

# Crossmaglen, Creggan & Culloville

## Village Renewal and Development Plan

### Addendum and Updated Action Plan: December 2017

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## 1. Introduction

The Village Renewal and Development Plan (Village Plan) was produced for Crossmaglen, Creggan and Culloville in 2012. This has now been reviewed and updated by the community in conjunction with Newry, Mourne and Down District Council. The review has taken the form of an addendum to the Village Plan and should be read in conjunction with it. The addendum includes an updated Action Plan (see Section 2), which identifies which projects and initiatives have been implemented since the original plan was published and highlights projects which could be focused on over the next phase of implementation.

Ove Arup and Partners (Arup) was appointed as the consultancy team to facilitate the review and update of the Action Plan. This update has been facilitated by a stakeholder workshop. The outcome of this is an updated Action Plan which includes a range of projects and initiatives that we believe will have a real impact on the area.

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The Rural Development Programme uses the LEADER approach which adopts a community led model to assist rural communities to improve the quality of life and economic prosperity in their local area, through the allocation of funds based on local need. Village Renewal and Development is an important element of the Rural Development Programme.

The Village Plan is a working document that requires the support of the community, and in many cases the community working in partnership with other agencies and statutory bodies.

It is important to note that some projects and initiatives set out within the action plan may be subject to future feasibility studies and analysis, detailed design, landowner agreements, statutory approvals and available funding.

## 2. Implementation

This plan is designed to improve the social and economic fabric of the area. The Updated Action Plan provides an indication of the key tasks which need to be undertaken to progress specific projects. This often includes detailed scheme design, preparation of the business case and funding application, and in some cases further feasibility and analysis. The source of funding will often dictate the order in which tasks need to be undertaken, for example the Rural Development Programme expects all statutory consents to be in place before the funding application is submitted. There are potential sources of funding available for the projects and initiatives set out within this Village Renewal Plan. It is important to note that reference to potential funding is for guidance only. Other funding opportunities may become available during the lifetime of this plan, and all projects will be subject to appropriate eligibility checks, application and assessment procedures as set by each funding body.

The Updated Action Plan also provides an indication of the priority level of each project based on discussions with key stakeholders during plan preparation. Alongside this, a lead delivery agent and key stakeholders have also been noted. There may also be other interested groups who should be engaged during project implementation or those whose agreement must be sought, such as a private landowners or statutory bodies. It is also important to recognise that priorities may change as funding opportunities become available.

It should be noted that the progressing of a 'Village Plan' under the Rural Development Programme does not mean that the settlement or area, to which the 'Village Plan' applies, is designated as a village in the settlement hierarchy as identified in the current development plans that apply to the district (i.e. the Banbridge/Newry and Mourne Area Plan 2015, and the Ards and Down Area Plan 2015) or the Council's new Local Development Plan for the District, which is currently under preparation.



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### 3. Projects and Initiatives to benefit South Armagh - Review of 2012 Action Plan

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|   | New Project   |  |            |                   |                            |   |  |           |         |   |
| Regeneration Initiative                   | Key Stakeholders  | Priority   | Time frame | Potential Funders | Actions                    | Progress @ Dec 2017   | Priority   | Timeframe | Actions |   |
| <b>1. Rural Infrastructure</b>            |   |  |            |                   |                            |   |  |           |         |   |
| 1.1                                       | Provision and upgrade of footpaths                          | DfI<br>NMDDC   | H          | S-L               | DfI                        | <b>Action:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure that the provision of footpaths linking small rural settlement to the key facilities such as sporting clubs and primary schools are prioritised.</li> <li>Ensure the timely upgrade and maintenance of footpaths where required.</li> </ul>  | Footpath extension not completed but still relevant. Provision of pedestrian crossing and speed management also still relevant.  | H         | S-L     | Continue engagement with TNI and NMDDC.   |
| <b>2. Tourism, Leisure and Recreation</b> |   |  |            |                   |                            |   |  |           |         |   |
| 2.1                                       | Improving the tourism potential of the Ring of Gullion AONB | NMDDC<br>Community and Business Sector<br>Tourism NI<br>CAAN<br>Ring of Gullion Landscape Partnership Initiative | H          | S-L               | RDP<br>NMDDC<br>Tourism NI | <b>Issue:</b><br>Ring of Gullion AONB is a key asset for the area. It is already well used by locals and visitors. . However, the full potential of the Ring of Gullion is not yet realised.<br>Its strength is its natural beauty and built heritage, therefore the protection and enhancement of these features is the priority, therefore projects should be well deigned and sensitive to their environment.<br><br><b>Aim:</b><br>The aim is to promote and encourage the tourism potential of Ring of Gullion, while ensuring the natural and built heritage of the area is well protected. | Several projects and initiatives have greatly enhanced the tourism and recreation potential of the Ring of Gullion in recent years. Including:<br><br><b>Ring of Gullion Management Action Plan -</b><br>This management plan outlines an agreed set of objectives and actions for the period 2011-2016 for the Ring of Gullion AONB.<br><br><b>Ring of Gullion Landscape Partnership Scheme:</b> The Ring of Gullion Landscape Partnership is part of the Heritage Lottery Fund's programme to conserve and enhance some of the | H         | Ongoing | Continue implementation of the Ring of Gullion AONB Management Plan for 2017-2022, and implementation of the Landscape Partnership Scheme as the key delivery body for the enhancement and conservation of the Ring of Gullion AONB |

