorities and coupled with 'business as usual' service delivery, provide clear direction for all employees within the Office (Figure 2). The AHC Business Plan is published annually and is the basis upon which performance is managed and reviewed by the full Council, Active and Healthy Communities Committee and Senior Management Team.

3.0 Purpose and Values

3.1 Purpose

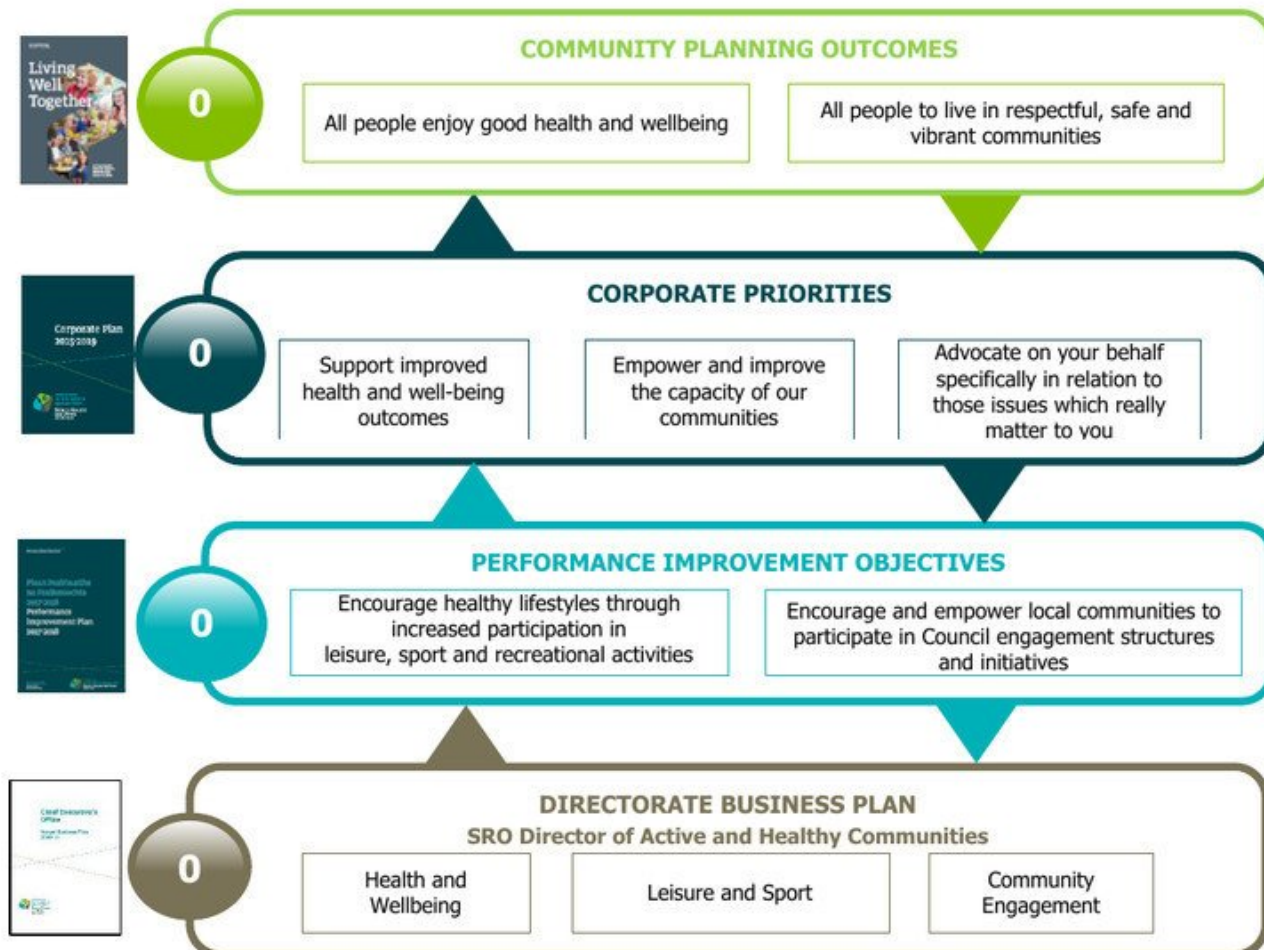
3.1.1 The primary purpose of the AHC Directorate is to develop, implement and monitor key strategic frameworks to support improved leisure, sport, health and wellbeing outcomes, improve environmental education across the district and build positive relations to develop communities that deliver improved outcomes within their local areas.

3.1.2 The bulk of departmental activity is aligned with three corporate objectives;

- Support improved health and well-being outcomes
- Empower and improve the capacity of our communities
- Advocate on your behalf specifically in relation to those issues which really matter to you

3.1.3 There are other important Council strategic objectives where the department makes a significant contribution. More detailed information is provided in Sections 5.0 (AHC Supporting Actions) and 6.0 (Performance) of this Plan.

Figure 2: AHC alignment across the Business Planning and Performance Management Framework



3.2 Values

3.2.1 The AHC Directorate adheres to the Council's values which are outlined in the Corporate Plan 2015-19:

We Will Be	What This Means
Citizen Focused	We will actively encourage citizen and community engagement, as well as be a listening and responsive Council.
Accountable	We will make decisions based on an objective assessment of need and operate in a transparent way as well as openly report on our performance.
Collaborative	We will actively encourage and pursue working in partnership and at all levels to deliver for our District.
Sustainable	We will take into account the social, economic and environmental impacts of our decisions on current and future generations.
Fairness	We will proactively target actions at those who are marginalised in our community.

3.2.2 In accordance with the Section 75 requirements of the Northern Ireland Act (1998), the CEO is committed to carrying out its functions having due regard to the need to promote equality of opportunity and regard for the desirability to promote good relations. All new and revised policies, procedures and programmes of work will be subject to an equality screening and rural needs impact assessment (where appropriate).

