

February 9th, 2023

### **Notice Of Meeting**

You are requested to attend the Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee Meeting to be held on Monday, 13th February 2023 at 6:00 pm in Chamber Monaghan Row / via Teams.

# Committee Membership 2022 - 2023 Councillor R Burgess Chairperson Councillor D Curran Deputy Chairperson Councillor T Andrews Councillor W Clarke Councillor C Enright Councillor G Hanna Councillor V Harte Councillor R Howell Councillor G Kearns Councillor M Larkin Councillor D Lee-Surginor Councillor H Reilly

Councillor M Ruane

Councillor G Stokes

Councillor J Trainor

### **Agenda**

### 1.0 Apologies and Chairperson's Remarks

C Mallon Director ERT

### 2.0 Declarations of Interest.

## 3.0 Action Sheet: Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee Meeting - Monday 16 January 2023. (Attached)

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### Notices of Motion

# 4.0 Notice of Motion re: Business Improvement District - FOR NOTING. (Attached)

To note the following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillor Enright and Councillor McMurray:

"This Council recognises the important role that Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) can play in promoting regeneration, leading economic development, and providing a collective voice for local businesses. It also recognises the excellent work already being done by Newry BID, and that this can serve as an exemplar for BIDs across the District. Council will use its human or other resources to enthusiastically welcome and support plans to establish new BIDs across the District, particularly in our main towns."

ERT Report - Notice of Motion - Business Improvement District (BID).pdf

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# 5.0 Notice of Motion re: Former Down District Council Building. (Attached)

To consider the following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Sharvin:

"Newry Mourne and Down District Council recognises the significant history that the former Down District Council building has to this area and through this Motion, will carry out full research into the history of the Workhouse, resulting in an interpretive panel being erected at the site for visitors and residents, and a temporary exhibition at Down County Museum to be arranged."

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### Enterprise, Employment and Regeneration Items

### 6.0 Update re: Artisan Markets. (Attached)

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Appx. Artisan Market - Summary of Trader Survey.pdf

### 7.0 Killyleagh Revitalisation Mural Project. (Attached)

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### 8.0 Regional Future Business Support Programme. (Attached)

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### **Exempt Information Items**

# 9.0 ERT Service Level Agreements and Letters of Offer - 2023/2024. (Attached)

This item is deemed to be restricted by virtue of 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.

EXEMPT ERT Report - ERT Service Level Agreements & Letters of Offer 2023-2024.pdf

Not included

### 10.0 Carlingford Lough Greenway. (Attached)

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EXEMPT ERT Report - Carlingford Lough Greenway Surveys.pdf

Not included

**EXEMPT Appx. Carlingford Lough Greenway Business Case.pdf** 

Not included

### 11.0 FOR NOTING: Tourism NI Learning Journey. (Attached)

This item is deemed to be restricted by virtue of 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.

■ EXEMPT ERT Report - Tourism NI Learning Journey AONB & Geopark.pdf

Not included

# 12.0 FOR NOTING: Tourism NI Market Led Product Development Programme 2022/2023. (Attached)

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	For Noting	
13.0	Update re: Covid Recovery Revitalisation Programme.  (Attached)  © ERT Report - Covid Recovery Revitalisation Update.pdf	Page 24
14.0	Crossgar Interpretative Panels. (Attached)  © ERT Report - Crossgar interpretative panels .pdf	Page 28
15.0	ERT Historic Action Tracker Sheet. (To follow)  © ERT Historic Action Tracker Sheet - for Feb 2023 Mtg.pdf	Page 31
16.0	New Listed Buildings - Listed Schedules NMD. (Attached)  © ERT Report - New Listed Buildings - Listings Scheduled NMD.pdf	Page 32
17.0	NMD Business Growth. (Attached)  © ERT Report - NMD Business Growth.pdf	Page 35
18.0	Parking Control Measures Inception Process. (Attached)  © ERT Report - Parking Control Measures Inception Process.pdf	Page 38
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### **ACTION SHEET**

### ENTERPRISE REGENERATION & TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING

### **MONDAY 16 JANUARY 2023**

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
ERT/004/2023	NOTICE OF MOTION RE: EU COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY SINGLE FARM PAYMENT	Council support the Notice of Motion on EU Common Agricultural Policy Single Farm Payments, subject to amending the Motion by removing the wording "small family farms" and including "all family farms", and to raise the concerns highlighted in the Motion with the relevant Government departments as required.	J McGilly	Work in progress	Y
ERT/005/2023	NOTICE OF MOTION RE: FISHING AND FISH PROCESSING	Council support the Notice of Motion on Fishing and Fish Processing as raise the concerns highlighted in the Motion with the relevant Government departments as required.	J McGilly	Work in progress	Y

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
ERT/006/2023	FUTURE BUSINESS SUPPORT – REGIONAL WORKING GROUP	<ol> <li>To increase the contract value of NMD Business Growth, delivered by Full Circle, by an amount up to £50,000, subject to agreement by CPD, Invest NI and the delivery agent.</li> <li>To note the update provided on the development of a regional approach for future business support activity post ERDF funding (ERDF – European Regional Development Fund)</li> </ol>	J McGilly	Work in progress	Y
ERT/007/2023	REWRY ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE PROJECT	To deliver a project to showcase the rich architectural heritage of Newry in partnership with the Ulster Architectural Heritage Society (UAHS) via a Service Level Agreement.	A Patterson	Work in progress	Y
ERT/008/2023	(EXEMPT) ANNALONG REVITILISATION ART PROJECT SLA	To approve a Service Level Agreement with the Annalong Community Empowerment to implement an art project in Annalong Village as agreed in the Annalong Small Settlement Scheme Action Plan.	J McGilly	Work in progress	Y

