

November 14th, 2024

Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend the meeting to be held on Monday, 18th November 2024 at 6:00 pm in Council Chamber, Downshire Civic Centre.

**Committee Membership 2024-25**

Councillor C Galbraith **Chairperson**

Councillor A Mathers **Deputy Chairperson**

Councillor L Devlin

Councillor D Finn

Councillor A Finnegan

Councillor M Gibbons

Councillor R Howell

Councillor J Jackson

Councillor D Lee-Surginor

Councillor A Lewis

Councillor O Magennis

Councillor L McEvoy

Councillor D Murphy

Councillor K Murphy

Councillor H Young

# Agenda

## 1.0 Apologies and Chairperson's Remarks

## 2.0 Declarations of Interest

### *Presentation*

## 3.0 Presentation - Ending Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy

The Executive Office Presentation - Ending Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy & related funding support.

Claire Archibald & Jane McCarthy in attendance to present.

### *Community Development*

## 4.0 Partnership with the Executive Office (TEO) to help End Violence Against Women and Girls (EVAWG)

*For Information*

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### *For Information*

## 5.0 Action Sheet arising from Active and Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held on 21 October 2024

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### *Directors Papers*

## 6.0 Mid Year Assessment of Business Plan

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*Items deemed to be exempt under paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014*

## 7.0 Funding from Department for Communities (DfC) for Frontline Advice Services

## *For Decision*

This item is deemed to be exempt under paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act Northern Ireland 2014- information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information) and the public may, by resolution, be excluded during this item of business.

📎 ***DfC Funding for Advice Services Report for AHC Meeting November 2024 - RESTRICTED for approval.pdf*** ***Not included***

📎 ***Appendix -DfC LoO -Newry Mourne and Down District Council - Integrated Advice Partnership Fund LOV - vf.pdf*** ***Not included***

## **8.0 Play Park Review Strategy Business Case**

This item is deemed to be exempt under paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act Northern Ireland 2014- information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information) and the public may, by resolution, be excluded during this item of business.

📎 ***AHCReport -Play Park Review Strategy Business case 2024 to 2029.pdf*** ***Not included***

📎 ***Appendix -Play Park Review 2024 to 2029 Business case Final Draft.pdf*** ***Not included***

## **9.0 Leasing of Council Land**

This item is deemed to be exempt under paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act Northern Ireland 2014- information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information) and the public may, by resolution, be excluded during this item of business.

📎 ***AHC report Stage 1 Leasing of Council Land - Nov 2024.pdf*** ***Not included***

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## ***Community Development***

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## **10.0 District Electoral Area (DEA) Forums Update Report**

*For Approval*

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## **11.0 Neighbourhood Renewal Update Report**