4.0 Challenges and Opportunities

4.1 The Active and Healthy Communities Directorate was established in December 2014. The Department continues to evolve in line with organisational change and remains committed to developing and embedding the necessary plans, policies and processes to deliver improvement across the organisation. Influences within the external and internal environment continuously present challenges and opportunities, which have an impact on the overall management and operation of the Active and Healthy Communities Directorate.

4.2 The various (internal and external) challenges and opportunities for the department are summarised as follows:

External Environment

- **Legislation:** Ensuring legislative compliance with The Local Government (NI) Act 2014 and subsequent Orders, specifically in relation to the Duty of Community Planning, Duty of Improvement and Political Governance, legislative changes as a result of potential EU Exit.

- **Strategic Alliances:** Collaborating with stakeholders to address the impact of Brexit and continue to operate amidst wider political uncertainty.
- **Community Planning:** Strengthening existing partnerships and progressing the implementation of the four Thematic Delivery Plans to support the achievement of the long-term community planning outcomes.
- **Local Government Reform:** Addressing legacy issues and successfully integrating the new powers and functions created by Local Government Reform.
- **Evidence Based Decision-Making:** Ongoing collation of national, regional and local datasets to inform and influence local decision-making, policy development and service provision.
- **Global trends:** Considering the impact of climate change, complex social issues, the needs of a growing and ageing population, growing health inequalities, increased demand for public services, fluctuations in crime and rates of anti-social behaviour and rising customer expectations on public service provision.

Internal Environment

- **Management:** Successfully establishing the new directorate in terms of its structure, governance and internal processes.
- **Resources:** Identifying and securing the financial and non-financial resources needed for the directorate to drive healthy and sustainable communities.
- **Structure:** Implementation of new departmental structure to ensure delivery of the corporate objectives and to meet the challenge of corporate restructuring and transfer of new or emerging services.
- **Legislation:** Ensuring corporate legislative compliance in respect of key statutory obligations, including Equality (Section 75), Performance Improvement as well as Community Planning which augments existing service delivery.
- **Community Planning:** Developing partnerships that will deliver local area-based plans to deliver on the Council's Community Plan.
- **Performance Management:** Continually monitoring and reviewing the department's performance, highlighting areas of high performance as well as identifying areas for intervention.
- **Transformation and Improvement:** Successfully developing and implementing a transformational programme of change that drives out the efficiencies and improvements that both members and the public demand.
- **Property and Land Assets:** Successfully developing and implementing the necessary frameworks, policies and processes to support the effective and efficient management of the department's estate.

5.0 Active and Healthy Communities Supporting Actions

Key Office Actions

Leisure and Sport – Promote increased levels of activity through the provision of services, infrastructure, and engagement and develop targeted programmes to improve health inequalities.

Health and Wellbeing Protect and improve the Health and Wellbeing of our citizens and visitors and promote the principles of Sustainability both within the Council and in the wider District

Community Engagement – Create a strong community base to empower and build capacity within our communities and ensure the views of our community are fully represented.

Key Active and Healthy Community Actions		Timescale
Leisure and Sport	Undertake Recommendations of Play Strategy and deliver 8 key projects by March 2020.	Q2
	Undertake Recommendations of Sports Facilities Strategy and deliver 6 Key projects by March 2020.	Q2
	Undertake the development of an Open Space Strategy and Action Plan with a draft strategy in place for March 2020.	Q3
	Undertake the development of a Sports Strategy and action plan with a draft strategy in place for March 2020.	Q3
	Develop design proposals for a Newry City Park at the Albert Basin site for consideration.	Q2
	Review the indoor leisure business plan to promote alignment of operational practices and structures linked to service needs	Q4
	Implement measures to effectively manage Sickness absence	Ongoing
Health and Wellbeing	Carry out statutory functions in relation to Food Safety, Health and Safety at Work, Public Health and Housing, Environmental Protection and Consumer Protection	Q2
	Facilitate Biannual formal engagement between Council, the local Health Trusts and NIAS	Q2 & Q4
	Work to mitigate the day one Brexit implications for local business by providing Export Health Certificates for relevant businesses who will be exporting their produce to Third Countries.	Ongoing

	Working with the Office for Product Safety & Standards to ensure consumers continue to be protected through the regulation of consumer products at Ports.	
	Work in partnership with PHA, Community voluntary sector and the Local Health Trusts to address Health inequalities through agreed action plan.	Ongoing
	Develop a one stop shop to advise SMEs in relation to Food safety, Health and safety and Consumer Protection	Q1 & Q3
	Establish baseline of Customer satisfaction with Environmental Health Service	Q3
	Develop and deliver 'Cleaner Greener Communities Initiative' alongside the Neighbourhood Services Directorate to include a recognition event for participating groups.	Q3
	Continue to support and develop the Age Friendly Strategic Alliance with Statutory and Community Voluntary sector partners.	Q1, 2, 3 & 4
	Lead Partner for the Collaborative Action for the Natural Network (CANN) INTERREG VA project ensuring the delivery of all areas.	Ongoing
	Carry out the following measures in relation to Energy Efficiency	
	1. Develop a pilot Energy Efficiency advice service for residents	Q3
	2. Increase Councils renewable energy generation through Solar, Photovoltaic and Heat Pump technologies with the aim of making Councils Buildings Nearly Zero Energy' where feasible	Q2
	3. Investigate and implement battery storage on a trial site with Photovoltaic Panels with a view to roll out to other sites.	Q3
	4. Continue energy efficiency drive in Council's estate and extend the use of the Energy Metering and Monitoring system across Council Facilities.	Q1,2,3 & 4
	Deliver a funding programme for Biodiversity Improvement / Enhancement Projects across the District to assist and encourage local people and organisations to play a vital part in enhancing and maintaining the area's biodiversity. Assist a minimum of 10 local groups through this programme.	Q1
	Achieve accreditation for Newry, Mourne and Down District Council to become a member of the Sustainable Food Cities Network.	Q3

