

NEWRY, MOURNE & DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Ref: AHC/2018

**Minutes of Active and Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held
on Monday 17 December 2018 at 6.00pm in the Mourne Room,
Downshire Civic Centre, Downpatrick**

Chairperson: Councillor G Sharvin

In attendance: **(Councillors)**

Councillor T Andrews	Councillor G Fitzpatrick
Councillor R Howell	Councillor D Hyland
Councillor L Kimmins	Councillor K Loughran
Councillor A McMurray	Councillor B Ó Muirí
Councillor D Taylor	Councillor W Walker

Officials in attendance: Mr L Hannaway, Chief Executive
Mr E Devlin, Assistant Director, Health & Wellbeing
Mr K Gordon, Head of Indoor Leisure
Mr C Haughey, Head of Outdoor Leisure
Mrs D Starkey, Democratic Services Officer
Ms L O'Hare, Democratic Services Officer

AHC/242/2018: APOLOGIES & CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

Apologies were received from Councillors Harte and Quinn.

Apologies were also received from Mr M Lipsett, Director of Active & Healthy Communities and Mrs J Hillen, Assistant Director, Community Engagement.

- The Chairperson acknowledged the achievements of the MacMillan Move More Programme which had won the active life coaching category at the National Awards Ceremony. He also congratulated Laura McGrath, NMDDC's Move More Co-Ordinator.
- The Chairperson congratulated staff from the Health and Wellbeing Department on leading the campaign for Fairtrade District Status for the Council area. The Council achieved District Status from both Fairtrade Foundation and Fairtrade Ireland in November 2018. The Department along with the Fairtrade Steering Committee would continue to promote awareness of Fairtrade across the District.
- The Chairperson congratulated Callum Laird from Bright GAC and Tim Prenter from RGU Downpatrick and Portaferry GAC on receiving Ulster All Star Awards.
- The Chairperson advised the Bobby Dalzell cup final between Celtic Boys FC Downpatrick and Ballynahinch Olympics was taking place on Boxing Day.
- The switch on of Council sustainable Christmas trees had taken place in 6 locations throughout the District.

- The Chairperson congratulated and thanked all agencies and Council staff on supporting households and businesses affected by the recent flooding across the District.

Mr E Devlin advised 200 calls had been received to the floodline number for the District, with 90 calls suggesting water had entered properties. Council staff had been out and to date 10 had qualified for compensation payment. Councillors were asked to advise any constituents affected by recent flooding to contact the Council's Environmental Health Department.

AHC/243/2018: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

AHC/244/2018: ACTION SHEET OF THE ACTIVE & HEALTHY COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19 NOVEMBER 2018

Read: Action sheet of the Active & Healthy Communities Committee Meeting held on Monday 19 November 2018. **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: It was agreed to note the action sheet.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

AHC/245/2018: DEA FORA UPDATE REPORT

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, regarding District Electoral Area (DEA) Fora Update. **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Ó Muirí, seconded by Councillor Howell, it was agreed to note the report and agree the action sheets from the following DEA Forum Private Meetings:

- **The Mourne DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Thursday 13 September 2018;**
- **Newry DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Thursday 27 September 2018;**
- **Slieve Gullion DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 16 October 2018;**
- **Crotlieve DEA Forum Private Meeting held on Tuesday 6 November 2018.**

AHC/246/2018: PEACE IV LOCAL ACTION PLAN

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Ms J McCabe, Programmes Manager regarding Peace IV Local Action Plan. **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Andrews, the following recommendations of the PEACE IV Partnership were agreed:

- **Children and Young People - Youth-Led Citizenship Programme:**
- Procure and appoint a provider to develop and deliver the programme. Estimated cost: £163,600
- **Building Positive Relations – Ethnic Minority Cultural Programme:**
- Procure and appoint a supplier to develop and deliver a mentoring/befriending programme for minority ethnic residents. Estimated cost: £26,500

Total: £190,100

AHC/247/2018: REPORT ON ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR DfC FOR FRONTLINE ADVICE SERVICES

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, regarding Additional Funding from Department for Communities (DfC) for Frontline Advice Services **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Howell to award the additional funding of £10,042.07 from the Department for Communities (DfC) to 'Community Advice Newry, Mourne and Down'.

LEISURE AND SPORT

AHC/248/2018: REPORT ON THE INTRODUCTION OF ANGLING NI HUBS ACROSS THE COUNCIL – REQUEST FOR FUNDING

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Mr R Flynn, Sports Development Officer, regarding Introduction of Angling Participation Officer across the Council **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews, seconded by Councillor Walker, it was agreed to employ an Angling Participation Officer at a cost of an additional revenue budget of £24,000 over a three year period from 01/04/2019 to 31/03/2022.