*For Information*

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# Invitees

Cllr Terry Andrews

Cllr Callum Bowsie

Fionnuala Branagh

Cllr Jim Brennan

Cllr Pete Byrne

Mr Gerard Byrne

Cllr Philip Campbell

Cllr William Clarke

Cllr Laura Devlin

Ms Louise Dillon

Cllr Cadogan Enright

Cllr Killian Feehan

Cllr Doire Finn

Cllr Aoife Finnegan

Ms Joanne Fleming

Cllr Conor Galbraith

Cllr Mark Gibbons

Cllr Oonagh Hanlon

Cllr Glyn Hanna

Cllr Valerie Harte

Mr Conor Haughey

Mrs Laura Higgins

Cllr Roisin Howell

Cllr Tierna Howie

Ms Catherine Hughes

Cllr Jonathan Jackson

Cllr Geraldine Kearns

Miss Veronica Keegan

Mrs Josephine Kelly

Mrs Sheila Kieran

Cllr Cathal King

Mr Harry Korkou

Cllr Mickey Larkin

Cllr David Lee-Surginor

Cllr Alan Lewis

Cllr Oonagh Magennis

Mr Conor Mallon

Cllr Aidan Mathers

Cllr Declan McAteer

Ms Kerri McConnell

Cllr Leeanne McEvoy

Cllr Andrew McMurray

Maureen/Joanne Morgan/Johnston

Cllr Declan Murphy

Sinead Murphy

Cllr Kate Murphy

Cllr Selina Murphy

Cllr Siobhan O'Hare

Mr Andy Patterson

Cllr Áine Quinn

Cllr Henry Reilly

Cllr Michael Rice

Ms Alison Robb

Cllr Michael Ruane

Cllr Gareth Sharvin

Donna Starkey

Nicola Stranney

Sarah Taggart

Paul Tamati

Cllr David Taylor

Cllr Jarlath Tinnelly

Cllr Jill Truesdale

Mrs Marie Ward

Cllr Helena Young

<b>Report to:</b>	Active & Healthy Communities Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 November 2024
<b>Subject:</b>	Partnership with the Executive Office (TEO) to help End Violence against Women and Girls (EVAWG)
<b>Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Gary Scott, Safeguarding Co-ordinator
<b>Contact Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Martina Flynn, Head of Engagement Alison Robb, Assistant Director Community Development Gary Scott, Safeguarding Co-ordinator

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either:

<b>For decision</b>		<b>For noting only</b>	<b>x</b>
<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose and Background</b>		
1.1	<b>Purpose</b> The purpose of this report is to update Committee on a proposed partnership with TEO to help End Violence Against Women and Girls.		
1.2	<b>Background</b>  The EVAWG Strategic Framework 2024-31 was launched on 16 September 2024. This included a Delivery Plan 2024-26 which will support organisations working to prevent and challenge the attitudes, behaviours and culture that can lead to violence against women and girls. A key action within the Delivery Plan is to launch and support delivery and impact of a community focused Change Fund to equip community groups to prevent and respond to violence against women and girls.  TEO has requested the support of Council via a partnership approach to deliver a localised Change Fund scheme open to community and voluntary organisations and grassroots groups in the District. This will be replicated in each Council area with funding allocations to Councils based on population data.		
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Key issues</b>		
2.1	The grant funding comprises 2 elements:  £135k for a grant scheme in the 2025/26 financial year commencing April 2025 to equip community and voluntary sector organisations and grassroots groups with the District to prevent violence against women and girls; and  £65K interim momentum support allocated in 2024/25 to expand existing good work by Council and communities which can contribute to EVAWG during the current financial year.		
2.2	Given the importance and urgency of the issue it is hoped that a call for applications will open early in 2025. The Grants and Funding Unit have been notified of this requirement.		
2.3	Funding should not be used for existing core activities/things which would be done anyway or to plug a gap where existing funding has been withdrawn. The focus is on new activity.		

2.4	<p>The prevention outcomes of the EVAWG Strategic Framework are:</p> <p><b>Outcome 1: Changed attitudes, behaviours and culture:</b> Everyone in society understands what violence against women and girls is, including its root causes, and plays an active role in preventing it.</p> <p><b>Outcome 2: Healthy, respectful relationships:</b> Everyone in society is equipped and empowered to enjoy healthy, respectful relationships.</p> <p><b>Outcome 3: Women and girls are safe and feel safe everywhere:</b> Organisations and institutions across government and society embed the prevention of violence against women and girls in all that they do, so that women and girls are safe and feel safe everywhere.</p>
2.5	<p>Officers have had an initial meeting as to how funding might be utilised, and the draft proposals are as follows:</p> <p><b>Interim Funding (2024/25):</b></p> <p><b>Conference (March 2025)</b> – potentially in conjunction with the Education Authority and other partners</p> <p><b>Publicity Campaign</b> – bespoke publicity campaign with elements to appeal to both young people and the general public – potential to launch at the above Conference</p> <p><b>Project focusing on local outreach and development support/awareness raising</b> – in conjunction with the DEA Team</p> <p><b>Training and awareness initiatives in partnership with GP federations and other stakeholders</b></p> <p><b>Challenge Fund (2025/26):</b></p> <p>TEO has provided a General Guidance Booklet for Applicants to help frame the grant scheme. Officers will work with colleagues in the Grants and Funding Unit to administer this. It is proposed calls for funding will go out early in the Financial Year 2024/25.</p>
2.6	<p>Council Officers met with colleagues in TEO on 8 November 2024 to outline the above proposals.</p>
2.7	<p>Ongoing support will be sought from elected members in highlighting and supporting both the Interim Funding Initiatives and opportunities available to local communities through the Change Fund.</p>
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
3.1	<p>That members note the contents of this report, and proposals set out in 2.5 above.</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Resource implications</b>
4.1	<p>Grant funding: £65k 2024/25 and £135k 2025/26.</p> <p>Officer time in organisation and delivery of events/initiatives and administration of the grant scheme.</p>