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/	Remove
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ERT/009/2023	(EXEMPT) JANE'S SHORE PATHWAY PROJECT LETTER OF OFFER	Council accept the DFI Letter of Offer for the Downpatrick Jane's Shore pathway upgrade and note the previously completed and approved Council and DFI Business Cases.	J McGilly	Work in progress	Y
ERT/010/2022	(EXEMPT) KILBRONEY FOREST PARK YOUGH CAMPING SITE	To approve the recommendation to operate a camp site for registered youth groups under the same model currently in place at Castlewellan Forest Park as detailed in this report.	A Patterson	Work in progress	Y
ERT/011/2023	(EXEMPT) KILKEEL HARBOUR WORKS	NMDDC include in budgets for the next 3 financial years subject to agreed funding package being secured and a suitable mid term review of progress against objectives and targets.	J McGilly	Work in progress	Y
ERT/012/2023	(EXEMPT) SERC EXCELLENCE AWARDS	To approve sponsorship to the South Eastern Regional College's 2023 Excellence Awards as a headline sponsor and category sponsor for the Apprenticeship of the Year.	J McGilly	Work in progress	Y
ERT/013/2023	(EXEMPT) WARRENPOINT HARBOUR AUTHORITY (SLA)	To enter into a Service Level Agreement with Warrenpoint Harbour Authority to showcase the District to	A Patterson	Work in progress	Y

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
		inbound cruise passengers, and to secure the visit of the Grace O Malley tall ship in 2023.			
ERT/014/2023	(EXEMPT) KILBRONEY PARK CAFÉ LICENCE EXTENSION	To note the content of Report dated 16 January 2023 from Mr A Patterson Assistant Director Tourism Culture & Events, regarding Kilbroney Park Café Licence Extension.	A Patterson	Complete	Y
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Report to:	Enterprise, Regeneration and Tourism Committee
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 February 2023
Subject:	Notice or motion – Support for Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)
Reporting Officer	Jonathan McGilly Assistant Director
(Including Job Title):	Enterprise Employment and Regeneration
Contact Officer	Jonathan McGilly Assistant Director
(Including Job Title):	Enterprise Employment and Regeneration

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

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### 1.0 Purpose and Background

1.1 To provide some background and information relevant to the following notice of motion as proposed by Councillor Enright and seconded by Councillor McMurray.

"This Council recognises the important role that Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) can play in promoting regeneration, leading economic development, and providing a collective voice for local businesses. It also recognises the excellent work already being done by Newry BID, and that this can serve as an exemplar for BIDs across the district. Council will use its human or other resources to enthusiastically welcome and support plans to establish new BIDs across the district, particularly in our main towns".

### 2.0 Key issues

Legislation allows Town and City Centres to establish a Business Improvement District (BID). To establish a BID, businesses within a defined geographic area are balloted based on a published 4 year business plan/mandate, which will detail an action plan of services and additional services to be delivered if the BID is established.

Once established, all businesses within the agreed BID area will have levy of c1.5% added to the rates. This levy will be used to implement the actions detailed in the BID business plan upon which businesses have been balloted.

The responsibility to manage and cover the costs of the ballot rests with the promoter.

The Business plan must detail the key actions/ themes. BID expenditure cannot be utilised to cover costs of services already provided by agencies.

The BID will have a Board of Directors drawn from BID levy payers and they will oversee the implementation of the plan over the 4 year life of the BID. Upon the establishment of a BID Council is responsible, under a service level agreement, for issuing the BID invoices, collecting the levy, distributing the levy to the BID company, and pursuing unpaid levy with the agreement of the BID company. Council is not responsible for accountability of how the BID monies are spent. BID will be responsible for its own governance and accountability.

At the end of a the 4 year period the BID company can go through the same process and ballot members again to maintain the BID if so agreed. This will require a new business plan.

At the early stages of exploring the potential appetite for a bid and developing a plan, Council have no statutory remit to initiate, pursue or support the establishment of a bid. Council does not have to allocate resource for same. Given a BID is in essence an additional rate cost to business it is essential businesses and property owners agree on whether or not to pursue a BID, develop a plan and put that to a ballot when content it adequately reflects local need and is realistic based on anticipated levy income. If Council owns buildings within the defined area it will have votes in the ballot like all other property/business owners.

Council will ahead of a ballot be asked to review the business plan and confirm the proposals are additional to existing services and align to strategy for the area.

BIDs do provide an additional income source to help a defined area tackle local issues, support businesses, lobby on issues affecting members, plan and run events and improve trade etc, however in assessing the viability of a BID it is essential to develop a Business plan that is achievable within the available budget to ensure the desired impact can be achieved.

The establishment of a BID does not in itself lever additional resource from Local or Central Government however the BID company can apply to external funding sources and form partnerships with government and local government to drawdown additional funds and maximise the value of the BID levy. Public sector property owners in the BID area will pay the levy like all other owners/businesses.

Currently within NMD there is a BID operating in Newry City. The BID has been a useful vehicle for resourcing additional services within the BID area and levering additional resources. The Newry BID has delivered one four year term and in 2021 there was a successful revote.

The BID covers an extensive area in the City centre including the main streets, side streets and the 2 main shopping centres. It generates an income c£350k per annum to support the employment of a Manger, and support team, an office and deliver the activity detailed in the business plan under the themes of Investment, Marketing, Environment, Business support etc.

