

December 18th, 2023

#### Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend the meeting to be held on Monday, 18th December 2023 at 6:00 pm in Mourne Room, Downshire Civic Centre & MS Teams.

#### **Committee Membership 2023 - 2024**

Councillor R Howell **Chairperson**

Councillor O Magennis **Deputy Chairperson**

Councillor L Devlin

Councillor D Finn

Councillor A Finnegan

Councillor C Galbraith

Councillor M Gibbons

Councillor J Jackson

Councillor D Lee-Surginor

Councillor A Lewis

Councillor A Mathers

Councillor A McMurray

Councillor D Murphy

Councillor K Murphy

Councillor S O'Hare

# Agenda

## 1.0 Apologies and Chairperson's Remarks

## 2.0 Declarations of Interest

## 3.0 Action Sheet arising from Active and Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held on 20 November 2023

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### ***Business Plans/Governance***

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## 4.0 Active and Healthy Community Directorate Business Plan

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📎 *Appendix 1 - AHC Mid Year Assessment of Business Plan 2023-24.pdf*

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### ***Community Development***

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## 5.0 District Electoral Area (DEA) Forums Update Report

*For Decision*

Action Sheets for Downpatrick and Slieve Croob to follow.

📎 *DEA Fora report AHC Committee December 2023.pdf*

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📎 *Appendix1 DEA Forum report December 2023.pdf*

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## 6.0 Community Coordination Hub (CCH) Update Report

*For Decision*

 *Report -CCH update for AHC December 2023.pdf* *Page 45*

 *Action sheet -CCH meeting 15th November 2023 .pdf* *Page 47*

## **7.0 Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) Report**

*For Information*


 *PCSP Report for December AHC meeting.pdf* *Page 55*

 *PCSP Policing Committee Minutes 26 September 2023.pdf* *Page 57*

## **8.0 Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership (NRP) Report**

*For Information*


 *Downpatrick NRP report for AHC December 2023.pdf* *Page 64*

 *App 1 - NRP Action Sheet July 2023.pdf* *Page 66*

## **9.0 Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership (NRP) Report**

*For Information*


 *Newry NRP Report for December 2023 AHC Committee\_.pdf* *Page 69*

 *Newry DEA Forum Action Sheet - 30 November 2023.pdf* *Page 71*

## **10.0 Road Safety Report**

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 *AHC Report Road Safety.pdf* *Page 75*

 *NMD PCSP SIDs Data Report November 2023.pdf* *Page 80*

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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***

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## **11.0 Swimming Pool Covers and Moving Floors**

*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.

 *AHC Report - Swimming Pool Moving Floors and Pool Covers.pdf* ***Not included***

 **Appendix 1 - Business Case Swimming Pool Moving Floors.pdf** **Not included**

 **Appendix 2 - Business Case Swimming Pool Covers.pdf** **Not included**

## **12.0 Building Management Systems**

### *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.


 **AHC Report - Building Managment Systems.pdf** **Not included**

 **Appendix 1 Business Case - Building Management Systems.pdf** **Not included**

## **13.0 Metal Fabrication Works**

### *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.

 **AHC - Metal Fabrication Works.pdf** **Not included**

 **Appendix 1 Business Case Metal Fabrication Works.pdf** **Not included**

## **14.0 Newry Leisure Centre Swimming Pool Tiles**

### *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.

 **AHC - Newry Leisure Centre Swimming Pool.pdf** **Not included**



# Invitees

Cllr Terry Andrews

Cllr Callum Bowsie

Mrs Fionnuala Branagh

Cllr Jim Brennan

Cllr Pete Byrne

Mr Gerard Byrne

Cllr Philip Campbell

Mr Andrew Cassells

Cllr William Clarke

Mrs Linda Cummins

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

Mrs Laura Higgins

Cllr Roisin Howell

Ms Catherine Hughes

Cllr Jonathan Jackson

Cllr Geraldine Kearns

Miss Veronica Keegan

Mrs Josephine Kelly

Cllr Tiarna Kelly

Mrs Sheila Kieran

Cllr Cathal King

Cllr Mickey Larkin

Cllr David Lee-Surginor

Cllr Alan Lewis

Cllr Oonagh Magennis

Mr Conor Mallon

Cllr Aidan Mathers

Cllr Declan McAteer

Cllr Leeanne McEvoy

Cllr Andrew McMurray

Maureen/Joanne Morgan/Johnston

Cllr Declan Murphy  
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Cllr Kate Murphy  
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Cllr Selina Murphy  
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Cllr Siobhan O'Hare  
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Mr Andy Patterson  
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Cllr Áine Quinn  
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Cllr Henry Reilly  
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Cllr Michael Rice  
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Ms Alison Robb  
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Cllr Michael Ruane  
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Cllr Gareth Sharvin  
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Donna Starkey  
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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 Jill Truesdale  
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Mrs Marie Ward  
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**ACTIONS ARISING FROM ACTIVE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING – 20 NOVEMBER 2023**

AHC/083/2023	Community Trails Update	It was agreed that AHC Committee: • Consider Outdoor Recreation NI's (ORNI) presentation on the 2022/23 SLA. • Agree Community Trail Development Priorities as per appendix 1 of the officer's report. • Agree the NMDDC Beach Access Framework as per appendix 2 of the officers report. • Agree the Review of Sea Swimming at Newcastle Harbour as per appendix 3 of the officer's report. It was agreed that a report would be brought back to Council to consider the feedback from the report including: • That a Task and Finish Group for Newcastle Harbour be established to include DEA Councillors from the area, local businesses and stakeholders to take the masterplan forward as a matter of priority. • That provision be made for a lifeguard at the Newcastle pier in the summer period during times of high tide within the estimates and that requests be forwarded to the ERT Directorate.	P Tamati	Ongoing	N
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Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
AHC/111/2023	Notice of Motion – Homelessness	It was agreed to note the contents of the report and consider inviting NIHE to present on the issue of Homelessness to Council in due course. It was agreed that a presentation regarding homelessness be made from advocacy groups such as those listed and a webpage signposting organisations to help people in crisis be included on the Council website. Mrs Robb confirmed she had noted the proposal for a presentation and a webpage and that she would bring forward a report to committee in due course.	A Robb	Ongoing	N
AHC/114/2023	Leasing of Council Land and Facilities – Expressions of Interest Killough, St Anne's Park and Bessbrook Football Fields	It was agreed to approve for the following Council land to commence and progress through the various stages Councils Sport and Leasing Policy 2016: • Playing Field at St Annes Park, Mayobridge Appendix 1. • Killough Playing Fields, School Road Killough Appendix 2. • Bessbrook Football Fields, Orior Park, Bessbrook Appendix 3.	P Tamati	Agreed	Y
AHC/127/2023	Action sheet Committee Meeting held on Monday 16 October 2023	The action sheet from the Committee Meeting held on 16 October 2023 was noted.	All	Noted	Y
AHC/128/2023	Notice of Motion – Leisure Centres	It was agreed to note the contents of the officer's report which addresses the concerns outlined in the Notice of Motion.  In response to a query from Councillor Finn regarding booking arrangements for birthday parties within Newry Leisure Mr Tamati advised he would pick the matter up with her directly.	P Tamati  P Tamati		Y  Y
AHC/129/2023	District Electoral Area (DEA)	It was agreed to note the update report and approve the actions in the action sheets attached for:	A Robb	All DEA Action Sheets being actioned accordingly	Y

	Forums Update Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slieve Croob DEA Forum Special Meeting held on Wednesday 8 November 2023.</li> <li>• Crotlieve DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 14 November 2023.</li> </ul>			
AHC/130/2023	Community Coordination Hub Update Report	<p>It was agreed to note the report and approve the actions in the action sheets for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Coordination Hub Meeting held on Wednesday 18 October 2023.</li> <li>• Community Coordination Hub Emergency Meeting held on Thursday 2 November 2023.</li> </ul>	A Robb	<b>All actions being actioned as agreed</b>	Y

AHC/131/2023	Service Level Agreement with Education Authority	It was agreed to issue a Service Level Agreement (multi-annual depending on budgets) through the Council's Grants and Funding Unit, verified in line with Council procedures.	A Robb	<b>Agreed</b>	Y
AHC/132/2023	All Island Community Safety Network	It was agreed to the note the officer's report regarding the All Island Community Safety Network.	A Robb	<b>Noted</b>	Y

ITEMS RESTRICTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 6 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NI) 2014					
AHC/133/2023	Access and Inclusion Funding	It was agreed to approve the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful funding bids to the DfC Access and Inclusion Fund.</li> <li>• A Public Tender and appointment to complete the works outlined in the Access and Inclusion Funding Application.</li> <li>• To approve the Business Case for this Public Tender as per appendix 1 and Council's Procurement Policy.</li> </ul>	P Tamati	<b>agreed</b>	<b>N</b>
AHC/134/2023	Sport NI Community Planning Investment Programme	It was agreed to approve the successful funding bid to Sport NI's District Councils Community Planning 23/24 Investment Programme and the revised Business Case as per appendix 1 of the officer's report.	P Tamati	<b>agreed</b>	<b>N</b>

<b>Report to:</b>	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
<b>Subject:</b>	Mid-Year Assessment of AHC Directorate Business Plan 2023-24
<b>Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Paul Tamati, Assistant Director: Leisure and Sport
<b>Contact Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Paul Tamati, Assistant Director: Leisure and Sport Alison Robb, Assistant Director: Community Development

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

<b>For decision</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>For noting only</b>	
<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose and Background</b>		
1.1	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.		
1.2	Directorate Business Plans demonstrate how planned activity during 2023-24 will contribute to the achievement of strategic outcomes in relation to the Community Plan, Corporate Plan, Performance Improvement Plan and other key strategies.		
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Key issues</b>		
2.1	A Mid Year Assessment of each Directorate Business Plan has been undertaken in order to provide an overview of progress between April-September 2023. 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.		
2.2	The Mid-Year Assessment of the AHC Directorate Business Plan is outlined at Appendix 1.		
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>		
3.1	To consider and approve: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Mid Year Assessment of the AHC Directorate Business Plan 2023-24</li> </ul>		
<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;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></span></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> Consultation not required.</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>
7.0	<p><b>Appendices</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Appendix 1</b> – Mid Year Assessment of the <b>AHC</b> Directorate Business Plan 2023-24</li> </ul>
8.0	<p><b>Background Documents</b></p>
	<p>Directorate Business Plan 2023-24</p>



# Active and Healthy Communities Directorate

## Mid-Year Assessment Business Plan 2023-24

Introduction

This report provides an overview of progress in delivering the Active and Healthy Communities Directorate Business Plan 2023-24 between April-September 2023, 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 2023-24 supports the achievement of the following corporate objectives, and performance has been tracked using the legend below.

Continue to improve the health and wellbeing of everyone in the district and reduce health inequalities

Enable and support people engage in inclusive and diverse activites in their communities





Enhance, protect and promote our environment




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
<b>Leisure and Sport</b> <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>
<b>Community Engagement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create a strong community base to improve empowerment and capacity within our communities and ensure the views of our community are fully represented.</li> </ul>
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote sustainability both within the organization and externally, support improved Health and Wellbeing outcomes and ensure Councils obligations in relation to their statutory functions are fulfilled.</li> </ul>


Leisure and Sport			
OBJECTIVE	ALIGNMENT WITH CORPORATE PLAN		
Promote increased levels of activity and develop targeted programmes to support improved health and wellbeing outcomes	Continue to improve the health and wellbeing of everyone in the district and reduce health inequalities		
Supporting actions	Timescale	Status	Progress
Continue to Progress and implement the review of Leisure Services in Kilkeel Leisure Centre	Q1 – Q3		Full implementation will be completed by Q4.
Increase usage of Indoor Leisure Facilities as part of the leisure COVID-19 recovery plan	Q1 – Q4		In the first six months of this year usage has increased
Progress the leisure projects agreed within the Capital Programme	Q1 – Q4		Kilkeel Bowling Pavillion complete. Multi-Sports Hub EOI progressed. Play Park signage complete.
Deliver a range of targeted health programmes to encourage participation in physical activity and improve health outcomes for all	Q1 – Q4		10,452 participants recorded for the first six months of 2023/24.







Identify and complete prioritization plan, scoping and feasibility for potential Community Trails across the seven District Electoral Areas	Q1 – Q4		Prioritization plan for community trails approved at August AHC committee along with ORNI SLA to complete scoping and feasibility work for 2023-24.
Complete the strategic reviews of the Play Strategy, Open Spaces Strategy and Physical Activity/Sports Development Strategy	Q1 - Q4		Both reviews have been commissioned and are progressing. On target to be completed by Q4.
Commission and complete financial assistance support for Sports Programme, Sports Capital and Multi Sports Hubs	Q1 – Q4		Allocated and extended Letters of Offer for the full compliment of financial assistance for Sports Capital.