<b>5.0</b>	<b>Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)</b>
5.1	<p><b><i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i></b></p> <p>It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
5.2	<p><b><i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i></b></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation <input type="checkbox"/></p>
5.3	<p><b><i>Proposal initiating consultation</i></b></p> <p>Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be 12 weeks <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Rationale:</i></p>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)</b>
6.1	<p>Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>

7.0	Appendices
	None.
8.0	Background Documents
	None.

## ACTIONS ARISING FROM ACTIVE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING – 21 OCTOBER 2024

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
AHC/087/2024	Action sheet of AHC Committee Meeting held on Monday 16 September 2024	Noted  AHC/068/2024: Attendance Matters, Department of Education Mr Patterson advised no update had been received however he would get back to Councillor Lee-Surginor directly on the matter.	A Patterson	Actioned	Y
AHC/088/2024	District Electoral Area (DEA) Forums Update Report	It was agreed to note the report and approve the actions in the action sheets attached for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newry DEA Forum Private Meeting held on 5 September 2024</li> <li>• Crotlieve DEA Forum Private Meeting held on 10 September 2024</li> <li>• Slieve DEA Gullion Forum Private Meeting held on 10 September 2024</li> <li>• Slieve Croob DEA Forum Private Meeting held on 17 September 2024</li> <li>• Mournes DEA Forum Private Meeting held on 24 September 2024</li> </ul>	A Robb	Noted and actions being progressed	Y
AHC/094/2024	Update on Community Development Strategy	It was agreed to note the contents of the report.	A Robb	Noted	Y
AHC/095/2024	Letter to Minister for Communities and Official Response	It was agreed to note the contents of the report.  It was agreed correspondence would be shared with Members of the Strategic Stakeholder Forum.	A Patterson	Actioned	Y

AHC/096/2024	PSCP / Neighborhood renewal update report	It was agreed to note the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minutes of the Policing Committee &amp; PCSP held on 30 July 2024, approved at the Policing Committee &amp; PCSP Meeting on 24 September 2024.</li><li>• Minutes of the Newry NRP Meeting held on 26 June 2024, approved at the Newry NRP Meeting on 11 September 2024.</li></ul>	A Robb	<b>Noted</b>	<b>Y</b>
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## ITEMS RESTRICTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 6 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NI) 2014

AHC/089/2024	Service Level Agreement	It was agreed to approve SLA between Council and the organisation named within the officer's Report, subject to grant funding being award.	A Robb	In progress	Y
AHC/090/2024	Fitness Equipment Servicing and Maintenance	It was agreed to approve the pre-appointment of a specialist supplier via Direct Award Contract for essential maintenance and servicing of leisure facilities as detailed within the officer's report	A Patterson	Actioned	Y
AHC/091/2024	Leisure Facilities – Plumbing and Heating Servicing and Maintenance Report	It was agreed to approve the appointment of a contractor via Direct Award Contract for Plumbing and Heating servicing and maintenance requirements as detailed within the officer's report	A Patterson	Actioned	Y
AHC/092/2024	Departmental Procurement	It was agreed to approve the appointment of specialist procurement services via a framework to meet the procurement requirements as set out in the officer's Report.	A Patterson	In progress	Y
AHC/093/2024	Update on Peace Plus Funding	It was agreed to note the contents of the officer's report	A Robb	In progress	Y

<b>Report to:</b>	Active & Healthy Communities Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> November 2024
<b>Subject:</b>	Mid-Year Assessment of AHC Directorate Business Plan
<b>Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Andrew Patterson - Director AHC
<b>Contact Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Andrew Patterson - Director AHC

<b>For decision</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>For noting only</b>	
<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose and Background</b>		
1.1	<p>Directorate Business Plans form an essential part of the Council's Business Planning and Performance Management Framework, which drives and provides assurance that corporate objectives are being delivered.</p> <p>Directorate Business Plans demonstrate how planned activity during 2024-25 will contribute to the achievement of strategic outcomes in relation to the Community Plan, Corporate Plan, Performance Improvement Plan and other key strategies.</p>		
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Key issues</b>		
2.1	<p>A Mid-Year Assessment of each Directorate Business Plan has been undertaken in order to provide an overview of progress between April-September 2024. This exercise is an important part of the Council's statutory obligations to strengthen the way performance is monitored, reviewed and reported at all levels across the organisation.</p> <p>The Mid-Year Assessment of the AHC Directorate Business Plan is outlined at Appendix 1.</p>		
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>		
3.1	To consider and approve the Mid-Year Assessment of the AHC Directorate Business Plan 2024-25		
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Resource implications</b>		
4.1	There are no financial resource implications within this report.		
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)</b>		
5.1	<p><b><i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i></b></p> <p>It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations. <span style="float: right;">☒</span></p>		
5.2	<b><i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision.</i></b>		