	To establish the BID in Newry a steering group was established made up of I business owners supported by Newry town Centre Management and the Chan of Commerce and Trade.	
	As a BID results in an additional local levy, local rate paying businesses are best placed to assess the need for a BID and define how the resulting levy should be spent.	
3.0	Recommendations	
3.1	That Council consider the merits of, and whether to support a BID proposal as a when one is submitted, and in doing so will assess the proposed business plant ensure there is no duplication of service and that the plan aligns to Council strategy.	
4.0	Resource implications	
4.1	There is no financial or human resource budget available in 23/24 budgets to support the establishment of BIDs in the district.	
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)	
5.1	General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to specific equality and good relations outcomes	о,
	It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations	
5.2	Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision	
	Yes □ No ⊠	
	If yes, please complete the following:	
	The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened	
	The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation	

5.3	Proposal initiating consultation	
	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	
	Consultation period will be 12 weeks	
	Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided)	
	Rationale:	
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)	
6.1	Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service	
	Yes □ No ⊠	
	If yes, please complete the following:	
	Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed	
7.0	Appendices	
	n/a	
8.0	Background Documents	
	n/a	

Report to:	Enterprise, Regeneration and Tourism Committee
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 February 2023
Subject:	Notice Of Motion – Former Down District Council Building
Reporting Officer	Andrew Patterson
(Including Job Title):	Assistant Director, Tourism, Culture and Events
Contact Officer	Noreen Cunningham
(Including Job Title):	Head of Arts, Culture, Heritage & Events

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1.0	Purpose and Background
1.1	Purpose To approve recommendations as set out in section 3.1 of this report to deliver a project on the history and development of Downpatrick Workhouse.
	Background C/029/2023 Notice of Motion – Former Down District Council Building The following motion was referred to the ERT Committee following receipt from Councillor Sharvin:
	"Newry, Mourne and Down Council recognises the significant history that the former Down District Council building has to this area and through this motion will carry our full research into the history of the Workhouse, resulting in an interpretive pane being erected at the site for visitors and residents, and a temporary exhibition as Down County Museum to be arranged".
2.0	Key issues
2.1	It is proposed that the Museum curatorial and education team and Heritage Officer will undertake a project on the history and development of Downpatrick Workhouse to deliver the following outputs:  • research on the history of the workhouse  • develop an interpretative panel at the site  • host an exhibition in Down County Museum, and  • host a series of workshops aimed at various audiences.
	As per Museum Review Report approved by Council in December 2022; 'it is recommended that the exhibition schedule as Down County Museum is considered and that in the forthcoming year temporary exhibitions are reduced or temporarily suspended.

In cognisance of this recommendation the exhibition on workhouse will be scheduled for 2024. This will allow the research and development phase to take place in 2023. The projected timeline is as follows: 1. Carry out an audit of material available on workhouse e.g., research sources, artefacts and excavation report June – July 2023 2. Undertake research in Public Records Office NI, 2022 and other venues August – November 2023 3. Writing of six graphic panels and sourcing of images December 2023 – February 2024 4. Graphic design and proofing of graphics and interpretative panel March – April 2024 5. Installation of interpretative panel at former workhouse site April 2024 6. Installation and launch of exhibition on Workhouse in Down County Museum in Cell Block Reception area May 2024 7. Delivery of a series of workshops on aspects of the Workhouse e.g., how the Great Famine affected the Downpatrick area, life in the Workhouse, findings of the 2022 excavation of the workhouse site. June – November 2024 3.0 Recommendations 3.1 To approve the proposed heritage project on the history and development of Downpatrick Workhouse as detailed in this report. 4.0 Resource implications 4.1 The budget requirements will be available within the existing museum & heritage budgets. 5.0 Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections) General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, 5.1 specific equality and good relations outcomes It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality  $\times$ of opportunity or good relations

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7.0	Appendices	
	N/A	
8.0	Background Documents	
	N/A	

Report to:	Enterprise, Regeneration and Tourism Committee
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 February 2023
Subject:	Update on Artisan Markets in Downpatrick, Newcastle, Newry and Warrenpoint
Reporting Officer	Jonathan McGilly, Assistant Director
(Including Job Title):	Enterprise, Employment & Regeneration
Contact Officer	Aveen McVeigh
(Including Job Title):	Regeneration, Business Support and Development Officer

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1.0	Purpos	Purpose and Background			
1.1	To provi	Purpose To provide an update on the artisan markets following a trader survey and seek approval for the recommendations in section 3.1			
	Background Artisan Markets ensures local craft and food producers have an outlet to sell their products locally, the markets enable traders to engage with their customers, receive feedback, raise their profile, and grow their business.				
	The markets operate in Downpatrick, Newcastle, Newry and Warrenpoint. The objective of the trader survey was to ensure that the offering of the market is attractive to locals and visitors to ensure footfall is maintained and increased.				
	The deli	very	of the artisan ma	irke	ets is through Service Level Agreements (SLAs).
2.0	Key iss	ues			
2.1	Trader S A trader	Surv Sur	<u>ey</u> vey was conducte		om September and November 2022, a summary 74 traders were surveyed face to face.
	Improve Reduction	eme on ir	nendations: nts for advertising n stall fee ovision in family/k	d's	activities
	Growing	the	market through f	000	d provision
	Council	has		ery	agents with advertising of the markets on social or the delivery agents with communications.

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Council provided entertainment at Newry Artisan Market in October and December to increase footfall.

Artisan traders and food producers have encountered significant increases in operating. Therefore, a reduction in stall fee is preferred to retain traders and encourage new trade.

SLAs with delivery agents have been amended for 2023 - 2024 to reflect the requirement to maintain and increase footfall, vary the offering of the market, and increase the provision of entertainment and marketing. It is proposed to reduce the trader fee at markets from £35 p/stall to £30 per stall.

### Newcastle Artisan Market

The delivery agent for Newcastle Artisan Market have indicated that they cannot continue their SLA with Council for the operation of the market for 23/24 due to logistical and financial constraints.

Alternative locations and storage for Newcastle Market is currently being investigated. The current delivery agent will deliver a market in March (weather dependant). In order to identify a new delivery agent for Newcastle Artisan market it is proposed to issue a call inviting interested delivery agents to submit an expression of interest to Council.