	Implement measures to effectively manage Sickness absence	Ongoing
Community Engagement	Implement recommendations arising from the Community Centres Effectiveness Review including the development of a Community Facility Strategy.	Q4
	Implement the recommendations arising from the Financial Assistance Audit, including the implementation of the Financial Assistance Policy and the Electronic Grant Management System.	Q3
	Further develop levels of engagement and participation through existing structures (eg DEAs, NHR, PCSP, PEACE IV)	Q4
	Harmonise service provision by developing new policies (and related procedures) to address identified gaps.	Q3
	Full implementation of statutory responsibilities in relation to Community Engagement service provision (including PCSP, Peace IV & DEAs)	Ongoing
	Develop and implement a District wide Good Relations Programme, PCSP Action Plan, NHR Action Plan (Downpatrick & Newry), PEACE IV Local Action Plan	Q2
	Develop and deliver 7 DEA Fora Action Plans and further develop their input into the implementation of the Community Plan	Q4
	Work with external organisations, and internally across departments to deliver a minimum of 2 Financial Assistance Calls per annum, and roll out external training sessions	Ongoing
	Positively engage minority groups through an outreach service provision (Downpatrick & Newry)	Ongoing
	Develop proposals for community facilities in line with Councils capital programme.	Ongoing
	Continue to logistically support local community run events and festivals	Q4
	Develop a New PCSP Action Plan	Q2
	Develop a DEA Action Plan	Q2

	Develop a Good Relations Action	Q2
	Implement measures to effectively manage Sickness absence	Ongoing

6.0 Performance

6.1 The following performance measures will be monitored during 2019-20:

Measures of Success
Leisure and Sport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.6% increase in attendances at indoor leisure facilities, including a 14% increase by 2019-20 5-6% year on year increase in the number of participants using Newry Leisure Centre 9% increase in attendances at Downpatrick Leisure Centre, including a 72% increase by 2019-20 (when the new leisure centre completes) Complete user satisfaction with indoor leisure facilities Number of children and young people engaged in Community Play and other health and wellbeing initiatives Number of participants from targeted groups involved in physical activity programmes
Community Engagement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of meetings, events and capacity building programmes, including attendance levels and participation evaluation The effectiveness of Council run community engagement structures in facilitating stakeholder participation Maintain the number of Neighbourhood Watch Schemes Number of beneficiaries of the 'Good Morning, Good Neighbour' and 'Home Secure' schemes and the percentage who feel safer in their homes Number and percentage of financial assistance projects funded and successfully delivered. Approved Community Facility Strategy Development of operational policies relating to individual service areas (3 per annum) Develop and deliver 7 DEA Action Plans Advertise and roll out a minimum of 2 FA Calls and 3 external training sessions for grant recipients Maintain the number of visits to the Ethnic Minority Support Centre Develop proposals and implement capital works programme (completion of 1 community facility per annum) Support up to 200 community run events per annum.
Health and Wellbeing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 80% of service requests responded to within 3 days

- 80% of general planning applications processed within 15 working days of receipt (or 21 days)
- 80% of premises within the scope of the Food Hygiene Rating Scheme that have been scored and advised within statutory timescales
- Customer satisfaction with core Environmental Health Services (% of customers that were 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied')
- Percentage increase in number of groups assisted with litter picks/Environmental initiatives
- Percentage of target Home Safety visits completed
- Number of school environmental awareness talks completed
- Number of Groups receiving financial assistance from the Biodiversity call

AHC Plans, Strategies and Policies

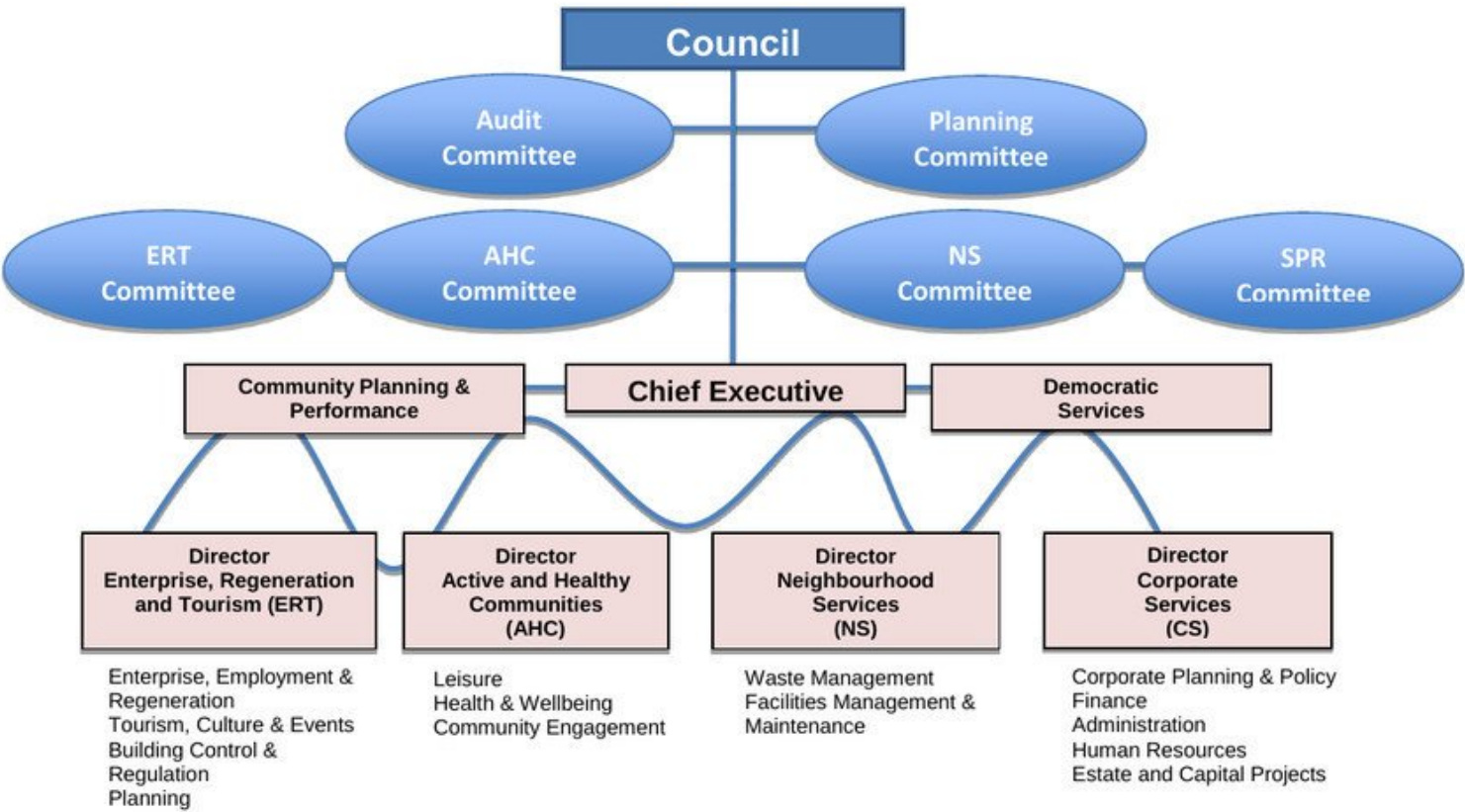
6.2 The AHC Directorate is responsible for leading the development, implementation and review of the following plans and strategies, which influence the work of both the Directorate and Council:

- Department Business
- Community Centre Effectiveness Review
- Local Biodiversity Action Plan
- Play Strategy and Actions Plan
- Sports Facilities Strategy and Action Plan
- MUGA Strategy and Action Plan
- Air Quality Management Action Plan
- PCSP Action Plan
- Food Service Plan
- 7 DEA Action Plans
- Wellbeing Strategy
- Indoor Leisure Business Plan
- Good Relations Action Plan
- Financial Assistance Policy
- PEACE IV Local Action Plan
- Play Inflatables Policy
- NHR Action Plan (Downpatrick & Newry)

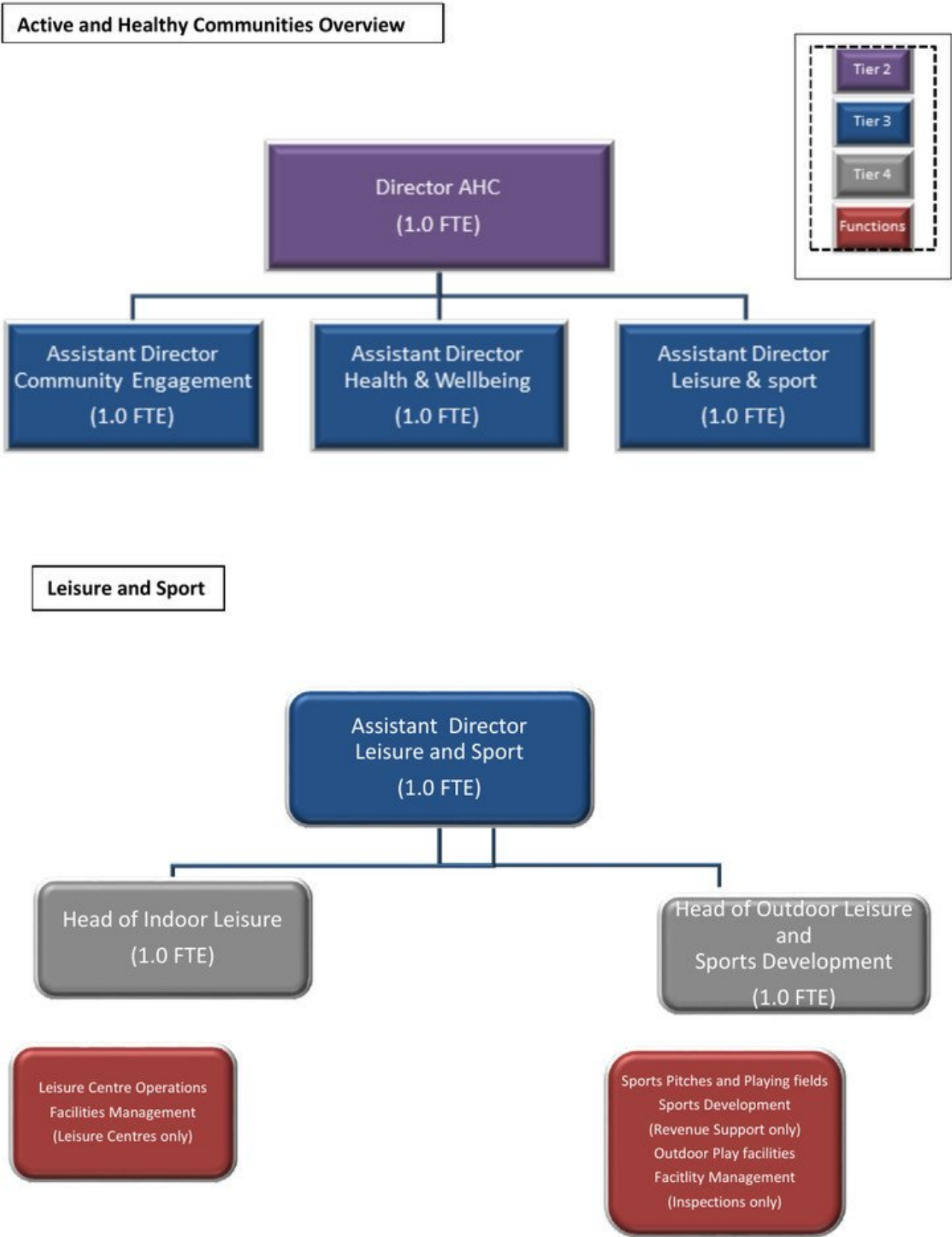
7.0 Organisation and Directorate Structure

7.1 The Active and Healthy Communities Directorate is one of five Departments, which together comprise the management structure of the Council. The management structure of the Council is set out in Figure 1 and the Directorate it is set out in Figure 2.