	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation. <input type="checkbox"/></p>
5.3	<p><b>Proposal initiating consultation - N/a</b></p> <p>Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be 12 weeks <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Rationale:</i></p>
6.0	<p><b>Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)</b></p>
6.1	<p>Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If no, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy / strategy / plan / public service is not influenced by rural needs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
7.0	<p><b>Appendices</b></p>
	<p>Appendix 1 – Mid Year Assessment of the AHC Directorate Business Plan 2024-25</p>
8.0	<p><b>Background Documents</b></p>
	<p>Directorate Business Plan 2024-25</p>

# Active and Healthy Communities Directorate

## Mid-Year Assessment Business Plan 2024-25



Introduction

This report provides an overview of progress in delivering the Active and Healthy Communities Directorate Business Plan 2024-25 between April-September 2024, across the following service areas:

- **Leisure and Recreation**
- **Local Parks and Open Spaces**
- **Sports Development**
- **Community Planning**
- **Evidence & Research**
- **Engagement and Community Development**
- **Community Services, Facilities and Community Events**

The delivery of the Active and Healthy Communities Directorate Business Plan 2024-25 supports the achievement of the following corporate objectives, and performance has been tracked using the legend below.




Improve the health and wellbeing of everyone in the district

Empowering communities to play an active part in civic life

Represent the voice of the district with our partners

Deliver sustainable services

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

Directorate objectives, supporting actions and measures of success

Key Directorate Objectives / Actions
<p><b>Leisure and Sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Promote increased levels of activity and develop targeted programmes to support improved health and wellbeing outcomes.</li></ul> <p><b>Community Development</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Create a strong base to engage, empower and build the capacity of local communities, ensuring their views inform the work of the Council and its partners.</li><li>• Work with partners to lead the implementation of the Community Plan and deliver better outcomes for local people.</li><li>• Develop a robust and reliable evidence base to underpin and inform future decision-making and policy development processes.</li></ul>

## Department : All

(Plans = 'Active & Healthy Communities')

Wednesday 13th of November 2024

Healthy Living			
AHC1 : Promote increased levels of activity and develop targeted programmes to support improved health and wellbeing outcomes			
Number of attendances at all indoor leisure facilities, including Newry and Downpatrick Leisure Centres	Target	425000	850000
	Actual	330357	—
Number of participants engaged in physical activity programmes and health and wellbeing initiatives	Target	10000	20000
	Actual	9388	—
Number of recorded visits at community trails	Target	132500	265000
	Actual	155659	—
Customer satisfaction levels at indoor and outdoor leisure facilities	Target		
	Progress	Amber * 1	—
Notes: 1 Customer satisfaction surveys to be concluded in Q4.			
Review and consolidate existing strategies and action plans into a single overarching 'Health and Wellbeing Strategy'.	Target		
	Progress	Amber * 1	—
Notes: 1 Work on this project is ongoing and will be finalised in Q4.			
Deliver a range of targeted health programs, in collaboration with our Community Planning Partners, to encourage participation in physical activity and to improve health outcomes for all. (CPP)	Target		
	Progress	Green * 1	—
Notes: 1 There are a number of targeted health programmes ran in collaboration with our Community Planning Partners including PARS, McMillan Move More and Local Voluntary Sports Clubs			
Increase usage of all indoor and outdoor leisure facilities.	Target		
	Progress	Amber * 1	—
Notes: 1 Attendances to indoor leisure facilities has increased in both Kilkeel and Downpatrick Leisure Centres but is down overall year-to-date due to the closure of Newry Pool. It is anticipated that attendances in NLC will increase again in Q4 when the centre fully reopens. Usage of community trails has increased to over 15.5k visits year-on-year.			
Review outdoor leisure and sports facilities in line with CWB and Council's asset management strategy to maximise participation by community stakeholders Q2-Q4 (CWB)	Target		
	Progress	Amber * 1	—
Notes: 1 Project to be concluded in Q4.			
Continue to progress the delivery of key capital projects including: • Newry City Park • Warrenpoint Health and Wellbeing Hub • Newcastle Recreation Facilities • Kilkeel Leisure Centre • Multi Sports Hub • Community Trails • Dunleath Pump Track	Target		
	Progress	Green	—
Review and implement a preventative maintenance program in indoor leisure facilities to maximize customer usage and increase customer satisfaction, in partnership with Council's Facilities Management and Maintenance team Q2-Q4 (SCC)	Target		
	Progress	Amber * 1	—