### 3.0 Recommendations

To pilot a reduction in the stall fee at the Artisan Markets from £35.00 to £30.00 for 23/24. This will assist traders to offset increasing operating costs and attract other artisan producers.

To commence an Expression of Interest process to appoint a delivery agent for Newcastle Market whilst investigating alternative location and storage.

### 4.0 Resource implications

- 4.1 The reduction in the stall fee has no financial impact to Council as the delivery agent charges the fee. This agreement is reflected in their SLA.

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  - There is budget provision for the delivery of the markets.
- 5.0 Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)
- 5.1 General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes

It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations

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7.0	Appendices	
	Appendix 1 – Summary of Artisan Market Traders Survey	
8.0	Background Documents	
	N/A	

# Appendix 1 Summary of Trader Survey – Artisan Markets

Location	Date	No. Traders
Newry	11 September 2022	19 traders
Downpatrick	17 September 2022	18 traders
Warrenpoint	24 September 2022	23 traders
Newcastle	5 November 2022	14 traders

Face to face surveys were conducted with written responses. Traders were asked their opinion on the time of the market, suggestions to develop the market, opinion on the operation of the market and stall numbers.

It is worth noting that weather and footfall impact on sales.

Overview of feedback from Newry Artisan Market

- 9 traders suggested change the day of market
- 11 traders suggested improvements in advertising and suggested alternative methods
- 13 traders requested a reduction in stall fee
- 7 suggested growing the market through food provision
- 9 traders suggested increasing kid's activities.

Overview of feedback from Downpatrick Artisan Market

- 7 suggested growing the market through food provision
- 9 traders suggested improvements in advertising and suggested alternative methods
- 4 traders requested a reduction in stall fee

Overview of feedback from Warrenpoint Artisan Market

- 6 traders suggested increasing family/kid's activities.
- 6 traders suggested extended trading hours
- 2 traders requested a reduction in stall fee
- 4 traders requested twilight/themes markets
- 6 suggested growing the market through food provision

Overview of feedback from Newcastle Artisan Market

- 12 traders suggested an indoor venue
- 5 traders suggested extended trading hours

3 suggested growing the market through food provision.

Report to:	Enterprise Regeneration and Tourism Committee
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
Subject:	Killyleagh Revitalisation Mural Project
Reporting Officer	Jonathan McGilly, Assistant Director
(Including Job Title):	Enterprise, Employment and Regeneration
Contact Officer	Aveen McVeigh
(Including Job Title):	Regeneration, Business Support and Development Officer

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either:-For decision X For noting only 1.0 Purpose and Background 1.1 To approve a Service Level Agreement with the Killyleagh Development Association to organise, design and implement an art project in Plantation Street, Killyleagh as agreed in the Killyleagh Small Settlement revitalisation action plan, and funded through the Small Settlement Scheme. Background Newry, Mourne and Down District Council in partnership with the Department for Communities, Department for Infrastructure and Department of Agricultural, Environment and Rural Affairs are currently delivering a Village Revitalisation Scheme (Small Settlement Scheme) in 7 areas in the district which includes Killyleagh. The Scheme is implementing projects through the following themes: Shop front enhancement scheme, dereliction, streetscape, open space, and active travel enhancement. 2.0 **Key issues** 2.1 Several key projects have been identified in Killyleagh as part of the Small Settlement Scheme and these have been agreed within an action plan developed by the revitalisation working group. Projects include shop front enhancements, dereliction, painting schemes, landscaping, and art works. One of the projects identified on the action plan and approved by the Steering Group is for a mural to be taken forward. Killyleagh Development Association is in a most advantageous position to deliver this project as they are concerned with making improvements within Killyleagh promoting community involvement and is a private company limited by guarantee without share capital. Killyleagh Development Association developed this project and presented, gained permission from the wall owner and has provided detailed project costs and proposed designs by the artist.

	This project fits within the concept and objectives of the revitalization scheme, has been approved by the funder DFC.	, and
3.0	Recommendations	
3.1	To approve a Service Level Agreement with the Killyleagh Development Associvalued at £6,750 plus VAT to implement a mural in Plantation Street, Killyleagh agreed in the Killyleagh Small Settlement Scheme Action Plan.	
4.0	Resource implications	
4.1	Budget available within the Small Settlement Scheme Killyleagh Action Plan.	
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	Rationale:	

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7.0	Appendices	
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8.0	Background Documents	
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Report to:	Enterprise, Regeneration and Tourism Committee
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
Subject:	Entrepreneurship Support Service / Future Business Support working Group
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Jonathan McGilly, Assistant Director Enterprise, Employment and Regeneration
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Amanda Smyth, Head of Regeneration and Business Development

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1.0	Purpose and Background
1.1	<ul> <li>Purpose         <ul> <li>To note the update provided on the Entrepreneurship Support Service including:</li> <li>Council officers will ensure the provision of the required support to move the Entrepreneurship Support Service through to procurement and contract awards</li> <li>Council officers will contribute to the completion and submission of an application for funding for the delivery of the Entrepreneurship Support Service until March 2025</li> <li>An update on progress will be brought back to a future committee</li> </ul> </li> <li>To approve:         <ul> <li>Council to provide a funding declaration form confirming Councils match funding to the Entrepreneurship Support Service for 2023/24 and 2024/2025. (2024/25 approved in principle, subject to confirmation of future rate</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	estimates)  Background – Current support Council's current business support offering for Business Start Up and Growth support is funded 60% via ERDF, 20% via Invest NI and 20% via NMDDC. The following programmes are supported through this funding:  NMD Business Growth  Tender for Growth  Digital Growth  Sales Accelerator  Digital Surge  Go for It  Across the above 6 programmes, from 2018 – March 2023, Council will have drawn down £1.2 million of funding, and delivered support to approx. 1308 businesses, and produced approx. 1500 business plans;

Business support under all the above programmes will conclude in March 2023.