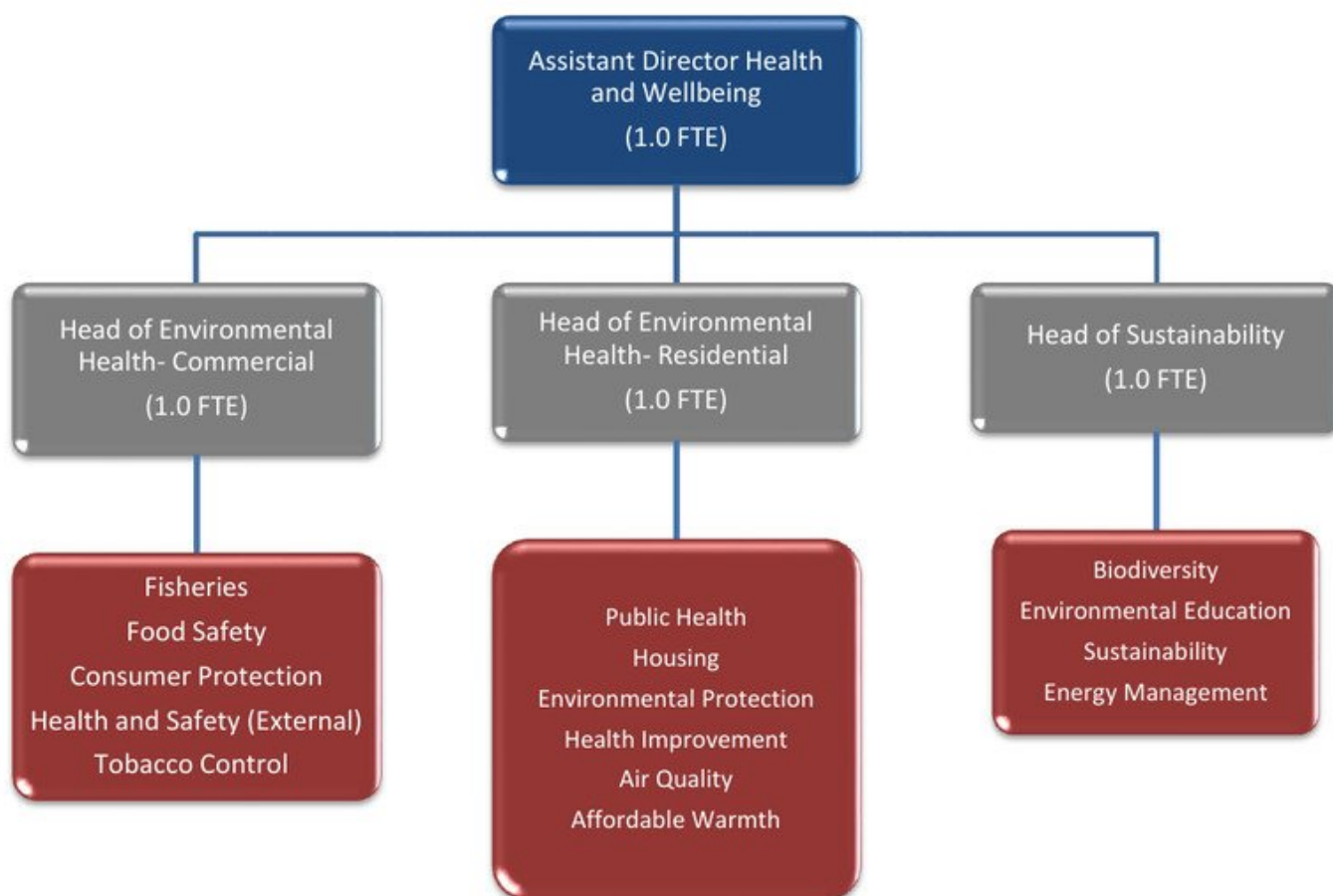
Figure 1 - Council Management Structure



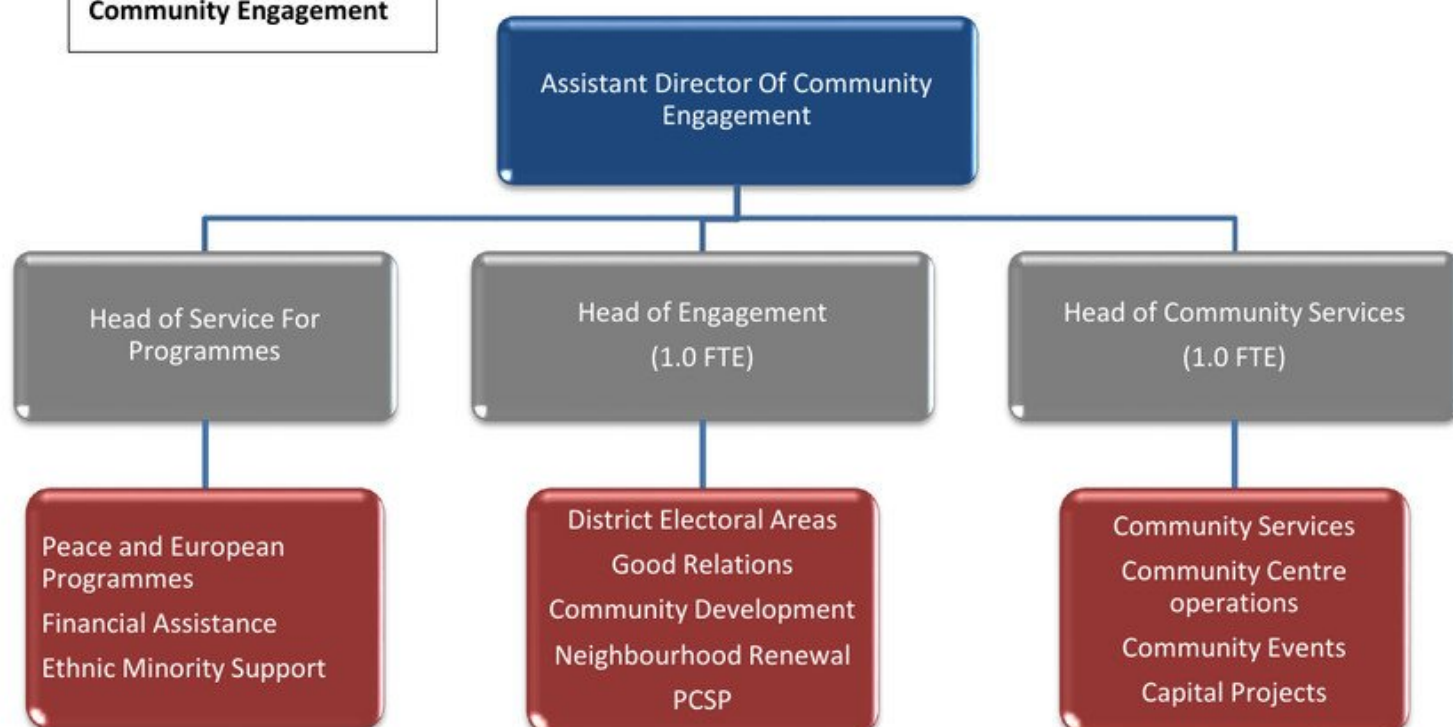
7.3 Figure 2 - Directorate Management Structure