AHC/249/2018: NEWRY LEISURE CENTRE CAFÉ

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Ms A Barton, Area Manager (NLC/St Colmans), regarding Newry Leisure Centre Café **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: **On the proposal of Councillor Loughran, seconded by Councillor Kimmins, it was agreed to permit the successful supplier to operate as set out in section 2.2 of the officer's report, subject to legal formalities being completed.**

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

AHC/250/2018: REPORT ON APPROVAL FOR COUNCIL TO BECOME A MEMBER OF SUSTAINABLE FOOD CITIES NETWORK

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Ms S McEldowney, Head of Sustainability, regarding Approval for Council to become Member of Sustainable Food Cities Network **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: **On the proposal of Councillor McMurray, seconded by Councillor Hyland, it was agreed to note the report and permit Council officials to commence the process for Newry, Mourne and Down District Council to become a member of the Sustainable Food Cities Network.**

AHC/251/2018: REPORT ON APPROVAL TO DELIVER A FUNDING CALL FOR BIODIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS ACROSS THE DISTRICT

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Ms S McEldowney, Head of Sustainability, regarding Approval to Deliver a Funding Call for Biodiversity Enhancement Projects across the District **(Copy circulated)**

Agreed: **On the proposal of Councillor Ó Muirí, seconded by Councillor Walker, it was agreed that Council officials deliver a funding call for Biodiversity Improvement/Enhancement Projects across the District, with allocation of £10,000 subject to the Estimates process.**

AHC/252/2018: SHIMNA FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME CONSULTATION RESPONSE

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Ms D Begley, Biodiversity Officer, regarding Shimna Flood Alleviation Scheme Consultation **(Copy circulated)**

In response to a query from the Chairperson, Mr E Devlin agreed to carry out enquiries into incidences of Japanese Knotweed across the District.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Howell, seconded by Councillor Hyland, it was agreed to send the circulated letter to DfI Rivers in response to the Shimna River Flood Alleviation Scheme Consultation.

AHC/253/2018: PROPOSAL FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF THE JAM CARD TO NEWRY, MOURNE AND DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Ms E O'Hagan, Health Inequalities Officer, regarding Proposal for the Introduction of the JAM Card to Newry, Mourne and Down District Council **(Copy circulated)**

**Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Ó Muirí, seconded by Councillor Kimmins, it was agreed to introduce the JAM Card Scheme to Newry, Mourne and Down District Council with the following option being preferred:
Option 2 – Main Council Buildings plus Parks (with staff) and Amenity Sites – total building number is 29.
Face-to-face training (1½ hour) and promotional material totals £832.82
E-learning totals £999**

FOR NOTING – DIRECTOR

AHC/254/2018: MID-YEAR ASSESSMENT PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2018-19

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Mr M Lipsett, Director of Active and Healthy Communities, regarding Mid-Year Assessment of Directorate Business Plans 2018-19 **(Copy circulated)**

Noted: It was agreed to note the Mid-Year Assessment of Directorate Business Plans 2018-19.

FOR NOTING – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

AHC/255/2018: NEWRY NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PARTNERSHIP REPORT

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, regarding Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Report (**Copy circulated**)

Noted: **It was agreed to note the Newry Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Report**

AHC/256/2018: DOWNPATRICK NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PARTNERSHIP REPORT

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, regarding Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Report (**Copy circulated**)

Noted: **It was agreed to note the Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Report**

AHC/257/2018: POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (PCSP) REPORT

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Mr D Brannigan, Head of Engagement, regarding Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) Report (**Copy circulated**)

Noted: **It was agreed to note the report and note the following:**

- **Minutes of the Policing Committee held on Tuesday 21 August 2018, approved at the Policing Committee held on Tuesday 13 November 2018;**
- **Minutes of the PCSP Meeting held on Tuesday 18 September 2018, approved at the PCSP Meeting held on Tuesday 13 November 2018;**
- **Officer's report to the PCSP Meeting held on Tuesday 13 November 2018, approved at the PCSP Meeting on Tuesday 13 November 2018.**

AHC/258/2018: SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND - UPDATE

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Ms J McCabe, Programmes Manager regarding Social Investment Fund Update. **(Copy circulated)**

Noted: It was agreed to note the report.

FOR NOTING – HEALTH & WELLBEING

AHC/259/2018: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION SHEET

Read: Report dated 17 December 2018 from Ms S McEldowney, Head of Sustainability, regarding Sustainable Development and Climate Change Forum **(Copy circulated)**

Noted: It was agreed to note the action sheet.

ITEMS RESTRICTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 6 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NI) 2014

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Loughran, seconded by Councillor Andrews, it was agreed to exclude the public and press from the meeting during discussion on the next matters which related to exempt information by virtue of Part 3 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Council holding that information) and the public may, by resolution, be excluded during this item of business.

AHC/260/2018: NEW DOWN LEISURE CENTRE HANDBALL AND SQUASH PROVISION

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Hyland, it was agreed the Committee come out of closed session.

Agreed: When the Committee came out of closed session, the Chairperson advised it had been agreed to note the verbal update on the current situation regarding the new Down Leisure Centre Handball and Squash Provision.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 6.25pm.

For consideration at Meeting of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council to be held on Monday 7 January 2019.

Signed: Councillor G Sharvin
Chairperson

Signed: Mr M Lipsett
Director of Active and Healthy Communities