Community Engagement			
<b>OBJECTIVE</b> <b>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</b>	ALIGNMENT WITH CORPORATE PLAN		
	Enable and support people engage in inclusive and diverse activities in their communities		
Supporting actions	Timescale	Status	Progress
Comply with statutory responsibilities in relation to Community Engagement service provision (including PCSP, Peace IV & DEAs)	Q1-Q4		<p>Policing &amp; Community Safety Partnership (PCSP), District Electoral Area (DEA) and Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership (NRP) meetings being undertaken/governance arrangements and reporting mechanisms effective.</p> <p>Peace IV Partnership has been meeting and all projects have been delivered within the community as agreed.</p>



Engage, develop and consult on a draft: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Peace Plus Plan</li> <li>- Community Facilities Strategy</li> </ul>	Q1-Q4	  	<p>The Peace Plus plan has been developed and final action plan with application has been submitted to SEUPB.</p> <p>Ongoing.</p>
Continue to logistically support local community run events and festivals	Q1-Q4		93 events supported in first six months of 23/24. An increase of 2 events for the same period last year.
Positively engage through Ethnic Minority Support Centre (Downpatrick & Newry)	Q1-Q4		<p>Regular advice clinics held in Newry and Downpatrick.</p> <p>Engagement with refugees and asylum seekers.</p> <p>Integration projects in partnership with other stakeholders.</p> <p>Integration events for minority ethnic communities.</p>
Work with internal and external to deliver a minimum of 2 Financial Assistance Calls per annum, and roll out external training sessions	Q1 – Q4		Three calls for financial assistance have been delivered with internal and external customers. Three information sessions on how to make claims and procurement were alongside claim clinics.
Develop and deliver the 7 DEA Fora Action Plans and strengthen the alignment with the outcomes within the Community Plan	Q1-Q4		7 DEA Action Plans developed and meeting agreed targets.
Develop and implement the Good Relations Programme Action Plan, PCSP Action Plan,	Q1-Q4		PCSP, GR and NRP Action Plans developed and meeting agreed




NHR Action Plan (Downpatrick & Newry) and PEACE IV Local Action Plan			targets.
Further develop levels of engagement and participation through existing structures (eg DEAs, NHR, PCSP, PEACE IV)	Q1 – Q4		<p>Engagement and participation ongoing through existing structures (ie PCSP, DEAs, NRPs). New Independent Members were appointed to DEA Forums in September 2023. The Policing Board have extended the term of the current PCSP Independent Members to 31 May 2024 (had been 31 March 2024). Recruitment campaign for new PCSP Independent Members opened on 1 September 2023, a successful recruitment event took place in the Burrendale Hotel on 24 August 2023. Interviews expected to be held November/December 2023.</p> <p>Both the Peace IV and Peace Plus Partnerships meet on a regular basis to ensure community engagement and contact in the delivery of plans. Both partnerships are diverse with broad representation of the community. From April there have been 4 Peace Plus Partnership Meetings.</p>







Health and Wellbeing			
<b>OBJECTIVE</b> <b>Promote sustainability both within the organization and externally, support improved Health and Wellbeing outcomes and ensure Councils obligations in relation to their statutory functions are fulfilled</b>	ALIGNMENT WITH CORPORATE PLAN		
	Continue to improve the health and wellbeing of everyone in the district and reduce health inequalities		
<b>Supporting actions</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Carry out statutory functions in relation to Food Safety, Health and Safety at Work, Public Health and Housing, Environmental Protection and Consumer Protection	Q1-4		Lack of staffing resources
Support 2 no. Home to Hospital Volunteer Driver Schemes to help rural access to Health services in The Mournes and Slieve Gullion DEAs	Q1- Q4		In progress
Develop and deliver a range of services to promote employee Health and Wellbeing including an action plan for issues identified in Staff survey	Q1 – Q4		A number of services are currently being developed
Carry out follow up wellbeing survey for workforce	Q2		Not progressed
<b>OBJECTIVE</b> <b>Promote sustainability both within the organization and externally, support improved Health and Wellbeing outcomes and ensure Councils obligations in relation to their statutory functions are fulfilled</b>	ALIGNMENT WITH CORPORATE PLAN		
	Enhance, protect and promote our environment		
<b>Supporting actions</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Progress</b>
Develop a Climate Change Adaptation Plan for the Council working alongside key Council Departments	By end Q4		Work progressing
Develop a Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan to follow on from the existing Newry, Mourne and	Q2		Work progressing



Down Local Biodiversity Action Plan.  The strategy will focus on improving biodiversity on Council managed estate as well as increasing awareness and action for biodiversity across the rest of the district.			
Deliver additional EV infrastructure across District	Q3 -Q4		Faster Project progressing.
Develop Sustainability and Climate Change Strategy	Q4		On track to be achieved


Measures of Success – Leisure and Sport				
Measure of Success	2023-24		Status	Explanatory note
	Target	YTD Actual		
Number of attendances at all indoor leisure facilities, including Newry and Downpatrick Leisure Centres	750,000 paid attendances	385,878		
Number of participants engaged in physical activity programmes and health and wellbeing initiatives	Physical Activity Referral Programme Members: <b>300</b>  McMillian Move More Programme Members: <b>150</b>  Summer Activity Programme Participants: <b>4,800</b>  Be Active for	<b>10,452</b>		



	Life Programme Participants: <b>1500</b>			
Number of recorded visits at community trails	Over 225,000	120,264		

Measures of Success – Community Engagement				
Measure of Success	2023-24		Status	Explanatory note
	Target	YTD actual		
Number of meetings, events delivered	No target set	320 (PCSP/GR/DEA/NRPs)		Wide range of meetings, events, programmes and activities delivered via the Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP), Good Relations (GR) Programme, District Electoral Areas (DEAs) and Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships (NRPs).
Number of events supported	No target set	66 (PCSP/GR/DEA/NRPs)  93 (Com Serv)	  	
Number of capacity building programmes delivered	No target set	28 (DEAs/NRPs)  9 (Com Serv)		Volunteering x 1 Safeguarding x2 1st Aid Training x4 Event Steward Training x2
Number of programmes delivered	No target set	32 (PCSP/GR/DEA/NRPs)  32 (Com Serv)		4week Chi Me Workshop x1 3-week Garden & Planting Workshop x3 Mindful Living & Self-Care Workshop x1 Roller Skating Disco x 3 Paddleboarding x 7 NERF WARS x2
Number of meetings, including public meetings organised	No target set	196 (PCSP/GR/DEA/NRPs)		3day Arts and Craft Workshop x3 STEM Summer Camp x3 Living Well Workshop x2 3 day Kids Fitness Summer Camp x4 Fishing Camp x2 Recreational Art Workshop x1

The effectiveness of Council run community engagement structures in facilitating stakeholder participation	No target set	See explanatory note		The majority of places occupied on the community engagement structures are taken by representatives from the community, voluntary and business sectors. This demonstrates the Council's commitment to facilitating effective stakeholder participation and working in partnership to shape and influence the future of the district.
Number of Neighbourhood Watch Schemes	No target set	117 (PCSP)		There are currently 117 active and fully accredited NHW schemes across the District. The PCSP continues to encourage and engage with people who would like to sign up for the NHW Scheme. The PSNI and PCSP staff remain in regular contact with NHW Co-Ordinators across the District.
Number and percentage of financial assistance projects funded	No target set	Applications		<p>We have completed two calls for financial assistance. The third call is ongoing.</p> <p>Call 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 318 applications</li> <li>• 28 fail stage 1</li> <li>• 60 fail stage 2 scoring</li> </ul> <p>Call 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 367 applications</li> <li>• 44 fail stage 1</li> <li>• 66 fail stage 2</li> </ul> <p>10 themes 109 applications in total, themes had to be scored and ranked as there were</p>
		685		
		Success rate		
		71%		

Number of contacts recorded through the Ethnic Minority Support Centre	No target set	1384		Ongoing
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Measures of Success – Health and Wellbeing				
Measure of Success	2023-24		Status	Explanatory note
	Target	YTD Actual		
Percentage of service requests responded to within 3 days	85%			
Percentage of general planning applications processed within 15 working days of receipt by Environmental Health	80%			
Net cost of the 5 core services per head of population (excluding CEC*)	No target set			
Percentage of premises within the scope of the Food Hygiene Scheme that meet the standard of 'broadly compliant'	No target set			
Number of proactive/planned Health and Safety inspections as a percentage of total premises within jurisdiction	No target set			

<b>Report to:</b>	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 December 2023
<b>Subject:</b>	District Electoral Area (DEA) Forums Update Report
<b>Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Alison Robb, Assistant Director for Community Development
<b>Contact Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Aisling Rennick, Engagement & Development Manger Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement

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

<b>For decision</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>For noting only</b>	
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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose and Background</b>
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 Meetings 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>
<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 report.</li> <li>Agree to approve the actions in the Action Sheets attached for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Rowallane DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 21 November 2023.</li> <li>➤ The Mourne DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 28 November 2023.</li> <li>➤ Newry DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Thursday 30 November 2023.</li> <li>➤ Slieve Gullion DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Thursday 30 November 2023.</li> <li>➤ Downpatrick DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 12 December 2023.</li> <li>➤ Slieve Croob DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 12 December 2023.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Resource implications</b>
4.1	Support and assistance from partners to deliver actions in the DEA action plans.
<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>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</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>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</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>Proposal initiating consultation</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 type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
7.0	<p><b>Appendices</b></p>
7.1	<p>Appendix 1: Update on the ongoing work of the DEAs.  Appendix 2: Action Sheet of Rowallane DEA Forum Private Meeting, 21 November 2023.  Appendix 3: Action Sheet of The Mournes DEA Forum Private Meeting, 28 November 2023.  Appendix 4: Action Sheet of Newry DEA Forum Private Meeting, 30 November 2023.  Appendix 5: Action Sheet of Slieve Gullion DEA Forum Private Meeting, 30 November 2023.</p>

	Appendix 6: Action Sheet of Downpatrick DEA Forum Private Meeting, 12 December 2023. Appendix 7: Action Sheet of Slieve Croob DEA Forum Private Meeting, 12 December 2023.
8.0	<b>Background Documents</b>
8.1	None.

## **Appendix 1**

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### **Update on the ongoing work of the DEAs**

The following information is provided to update the AHC Committee on recent DEA activity and on activity planned to be undertaken by the DEAs.

### **All People in Newry, Mourne and Down Enjoy Good Health and Wellbeing**

#### ***Level of Health Status:***

To celebrate International Men's Day, Rowallane DEA in partnership with County Down Rural Community Network (CDRCN) organised a woodturning demonstration which took place in Saintfield Men's Shed on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023.

Newry and Slieve Gullion DEAs supported an International Men's Day event in Killeavey GAA along with over 100 young men aged 14+ from across the Newry and South Armagh area.

In order to mark International Men's Day, Downpatrick DEA in partnership with CDRCN held an initiative for men in the Ballymote Centre, Downpatrick. This initiative aimed to provide an opportunity for men to come together over a hot breakfast and to take part in a pottery programme.

To celebrate International Men's Day, the Mournes DEA in partnership with Mourne Matters hosted a breakfast morning with the Fishermen's Mission in Kilkeel. The event was supported by the SHSCT who provided leaflets and information on men's health.

Crotlieve DEA in partnership with the Education Authority delivered health themed workshops for young men in St Mark's High School on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023 in celebration of Men's Health Month.

The Mournes DEA supported the annual Heat & Eat event in Newcastle. The event brings together a number of support agencies that provide information and support to help those struggling financially.

Downpatrick, Rowallane and Slieve Croob DEAs in partnership with the YMCA delivered a 4-week programme of building resilience workshops in 3 primary schools across the district. This was an opportunity for young people to explore their emotions, connect, and learn coping techniques to support them in difficult situations.

To support carers, Downpatrick, Rowallane and Slieve Croob DEAs hosted pottery workshops to give them much needed downtime and the opportunity to connect with others.

In collaboration with St Oliver Plunkett Youth Club, Slieve Gullion DEA held a 10-week Outreach Programme for young people in Silverbridge. Youth provision in rural Silverbridge is limited and so the outreach programme has been very well received in the Resource Centre.

The Education Authority Youth Service, Slieve Gullion DEA and Council's Health Inequalities team are all working together to deliver a South Armagh Champions League Programme. Teams from across South Armagh will be transported to Killeavy every Friday night for 10 weeks in the winter months where they are completing in a football league.

Slieve Croob DEA are delivering a joint 4-week health and wellbeing programme with Homestart families. This programme is targeted at families who are experiencing difficulties with the cost-of-living crisis and will be a chance for them to connect with others who are in a similar situation.



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### *Level of Civic Participation and Good Relations:*

Newry DEA supported by Arbour Housing were delighted to have hosted the Halloween Community Event on Hill Street, Newry. Bringing cultural vibrancy to the event were arts and crafts, community performers, musicians and photo opportunities.