	Notes:	1 Working with S&E to meet statutory compliance through their contracts for electrical and water. For plant maintenance a budget has been agreed through the AHC Committee for the next financial year until S&E have a gas maintenance and servicing contract in place.		
Support and protect everyone in our District from harm by working in partnership with other bodies, to implement and promote broader prevention measures, thereby continuing to mitigate existing and emerging safeguarding risks, for both Council & Citizens		Target Progress	Implement and Green * 1	—
	Notes:	1 ongoing collaboration with partners (including TEO/SBNI/DASV) social media campaigns shared through Coms and Marketing, CSE event, eLearning Safeguarding training reviewed and updated for launch on Skillgate and wider liaison on NMD practice with the executive office.		
Community Development				
AHC2 : Create a strong base to engage, empower and build the capacity of local communities, ensuring their views inform the work of the Council and its partners.				
Number of events and capacity building programmes, including attendance levels		Target Actual	1980 2875 * 1	—
	Notes:	1 Youth and older people events and programmes - PCSP		
Number of contacts recorded through the Ethnic Minority Support Centre		Target Actual	1000 1253	2000 —
Amount of external funding secured by Council for delivery of AHC programmes.		Target Progress	No target set as Green * 1	—
	Notes:	1 PCSP £420,990; Good Relations £202,894; Community Festivals Fund £35,900; AAR £49,200; NR (Downpatrick) £31,208; NR (Newry - Technical Assistance) £77,420; NR (Newry - Community Renewal) £185,741; NR (Newry - Outdoor Activity Project) £71,442, Multiply £100,000; RIF £50,000		
PCSP/Good Relations events delivered and participation levels.		Target Actual	1980 2875 * 1	—
	Notes:	1 Youth and older people events and programmes		
Number of referrals to PCSP Home Secure & Social Alarm Schemes.		Target Actual	115 154 * 1	—
	Notes:	1 Actual - 140 Home Secure and 14 Social Alarms		
Number of cross-community safety events (minimum 2 per annum).		Target Actual	2 2	—
Develop a 'Community Development Strategy' to include the role of DEA Fora, PCSP, Good Relations, Neighborhood Renewal, Community Services, Community Planning, Community Funding, and Consultation/Engagement. (CPP)		Target Progress	By Q4 to develop Amber * 1	—
	Notes:	1 Draft brief being finalised prior to procurement. Update report provided to AHC Committee 21/10/24		
Progress a model for the future delivery of Council's Community Facilities, aligned with CWB and Council's Asset Management Strategy (CWB) (SCC)		Target Progress	By Q4 progress a Amber * 1	—
	Notes:	1 Being undertaken as part of Community Development Strategy. Draft brief being finalised prior to procurement. Update report provided to AHC Committee 21/10/24		



Development and delivery of the PCSP and Good Relations Action Plans.	Target	Q1-4	
	Progress	Green	—
Proactively and positively engage through the Ethnic Minority Support Center for Downpatrick and Newry. Deliver the Social Inclusion Action Plan.	Target		
	Progress	Green * 1	—
	Notes:	1 Ongoing engagement with ethnic minority communities, including established communities, asylum seekers and refugees. Social inclusion programmes ongoing across the District	
Progress the development of the All-Island Community Safety Network, with cross-border partners.	Target	Q1-4	
	Progress	Green * 1	—
	Notes:	1 2 cross-border community safety events held	
AHC3 : Work with partners to lead the implementation of the Community Plan and deliver better outcomes for local people			
Compliance with the statutory Duty of Community Planning.	Target	Yes	Yes
	Actual	Yes	—
Number of Community Planning Actions co-designed and delivered.	Target	2	
	Actual	2 * 1	—
	Notes:	1 H & W summit Housing Needs Action Plan	
Review the Community Plan Document reflecting on existing good partnership working, including the stakeholder forum Q3 (CPP)	Target	Yes	
	Actual	Yes * 1	— * 2
	Notes:	1 Under continuous review 2	
Review and implement effective coordination between Community Planning, DEA Fora and other existing partnerships Q3 (CWB)	Target		
	Progress	Amber * 1	—
	Notes:	1 Ongoing	
Co-deliver Community Planning Thematic Workshops in each DEA around the outcomes of the Health and Wellbeing Summit	Target		
	Progress	Amber * 1	—
	Notes:	1 Progressing	
Review “Accessible Housing” Action plan, report on progress and identify further steps to address emerging housing issues across the district. (CPP)	Target		
	Progress	Green * 1	—
	Notes:	1 Published on NMDDC website	
AHC4 : Develop a robust and reliable evidence base to underpin and inform future decision-making and policy development processes			
Work in partnership with the Capital Projects team to update asset mapping, incorporating Partner assets where available. (CWB)	Target		
	Progress	—	