### <u>Background – New Entrepreneurship Support Service</u>

All 11 Councils have been working on a regional level to shape a new proposal for future business start-up and growth support post ERDF support. This is the "Entrepreneurship Support Service"

The Entrepreneurship Support Service (ESS) is a new approach to helping potential entrepreneurs, new starts and existing businesses to maximise their potential and contribute to Northern Ireland's economy. It will provide would-be and existing businesses with flexible, tailored and easily accessible advice and support at any stage of their growth journey.

The ESS is led by NI's 11 local councils and provides a mechanism for councils to meet their statutory obligations relating to entrepreneurship and business start

Shared Prosperity Fund has been identified as an appropriate funder and Council's have been engaging with the Department for Levelling Up around the bid proposal, in order to secure funding up to March 2025. It is hoped that funding could be in place for Q1 23/24 and the programme operational by Q3 23/24.

At ERT in January detail was presented on the tiered structure of support from preenterprise, start up, growth and accelerated growth (scaling)

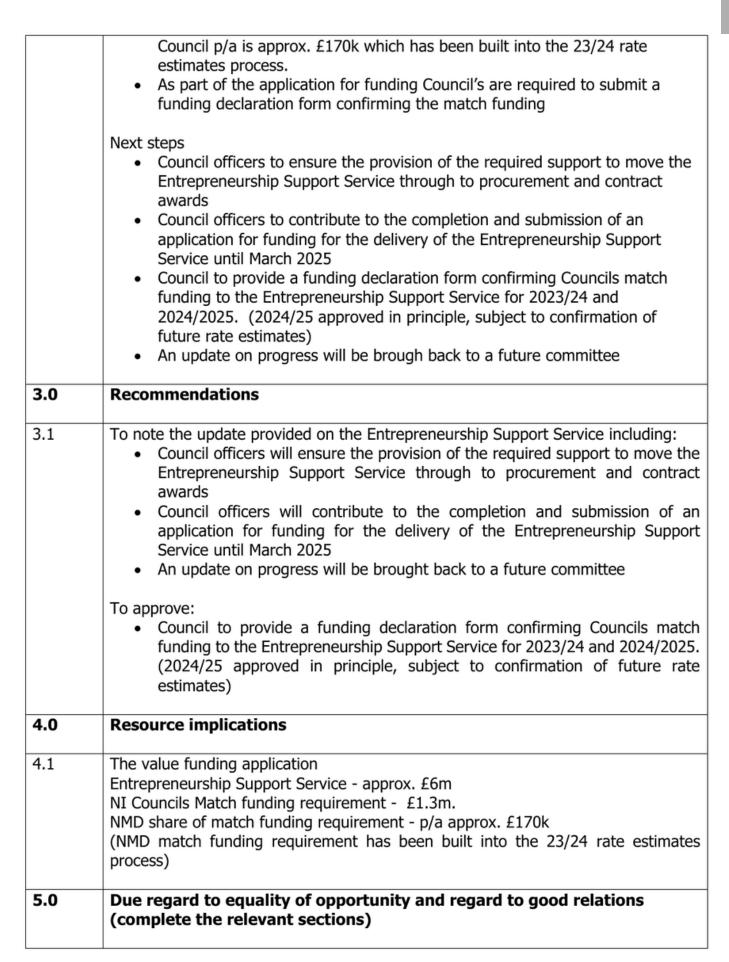
### 2.0 <u>Key Issues</u>

### Procurement

- Pre-Market Engagement (PME) was conducted by 11 Councils in January 2023; feedback from the PME is now being considered and tender documentation prepared.
- The procurement delivery structure will be managed with Council clusters across Lots; the core programme delivery requirements will be managed over 2 Frameworks. Supporting programme architecture i.e. MIS, web development & call handling will be separate procurements also issued alongside the main delivery contract.
- It is intended that in February 2023, procurement will be issued by a lead Council, acting on behalf of the 11 Council. Council resources will be required to support and resource the procurement process over the coming months.

### Application for Funding

- It is anticipated that in February UKSPF will invite Councils for the submission of a funding bid for delivery of the Entrepreneurship Support Service, up until March 2025
- A lead Council, acting on behalf of the 11 Councils will submit and take a lead in the bid
- The value of the bid will be approx. £6m with a match funding requirement across Councils of £1.3m. The share of match funding requirement from



	N/A	
8.0	Background Documents	
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7.0	Appendices	
	Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed	
	If yes, please complete the following:	
6.1	Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service  Yes □ No ☒	
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)	
	Rationale:	
	Consultation period will be 12 weeks	
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5.3	Proposal initiating consultation	
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	If yes, please complete the following:	
	Yes □ No ⊠	
5.2	Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision	
	It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations	
5.1	General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection specific equality and good relations outcomes	to,

Report to:	Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
Subject:	DFC / DAERA / DFI Covid-19 Recovery Revitalisation Programme
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Jonathan McGilly, Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Amanda Smyth Head of Regeneration and Business Development Seamus Crossey
	Project Manager EER Section

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

For decision	For noting	x
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### 1.0 Purpose and Background

### 1.1 Purpose

To note the update report provided on completed delivery of the Covid 19 Recovery Revitalisation funding.

### Background

Officers have now completed the implementation of the agreed programme of support that targeted a range of Business Revitalisation and Regeneration measures across the 6 main urban centres within the district utilising DFC grant aid, and across the rural settlements, utilising DAERA grant aid. (DFI monies covered both Urban and Rural). The level of funding was as follows:

Funding Allocations	DFC	DAERA	DFI	Revenue (DfC)
Received	£966k	£361k	£527k	£52k
Total Funding £1,906,000				

### 2.0 Key issues

### 2.1 <u>Business: Covid-19 Compliance Grant –</u>

Two grant programmes have now been implemented:

Phase 1: Eligible businesses were offered grants of up to £1,000 towards defined eligible items relating to Covid-19 compliance: sanitising stations / equipment, sanitiser, social distancing screens/counters, social distancing signage.