St John Bosco Youth Club, Newry, claimed a prize at the IPB Pride of Place Community Awards on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at the Armagh City Hotel. The group won the 'Community Youth Led Initiative' city category. Newry DEA Forum are very proud to have nominated St John Bosco Youth Club and wish them huge congratulations on their amazing achievement in the IPB Pride of Place Awards 2023.

Rowallane DEA in partnership with CDRCN recently held their first historical tour of Rowallane on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The tour included a visit to Killyleagh Castle and walkabouts of the Saintfield and Ballynahinch Battle sites. The purpose of the tour was to highlight our shared history and to bring people together who may be suffering social or rural isolation.

Slieve Gullion DEA held an information session with the National Lottery Community Fund. 15 groups had the opportunity to meet with a lottery representative for individual 30-minute sessions to discuss the possibilities of new projects.

Slieve Gullion and Newry DEAs held a Shared Schools Programme event in St Joseph's High School, Crossmaglen. 120 Year 8 pupils from Newtownhamilton HS, St Paul's HS, Newry HS and St Joseph's HS came together to celebrate culture. They took part in activities including African Drumming, Highland Dancing and storytelling.

To help address issues and concerns around the recent flooding in the Newcastle area, Mournes DEA hosted a post flooding drop-in session to help identify issues and support for those affected. result. A follow up meeting has been held with an existing community resilience group with a view to strengthening it and engaging with statutory agencies to understand the issues which arose during the flooding and discuss lessons learnt for going forward. Contact is being made with those residents affected by the recent floods with a view to hosting an inter-agency meeting in the New Year.

To help local community groups connect to possible funding schemes through the National Lottery Community Fund, the Mournes DEA hosted a clinic information session in Kilkeel which was well attended by a number of groups from the Kilkeel area.

Slieve Croob DEA supported the Drumaness Celebration Event. All the community and sports groups came together to celebrate the local community and the volunteers who go over and beyond to help others develop events, initiatives and opportunities for local people in the area.

Newry DEA has restarted Newry Open House for the Autumn and Winter months to provide a warm, safe space for social connection. This year's Open House is supported by the Department for Communities, Arbour Housing and the SHSCT.

Downpatrick DEA in partnership with Downpatrick PSNI are rolling out a 4-week Cultural Programme in Blackwater Integrated School, Downpatrick. Through workshops, this unique programme is aimed at increasing cultural competence in an inter-connected society, to promote inclusivity and reduce prejudice and stereotyping for lasting and sustainable change.



Mournes and Slieve Croob DEAs have collaborated with CDRCN, Surestart and Homestart to roll out a poverty initiative with families in crisis over the Christmas period. As part of the initiative, over 80 parents and their children were taken to a panto on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

Crotlieve DEA in partnership with St Mark's High School will deliver a Christmas Extravaganza event in Warrenpoint Town Hall on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023. Along with St Mark's, the local primary schools of St Dallan's PS Warrenpoint, Kilbroney Integrated PS, St Bronagh's PS Rostrevor and Dromore Road PS Warrenpoint will participate. 180 young people will be involved, delivering performances of poetry, music and dance to celebrate Christmas.

Crotlieve DEA is supporting International Migrants Day with a Christmas Event in the Rostrevor Inn on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023. The evening will consist of international music, verse and food.

### ***Level of Personal Safety and Crime:***

The Mournes DEA has worked in partnership with CDRCN, YMCA and PCSP to deliver a number of diversionary programmes and activities in the Newcastle area to help reduce ASB over the Halloween period. Activities included a youth disco night, Senior Movie night for teens, and a drop in night for young people as well as signposting to mental health services and fire safety information.

The Mournes, Slieve Croob, and Downpatrick DEAs worked in partnership with CDRCN, Women's Aid and South Eastern Domestic Violence Partnership and the SEHSCT to deliver a conference on domestic violence.

In partnership with the Education Authority Youth Forum, Crotlieve DEA supported the Youth Forum's Christmas social action project. The young people made the decorations that will be used to decorate Warrenpoint Town Hall for Christmas. This was part of diversionary activities to engage the young people during the dark evenings.

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**Action Sheet of Rowallane District Electoral Area (DEA) Forum Private Meeting  
held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023 in The Mill Room, Ballynahinch Community Centre, at 10.30 a.m.**

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**Chairperson:** Councillor Andrews

**In Attendance:**

**Independent Members:** Raymond Cochrane, Frontier Support Network  
Robert Burgess, Rowallane & Slieve Croob Community Twinning Group, Saintfield Horse Show,  
Saintfield Community Estates  
Lise Curran, County Down Rural Community Network

**Statutory Partners:** None

**Council Officials:** Ellen Brennan, DEA Co-Ordinator  
Aisling Rennick, Engagement & Development Manager

**Others in Attendance:** None

**Apologies:** Councillors Callum Bowsie, Jonathan Jackson, David Lee-Surginor and Tierna Kelly  
Judith Thompson, PCSP Officer  
Richard Orme, Ballynahinch Community Collective  
Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement  
Joseph Deegan, Community Services Manager (East)

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
DEA/ROW/02/02/2023	Declaration of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.	No declarations of interest.
DEA/ROW02/03/2023	Action Sheet of meeting held on 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	On the <b>proposal</b> of Robert Burgess and <b>seconded</b> by Raymond Cochrane it was recommended that the action sheet from 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 be approved as a true record.	Agreed.
DEA/ROW/02/04/2023	Update from Community Safety	In the absence of a PCSP representative the DEA Coordinator advised that Judith is currently off on sick leave but the Forum continue to work with the PCSP on a range of projects and initiatives. It was agreed that members good wishes for a speedy recovery be sent to Judith Thompson.	DEA Coordinator to action.
DEA/ROW/02/05/2023	Update from Community Facilities	In the absence of a Community Facilities section representative the DEA Coordinator provided an update on the proposed improvements to Ballynahinch Community Centre and Harry's Place lease of the Market House which was noted.	Noted.
DEA/ROW/02/06/2023	Update on Action Plan and future projects	The DEA Coordinator provided her report on projects recently completed since the last meeting all of which had proved very successful. In addition, she outlined future initiatives including the over 55's Cinema Event scheduled for 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 etc.	Noted.

DEA/ROW/02/07/2023	Date of Next Meeting	Following discussion, it was agreed that the next meeting of the Forum should take place on Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 11.00 a.m. in The Mill Room. This meeting will be to finalise arrangements for the planned public meeting on Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2024 in Saintfield Community Centre to give residents an opportunity to meet new Councillor and Forum members.	Next DEA meeting agreed for 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 11.00 a.m. in The Mill Room and additional public meeting to take place on Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2024 in Saintfield Community Centre.
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**Action Sheet of Mournes District Electoral Area (DEA) Forum Private Meeting  
held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 4.00pm via Teams**

<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Councillor LEEANNE McEvoy</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Councillor Michael Rice Councillor William Clarke Councillor Jill Truesdale</b>
<b>Independent Members:</b>	<b>Claire Sheils, County Down Rural Community Network</b>
<b>Statutory Partners:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Council Officials:</b>	<b>Taucher McDonald, DEA Coordinator, The Mournes Aisling Rennick, Engagement &amp; Development Manager Colin Moffett, Head of Corporate Policy Jacquelin Urey, PCSP Officer</b>
<b>Others in Attendance:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement Kenny Gracey, PSNI Councillor Laura Devlin Laura Sage, Community Facilities Manager Paula Nixon, County Down Rural Community Network Lloyd Douglas, Frontier Support Network</b>

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed
MOU/2023/1	Welcome/Introductions	Cllr. McEvoy	Noted.
MOU/2023/2	Declarations of Interest	None made.	Noted.
MOU/2023/3	Action Sheet 3 October	Brief update and overview of the actions from the previous Forum meeting was given.	Noted.
MOU/2023/4	DEA Coordinator's Update	DEA Coordinator provided an update on proposed programmes and initiatives for 2023.	Noted.
MOU/2023/7	Town & Village Signage	Head of Corporate Policy provided an update.  Those present noted their preference for bilingual signs.  Agreed consultation should be instituted with Kilkeel Development Association and Chamber of Commerce who had supplied the current granite town end features in Kilkeel.	Noted.  Head of Corporate Policy to action.
MOU/2023/8	Kilkeel River	Kilkeel River site meeting to be added to next agenda and update provided.	Agreed to request update from Director of Sustainability & Environment regarding site meeting at Kilkeel River – Completed.
MOU/2023/9	Newcastle Leisure Centre Update	Update on progress of Newcastle Leisure Centre requested.	Facilities update meeting to be rescheduled - Completed - Meeting with DEA Councillors held.
MOU/2023/12	Community Support in Mournes	Claire Sheils provided information regarding the work of CDRCN including Community	DEA Coordinator to action – Completed.

		Support in legacy Newry and Mourne area and Health Development in legacy Down area. CDRCN details to be forwarded to Forum.	
MOU/2023/13	Kilkeel Recycling Centre	At the previous meeting it was agreed that the DEA Coordinator link with relevant Council department to seek clarification regarding booking procedures and to request additional publicity for same.  Noted that the Recycling Centre were providing further information via Council's social media pages.	Noted.
MOU/2023/14	Donard Car Park	Concern was expressed regarding the lack of coach parking at Donard Park and regarding the use of the camper van spaces at Castle Park by cars.  Agreed to contact Tourism section to seek an update on the proposed charging strategy and how this would impact on the identified problems.	DEA Coordinator to contact Tourism section.  Update - Charging Strategy to come into place and section will liaise with DEA coordinator for update on impact on cars and camper vans.  Donard ASB meeting set for 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2023.
MOU/2023/15	Housing Development at Lower Square Kilkeel	Agreed at previous meeting to seek clarification regarding Planning Permission for housing development adjacent to the Lower Square Car Park in Kilkeel and any impact on publicly available spaces at the location.  The following update was received: No car parking provision in the planning proposal, however a pedestrian footbridge	Noted.



		was proposed to link the site to the public car park.	
MOU/2023/16	Ben Crom Park	ASB issues in Ben Crom Park – Residents to liaise with Council to look at options around closing and opening the park.	DEA Coordinator to link with lead resident with Outdoor Leisure Officer to discuss.
MOU/2023/17	Marine Park Annalong	ASB issues in Marine Park Annalong – possibility of closing park at night.	DEA Coordinator to raise with Outdoor Leisure Officer.
MOU/2022/16	Date of Next Meeting	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2024 @ 4pm in Newcastle Centre.	Noted.

The meeting ended at: 16:46pm

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### Action Sheet of Newry District Electoral Area (DEA) Forum Private Meeting held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 3.30pm in Newry Leisure Centre

<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Councillor Gerladine Kearns</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Councillor Aidan Mathers Councillor Valerie Harte Councillor Cathal King</b>
<b>Independent Members:</b>	<b>Raymond Jackson, Confederation of Community Groups Eamonn Connolly, Newry Business Improvement District Colin Hanna, Newry and Mourne Enterprise Agency Noreen Rice, Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Thelma Thompson, Altnaveigh House Ltd Anne Auterson, Frontier Support Network Alison Slater, Family Support Hub</b>
<b>Statutory Partners:</b>	<b>Deirdre Magill, Southern Health and Social Care Trust Promoting Wellbeing Team Sgt Warren Roberts, PSNI Declan Murray, Area Learning Community/St Joseph's High School Maria Hamill, Area Learning Community Maureen O'Gorman, Education Authority Youth Service</b>
<b>Others in Attendance:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Council Officials:</b>	<b>Kerri Morrow, Newry DEA Coordinator Aisling Rennick, Engagement &amp; Development Manager Shannon Creaney, PCSP Officer Martina Flynn, Safer Communities &amp; Good Relations Manager Amy McKeown, Finance and Monitoring Officer (PSCP &amp; Good Relations)</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Councillor Doire Finn Councillor Killian Feehan Ann Grant, County Down Rural Community Network Niall Fitzpatrick, NIHE Thelma Thompson, Altnaveigh House Ltd Martina Flynn, Safer Communities &amp; Good Relations Manager</b>

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed
DEA/N/2023/1	Declaration of Interest	No declarations made.	COMPLETED.
DEA/N/2023/2	Matters arising from Action Sheet from meeting held 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Action sheet confirmed as a true and accurate record.	Approved.
DEA/N/2023/3	DEA Coordinator's Report	<p>DEA Coordinator's update report given. Coordinator highlighted the upcoming closure of the existing Financial Assistance portal and advised that groups should download their information from the system before 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024.</p> <p>Members requested further updates if groups in the local area need support that they can be advised of this need. Members also requested that broader communication of this be circulated potentially on other platforms ie social media.</p>	DEA Coordinator to progress.
DEA/N/2023/4	PCSP Update	Update reported by PCSP Officer. Information on upcoming initiatives to be circulated via DEA Coordinator.	Noted.
DEA/N/2023/5	Health and Wellbeing	Dierdre Magill, SHSCT, provided an update on the programme of activity currently available through the Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Health Programme as well as wider Health Service Initiatives. This included details in relation to programmes such as This Girl Can and other training initiatives.	Noted.