Report to:	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 November 2024
Subject:	District Electoral Area (DEA) Forums Update Report
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Alison Robb, Assistant Director: Community Development
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Martina Flynn, Head of Engagement (Acting)

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either: -			
<input type="checkbox"/> For decision		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	<input type="checkbox"/> For noting only
1.0	Purpose and Background		
1.1	<p><b>Purpose</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>To note the report.</li><li>To consider and agree to approve the actions in the Action Sheets attached from the DEA Forum Private Meeting listed in 3.1 below.</li></ul> <p><b>Background</b></p> <p>The information in Appendix 1 attached is provided to update the Committee on recent DEA activity and on activity planned to be undertaken by the DEAs.</p>		
2.0	Key issues		
2.1	None.		
3.0	Recommendations		
3.1	<p>That the Committee: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Note the report.</li><li>Agree to approve the actions in the Action Sheet attached for:</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Rowallane DEA Forum Private Meeting held on 29 October 2024</li><li>➤ Newry DEA Forum Private Meeting held on 31 October 2024</li></ul>		
4.0	Resource implications		
4.1	Support and assistance from partners to deliver actions in the DEA Action Plans.		
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)		
5.1	<i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i>		

	It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5.2	<p><b><i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i></b></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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6.0	<b>Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)</b>
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7.0	<b>Appendices</b>
7.1	<p>Appendix 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Rowallane DEA Forum Private Meeting held on 29 October 2024</li> <li>➤ Newry DEA Forum Private Meeting held on 31 October 2024</li> </ul>
8.0	<b>Background Documents</b>
8.1	None.

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**Action Sheet of Newry District Electoral Area (DEA) Forum Private Meeting  
held on Thursday 31 October 2024 at 1.00pm in Boardroom, Monaghan Row**

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<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Councillor Aidan Mathers</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Councillor Cathal King Councillor Valerie Harte</b>
<b>Independent Members:</b>	<b>Eamonn Connolly, Newry BID Colin Hanna, Newry and Mourne Enterprise Agency Raymond Jackson, CCG</b>
<b>Statutory Partners:</b>	<b>Sgt Warren Roberts, PSNI Josephine Morgan, NIHE</b>
<b>Council Officials:</b>	<b>Kerri Morrow, Community Engagement and Development Manager</b>
<b>Others in Attendance:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Councillor Doire Finn Councillor Geraldine Kearns Pauline McQuillan, Education Authority Youth Service Niamh McNamee, Education Authority Youth Service Allison Slater, Family Support Hub Martina Flynn, Head of Engagement Thelma Thompson, Altnaveigh House Ltd</b>



ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed
DEA/N/2024/1	Declarations of Interest	No declarations made.	COMPLETED.
DEA/N/2024/2	Matters arising from Action Sheet from meeting held 5 September 2024	Action sheet confirmed as a true and accurate record.	Approved.
DEA/N/2024/3	Site at Partrick Street Newry	Update provided. Agreed item would remain on action sheet whilst process is ongoing.	Co-ordinator to progress.
DEA/N//2024/4	DEA Co-ordinator's Report.	Update from DEA Co-ordinator on projects and programmes that have taken place and those planned for November/December 2024	Noted.
DEA/N/2024/5	Health and Wellbeing	Members wished Cuan Mhuire and Rural Health Partnership the best of luck at the upcoming Pride of Place Awards 2024 in Monaghan.	Noted.
		Josephine Morgan, NIHE informed members of the annual Homeless Review of rough sleepers in the area. Members to return any information they have relating to locations to be considered in advance of this review.	Noted.