Health & Wellbeing



Community Engagement



8.0 Financial Information

Net estimated expenditure (2019-20)			
Section	Gross Cost	Gross Income	Net Cost
Community Engagement	£5,237,642	£2,592,737	£2,095,145
Health and Wellbeing	£2,596,995	£597,103	£2,195,864
Sports and Leisure	7,156,349	£2,761,248	£6,655,709
TOTAL: Active and Healthy Community	£14,990,986	£5,951,088	£10,946,718

9.0 Governance Arrangements

- 9.1 Reviewing performance and reporting progress to Elected Members and other key stakeholders facilitates transparency, accountability and improvement in everything the Council does. The political and organisational governance arrangements to develop, monitor and report the Council's progress in implementing the AHC Business Plan are outlined below, and are supplemented by regular reviews by the Director and his team. The governance arrangements the Council has put in place to deliver continuous improvement are also subject an annual audit and assessment by the Northern Ireland Audit Office.

Figure 3: Governance Arrangements

Full Council

- Ratification of AHC Business Plan
- Ratification of the annual and bi-annual reviews of AHC Business Plan

Strategy, Policy and Resources Committee / Audit Committee

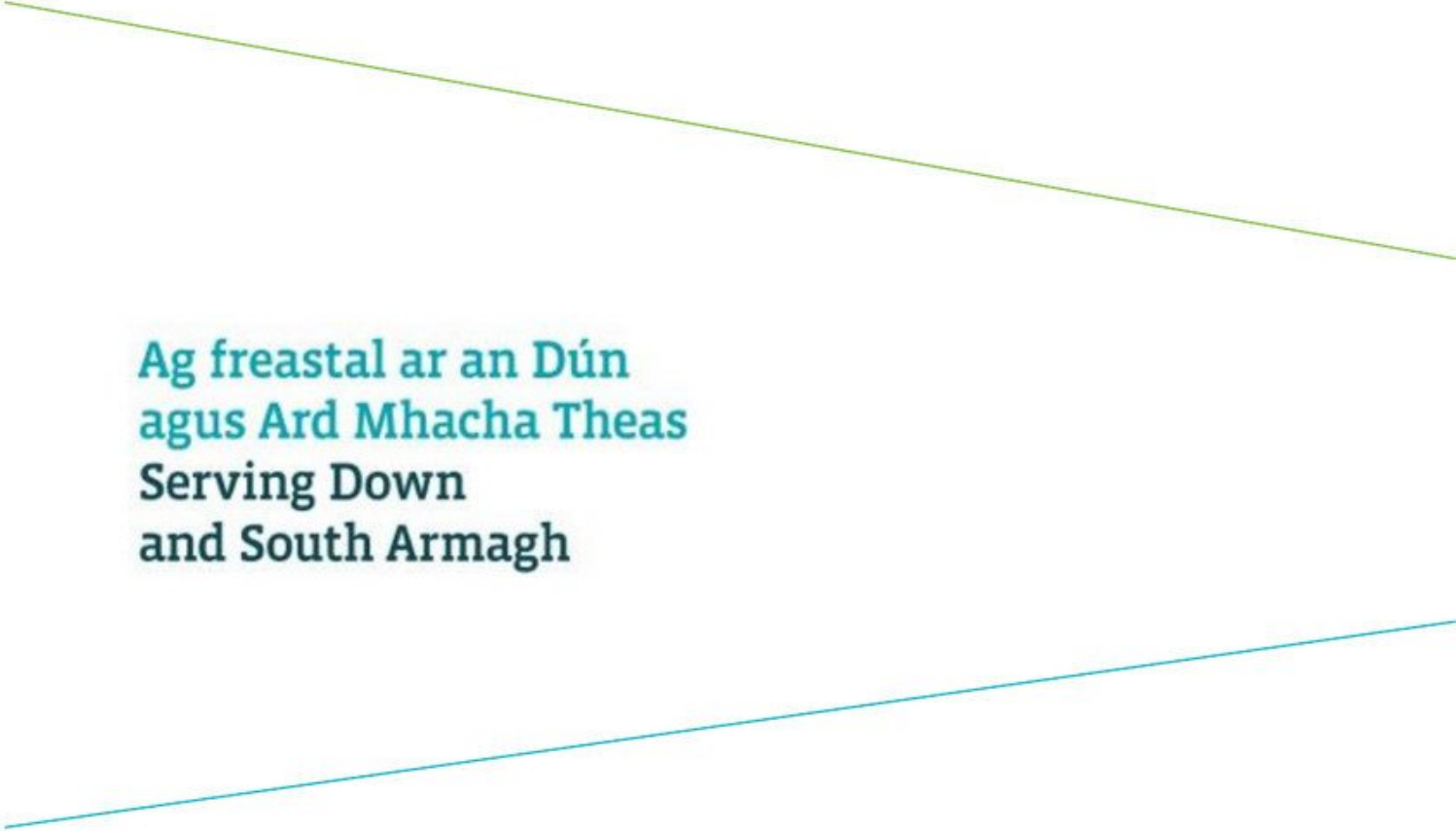
- Scrutiny and challenge around the Duty of Improvement
- Provide assurance that performance management arrangements are robust and effective