		Information on upcoming initiatives to be circulated via DEA Coordinator.	
	Health and Wellbeing	Raymond Jackson provided an update to the Forum regarding services such as Good Morning Project, Social Supermarket and the Hardship referral scheme. Information on upcoming initiatives to be circulated via DEA Coordinator.	Noted.
	Health and Wellbeing	Maureen O’Gorman provided an update from the Education Authority Youth Service in relation to local initiatives such as Young Men’s Project, Derrybeg Youth Club and others. Projects are all currently running successfully.	Noted.
DEA/N/2023/6	Environment	Noreen Rice requested the following items be raised with relevant officials.  Update on the plans for Martin’s Lane Playpark. Request Head of Outdoor Leisure advise Maureen Ruddy directly with this update.	DEA Coordinator to contact Head of Outdoor Leisure.
		Request Salt Bins at Violet Hill and Lissard Court, Newry.	DEA Coordinator to request through DFI.
		Sewage smell across Meadow area, Newry.	DEA Coordinator to liaise with Councillors re existing communications with NI Water.
		Rathore trees overgrown into neighbouring gardens. Request school arrange a maintenance plan to remove overhanging branches.	DEA Coordinator to progress.

		Raymond McCreesh Park. Members requested an update on the situation with this playpark. Request to invite Head of Outdoor Leisure to next meeting to provide update on play strategy review.	DEA Coordinator to progress.
DEA/N/2023/7	Economic Development	Eamon Connolly and Colin Hanna provided updates on the recent flooding across various Newry sites including City Centre, WIN and Flurrybridge. Both advised that there is a lot of work still to be done with individual business and that the community support was very well received.  Information on upcoming initiatives to be circulated via DEA Coordinator.	Noted.
	Economic Development	Ongoing professional begging within City. Members requested that this be highlighted sensitively with the general public encouraging people consider making charitable donations through appropriate organisations who can directly help those most in need.	Noted.
DEA/N/2023/8	Safety and Good Relations	Warren Roberts, PSNI, gave an update on planned initiatives in relation to tackling retail crime, drink driving and safety.  A recent partnership with Newry BID is successfully tackling retail crime locally and improving the confidence of both employees and shoppers.	Noted.
DEA/N/2023/9	Date of next meeting	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January 2024.	Noted.

The meeting ended at: 5.00pm

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### Action Sheet of Slieve Gullion District Electoral Area (DEA) Forum Private Meeting held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 5.30pm in Cloughreagh Community Centre

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<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Councillor Declan Murphy</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Councillor Aine Quinn Councillor David Taylor Councillor Mickey Larkin Councillor Oonagh Magennis</b>
<b>Independent Members:</b>	<b>Thelma Thompson, Altnaveigh House Trust Teresa Nugent, Rural Health Partnership Linda Henry, Frontier Support Network Laurence Bradley, Confederation of Community Groups</b>
<b>Statutory Partners:</b>	<b>Insp Adam Corner, PSNI Sgt Robin Blair, PSNI Deirdre Magill, SHSCT</b>
<b>Council Officials:</b>	<b>Claire Loughran, DEA Coordinator Slieve Gullion Briege Boyle, Community Services, Facilities &amp; Events Aisling Rennick, Engagement &amp; Development Manager Martina Flynn, Safer Communities &amp; Good Relations Manager Amy McKeown, Monitoring &amp; Evaluation Officer (PCSP &amp; Good Relations)</b>
<b>Others in Attendance:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Councillor Aoife Finnegan Ann Grant, County Down Rural Community Network Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement Therese Hamill, ANOB Officer Maureen O’Gorman, EA Youth Services</b>

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
<b>DEA/SG/10/2023</b>	Declaration of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were made.	Noted.
<b>DEA/SG/11/2023</b>	Matters arising from Action Sheet from meeting held 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	<p>Action Sheet confirmed as true and accurate record.</p> <p>Invitation had been sent to and accepted by The Executive Office Good Relations Programme division to attend the DEA Meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> November. However, due to snow in Belfast on this date TEO advised that they would be unable to travel.</p>	<p>Approved.</p> <p>It was agreed that the DEA Coordinator would extend an invite to TEO to attend the next SG DEA Forum Meeting.</p>
<b>DEA/SG/12/2023</b>	DEA Coordinator's Report	DEA Coordinator's update provided.	<p>Noted.</p> <p>DEA Coordinator to reshare information relating to the Council's Financial Assistance online system closing. Information to be shared with DEA database advising groups how to save their previous applications.</p>
<b>DEA/SG/13/2023</b>	Community Safety and Good Relations Update	<p>Verbal update provided by Insp Adam Corner, PSNI.</p> <p>Verbal update provided by Martina Flynn, Safer Communities &amp; GR Manager.</p> <p>Information to be circulated via DEA Coordinator regarding Home Secure scheme.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p>



<b>DEA/SG/14/2023</b>	Community Facilities Update	Verbal update provided by Briege Boyle, Community Services, Facilities & Events section.	Noted.
<b>DEA/SG/15/2023</b>	Emerging Issues	<p>Health &amp; Wellbeing:</p> <p>Deirdre Magill, SHSCT, provided a verbal update. Further information on relevant programmes to be circulated via DEA Coordinator.</p> <p>Teresa Nugent gave a verbal update on programmes within the Rural Health Partnership.</p> <p>Environmental: No emerging issues</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
<b>DEA/SG/16/2023</b>	Date of next meeting	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2024 @ 5.30pm in Newtownhamilton Community Centre.	Noted.

The meeting ended at: 6.30pm

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**Action Sheet of Downpatrick District Electoral Area (DEA) Forum Private Meeting  
held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 10.00 am via Teams**

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<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Councillor Oonagh Hanlon</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Councillor Cadogan Enright Councillor Gareth Sharvin Councillor Philip Campbell</b>
<b>Independent Members:</b>	<b>Jim Masson, Down Business Connect, Down Community Health Committee, Ardglass Harbour Dev Limited Dan McEvoy, Downpatrick Housing Community Network Macartan Digney, Downpatrick Community Collective</b>
<b>Statutory Partners:</b>	<b>Kerry O'Connell, Education Authority</b>
<b>Council Officials:</b>	<b>Katrina Hynds, Downpatrick DEA Co-Ordinator Aisling Rennick, Engagement &amp; Development Manager Ciara Toman, Regeneration, Business Support &amp; Development Officer</b>
<b>Others in Attendance:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Councillor Conor Galbraith Andrew Martin, RHD Flute Band, Inch Ulster Scots, LAMP Youth Club Daniella McCarry, County Down Rural Community Network Mel Murray, Education Authority Jenny Laverty, NI Housing Executive Housing Community Network Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement</b>

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
DEA/DPK/23/01	Apologies	As recorded above.	Noted.
DEA/DPK/23/02	Declaration of Interest	None.	Noted.
DEA/DPK/23/03	Action Sheet of Meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Action Sheet was adopted on the proposal of Dan McEvoy, seconded by Councillor Hanlon.	DEA Co-Ordinator.
DEA/DPK/23/04	Emerging Issues a) Update from Education Authority re Youth Provision	Kerry McConnell updated members on the level of youth service being provided throughout the Lecale area and within Downpatrick Post Primary Schools.	Noted.
	b) Update on Strangford & Killough Revitalisation Scheme	Ciara Toman gave members an update on progress of Scheme in Strangford and Killough. Majority of projects within scheme are on target. Planning Application for Strangford Walking Trail and Car Park to be submitted in January. New fencing for Killough pitch currently out for tender and successful applicant to be awarded by end December. Successful contractor will be onsite early January. Work will take approximately 4 weeks.	Regeneration, Business Support & Development Officer to action.

	c) Update on Irish Street Project	<p>Ciaran Toman presented members with an update on the Irish Street Project. Clarification to be sought from Department for Communities regarding timescale for the masterplan for this area.</p> <p>Investigate the possible usage of the back of the site as a Meanwhile Use Space that could be used for events, etc.</p> <p>No 39 Irish Street will be taken down in January. Traffic disruptions expected during this period.</p>	Regeneration, Business Support & Development Officer
DEA/DPK/23/05	Report on DEA/Good Relations Initiatives	<p>The DEA Co-Ordinator presented her report to members.</p> <p>Approval granted to proceed with support for Neuro Diversity Health Programme and the Ukrainian Event in January.</p> <p>Due to the establishment of the new Lecale Trinity College and the opening of the new Eurospar Premises in St Dillon's Avenue, write to the Department for Infrastructure, Education Authority and Translink to establish what measures are being put in place to manage the additional traffic in this vicinity to ensure the safety of children and staff attending these premises.</p>	<p>DEA Co-Ordinator.</p> <p>DEA Co-Ordinator.</p>

DEA/DPK/23/06	Date of Next Meeting	Meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 5.30pm	
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The meeting ended at: 10.45 am

**Newry, Mourne and Down District Council**

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**Action Sheet of Slieve Croob District Electoral Area (DEA) Forum Private Meeting  
held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 3.40pm via Microsoft Teams**

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<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Councillor Alan Lewis</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Councillor Andrew McMurray Councillor Siobhan O'Hare</b>
<b>Independent Members:</b>	<b>Kenny Baxter, Frontier Support Network Heather Holland, County Down Rural Community Network (CDRCN) Richie Shilliday, Dundrum Village Association, Dundrum Cricket Club, RIOT Community Hub</b>
<b>Council Officials:</b>	<b>Rosie Daly, Community Facilities Manager Priscilla McAlinden, Slieve Croob DEA Coordinator Gary McCurry, Duty Manager, Off Street Parking Aisling Rennick, Engagement &amp; Development Manager Ciara Toman, Regeneration, Business Support and Development Officer</b>
<b>Others in Attendance:</b>	<b>Ryan Gough, Department for Infrastructure Trevor Maxwell, Department for Infrastructure</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Councillor Jim Brennan Councillor Roisin Howell Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement</b>

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
DEA/SC/2/2023	Declaration of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were made.	Noted.
DEA/SC/3/2023	Matters arising from Action Sheets of meetings held on 26 <sup>th</sup> September and 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Action Sheets from 26 <sup>th</sup> September and 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 were adopted as a true record.	Proposed by Councillor Lewis. Seconded by Councillor McMurray.
DEA/SC/4/2023	Community Facilities Update	<p>Community Facilities Manager informed the meeting of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Report on options for repairing clock at Dan Rice Hall and associated costs completed. Funding to be agreed.</li> <li>- Unforeseen construction issues have delayed 3G net installation at Castlewellan Community Centre.</li> <li>- Christmas programmes in Dan Rice Hall may be cancelled due to lack of uptake.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
DEA/SC/5/2023	Castlewellan Environmental Improvement Scheme Update	Regeneration, Business Support and Development Officer provided update on proposed works as part of Environmental Improvement Scheme in Castlewellan. Procurement exercise is complete with proposed work to be completed by end of March 2024.	Noted.
DEA/SC/6/2023	Emerging Issues:  Castlewellan Parking	Duty Manager, Off Street Parking, to seek authority to undertake an up-to-date traffic survey in Castlewellan to determine car parking dynamics.	Duty manager, Off Street Parking.

DEA/SC/7/2023	Action Plan Proposal 2023 - 2024	Forum members unanimously approved proposed Action Plan 2023/2024 and associated budget.	DEA Coordinator.
DEA/SC/8/2023	Date and time of next meeting	Next DEA Forum meeting scheduled to take place on 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 4.15pm via Microsoft Teams.	DEA Coordinator.

The meeting ended at: 4.29pm.