		Raymond Jackson provided an update on cost of living support schemes including, social supermarket, trusted partners support initiatives etc. Raymond advised no further funding had been made available but advised members continue to signpost vulnerable people through relevant agencies for support. Concerns were highlighted around pressures on existing service to meet demand.	Noted.
DEA/N/2024/6	Economic Development	Colin Hanna provided an update on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Enterprise sites at full capacity, there is a continued demand for small vacant sites of this nature.</li> <li>- Go succeed progressing successfully with targets exceeded across the overall programme.</li> </ul>	Noted.
		Eamonn Connolly provided an update on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recent flooding mitigation measures have been successfully implemented to date in the Newry City area.</li> </ul>	Noted.
DEA/N/2024/7	Safety and Good Relations	Warren Roberts, PSNI provided an update on the Neighbourhood Team activity in relation to ASB, home security, road safety etc  Members requested that No Public Alcohol Consumption signs be replaced across a number of sites in the city centre area with particular reference to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kiln Street</li> <li>- The Mall</li> <li>- Patrick Street</li> <li>- Catherine Street</li> </ul>	Co-ordinator to progress request.

DEA/N/2024/8	Multiply Project Update	DEA Co-ordinator updated members on Multiply Programme.	Noted.
DEA/N/2024/9	DEA Meeting Schedule	Members discussed options for meetings - going forward it was agreed to host meetings on Tuesdays at 1pm to accommodate members unable to attend on Thursdays.  Dates to be circulated by DEA Co-ordinator.	Co-ordinator to progress

The meeting ended at: 2.15pm

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**Action Sheet of Rowallane District Electoral Area (DEA) Forum Private Meeting  
held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2024 via Teams at 7.00 p.m.**

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- Chairperson:** Councillor Terry Andrews
- In Attendance:** Councillors Tierna Howie, Callum Bowsie and Jonathan Jackson
- Independent Members:** Richard Orme, Ballynahinch Community Collective  
Robert Burgess, Rowallane & Slieve Croob Community Twinning Group, Saintfield Horse Show,  
Saintfield Community Estates
- Statutory Partners:** Joseph Deegan, Community Services Manager (East) NMDDC
- Council Officials:** Ellen Brennan, DEA Co-Ordinator
- Others in Attendance:** None
- Apologies:** Councillor David Lee-Surginor, Raymond Cochrane, Frontier Support Network, Kerri Morrow,  
Engagement and Development Manager NMDDC & Jacqueline Urey, PCSP Officer .

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
DEA/ROW/06/02/2024	Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.	No declarations of interest.
DEA/ROW/06/03/2024	Action Sheet of meeting held on 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	On the <b>proposal</b> of Robert Burgess <b>seconded</b> by Councillor Jackson it was recommended that the action sheet from 16h May 2024 meeting be approved as a true record.	Agreed.
DEA/ROW/06/04/2024	DEA Coordinator Report	Members noted the content of the DEA Coordinator's report including the recent Ministerial meeting with Minister O'Dowd and suggested that a follow up letter be sent to see if there was any progress on the bypass or interim traffic management plans to alleviate the problem of the tight turn at Windmill Street. Members also asked if the PR on the Ministerial visit could be circulated as it had been delayed previously due to Purdah.	The contents of the report were noted and DEA Coordinator to prepare follow up letter to Minister and contact Marketing to see if PR could be circulated.
DEA/ROW/06/05/2024	Updates from PCSP, Education Authority and Community Services	The DEA Coordinator read the update report provided by the PCSP the contents of which were noted. Members were concerned at the high speeding being experienced in Killyleagh and asked that PCSP raise this matter with the PSNI to see if any additional preventative measures could be implemented. Members also asked for the provision of a RAPID bin in Crossgar.	Report noted  Coordinator to forward recommendation to PCSP Manager for consideration.