Active and Healthy Communities

- Consideration, scrutiny and approval of AHC Business Plan
- Consideration, scrutiny and approval of the annual and bi-annual reviews of AHC Business Plan

Senior Management Team

- Development, consideration and approval of AHC Business Plan
- Development, consideration and approval of the annual and bi-annual reviews of AHC Business Plan

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Report to:	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 November 2019
Subject:	Peace IV Local Action Plan
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Janine Hillen, Assistant Director: Community Engagement
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Justyna McCabe, Head of Programmes

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1.0	Purpose and Background				
1.1	Purpose To note the report.				
1.2	Background The Peace IV Partnership met on 7 November 2019 and there were no recommendations arising from this meeting. Report is for noting only.				
2.0	Key issues				
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Our request to extend the Letter of Offer until August 2021 will be considered by the Steering Committee in November.• SEUPB have confirmed that arrangements are in place, supported by the EU, UK and Irish Governments, providing for the continuation of the PEACE IV and INTERREG VA Programmes until 2023, even in the advent of a 'no-deal' scenario. As regards a future programme, the EU Multi-Annual Financial Framework for 2021-2027, published in May 2018, included provision for a PEACE PLUS Programme. The new PEACE PLUS Programme will include both PEACE and INTERREG activities building on the work of previous and current programmes which have contributed to social, economic and regional stability. All three parties, the EU, the UK and the Irish Government have given their commitment to the PEACE PLUS Programme and this position has not changed.				
3.0	Recommendations				
3.1	That the Committee note the report and minutes.				

4.0	Resource implications
4.1	No cost to Council. Project 85% funded by the EU and 15% by the two Governments.
5.0	Equality and good relations implications
5.1	The Council will have due regard to the need to promote equality of opportunity between the nine equality categories. Council will also seek to promote Good Relations between people of different Religious Belief, Political opinion and Ethnic Origin.
6.0	Rural Proofing implications
6.1	Due regard to rural needs has been considered.
7.0	Appendices
	Minutes of PEACE IV Partnership (September 2019).
8.0	Background Documents
	<i>None</i>

Peace IV Partnership Meeting
Council Chambers, Newry,
Thursday 5th September 2019

Present:

Cllr Michael Ruane (Newry, Mourne and Down District Council)
 Cllr Terry Andrews (Newry, Mourne and Down District Council)
 Cllr William Walker (Newry, Mourne and Down District Council)
 Cllr Henry Reilly (Newry, Mourne and Down District Council)
 Briege Jennings (Social Partner)
 Seamus Camplisson (Social Partner)
 Paul Yam (Social Partner)
 Ruth Allen (SHSCT)

Officers Present:

Janine Hillen (Assistant Director)
 Justyna McCabe (Head of Programmes)
 Theresa McLaverty (Peace Officer)

Apologies noted from:

Helen Honeyman
 Martina Flynn

In attendance:

Siobhan Strong

1. Welcome

Terry Andrews chaired the PEACE IV Partnership meeting initially and welcomed everyone. He spoke of the great projects being carried out by Peace IV funded projects and that it was a pleasure to have been Vice Chair. He thanked Justyna McCabe and the Peace IV team for their hard work and dedication.

2. Conflict of Interest

Seamus Camplisson declared a conflict of interest.

3. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Terry Andrews asked members to elect a new Chair and Vice Chair for the Partnership. William Walker suggested Terry for Chair which he declined due to his other commitments. The new Chair and Vice Chair are as follows:

Chair: Cllr Michael Ruane (NMANDD)
 Vice Chair: Paul Yam (Social Partner)

4. Presentation by Paul Yam on the Trip to Krakow

Paul Yam was one of the participants on the Good Relations and Cultural Diversity Study Visit to Krakow in June and delivered a presentation on his experiences and learning. Terry Andrews thanked Paul for his informative and thought-provoking presentation.

5. Minutes from Previous Meeting (19 March 2019)

The minutes were approved:

Proposed: Cllr Sean Doran

Seconded: Seamus Camplisson

6. Management Report

Justyna McCabe presented the management report update. She informed members that Claire Loughran has now moved to another post and that recruitment of a new Peace Officer is imminent. An extension request has been submitted to SEUPB with no response yet received. Period 13 reports and claims to be submitted by the end of September.

Justyna McCabe referred to two events which were organised in August. The visit to Saintfield Community Centre on 8th August had to be cancelled due to too many apologies. The barbecue at Down County Museum on 17th August was not very well attended. Justyna wished to encourage attendance from partnership members to future events.

7. Partner Delivery Agent Reports

Partner Delivery Agent reports were circulated to the PEACE Partnership Members.

Children and Young People

Justyna McCabe presented the Children and Young People report. No Delegated Authority requested.

Shared Spaces and Services

Justyna McCabe presented the Shared Spaces and Services report. No Delegated Authority requested.

Building Positive Relations.

Theresa McLaverty presented the Building Positive Relations report. No Delegated Authority requested.

PCSP

Apologies received from PCSP. No Delegated Authority requested.

8. Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting is on 3rd October in the Boardroom, Downshire Civic Centre, Downpatrick.