<b>Report to:</b>	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 December 2023
<b>Subject:</b>	Community Coordination Hub (CCH) Update Report
<b>Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Alison Robb, Assistant Director for Community Development
<b>Contact Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement

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

<b>For decision</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>For noting only</b>	
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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose and Background</b>
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 Sheet of the Community Coordination Hub (CCH) Meeting listed in 3.1 below.</li> </ul> <p><b>Background</b></p> <p>The information in the Action Sheet attached is provided to update the Committee on recent CCH activity and on activity planned to be undertaken by the CCH and its member organisations.</p>
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Key issues</b>
2.1	To coordinate actions to mitigate impact on individuals and groups in the community.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
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 the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Community Coordination Hub Meeting held on Wednesday 15 November 2023.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Resource implications</b>
4.1	Support and assistance from partners to deliver actions in the CCH action sheets.
<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>
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 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	<p><b>Appendices</b></p>
7.1	<p>Appendix 1: Community Coordination Hub Meeting Action Sheet of Wednesday 15 November 2023.</p>
8.0	<p><b>Background Documents</b></p>
8.1	<p>None.</p>

## **NEWRY, MOURNE & DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### **Action Sheet of Community Coordination Hub (CCH) Meeting Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023 @ 2:00pm via Teams**

**In Attendance:** Chair: Damien Brannigan (Engagement)

Alison Robb (Assistant Director Community Development)  
 Raymond Jackson (Confederation of Community Groups and Strategic Stakeholder Forum)  
 Nicholas McCrickard (County Down Rural Community Network and Strategic Stakeholder Forum)  
 James Elliott (DFC)  
 Rosemary McDonnell (Community Advice Newry, Mourne and Down and Strategic Stakeholder Forum)  
 Laura Higgins (Admin Assistant AHC)  
 Justyna McCabe (Diversity and Inclusion)  
 Sonya Burns (Programmes Unit)  
 Aisling Rennick (DEAs)  
 Aidan McCabe (SHSCT)  
 Alan Beggs (Community Planning)  
 Julie McCann (Community Services, Facilities and Events)  
 Gabrielle O'Neill (SEHSCT)

**Apologies:** James Campbell (Health & Wellbeing)  
 Sinead Trainor (Health & Wellbeing)  
 Brian Rankin (Sustainability)  
 Lauren McMenemy (Community Planning)  
 Lynda Vladeanu (SEHSCT)

	Agenda Item	Discussion and Action Agreed	Raised by/ Referred to
1.	Welcome & Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Everyone was welcomed to the meeting and apologies noted.</li> </ul>	All
2.	Actions from last CCH Meeting held on Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 & Emergency CCH Meeting held on Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Actions from the last CCH meeting held attached.</li> <li>Actions from Emergency CCH meeting held attached.</li> </ul>	All
3.	Funding Opportunities for NI Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding Opportunities for NI Community. Copy attached for information and distribution as appropriate.</li> </ul>	All
4.	Update on Refugees and Asylum Seekers Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Justyna advised that there have been no official Home Office statistics provided since the last CCH meeting.</li> <li>There are 21 residents residing at the Hotel in Newcastle. Some people have been moved to dispersal accommodation and some others have moved out of the district.</li> <li>Support is ongoing to those people in dispersal housing, and they are being signposted to various support services. Sinead Bailie (NMDDC Social Inclusion Support Officer) is continuing to work with people and has been doing Orientation Tours in Downpatrick, assisting with coffee mornings and ESOL classes.</li> <li>Nicholas added that there have been a number of Expressions of Interest received with 10 approved projects and 2 pending. They are looking at Christmas activities and a more structured orientation programme with the</li> </ul>	<p>JMcC</p> <p>NMcC</p>

		<p>possibility of producing a resident's guide which would have various language options.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Justyna advised there will be follow up Asylum Seeker training for Council staff and elected members.</li> <li>Raymond added that he will be attending the Newry stakeholders meeting at 10.00am tomorrow and that he attended the Newcastle meeting which took place last week.</li> </ul>	RJ
5.	Update from DfC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>James advised that there are no plans for any new funding, a key concern is what funding will look like for next year due to the absence of a NI Executive and the possibility of an election. James added that he will keep CCH members informed on any changes.</li> <li>The JobStart Scheme for young people offers paid opportunities to 16-24 year olds who are unemployed and struggling to gain employment. They will gain employment skills and the potential to gain a permanent job or progress to Further Education or training.</li> <li>There is also a JobStart Scheme for Employers to help them create high quality job opportunities to 16-24 year olds who are at risk of long term unemployment. Funding for each job opportunity will cover the National Living Wage for 25 hours per week.</li> <li>It was agreed that James will circulate the relevant JobStart flyers to be distributed to all CCH members. Damien added that he will also share with Council's ERT Department. Ali also asked James to share any social media PR which can then be shared on Council social media.</li> </ul>	<p>JE</p> <p>JE, DB, Ali</p>

5.1	DfC 2023/2024 Social Supermarket (SSM) Support Fund update on progression	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Damien referred to the progression update provided by Clanrye Group for CCH members consideration and asked Raymond to pass on thanks to Clanrye Group for the update, their efforts and good work.</li> <li>• Damien highlighted that Clanrye Group have been working with FareShare, InKind and Neighbourly to source products.</li> <li>• Raymond explained that there had been some issues with lack of fresh food but now some Hardship money is being used to provide vouchers which can be exchanged for fresh food. Raymond will be kept informed if any further issues arise. Downpatrick and Newry stores have both been kept very busy.</li> <li>• Rosemarie added that a workshop was held recently with 17 participants, the workshop was very beneficial, and awareness was raised about the wraparound services available. Some people had not been aware of Community Advice NMD, some very positive stories coming out of the workshop session.</li> <li>• James addressed the fresh food supply issue and stated that some work is being done with FareShare regarding this. James asked for some more details on what is lacking. Raymond will follow this up with Clanrye and keep James updated. Nicholas added that Clanrye and 2 of the sub outlets don't have the facility to handle fresh food yet. Downpatrick and Kilkeel are drop off points, and Newry has storage facilities at The Quays.</li> </ul>	<p>DB</p> <p>RJ</p> <p>RMcD</p> <p>JE, RJ, NMCC</p>
5.2	DfC Hardship Grant Scheme Funding 2022/2023 update on progression	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raymond explained there are 3 Hub meetings held each month. All OBAs have been agreed. The next report will be due by the end of December, however, Raymond said that he will provide an update at the next CCH meeting.</li> <li>• Damien thanked Raymond and all the partners involved with rolling out the Hardship Scheme initiative for the update reports and for the ongoing progress.</li> </ul>	<p>RJ</p> <p>DB</p>

6.	Updates from CCH Members:	<p><b><u>Community Update</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rosemarie is working with the Social Supermarket and partners as there is a lot of need currently.</li> <li>• Nicholas highlighted the terrible impact the recent flooding has had across the district, in particularly Downpatrick, Newry and Camlough. He added that there has been huge work done by Council, DFI, shopkeepers, families and various volunteers to assist in the aftermath. He also highlighted the issue of unemployment for some people as a result of the floods. Some affected employees have been able to utilise the Social Supermarket and the wraparound services. Nicholas stated that resilience groups may need to be set up. Rosemarie added that Community Advice NMD have received quite a few phone calls from employers and employees affected by the floods.</li> <li>• Raymond advised that this year's Norbrook 'We Care at Christmas' initiative will provide 70 senior citizen Christmas dinners on 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> December at their Carnbane site. There will also be 250 meals delivered to those in need (via a referral process) every Friday starting on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 150 will be delivered to Ballybot House and the remaining 100 will be delivered by Council. On 11<sup>th</sup> December Norbrook will also supply an allocation of food to the Social Supermarket. Children's toys will be delivered to Newry Leisure Centre on 19<sup>th</sup> December. Julie added that Council will need clear instructions on times etc but both vans will be available on 19<sup>th</sup> December to help with the delivery of toys and food hampers.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Trusts &amp; PHA Update</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gabrielle advised that there was a SET Psychology meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> November. Various partners attended including CDRCN, NIHE, NMDDC, DfC, Red Cross, NI Water, DAERA and PSNI. GPs in the Downpatrick areas have mental health practitioners available in their surgeries. Once reality sets in people affected by</li> </ul>	<p>RMcD</p> <p>NMcC, RMcD</p> <p>RJ, JMcC</p> <p>GO'N</p>
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		<p>the flooding may look for help and this help will be channelled via GPs in the Down area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ali added that at the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> November both Trusts were establishing what services are available to support people. Messaging is key as to how people are informed and a welfare support leaflet to signpost people to the right places for assistance is being looked at.</li> <li>• Gabrielle advised there is potential PHA funding to run a Community Support Programme (without GP referral) after Christmas.</li> <li>• Gabrielle reiterated that the Trust will be flexible and will look at different potential options.</li> <li>• Aidan updated that at the emergency flooding meeting there were several issues shared including issues with accessing medication and domiciliary care.</li> <li>• Aidan said there was a great turnout at the SHSCT Community Engagement session on 25<sup>th</sup> October and some great information captured.</li> <li>• Aidan advised there has been a steady uptake in food vouchers by people from ethnic minority backgrounds via the Social Supermarket.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Council Update</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aisling explained that Council has been approached by some people in the Southern Trust area and that there may be some PHA funding available for mental health and wellbeing and community response. Some people have been affected by flooding of their homes or businesses. Not all GPs in the Southern Trust area have GP Practitioners and she asked Aidan for a list.</li> </ul>	<p>Ali</p> <p>GO'N</p> <p>AMcC</p> <p>AR/AMcC</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sonya explained that the Programmes Unit have been busy appointing a new EGMS (Electronic Grants Management System) supplier and the current EGMS will end in January 2024. There will be workshops in each of them 7 DEAs (demand dependent) to help groups navigate the new system. Financial Assistance Call 1 will be slightly smaller than normal and Call 2 will be slightly larger than normal, this is to aid the introduction of the new system.</li> <li>• Sonya advised that SEUPB came back after the closing date for PeacePlus to clarify some things. This is disappointing as the clarifications were made post submission date. There is a meeting being held tomorrow in Newcastle by partners to discuss and share concerns of the community sector who depend on this funding. Nicholas added his disappointment of these late clarifications as they may have a far-reaching impact on the community.</li> </ul>	SB
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Julie stated that a number of community groups are waiting on the Financial Assistance Call for Community Capital Grants, and this will now be in Call 2 which will be February/March time.</li> </ul>	JMcC
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Damien provided an update from Brian Rankin, NMDDC Sustainability Section, to say that NI Energy Saving Week is planned for w/c 27<sup>th</sup> November and there will be the resharing of some messaging on Council social media during the week.</li> </ul>	DB
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alan asked anyone who attended the Health and Wellbeing Thematic Summit to please complete the online feedback form or email Alan directly with any feedback.</li> <li>• Alan also discussed the importance of Flood Mapping which shows areas at high risk. Detailed information can be found here <a href="https://dfi-ni.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=fd6c0a01b07840269a50a2f596b3daf6">https://dfi-ni.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=fd6c0a01b07840269a50a2f596b3daf6</a></li> </ul>	AB

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ali thanked everyone for the emergency flood response and recovery. Council is now focused on the Financial Assistance provision through SEFA payments. The £15 million allocated is welcomed but should be seen as a starter.</li> <li>• Ali explained there is currently a lot of information being gathered post floods. Drop Inn Centres are being run in Newcastle and Killowen. Councillors have had a meeting in Camlough and a business led meeting has been held in Downpatrick. There were also events held in Newry and Downpatrick to provide some signposting to businesses.</li> <li>• Ali advised there is a desire to have a public meeting in Newcastle with agencies in attendance. Ali and Taucher (Mournes DEA Coordinator) are meeting with the Emergency Planning team today. There is already a Community Resilience Group established in Newcastle, this group want to expand to be more visible, more resilient, get more help and support and be armed with more information. They need bolstered and strengthened as they will be the first people on the group when an emergency occurs.</li> <li>• Ali explained the aim would be to have resilience groups in each of the 7 DEA areas. There would need to be links with statutory agencies and established models on the ground.</li> </ul>	Ali
7.	AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All business was discussed and noted through the other items on the agenda.</li> </ul>	
8.	Date of Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 2.00pm</li> </ul>	All

<b>Report to:</b>	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 December 2023
<b>Subject:</b>	Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) Report
<b>Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Alison Robb, Assistant Director for Community Engagement
<b>Contact Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement

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

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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose and Background</b>
1.1	<p><b>Purpose</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To note the report.</li> <li>To note the attached Minutes of the Policing Committee &amp; PCSP Meeting listed in 3.1 below.</li> </ul> <p><b>Background</b></p> <p>The attached Minutes of the Policing Committee &amp; PCSP Meeting listed in 3.1 below are provided to update the Committee on the ongoing work of the PCSP.</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 report.</li> <li>Note the following Policing Committee &amp; PCSP Minutes as attached: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Minutes of the Policing Committee &amp; PCSP Meeting held on Tuesday 26 September 2023, approved at the Policing Committee &amp; PCSP Meeting on Tuesday 28 November 2023.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Resource implications</b>
4.1	All actions are budgeted for in the PCSP Action Plan.
<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>          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:          Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Appendices</b>
7.1	Appendix 1: Minutes of Policing Committee & PCSP Meeting held on Tuesday 26 September 2023.
<b>8.0</b>	<b>Background Documents</b>
8.1	None.