Phase 2: Eligible businesses were offered grants of up to £2,000 towards defined eligible items associated with a business Front Enhancement Scheme (minor works) + purchase of digital equipment i.e.:

- Exterior minor works: Painting, Signage, Door / window / shutter replacement
- Purchase of Awnings / gazebos for social distancing
- Purchase of Equipment for remote working and/or digitisation of the business to facilitate covid-19 compliance customer contact (IT Hardware and software)

Across both Phases outputs were as follows:

Total	Phase 1	Phase 2	Total
No of Letters of Offer issued	261	449	710
Letters of Offer Grant aid value	£215 918 16	£825 148 43	£1,041,066.59
Letters of Offer Grant and value	2213,310.10	2023,140.43	21,041,000.33

### Enhancement of Artisan Markets for covid-19 Compliance

 Purchase of capital items to enhance the safe operations of artisan markets across the district.

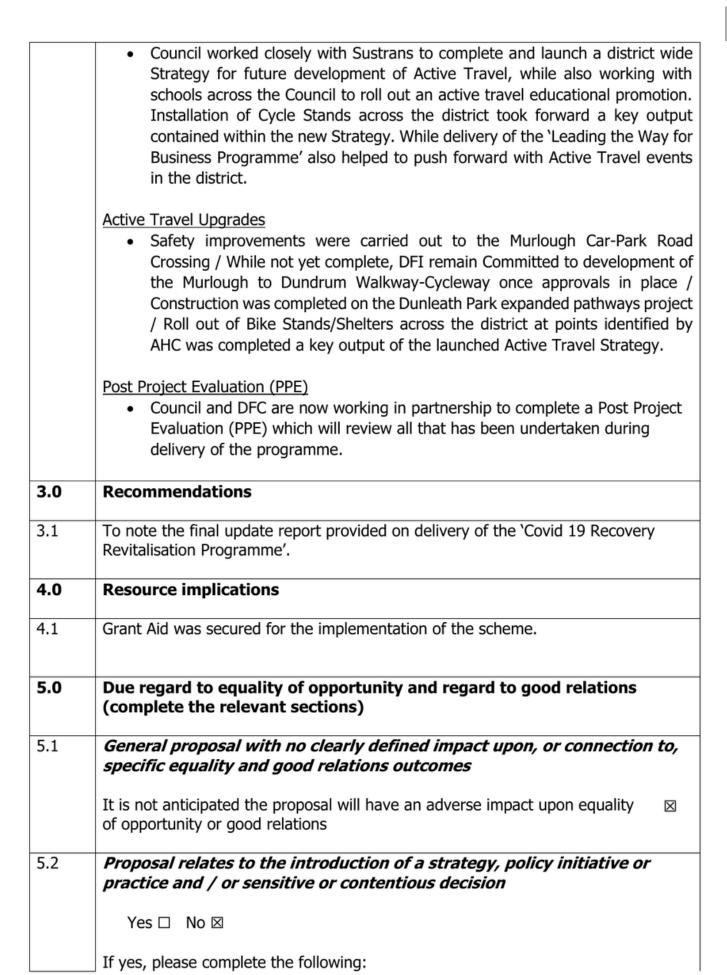
### District wide marketing Campaign

 Make it Local campaign was launched and successfully completed. Appropriate images and messaging were utilised to promote businesses across the district, to stimulate footfall and support reopening of businesses. Campaign included media coverage across all local publications, creation of videos featuring businesses across the district, billboard advertising in NI and ROI and a social media campaign.

### Enhancement of Outdoor Space for Covid-19 Compliance

 Works were completed in regards addressing several Derelict Properties / Also through the Councils Framework Contractor installation of street furniture took place across the districts 6 urban centres and 5 eligible rural settlements.

### Active Travel Strategy and Educational Programme



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	Rationale:	
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6.1	Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service	
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	If yes, please complete the following:	
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Report to:	Enterprise, Regeneration and Tourism Committee
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 February 2023
Subject:	Crossgar Interpretative Panels
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Andrew Patterson, Assistant Director Arts, Culture and Events
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Noreen Cunningham Head of Arts, Culture, Heritage and Events (Acting) Linda McKenna, Heritage Officer

For o	lecision	For noting only	X
1.0	Purpos	e and Backgroun	d
1.1	Crossgar provide the village Backgrow Crossgar Crossgar Killyleag The purp of Cross	the contents of thing information on the ge, two of which are und representations one high street, Crossgar are gore from the eight	Association, will be installing interpretative panels to e history and development of Crossgar, on three sites in re owned/manged by Council.  Association's plans to erect three interpretative panels in at the Council owned Lislea Drive, Recreation Area, and one at the Council owned Square Car Park, Crossgar). Is is to increase awareness of the history and development eenth century to today. The project has been supported ommunities (Historic Environment Division) and will be their Revival and Signage scheme.
2.0	Key iss	ues	
2.1	interesting the known develops.  The inst	ng addition to the wledge of local pe ment of the village tallation of the part	sm point of view these panels will provide a useful and interpretation of our local heritage as well as increasing tople and visitors to Crossgar about the foundation and the community is within permitted development and there are no red. However, the Community Association has been asked
	insured,	will be properly a	on Council owned and managed sites are adequately and safely installed on dates to be agreed with the site quately and appropriately maintained.