Report to:	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 November 2019
Subject:	Social Inclusion Update
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Janine Hillen, Assistant Director: Community Engagement
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Justyna McCabe, Head of Programmes

For decision	For noting only	x
1.0	Purpose and Background	
1.1	Purpose To note the report.	
1.2	Background The Newry, Mourne and Down Ethnic Minority Support Centre provides free and confidential advice and support to the minority ethnic residents living in our area. The Centre provides the following support clinics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General support in Newry and Downpatrick • Housing Clinic in partnership with NIHE • Specialist clinic in partnership with CAB • Syrian Refugees Support Clinic <p>From 1 April to 11 November 2019, the Centre recorded 1,601 visits (2,173 visits since the beginning of 2019). At least 60% of clients are Romanians or Romanian and Bulgarian Roma.</p> <p><u>Syrian Refugees</u> The government in Northern Ireland has been working to welcome refugees from Syria as part of the Syrian Vulnerable Persons Relocation Scheme, run by the UK Home Office. The Scheme resettles displaced refugees who are currently living in camps in countries neighbouring Syria, principally Turkey, Jordan and Lebanon. The Scheme is based on need. It prioritises those who cannot be supported effectively in their region of origin: women and children at risk, people in severe need of medical care and survivors of torture and violence. To-date 400 families have been given shelter in Northern Ireland with 33 families in the Newry, Mourne and Down District area.</p> <p>The Council plays a vital role in the long-term integration of Syrian Refugees. We support the delivery of English language classes: tuition is provided by Southern Regional College and the Council covers the costs of venue hire, childcare and</p>	

	<p>transport (if required) which are partly reimbursed by the Department for the Economy. A weekly support clinic is provided for Syrian families through Council's Ethnic Minority Support Centre - on average 10-15 Syrian clients visit the clinic every Friday.</p> <p><u>The EU Settlement Scheme</u></p> <p>EU/EEA citizens who wish to remain resident in the UK beyond December 2020 need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme. The EU Settlement Scheme will allow them to continue to live and work in the UK.</p> <p>Newry Mourne and Down Ethnic Minority Support Centre rolls out a programme of support, including information provision, awareness sessions and registration clinics across the district to support EU migrants with applying to the Scheme.</p> <p>Nearly 200 migrants have already availed of our EU registration clinics in Newry and Downpatrick and received either pre-settled or settled status. Approximately 300 migrants attended our information sessions on EU Settlement Scheme between April and October 2019.</p>
2.0	Key issues
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Migrant families are concerned about their future after Brexit. • Low capacity and lack of awareness of rights and responsibilities among the newly-arrived minority ethnic communities. • Increased need for the provision of English language classes for Syrian Refugees and other communities. •
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	That the Committee note the report.
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	Staff and translation/interpreting costs to support the operation of the Ethnic Minority Support Centre already contained within current Council budgets.
5.0	Equality and good relations implications
5.1	The Council will have due regard to the need to promote equality of opportunity between the nine equality categories. Council will also seek to promote Good Relations between people of different Religious Belief, Political opinion and Ethnic Origin.
6.0	Rural Proofing implications
6.1	Due regard to rural needs has been considered.
7.0	Appendices
	None
8.0	Background Documents
	None

Report to:	Active and Healthy Community
Date of Meeting:	18 th November 2019.
Subject:	Sport NI Multi Sports Hub Funding Update
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Paul Tamati, Assistant Director Leisure and Sport
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Conor Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure

For decision	For noting only	x
1.0	Purpose and Background	
1.1	Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note that Councils Multi Sports Hub funding submissions at Newry Leisure Centre and Donard Park in Newcastle have been unsuccessful in progressing to stage 3 of the application process 	
1.2	Background <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In March 2018 Sport NI launched a multi sports hub funding opportunity. Council's Sports Facilities Strategy identified x2 potential multi sports hub projects (Newry and Newcastle) that met the funding criteria and made submissions that successfully progressed through stage 1 and 2 of the application process. 	
2.0	Key issues	
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council received notice from Sport NI on 15th October 2019 to advise both of Council's applications were unsuccessful to proceed stage 3 of the funding applications. As external match funding for both the Newry and Newcastle Multi Sports Hub projects has not been secured, these projects and facilities cannot be progressed within Councils current Capital budget and programme. Newry's Multi Sports Hub application identified a Tennis Bubble at Our Ladies Grammar. This aspect of the sports hub in Newry is still being pursued through Sports NI Your School Your Club funding programme. 	
3.0	Recommendations	
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note that Councils Multi Sports Hub funding submissions at Newry Leisure Centre and Donard Park in Newcastle have been unsuccessful in progressing to stage 3 of the application process. 	
4.0	Resource implications	
4.1	As a result of funding not being secured, this has a financial resources impact on the capital programme if Council still wanted to deliver the projects.	
5.0	Equality and good relations implications	
5.1	No equality or opportunity or good relations adverse impact is anticipated.	
6.0	Rural Proofing implications	
6.1	There are no negative implications identified	
7.0	Appendices	
	None	
8.0	Background Documents	
	None	

Report to:	Active and Healthy Community
Date of Meeting:	18 th November 2019
Subject:	Disability Sport NI Funding for Kilkeel Leisure Centre
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Paul Tamati, Assistant Director Leisure and Sport
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Kieran Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure

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1.1	Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none">To note that Kilkeel Leisure Centre has sought and received funding from Disability Sport NI for a pool pod which is a piece of equipment that improves access for swimming pools.				
1.2	Background <ul style="list-style-type: none">Councils Leisure and Sports Services section previously received finding from Disability Sport NI to install a pool pod in Newry Leisure Centre.A pool pod was also installed at Downpatrick Leisure Centre as part of the new build.Kilkeel Leisure Centre historically relies on traditional manual hoist for access to the swimming pool, however Councils Leisure and Sports Services section has pursued additional finding from Disability Sport NI for a pool pod in Kilkeel Leisure Centre.				
2.0	Key issues				
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Pool Pods improve inclusive access to swimming pools and cost in the region of 30k to purchase and install.Disability Sport NI have now confirmed that the funding application and business case for funding Kilkeel Leisure Centre’s pool pod has been successful.It is anticipated that delivery and installation of the pool pod can be achieved before the end of this financial year with a target of February 2020.				
3.0	Recommendations				
3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">To note Kilkeel Leisure Centre has received funding for a pool pod and it is anticipated this will be installed in February 2020.				
4.0	Resource implications				
4.1	There are no anticipated resource implications.				
5.0	Equality and good relations implications				
5.1	No equality or opportunity or good relations adverse impact is anticipated.				
6.0	Rural Proofing implications				
6.1	There are no negative implications identified				
7.0	Appendices				
	None				
8.0	Background Documents				
	None				