## **POLICING COMMITTEE AND POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP**

### **Minutes of the Newry, Mourne & Down Policing Committee and Policing & Community Safety Partnership Meeting held on Tuesday 26 September 2023 at 6.00pm in the Downshire Chamber, Downpatrick and remotely via MS Teams**

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#### **In attendance in Chamber:**

Councillor T Andrews, NMDDC  
 Councillor C Galbraith, NMDDC  
 Councillor O Hanlon, NMDDC (Chair)  
 Councillor A Mathers, NMDDC  
 Councillor D Murphy, NMDDC  
 Councillor H Reilly, NMDDC  
 Councillor J Truesdale, NMDDC  
 Superintendent Norman Haslett, PSNI  
 Chief Inspector Lynne Corbett, PSNI  
 Chief Inspector Conal Hanna, PSNI  
 Inspector Kelly Gibson, PSNI  
 Sergeant Ryan Duffy, PSNI  
 Constable Matthew Hamilton, PSNI  
 Audrey Byrne, PCSP Independent Member  
 Dan McEvoy, PCSP Independent Member  
 Martin Healy, NIFRS  
 Michael Heaney, YJA  
 Roisin Leckey, PBNI  
 Stephen McCracken (attending as guest presenter, Agenda no.5)  
 Tom Jameson (attending as guest presenter, Agenda no.5)

#### **In attendance via Teams:**

Councillor R Howell, NMDDC  
 Councillor D Taylor, NMDDC  
 Inspector Darren Hardy, PSNI  
 Tara Campbell, PCSP Independent Member  
 Michelle Osborne, PCSP Independent Member  
 Liam Gunn, NIHE  
 Donna Weir, EANI  
 Aidan McCabe, SHSCT

#### **Officials in attendance in Chamber:**

Alison Robb, Assistant Director, NMDDC  
 Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager, NMDDC  
 Shannon Creaney, PCSP Officer  
 Jacqueline Urey, PCSP Officer  
 Shane McGivern, Safer Communities & Good Relations Officer

#### **Officials in attendance via Teams:**

Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement, NMDDC

## 1 Welcome, Chairperson's Remarks and Apologies

Councillor Hanlon welcomed members to the Partnership meeting. Councillor Hanlon also welcomed Stephen McCracken and Tom Jameson who were in attendance to give presentations on the Home Secure and Social Alarm schemes.

Apologies were received from Cllr Michael Savage and Chris McLoughlin (NIFRS), noted that Martin Healy was attending on behalf of NIFRS.

Councillor Hanlon noted the resignation of Independent Member John Allen, the Partnership thanked John for his contribution to the PCSP during the course of his term.

Councillor Hanlon reminded members that the recruitment campaign for new Independent PCSP Members is currently open and asked all members to encourage applications where possible.

## 2 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

## 3 Draft Minutes of PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting dated 25 July 2023

Read: Minutes of PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting held on 25 July 2023 (copy circulated).

**Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Galbraith, seconded by Councillor Andrews, it was agreed to approve the Minutes of the Policing Committee and PCSP Meeting held on 25 July 2023 as a true and accurate record.**

## 4 Matters Arising

Councillor Hanlon noted that there are two items from the Action Sheet dated 25 July 2023 still in progress.

**Letter to the Policing Board re PSNI budget cuts:** This letter is being drafted by Mrs Flynn and will be forwarded to the Chairperson & Vice Chairperson in the first instance.

**Pilot Business Watch Scheme:** Chief Inspector Corbett advised that she is currently looking at this with ABC PCSP and will have an update before the next PCSP meeting.

## 5 Presentation on PCSP Contracted Services – Community Safety Wardens / Home Secure / Social Alarm Scheme

Presentations were given on the PCSP Contracted Services – Home Secure Scheme (Stephen McCracken), Social Alarm Scheme (Tom Jameson) and Community Safety Wardens (Mrs Flynn provided an overview of this service).

Mrs. Leckey asked was there a percentage of people who see the Home Secure Scheme as a service to get security equipment for free. Mr. McCracken advised that the majority of people don't use it in this manner and that most referrals come through statutory partners and in some cases from community groups. Self-referrals are less common.

Councillor Hanlon discussed the camera doorbells which are Tier 4, these are something that she would receive enquiries about due to their popularity. Councillor Hanlon asked would they supersede some of the lesser security measures as they can monitor who is approaching a house. Mr McCracken advised that it is a tiered approach and each referral is assessed during a visit to see what the best intervention is to meet that need of that person.

Councillor Reilly asked how the areas are selected for patrols for the Community Safety Wardens. Mrs. Flynn advised that the wardens currently cover Downpatrick, Newry, Warrenpoint and Newcastle. Those areas were selected using data from the PSNI identifying areas significantly affected by anti-social behaviour.

Mrs. Flynn advised that the purpose of having Mr McCracken and Mr Jameson in attendance was to give an overview of both Schemes, especially given that the contracts for these services will end on 31 March 2024. As a Partnership, Members will have to decide and prioritise, possibly in the context of a reduced budget, whether to go ahead to tender for these services to continue. If the Partnership wish to look at new areas to be covered in the Community Warden Scheme this can be looked at in the upcoming planning sessions.

Councillor Hanlon asked where referrals came from for the Social Alarm scheme, Mr Jameson advised that referrals come in the same format as the Home Secure scheme, many from the PSNI and a decision is made based on an assessment of the individual situation. The vast majority relate to cases of domestic violence.

Mrs. Leckey asked was there a safe room scheme in existence, Mr Jameson advised the Sanctuary Scheme is funded by the Housing Executive and this builds a strong room in the house of a victim of domestic violence. It includes works such as strengthening the doorframe, installing a fireproof door and other fire prevention measures.

Mrs Flynn gave an overview of the Community Warden Scheme as the current supplier, Talon Security, had given an apology for the meeting.

Councillor Reilly asked are the Wardens in contact with the PSNI and how are they kept safe. Mrs. Flynn advised that the Wardens wear body cameras and stay in touch with each other via radio which links to a control room in their head office. They have contact numbers for police should they need to contact them in case of emergency.

Mr. McCracken and Mr. Jameson left the meeting once Agenda No.5 was concluded.

## **6 PCSP Officer Report**

Read: PCSP Officer Report (copy circulated)

Mrs Flynn highlighted that NMDDC are working with partners in Women's Aid in relation to domestic abuse initiatives. Mrs Flynn also noted that Theresa Burke recently gave 12 drug



awareness talks across the District with schools, youth groups and sporting clubs. 1,200 young people attended these talks.

The recruitment process for new PCSP Independent Members is currently ongoing and closes on 13 October and it is asked that members raise awareness of this as far as possible.

Mrs Flynn advised that she has been invited to speak at the Scottish Community Safety Network conference in Glasgow on 1 November to highlight the work of Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP.

Mr. McEvoy discussed how well the PCSP is recognised in general, stating that in his view some people don't understand what the PCSP is about and that he would like to see more awareness raising other than through social media. Mr. McEvoy advised he would like to see a focus on how information is going out such as articles in the newspaper introducing the Independent Members and the Elected Members. Mr McEvoy suggested that the Partnership consider ways where the PCSP can be promoted locally.

Mrs Flynn advised that one of the key roles of the Independent Members is to provide a conduit to the local community and raising awareness of the PCSP is an essential role of all Members. Profiling individual Independent Members was previously discussed and not all Independent Members felt comfortable with this.

Mrs Byrne advised that in the past pictures would have been in the local paper with some information. Mrs Byrne also said that during the recruitment process, members agreed to their names and pictures being made public. Mrs Byrne would like to look at some ways to promote the PCSP and what it does.

Councillor Murphy commented that prior to becoming a Councillor he was a PCSP Independent Member and recalled that the best way to let people know you are on the PCSP was to hold local meetings. This approach very found to be very effective.

On the point of promoting the PCSP, Mrs. Leckey suggested that leaflets outlining what exactly the PCSP does could be placed in doctors, libraries and other public spaces.

Councillor Hanlon discussed the recent Probation Board NI open day and found it a very positive event and suggested it is something the PCSP could replicate.

Mrs. Leckey suggested a pilot or focus group to raise awareness of the PCSP.

Mrs. Byrne discussed two public meetings that were held in the past year, these were poorly attended but thought it would be useful to try these again in another location to try to attract more people.

Councillor Reilly added that he attended the PBNI open day and commended the work that this body does and would like to see the PCSP replicate such an event.

Mrs Flynn stated that PCSP staff organise a schedule of events on a regular basis. This year there have been over 30 public events and these are an ideal opportunity for Members to attend to see the work that is being done and engage with local residents. These events take place in community centres and facilities. There hasn't been a big uptake on Members attending these events and it should be noted that a continuous effort has been made to raise awareness in local communities. Members are encouraged to attend these events as the low attendance has been noted by the Department of Justice and Policing Board. A starting point for increasing awareness would be for members to attend future events where possible. Mrs Flynn added that officers will look at the other options discussed to raise awareness.



Councillor Truesdale agreed that it would be useful to look at raising awareness of the PCSP and noted that it might be useful to tack a PCSP event with another event in order to attract larger numbers.

Mr McEvoy added that previously there were newsletters and information leaflets with photographs and also leaflet drops with the local newspapers. Mr McEvoy suggested that these more traditional methods may be a useful way to get information out there. Mr McEvoy would like to see an increased awareness of the PCSP in the general community whereby the public know to come to Members and raise issues.

Mrs Campbell advised that as an Independent Member she actively promotes the PCSP in the Kilkeel area, has done many referrals to the Home Secure Scheme and through events and social media promotes the work of the Partnership.

Councillor Murphy discussed the SID data from Camlough and raised concern about the breaches of the speed limit and asked had there been any PSNI initiatives to try to stop this.

Mrs Flynn stated that the SID data is passed to the PSNI and this is used to inform speed operations. Mrs Flynn advised that it would be useful if this data was layered with other data such as the number of operations and detections in that area. Mrs Flynn suggested that the SID data report is over-layered with some information from the PSNI to show the extent to which the information is being utilised to inform operations and the impact of that locally.

Mrs. Flynn added that the Camlough SID sign appears to have been hit and will need to be re-grounded.

Superintendent Haslett addressed the Camlough speed concerns, and advised that road safety continues to be a priority for PSNI in Newry, Mourne and Down. There has been one further death on the roads since the last meeting, a male was killed in the Downpatrick area. There are a number of factors which inform where speeding operations take place. The SID data is used, but also data from Road Traffic Collisions is used. Repeat locations where there have been three RTCs with injuries in the last four months include the Camlough Road and Belfast Road in Newry between 4-7.30pm. Regarding Camlough, the PSNI are aware of the SID data and this is used to inform local operations. Superintendent Haslett discussed the hotspot times from Camlough and advised that in the last reporting period, the Slieve Gullion North Team conducted two early morning road safety operations in Camlough.

In terms of Road Safety across the whole district during this reporting period, officers from NMD arrested 58 drivers for drink driving, 83 drivers were detected driving with no insurance and received either a fixed penalty notice or were referred to the courts. 66 drivers were detected a for speeding and they received either a fixed penalty notice or were referred to the courts. Superintendent Haslett added that he would take a look at Camlough and if possible would try to extract the additional data on Camlough as suggested by Mrs Flynn.

**Agreed: It was agreed the Committee:**

- **Note the report**

## **7 PCSP Sub Group Report**

Read: PCSP Sub Group Report (copy circulated)

Councillor Hanlon noted an error in the Action Sheet of the ASB Sub Group Meeting 2 held on 5 September stating that Councillor Galbraith chaired the meeting, this should state that Councillor Hanlon chaired that meeting.

Mrs. Flynn advised that subject to the above amendment being made, the Action Sheets for both ASB Sub Group Meetings are for approval.

**Agreed: On the proposal of Mr. McEvoy, seconded by Mrs. Byrne it was agreed the Committee:**

- **Note the report.**
- **Agree the attached Draft Action Sheets of ASB Sub Group 1 held on 6 September 2023 and ASB Sub Group 2 held on 5 September 2023.**

## **8 District Commander's Report – Period 2**

Read: District Commander's Report – Period 2 (copy circulated)

Superintendent Haslett updated on the District Commander's Report to the Partnership, highlighting the following points:

### **ASB**

ASB is on a downward trend following higher levels in July. The August peak times for ASB were on Thursdays and Saturdays. The key emerging issue for ASB is focussing on Halloween and planning is ongoing to deal with issues which Halloween raises across the District.

### **Domestic Abuse**

Domestic abuse incidents have decreased overall in the last rolling year by 201. There has been 181 less domestic offences and 20 less domestic incidents. Op Encompass was discussed, since the commencement of 22/23 school year, police have attended 842 domestic incidents and referred 1,593 children to their respective schools.

### **Crime**

The overall crime rate in the last rolling year in the District has decreased by 2.9%. Violence against the person has decreased by 14.2%. Sexual offences have increased by 3.4%, however some of those have been historical cases. Burglary is down by 5.9%. Residential burglary is down by 13.2%. The clearance rate is currently sitting at 32.8% which 3.5% higher than last year.

Superintendent Haslett added that since the last meeting, the PSNI have been faced with a number of very challenging incidents across the District which include three separate stabbings and 2 shootings. 4 out of these 5 incidents have been classed as attempted murder. Added to this, there was also the tragic death of an elderly couple on the Greenan Road near Newry.