		<p>The Community Services Manager (East) provided a verbal update on the works being carried out to Ballynahinch Community Centre.</p> <p>He also advised members that Unit C at Saintfield Community Centre lease had been agreed.</p> <p>The DEA Coordinator gave a verbal report on the work carried out by the Education Authority which was noted. During discussions on ASB and engaging with the youth within Rowallane concerns were raised on the bonfire in Shrigley which had unsuitable items placed thereon.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>The DEA Coordinator agreed to contact PSCP and GR Manager to flag this issue up to the Council's Bonfire Working Group.</p>
DEA/ROW/06/06/2024	Progress on Additional members to Forum.	<p>The DEA Coordinator updated members on the current position in relation to two additional members which had been forwarded to the Community Engagement Manager for action.</p> <p>In addition, she advised that due to his imminent resignation from the Ballynahinch Community Collective Richard Orme would now be replaced by a current member of the Collective going forward. Members paid tribute to the work carried out by Richard over the past 10 years with the Collective and wished him the best going forward.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The DEA Coordinator to make contact with Ballynahinch Community Collective to seek clarity on their nominations to the DEA Forum.</p>
DEA/ROW/06/07/2024	Theme and Format for next public meeting scheduled for 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2024.	<p>Following discussion, it was agreed that a Christmas Themed event take place in Killyleagh on a date to be agreed and the DEA Coordinator to attend the Ballynahinch Christmas Lights switch on 6<sup>th</sup> December to promote the work of the Forum and seek additional engagement.</p>	<p>DEA Coordinator to action.</p>

The meeting concluded at 19.50 p.m.

<b>Report to:</b>	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 November 2024
<b>Subject:</b>	Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Report
<b>Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Alison Robb, Assistant Director: Community Development
<b>Contact Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Martina Flynn, Head of Engagement (Acting)

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either: -

<b>For decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>For noting only</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose and Background</b>
1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To note the report.</li> <li>To note the attached Minutes of the Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership (NRP) Meeting held on 4 June 2024</li> </ul> <p><b>Background</b> The attached Minutes of the Downpatrick NRP Meeting held on 4 June 2024 are provided to update the Committee on the on-going work of Downpatrick NRP.</p>
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Key issues</b>
2.1	None.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
3.1	<p>That the Committee: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Note the following NRP minutes as attached;</li> <li>Minutes of Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting held on 4 June 2024 approved at Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting held on 5 November 2024.</li> </ul>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Resource implications</b>
4.1	None.
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)</b>
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7.1	Appendix 1: Minutes of Downpatrick NR Partnership Meeting, 4 June 2024.
8.0	<b>Background Documents</b>
8.1	None.

# **Newry, Mourne and Down District Council**

## **Action Sheet of Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024 via Microsoft Teams**

<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Nicholas McCrickard</b>	<b>County Down Rural Community Network (CDRCN)</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Jenny Laverty Dan McEvoy Brian Morrow Donna Marks Eamonn Mac Con Midhe Bronagh Magorrian Gerard Smyth Niamh Wallace</b>	<b>County Down Rural Community Network (CDRCN) Downpatrick Community Collective Department for Communities (DfC) Marian Park Residents Association Tosu Ur NIHE NIHE Surestart, Downpatrick</b>
<b>Council Officials:</b>	<b>Katrina Hynds Aisling Rennick</b>	<b>Technical Officer, Downpatrick NHR Engagement &amp; Development Manager</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Mary Cahalane-Woodward Macartan Digney Maria Kelly Seamus Blaney Anthony Trainor Deborah Finlay</b>	<b>South Eastern HSC Trust Downpatrick Community Collective Downpatrick Surestart Stream Street Residents Association Stream Street Residents Association Model Farm Community Association</b>

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DNRP/01/2024	Welcome and Apologies	The Chair welcomed members to the meeting.	
DNRP/02/2024	Declarations of Conflict of Interest	No declarations were declared.	
DNRP/03/2024	Appointment of Chair	It was agreed on the proposal of Dan McEvoy, seconded by Donna Marks that Nicholas McCrickard assume the position of Chairperson.	
DNRP/04/2024	Appointment of Vice Chair	It was agreed on the proposal of Eamonn MacCon Midhe, seconded by Jenny Laverty that Donna Marks assume the position of Vice Chairperson.	

DNRP/05/2024	Action Sheet	Members unanimously agreed to adopt the Action Sheet of 24 January 2024	Technical Officer
DNRP/06/2024	Receive Representative from NIHE re Programmes	Gerard Smyth updated members on his role as Good Relations Officer within the NIHE and advised members of the existing funding streams available. Members to link in with Officer if considering submitting funding application.	Noted
DNRP/07/2025	Promoters' Reports	The Promoters' Reports were presented to members and noted.	Technical Officer
DNRP/04/2023	Update from Department for Communities	Expression of Interest for any Small Capital Projects were successfully submitted and awarded.	Technical Officer / Department for Communities

Date of next meeting - TBC