	The Council's Heritage Officer has assisted the group with the development of content for the panels.		
	The site managers responsible for the 2 Council sites have been consulted as the installation of the panels and have supported this project.	0	
3.0	Recommendations		
3.1	To note the contents of this report.		
4.0	Resource implications		
4.1	N/a		
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)		
5.1	General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection specific equality and good relations outcomes	to,	
	It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations	$\boxtimes$	
	The Community Association have been asked to liaise with the Equality Officer to ensure that the project does not have an adverse impact on the above.		
5.2	Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision		
	Yes □ No ⊠		
	If yes, please complete the following:		
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	Consultation period will be 12 weeks		

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	Rationale:	
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	If yes, please complete the following:	
	Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed	
7.0	Appendices	
	N/A	
8.0	Background Documents	
	N/A	

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### **ACTION TRACKER SHEET**

### **ENTERPRISE REGENERATION AND TOURISM COMMITTEE**

### (For Noting at ERT Meeting - 13 February 2023)

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	REFERRED TO	ACTION TAKEN	REMOVE FROM ACTION SHEET Y/N
		ERT DECEMBER 2022			
ERT/190/2022	TOURISM STRATEGY & BRANDING	To approve the proposed process and timelines to finalise the Council's draft Tourism Strategy and overarching Destination brand as set out in the Report.	A Patterson	In progress	Y
ERT/191/2022	(EXEMPT) NEWCASTLE HARBOUR PILOT FISHING TOURS	To approve a pilot programme of Fishing Tours from Newcastle Harbour effective from April – October 2023, with expressions of interest to be completed by 01 February 2023.	A Patterson	In progress	Y
ERT/192/2022	(EXEMPT) TOURISM NI MARKET LED PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2022/23	To approve the delivery of the Tourism NI Market Led Product Development Programme 2022/23, subject to a successful funding bid, as set out in the report.	A Patterson	In progress	Y
		(JANUARY 2023 to FOLLOW)			
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Report to:	Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
Subject:	Additions to the list of buildings of special architectural or historic interest in the Newry, Mourne and Down District Council area.
Reporting Officer	Conor Mallon – Director
(Including Job Title):	Enterprise, Regeneration & Tourism
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Anthony McKay – Chief Planning Officer

For d	lecision	For noting x only	
1.0	Purpos	e and Background	
1.1	Backgro The Hist responsi Ireland. As a res	se Members by way of noting, of the addition of three bees to the list of buildings of special architectural or historicarea.  Sound toric Environment Division of the Department for Commibility for maintaining schedules of listed buildings across sult of survey work carried out within the District, three es have been added to the list of buildings of special architectural or historical architectural archi	unities has s Northern buildings /
2.0	Key iss	ues	
2.1	St Mary' double h style. Th notes th and clok	owing buildings have been listed: 's RC Church, Forkhill Road, Mullaghban granted Grade height rural Catholic church on a cruciform plan and in he building was constructed in 1862. It retains its historic he retention of a number of internal features including to key window.	a simple neo-Gothic form and the listing the timber truss roof
	bay lobb	ganduff Road, Newry granted Grade B2 status. This is by-entry vernacular dwelling with associated outbuilding e period 1800 – 1819. The building group retains its vern	s. The buildings date

	much of its historic fabric, making a significant contribution to the local landscape and built heritage.	rural
	Bridge at Liscalgot Road, Creggan, Crossmaglen granted Grade B2 status. This attractive rural bridge with some architectural interest including cut stone, V-shocutwaters and castellated copings. The bridge dates from the period 1780 – 1 The bridge contributes to the rural landscape in an area of historic significance to its association with nearby Creggan Church/Parsonage and the Poet's Glen.	aped .799.
3.0	Recommendations	
3.1	That Committee notes the content of the report.	
4.0	Resource implications	
4.1	None	
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)	
5.1	General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection a specific equality and good relations outcomes	to,
	It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations	$\boxtimes$
5.2	Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision	
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5.3	Proposal initiating consultation	
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	Consultation period will be 12 weeks	
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	Rationale:	
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)	
6.1	Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service	
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7.0	Appendices	
	N/a	
8.0	Background Documents	
	N/a	

Report to:	Enterprise, Regeneration and Tourism Committee	
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	
Subject:	NMD Business Growth - additional support	
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Jonathan McGilly, Assistant Director Enterprise, Employment and Regeneration	
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Amanda Smyth, Head of Regeneration and Business Development	

Confirm h	Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either -		
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1.0	Purpose and Background		
1.1	<ul> <li>Purpose</li> <li>To note that additional business support to be delivered under the NMD Business Growth programme will be up to 40 days of 'one to one' mentoring to 20 participating businesses (with a minimum target of 12 participant businesses receiving mentoring) by 31 March 2023</li> </ul>		
	Background At ERT committee in January 2023, Members approved an extension to the Business Growth programme, to enable additional business support to be delivered through the existing contract, subject to engagement with the delivery agent and funder Invest NI.		
2.0	Key Issues		
2.1	Following engagement with the delivery agent, CPD and INI (Funder) the proposed scope for additional delivery under the NMD Growth programme is delivery up to the value of £20,000; the proposed scope of programme is based on timescales available to deliver the additional support, including advertisement, recruitment of businesses and the ability of businesses to engage in support by $31^{\rm st}$ March 23. The proposed outputs are:		
	<ul> <li>Deliver <u>up to</u> 40 days of 'one to one' mentoring to 20 participating businesses (with a minimum target of 12 participant businesses receiving mentoring) by 31 March 2023</li> </ul>		
3.0	Recommendations		

3.1	<ul> <li>To note that additional business support to be delivered under the NMD Business Growth programme will be up to 40 days of 'one to one' mentoring to 20 participating businesses (with a minimum target of 12 participant businesses receiving mentoring) by 31 March 2023</li> </ul>			
4.0	Resource implications			
4.1	<ul> <li>Current Business Support Programmes - Increase in contract value - NN Business Growth</li> <li>A match fund of up to £4,000 is required for this increase in contract value against the NMD Business growth programme delivered by Full Circle. This is available in current 22/23 budgets.</li> </ul>	1D		
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)			
5.1	General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection specific equality and good relations outcomes  It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations	<i>to,</i> ⊠		
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5.3	Proposal initiating consultation  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  Consultation period will be 12 weeks			
	Rationale:	<u> </u>		

6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)	
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	Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed	
7.0	Appendices	
	N/A	
8.0	Background Documents	
	N/A	

Report to: Enterprise, Regeneration and Tourism Committee		
Date of Meeting:	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	
Subject:	Parking Control Measures Inception Process	
Reporting Officer Mr. Conor Mallon, Director		
(Including Job Title):	Enterprise, Regeneration & Tourism Department	
Contact Officer Mr. Gary McCurry, Duty Manager, Off-Street Parkir		
(Including Job Title): Function.		