The ongoing incidents discussed are a cause for concern and it has been a difficult time for the PSNI with the data breach and resignation of the Chief Constable. Superintendent Haslett reassured the Partnership that it is business as usual for Police Officers in Newry, Mourne and Down as they continue give the best service they can to the citizens of the District.

Councillor Hanlon noted the death of the elderly couple and how this reinforces the importance of looking in on elderly neighbours to check on them.

Councillor Hanlon asked was Op Encompass now extended out to all schools. Superintendent Haslett advised that the scheme was initially piloted locally and had now been rolled out to all schools.

Councillor Murphy commented on the two shootings that had taken place in South Armagh and welcomed that arrests had been made that morning in relation to the Crossmaglen shooting. Councillor Murphy added that it has been three weeks since the shootings, the gap of time can cause pressure on relationships and confidence. Councillor Murphy added that the details of the vehicle used in the Crossmaglen shooting hadn't been released publicly and asked would it not be useful for this information to be made available.

Superintendent Haslett updated on the attempted murder at Ballsmill Road, Crossmaglen and informed the Partnership that a significant search operation involving over 100 officers took place that morning with 5 arrests being made and an amount of drugs and cash were seized from the premises which were searched. On the timing between the shooting and the complex policing operation of that size, it took time to put this together. Superintendent Haslett added that he is confident in the efficiency of the investigation to date. In terms of the vehicle, as this is an ongoing investigation it would be improper to comment on that aspect but would encourage local Councillors if they have any information that could assist with the investigation to pass it on to the PSNI.

## 9 Date of Next Meeting

The next PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday 28 November at 6pm, this will be held in the Downshire Civic Centre, Downpatrick with a hybrid option available. Councillor Hanlon encouraged all members to attend in person if possible.

Mrs Leckey added her thanks to those who attended the PBNI open day.

Councillor Reilly commented on the incredible volume of work that is covered in the PSNI and PCSP reports and varied themes that are covered.

Mrs. Flynn reminded members that two PCSP planning sessions are scheduled for October and this is an opportunity for members to discuss items such as awareness raising and an opportunity to discuss practical ideas to incorporate into the next year's Action Plan. These sessions are held in October with a view to bring the 2024/25 Action Plan to the November PCSP meeting for approval.

The dates for the planning sessions are:

- Tuesday 17 October 10am-1pm in the Burrendale Hotel, Newcastle
- Thursday 19 October 6-9pm in the Canal Court Hotel, Newry

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.08pm.

<b>Report to:</b>	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 December 2023
<b>Subject:</b>	Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership (NRP) Report
<b>Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Alison Robb, Assistant Director for Community Engagement
<b>Contact Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Aisling Rennick, Engagement & Development Manager Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement

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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose and Background</b>
1.1	<p><b>Purpose</b></p> <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 Wednesday 5 July 2023.</li> </ul> <p><b>Background</b></p> <p>The attached Minutes of the Downpatrick NRP Meeting held on Wednesday 5 July 2023 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 report.</li> <li>Note the attached Minutes of the Downpatrick NRP Meeting held on Wednesday 5 July 2023, approved at Downpatrick NRP Meeting held on Tuesday 14 November 2023.</li> </ul>
<b>4.0</b>	Resource implications
4.1	None.
<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	<b><i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i></b>

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6.0	<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	<b>Appendices</b>
7.1	Appendix 1: Minutes of Downpatrick NRP Meeting held on Wednesday 5 July 2023.
8.0	<b>Background Documents</b>
8.1	None.

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## **Action Sheet of Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting held on Wednesday 5 July 2023 at 4.00 pm in St Patrick's Centre, Downpatrick**

<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Nicholas McCrickard</b>	<b>County Down Rural Community Network (CDRCN)</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Jenny Lavery</b> <b>Alison McCarthy</b> <b>Jeanette McCarthy</b> <b>Tatiana Seed</b> <b>Deborah Finlay</b> <b>Anthony Trainor</b> <b>Seamus Blaney</b> <b>Paul Fitzsimons</b> <b>Dan McEvoy</b> <b>Macartan Digney</b> <b>Liam Gunn</b> <b>Brian Morrow</b>	<b>County Down Rural Community Network (CDRCN)</b> <b>Tosu Ur</b> <b>Tosu Ur</b> <b>SERC</b> <b>Model Farm Community Association (MFCA)</b> <b>Stream Street Residents Association (SSRA)</b> <b>Stream Street Residents Association (SSRA)</b> <b>Education Authority</b> <b>Downpatrick Community Collective</b> <b>Downpatrick Community Collective</b> <b>Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE)</b> <b>Department for Communities (DfC)</b>
<b>Council Officials:</b>	<b>Katrina Hynds</b>	<b>Technical Officer, Downpatrick NHR</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Lisa Perry</b> <b>Mel Murray</b> <b>Susan Casement</b> <b>Lillian Swaffield</b> <b>Damien Brannigan</b> <b>Aisling Rennick</b> <b>Maria Kelly</b>	<b>Flying Horse Ward Community Forum (FHWCF)</b> <b>Education Authority</b> <b>Bridge Street &amp; Mount Crescent Community Association</b> <b>Bridge Street &amp; Mount Crescent Community Association</b> <b>Head of Engagement</b> <b>Engagement &amp; Development Manager</b> <b>Downpatrick Surestart</b>

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
DNRP/01/2023	Welcome and Apologies	The Chair welcomed members to the meeting	
DNRP/02/2023	Action Sheet	<p>Members unanimously agreed to adopt the Action Sheet 30 March 2023</p> <p>Following discussion regarding the Code of Conduct, Department for Communities advised that it is essential that all members sign the document and return it to the Technical Officer on or before the next Meeting</p> <p>Update Postcodes of housing developments within NHR</p>	<p>Technical Officer</p> <p>Technical Officer</p>

DNRP/03/2023	Promoters' Reports	The Promoters' Reports were presented to members and noted	Technical Officer
DNRP/04/2023	Additional Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invite representatives from Clanmill to the next Meeting</li> <li>• Funding has been approved for projects to end of financial year</li> </ul>	Technical Officer / Department for Communities

The Meeting ended at 5:15pm



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<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 December 2023
<b>Subject:</b>	Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership (NRP) Report
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<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 report.</li> <li>Note the following Newry NRP Minutes as attached: &gt; Minutes of Newry NRP Meeting held on Wednesday 4 October 2023, approved at Newry NRP Meeting held on Wednesday 29 November 2023.</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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7.0	<p><b>Appendices</b></p>
7.1	<p>Appendix 1: Minutes of Newry NRP Meeting held on Wednesday 4 October 2023.</p>
8.0	<p><b>Background Documents</b></p>
8.1	<p>None.</p>

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**Action Sheet of Newry District Electoral Area (DEA) Forum Private Meeting  
held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 3.30pm in Newry Leisure Centre**

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<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Councillor Gerladine Kearns</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Councillor Aidan Mathers Councillor Valerie Harte Councillor Cathal King</b>
<b>Independent Members:</b>	<b>Raymond Jackson, Confederation of Community Groups Eamonn Connolly, Newry Business Improvement District Colin Hanna, Newry and Mourne Enterprise Agency Noreen Rice, Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Thelma Thompson, Altnaveigh House Ltd Anne Auterson, Frontier Support Network Alison Slater, Family Support Hub</b>
<b>Statutory Partners:</b>	<b>Deirdre Magill, Southern Health and Social Care Trust Promoting Wellbeing Team Sgt Warren Roberts, PSNI Declan Murray, Area Learning Community/St Joseph's High School Maria Hamill, Area Learning Community Maureen O'Gorman, Education Authority Youth Service</b>
<b>Others in Attendance:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Council Officials:</b>	<b>Kerri Morrow, Newry DEA Coordinator Aisling Rennick, Engagement &amp; Development Manager Shannon Creaney, PCSP Officer Martina Flynn, Safer Communities &amp; Good Relations Manager Amy McKeown, Finance and Monitoring Officer (PSCP &amp; Good Relations)</b>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Councillor Doire Finn Councillor Killian Feehan Ann Grant, County Down Rural Community Network Niall Fitzpatrick, NIHE Thelma Thompson, Altnaveigh House Ltd Martina Flynn, Safer Communities &amp; Good Relations Manager</b>

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed
DEA/N/2023/1	Declaration of Interest	No declarations made.	COMPLETED.
DEA/N/2023/2	Matters arising from Action Sheet from meeting held 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Action sheet confirmed as a true and accurate record.	Approved.
DEA/N/2023/3	DEA Coordinator's Report	<p>DEA Coordinator's update report given. Coordinator highlighted the upcoming closure of the existing Financial Assistance portal and advised that groups should download their information from the system before 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024.</p> <p>Members requested further updates if groups in the local area need support that they can be advised of this need. Members also requested that broader communication of this be circulated potentially on other platforms ie social media.</p>	DEA Coordinator to progress.
DEA/N/2023/4	PCSP Update	Update reported by PCSP Officer. Information on upcoming initiatives to be circulated via DEA Coordinator.	Noted.
DEA/N/2023/5	Health and Wellbeing	Dierdre Magill, SHSCT, provided an update on the programme of activity currently available through the Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Health Programme as well as wider Health Service Initiatives. This included details in relation to programmes such as This Girl Can and other training initiatives.	Noted.

		Information on upcoming initiatives to be circulated via DEA Coordinator.	
	Health and Wellbeing	Raymond Jackson provided an update to the Forum regarding services such as Good Morning Project, Social Supermarket and the Hardship referral scheme. Information on upcoming initiatives to be circulated via DEA Coordinator.	Noted.
	Health and Wellbeing	Maureen O’Gorman provided an update from the Education Authority Youth Service in relation to local initiatives such as Young Men’s Project, Derrybeg Youth Club and others. Projects are all currently running successfully.	Noted.
DEA/N/2023/6	Environment	Noreen Rice requested the following items be raised with relevant officials.  Update on the plans for Martin’s Lane Playpark. Request Head of Outdoor Leisure advise Maureen Ruddy directly with this update.	DEA Coordinator to contact Head of Outdoor Leisure.
		Request Salt Bins at Violet Hill and Lissard Court, Newry.	DEA Coordinator to request through DFI.
		Sewage smell across Meadow area, Newry.	DEA Coordinator to liaise with Councillors re existing communications with NI Water.
		Rathore trees overgrown into neighbouring gardens. Request school arrange a maintenance plan to remove overhanging branches.	DEA Coordinator to progress.

		Raymond McCreesh Park. Members requested an update on the situation with this playpark. Request to invite Head of Outdoor Leisure to next meeting to provide update on play strategy review.	DEA Coordinator to progress.
DEA/N/2023/7	Economic Development	Eamon Connolly and Colin Hanna provided updates on the recent flooding across various Newry sites including City Centre, WIN and Flurrybridge. Both advised that there is a lot of work still to be done with individual business and that the community support was very well received.  Information on upcoming initiatives to be circulated via DEA Coordinator.	Noted.
	Economic Development	Ongoing professional begging within City. Members requested that this be highlighted sensitively with the general public encouraging people consider making charitable donations through appropriate organisations who can directly help those most in need.	Noted.
DEA/N/2023/8	Safety and Good Relations	Warren Roberts, PSNI, gave an update on planned initiatives in relation to tackling retail crime, drink driving and safety.  A recent partnership with Newry BID is successfully tackling retail crime locally and improving the confidence of both employees and shoppers.	Noted.
DEA/N/2023/9	Date of next meeting	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January 2024.	Noted.