Confirr	n how this	Report should be tr	treated by placing an x in either:-	
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1.0	Purpose	e and Background	ıd	
1.1	Purpose  Members are asked to note the report in the context of an update, outlining the present position and requirements for progression to bring the Parking Control Measures Inception Process, by means of the introduction of tariffs / time restrictions, in selected Council operated Off-Street car parks throughout the District, to fruition.  Background  Some time has passed since the initial concept of increasing the Council's portfolio of charged Off-Street car parks was introduced for approval. The primary intention of this concept, was to deter long stay parking behaviour in many of our centralised car parks across various settlements, which negatively impacts trading footfall, in conjunction with the mechanism of raising supplementary revenue to assist with the financing of the entire Off-Street Parking Function.			
	Initial reports were presented to the Special Finance Working Group (SFWG) in September 2020, (Parking Control Measures) and post Councillor feedback, (Parking Control Measures Inception Process), December 2020. The item then progressed to the Strategy, Policy and Resources Committee (SPR 15/2021) on 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2021, whereupon approval was provided to proceed with an expected implementation date of 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2022.			
2.0	Key iss	ues		
2.1	1. <b>L</b> a	egislative Progres he Department for I ttempt to identify th	ession – All Councils collectively continue negotiation with Infrastructure's (DFI) Transport Legislation Branch, in an the mechanism which will enable DFI to revoke the current Northern Ireland) Order 2000 and enable each Council to	

enact their own individual Parking Orders. The Regional Off-Street Car Parking Group, which is representative of all Councils, have met with DFI and made a written submission to them regarding this issue. We await a response and expectantly, an avenue for progression.

- 2. Enforcement Contract As previously alluded to, the present Agency Agreement for Enforcement and associated functions, is unable to facilitate the increased workload requirements connected to the implementation of this process during the life of the Agreement, which was due to expire on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022. Unfortunately, the 8 Council consortium involved in the ongoing tendering process for a new Service Provider, had to avail of a 12-month extension to the current Agency Agreement, due to delays in the process associated with the recent pandemic. It is therefore anticipated, that a new service contract should be operational by 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023. It would be advisable to permit a period of bedding-in for the new Service Provider, thus aiming for a commencement date of April 2024, to implement the Parking Control Measures Inception Process. The additional car parks identified for inclusion within the Process, have been included within the tender specification document, submitted in the procurement exercise for the new Service Provider competition.
- 3. Review of parking dynamic Appendix 1, outlines the potential sites identified for the process, however due to the significant passage of time and the ever changing parking dynamic, particularly post the pandemic, all identified sites should be re-visited to ascertain if the need for inclusion within the process remains and to confirm the financial viability of each site, as occupancy levels may have altered.
- 4. Provision of alternative parking areas The introduction of car parking tariffs or time restrictions, will always present the potential to displace long stay parking actions into the surrounding areas. Again, as part of the review of potential sites to be included within the Parking Control Measures Inception Process, where possible, the provision / availability of relatively convenient, alternative, non-charged parking areas will be given due consideration to mitigate the likelihood of this occurrence.
- 5. Procurement The new Service Provision tender will hopefully introduce numerous Pay & Display (P&D) ticket machine suppliers to the arena and the possibility of either purchase or lease of the required units, for both a longawaited refresh of existing machines within our current charged sites and additional units for car parks introduced as a consequence of the Parking Control Measures Inception Process. Once a review of the proposed sites has been concluded, a P&D ticket machine analysis will be carried out and the relevant business case submitted for consideration.

# 3.0 Recommendations3.1 Members are asked to note the contents of this report.

4.0	Resource implications	
4.1	Increased resource impact within the Off-Street Parking Function, which can be absorbed internally. Furthermore, assistance, as previously approved, to utilise Consultant to assist with data collation.	
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)	
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	Yes ⊠ No □	
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	Rationale: No requirement to undertake a consultation process.	
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)	
6.1	Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service	

	Yes ⊠ No □	
	If yes, please complete the following:	
	Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed	
7.0	Appendices	
	Appendix 1. List of potential car parks for inclusion.	
8.0	Background Documents	
	N/A	

### APPENDIX 1.

PARKING SITE	No. OF BAYS	ANNUAL POTENTIAL REVENUE (APPROX.)	COMMENTS
THE SQUARE			
WARRENPOINT	136	TBC	TARIFF
UPPER SQUARE			
CASTLEWELLAN	56	TBC	TARIFF
DOWNPATRICK ST			
SAINTFIELD	66	TBC	TARIFF
DOWNS ROAD			
NEWCASTLE	225	TBC	TARIFF
DONARD CAR PARK			
NEWCASTLE	356	TBC	TARIFF
CASTLE PARK			
NEWCASTLE	70	TBC	TARIFF
NEWRY STREET			
KILKEEL	56	TBC	TARIFF
NEWRY STREET			
WARRENPOINT	56	N/A	4 HOURS - TIME
			RESTRICTION

- Provisional list of sites -
- Time restriction to be introduced at Newry Street car park, Warrenpoint.