The meeting ended at: 5.00pm

<b>Report to:</b>	Active and Healthy Communities Committee
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	18 December 2023
<b>Subject:</b>	Report on Notice of Motion – Road Safety Initiatives, NMDDC
<b>Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Alison Robb, Assistant Director for Community Engagement
<b>Contact Officer (Including Job Title):</b>	Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager

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<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose and Background</b>
1.1	<p><b>Purpose</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To note the report.</li> <li>To note ongoing Road Safety initiatives progressed by Newry, Mourne &amp; Down Policing &amp; Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) and other agencies (including NMDDC and the PSNI).</li> </ul> <p><b>Background</b></p> <p>The following Notice of Motion was tabled by Councillor Andrews at the Council meeting of 6 November 2023; at the Council meeting it was agreed that this be referred to the Active and Healthy Communities Committee –</p> <p><b>C/227/2023                      <u>NOTICE OF MOTION – Road Safety</u></b></p> <p>The following motion was received from Councillor Andrews:</p> <p><b><i>'Noting with concern findings that Newry Mourne and Down District has the highest rate of casualties in which someone was killed or seriously injured on our roads, this Council will commit to a prioritisation of Road Safety across the district; will review what funding is made available to the Police Community and Safety Partnership to consider future provision of Speed Indicator Devices and will undertake a public messaging campaign throughout the winter advising road users of the importance of road safety and the responsibility of all road users for Road Safety.'</i></b></p> <p>The motion was seconded by Councillor Galbraith.</p> <p><b>Agreed: The Motion was referred to the Active and Healthy Communities Committee in accordance with Standing Order 16.1.6.</b></p>
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Key issues</b>
2.1	<p>The Newry, Mourne and Down District Council area has seen an increase in the number of people Killed or Seriously Injured (KSI) on our roads. PSNI statistics confirm that 126 people were KSI in our District in 2022/23, an increase of 15 on the previous year (see Table 1 below) -</p>

**Table 1: Casualties in Recorded Injury Road Traffic Collisions by Severity of Injury and District 2021/22 and 2022/23**

Police District	2021/22					2022/23				
	Killed	Seriously Injured	Total KSI <sup>1</sup>	Slightly Injured	Total	Killed	Seriously Injured	Total KSI <sup>1</sup>	Slightly Injured	Total
Belfast City	4	136	140	1,690	1,830	6	135	141	1,714	1,855
Derry City & Strabane	1	65	66	563	629	2	44	46	587	633
Antrim & Newtownabbey	6	55	61	527	588	5	62	67	535	602
Ards & North Down	7	60	67	484	551	4	66	70	483	553
Causeway Coast & Glens	5	65	70	528	598	5	67	72	462	534
Lisburn & Castlereagh City	2	80	82	540	622	2	77	79	519	598
Mid & East Antrim	3	60	63	394	457	4	55	59	345	404
Armagh City, Banbridge & Craigavon	2	107	109	635	744	3	103	106	750	856
Fermanagh & Omagh	6	70	76	355	431	8	77	85	407	492
Mid Ulster	4	91	95	488	583	15	69	84	473	557
Newry, Mourne and Down	5	106	111	668	779	7	119	126	629	755
<b>Northern Ireland Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>6,872</b>	<b>7,812</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>874</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>6,904</b>	<b>7,839</b>

<sup>1</sup> Killed or seriously injured

Further, PSNI statistics confirm that there have been 60 road fatalities on Northern Ireland's roads in 2023 (as at 5 December 2023) – this is an increase of 12 on the same period in 2022. 9 of these fatalities have occurred on roads in the Newry, Mourne & Down District Council area – more than in any other Local Authority area in Northern Ireland.

## 2.2 Road Safety continues to be a high priority for Newry, Mourne & Down Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP). Recent initiatives have included –

- The continued promotion of The Paulie Project Road Safety documentary (produced in partnership with the Newry, Mourne & Down Road Safe NI Committee). This documentary tells the stories of local families who have lost loved ones on our roads – the documentary has been viewed over 70,000 times and has been used as a training / awareness raising resource by the PSNI, An Garda Síochána, the NI Prison Service, the Education Authority and a wide range of other statutory, community & voluntary organisations.
- Continued partnership working with local schools - 'Your Choice' Road Safety presentations were recently held in local Secondary Schools in partnership with the PSNI and the Northern Ireland Fire & Rescue Service (NIFRS) – participating schools were St. Paul's High School (Bessbrook), St. Joseph's High School (Newry) and Newry High School. The presentation at St. Joseph's High School also included a car crash demonstration with PSNI and NIFRS colleagues outlining what happens at the scene of a Road Traffic Collision (RTC) and the role of their respective agencies. Feedback from all schools has been excellent and further events are planned.
- Work with local Primary Schools, including the delivery of the Kid's Court initiative - this sees motorists apprehended for speeding outside a Primary School facing a 'Kid's Court' panel of Primary 7 pupils to explain why they have broken the 30mph speed limit as they passed their school. Motorists who do not wish to participate in the initiative have to pay the usual speeding fine and accept penalty points on their driving licence. This has proven to be a hugely impactful initiative and Council's Safer Communities and Good Relations Manager has recently supported An Garda Síochána and pilot Community Safety Partnerships in the Republic of Ireland with the development and delivery of the initiative there (the first Kid's Court in the RoI was held in Co. Longford in June 2023).



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Other work with local schools, including the distribution of No Parking Signs to local Primary Schools to assist with traffic management issues, the provision of Hi-Vis vests and other merchandise, and support to New Driver NI to deliver their Safe Motoring presentation in local Secondary Schools across the District (as part of this initiative each Year 13 &amp; Year 14 within the District receives a copy of the New Driver magazine). PCSP staff also frequently visit local schools and youth / community groups with colleagues from the PSNI to deliver Road Safety talks.</li> <li>- Continued partnership work with Newry, Mourne &amp; Down Road Safe NI Committee and The Road Ahead Support Group. This includes support to provide every Primary 5 pupil in our District with a copy of the Street Smart, Road Safe Key Stage 2 Resource Book.</li> </ul>
<b>2.3</b>	<p>The installation of 28 Speed Indicator Device Signs (SIDs) across the Council District has been one of the PCSP's most successful and impactful Road Safety initiatives to date. These Signs display the speed of passing vehicles and have contributed to a reduction of up to 20% in speeding violations in some areas. PCSP staff download and analyse data from the SIDs on a monthly basis and report key findings to the PCSP at each Partnership meeting. A copy of the most recent report (noted at the PCSP meeting on 30 November 2023) is appended to this Report.</p> <p>Data from all SIDs is also shared with the PSNI to inform local speeding operations (including Vehicle Checkpoints). This has facilitated targeted operations in those areas with high levels of speeding violations at peak recorded times.</p> <p>Demand for SIDs remains very high across the District; the PCSP holds a list of over 100 potential installation sites (as suggested by Elected Members, other statutory agencies / community groups and local residents). The Department of Justice – principal funder to PCSPs across Northern Ireland – has confirmed that no further funding will be made available to PCSPs to purchase SIDs (funding will only be made available to support ongoing maintenance costs associated with current SIDs). The Department most recently confirmed this position to all PCSPs on 28 November 2023. The Department for Infrastructure has also recently published a Memorandum outlining its position on the facilitation of SIDs – this does not include or extend to any commitment to support the further provision of SIDs in Northern Ireland.</p>
<b>2.4</b>	<p>The PCSP is committed to frequent public messaging highlighting its commitment to Road Safety – for example, during Road Safety Week (19 – 25 October 2023) daily posts on PCSP social media channels carried information on local Road Safety initiatives and other key public safety messages. These posts were shared by the PSNI and NMDDC and this sharing / profiling of information across agencies will continue during the Winter months. PCSP Staff have also worked with the Department of Infrastructure to confirm Council's corporate commitment to the 'Share the Road to Zero' pledge, a regional Road Safety initiative. A press event took place with DfI officials and the Council Chairperson on 6 December 2023 – profiling will take place in local and regional press / social media during December 2023.</p>
<b>2.5</b>	<p>Road Safety also continues to be a priority for the PSNI in the Newry Mourne and Down District. In September Officers focused on 'Vulnerable Road Users' and in October on 'Vehicle Safety.' Education and enforcement events take place frequently – for example, on 30 September 2023 the East Down NPT (Neighbourhood Policing Team) conducted a joint operation with colleagues in the Roads Policing Interceptor Team focusing on roads across the District where there have been repeat Serious Injury collisions. On 13 October 2023 the Newry City NPT conducted a joint operation with DVA Enforcement and HMRC colleagues, checking vehicles for road worthiness and defects. 12 vehicles received instant prohibition notices, removing them from our roads until rectified.</p>

	<p>Following a trial period - and working with the Newry, Mourne &amp; Down Road Safe NI Committee - Officers across the District are now carrying Hi-Vis vests in their patrol packs which they will offer to pedestrians and other vulnerable road users along with road safety advice.</p> <p>In the most recent reporting period Officers from Newry Mourne and Down also arrested 60 drivers for drink or drug driving. This represents the highest number of detections within the PSNI outside of the Belfast area. Officers across the District are also making best use of a new fixed penalty for Careless Driving which carries 3 penalty points and £100 fine, making 38 suitable detections during September and October 2023.</p> <p>The PSNI will continue to highlight key Winter Road Safety messages on social media over the coming weeks and months – this will include information on driving your vehicle in wintry weather, and the importance of vehicle roadworthiness over the Winter months. The PSNI 2023/24 anti-drink and drug drive operation was also launched on 5 December 2023 - over the coming weeks targeted operations will run day and night across Northern Ireland, with co-ordinated road safety operations also taking place in border counties (in partnership with An Garda Síochána Traffic Corp).</p>
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
3.1	<p>That the Committee:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Note the report.</li> <li>• To note ongoing Road Safety initiatives progressed by Newry, Mourne &amp; Down Policing &amp; Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) and other agencies (including NMDDC and the PSNI).</li> </ul>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Resource implications</b>
4.1	None (cost of PCSP initiatives is provided for in the PCSP 2023/24 Action Plan).
<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>

	Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided)	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Rationale:</i>	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)</b>	
6.1	Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, please complete the following: Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Appendices</b>	
7.1	NMD SIDs Data Report November 2023.	
<b>8.0</b>	<b>Background Documents</b>	
8.1	None.	

**Table Showing Data collected from SIDs 18 September 2023 – 20 November 2023**

<b>Location of SID</b>	<b>85% of vehicles were travelling at this speed (MPH)</b>	<b>% Speed violations over 30mph (*40mph)</b>	<b>% Speed violations over 35mph (*45mph)</b>	<b>No. speed violations over 70mph</b>	<b>Average % reduction in speed caused by SID</b>	<b>Time of highest number of Speeding Offences (&gt;30MPH*)</b>
<b>Annalong</b>	36MPH	59.6%	19.1%	0	4.37%	7:00AM
<b>Ardglass</b>	35MPH	39.9%	14.8%	12	5.66%	5:00PM
<b>Ballynahinch</b>	33MPH	26.3%	5.5%	0	5.92%	6:00AM
<b>Burren</b>	40MPH	68.0%	35.6%	12	No Reduction	7:00AM
<b>Camlough</b>	44MPH	76.1%	49.9%	344	15.27%	6:00AM
<b>Castlewellan</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Clough</b>	35MPH	45.1%	14.3%	14	4.66%	5:00AM
<b>Crossmaglen</b>	41MPH	57.3%	34.4%	2	6.33%	10:00AM
<b>Culloville*</b>	44MPH	30.7%	9.3%	0	3.24%	5:00AM
<b>Darragh Cross*</b>	41MPH	17.6%	4.8%	7	4.16%	5:00PM
<b>Downpatrick*</b>	41MPH	15.1%	3.7%	23	7.71%	6:00AM
<b>Dundrum</b>	38MPH	56.0%	23.9%	92	4.68%	8:00AM
<b>Kilcoo*</b>	43MPH	23.4%	7.6%	44	3.51%	5:00AM
<b>Killeavy*</b>	37MPH	4.5%	0.8%	0	6.12%	5:00AM
<b>Kilkeel</b>	34MPH	38.5%	10.3%	36	No Reduction	9:00AM
<b>Killough</b>	34MPH	40.9%	7.3%	0	4.48%	5:00PM
<b>Killyleagh</b>	38MPH	61.7%	28.6%	10	5.62%	4:00PM
<b>Leitrim</b>	34MPH	36.3%	7.3%	0	17.58%	4:00PM
<b>Mayobridge</b>	38MPH	65.4%	26.1%	0	3.33%	6:00AM
<b>Meigh</b>	40MPH	57.2%	30.8%	15	13.75%	6:00AM
<b>Newcastle</b>	32MPH	21.3%	5.8%	1	5.38%	5:00AM

<b>Newry (Camlough Road)</b>	35MPH	42.0%	13.9%	60	3.33%	9:00AM
<b>Newry (Chancellors Road)*</b>	38MPH	8.5%	1.9%	1	No Reduction	7:00PM
<b>Newtownhamilton</b>	41MPH	71.7%	40.6%	14	5.88%	11:00AM
<b>Rostrevor</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Saintfield</b>	38MPH	44.3%	21.4%	15	7.33%	6:00AM
<b>Strangford</b>	38MPH	65.4%	30.7%	295	4.54%	11:00AM
<b>Warrenpoint</b>	38MPH	48.6%	16.2%	10	1.66%	9:00AM

**Notes:**

Downpatrick, Newry (Chancellors Road), Darragh Cross, Kilcoo, Killeavy and Culloville SID are placed in a 40mph zone and therefore the table has been amended to reflect speed trends for this area by an Asterix.

7 new SID's have now been installed across the District. The new SID locations are in Annalong, Ballynahinch, Culloville, Killeavy, Killough, Leitrim, and Mayobridge. These signs have been active since the August 2023.

Castlewellan SID and Rostrevor SID were unable to download the data. This issues has been reported to PWS Signs.

**Key trends from data**

- The overall average percentile reduction in speed caused by SIDs was 5.56%
- On average 17.87% of vehicles going past the SIDs were traveling over 35mph (\*45mph).
- The SID which caused the highest reduction in speeding was Leitrim SID at 17.58%