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|                                      |                                    |  |          |            |                   |  | region's most treasured landscapes.   |          |           |   |
| <b>3. Environmental Improvements</b> |                                    |  |          |            |                   |  |   |          |           |   |
| 3.1                                  | Gateway Project                    | NMDDC<br>Community and Business Sector<br>Tourism NI<br>Ring of Gullion Landscape Partnership Initiative | H        | S          | RDP<br>NMDDC      | <p><b>Issue:</b><br/>The need for strong gateways and improved signage came across very strongly throughout the consultation for all towns and villages in the Ring of Gullion area. Rather than progressing gateway projects on an individual basis, we feel an overall gateway project for South Armagh would be much more beneficial, where a strong brand can be established for the area.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider the development of a 'South Armagh Gateway'</li> <li>Prepare a Gateway Strategy and brand for the South Armagh Area focusing on entrance features to settlements and tourist attractions, consisting of public art or unique signage for the area..</li> <li>The Strategy should consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unique image / brand for South Armagh depicting the heritage of the area and its Vision for the future</li> <li>Design and location of gateway features / signage</li> <li>Commission public art through a design competition, encouraging unique and innovative designs from local artists</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | This remains a valid project, however requires a suitable group to take ownership of it and drive it forward.<br><br>The RoG Landscape Partnership Scheme has completed public art / gateway pieces in some areas: Camlough, Bessbrook and Forkhill | H        | S         | Consult potential stakeholders regarding funding for unique gateways and signage. |

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|                         |                                    |                  |          |            |                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tourist Trails – Walking / Cycling and Driving</li> <li>- Accompanying marketing and promotional material</li> </ul> |                     |          |           |         |

#### 4. Crossmaglen - Review of 2012 Action Plan

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|                         | Orange | New Project                        |  |   |                   |         |   |  |            |         |   |
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| 1. Community Facilities |        |                                    |  |   |                   |         |   |  |            |         |   |
|                         | Green  | 1.1                                | Community Centre Extension                             | NMDDC Community and Voluntary Sector    | H                 | S       | NMDDC RDP – Strategic Projects<br><b>What's been done to date:</b><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full Planning Permission secured (P/2010/1222/F)</li> <li>• Full economic appraisal has been carried out to Green Book standard.</li> </ul> <b>Actions required:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Source funding – consider funding through the RDP – Strategic Projects and standard funding</li> <li>• Ensure that all criteria for Strategic funding is met prior to submission of application – Economic Appraisal etc.</li> <li>• Commission contractor and ensure timely delivery of project</li> <li>• Extend programme of classes / activities and events for all sections of the community to ensure the community centre is fully utilised.</li> </ul> | Project completed via RDP funding                    | n/a        | n/a     | No further action required.   |
|                         | Yellow | 1.2                                | Extension and Development of the Youth Club Facilities | St Oliver Plunkett Youth Club, AC, SELB | M                 | S       | RDP<br><b>Issue:</b><br>Crossmaglen suffers from high levels of deprivation (second most deprived Rural SOA in NI, and has higher than average unemployment rates (6.5%) and a very low level of the population with degree level education or higher.<br><b>Actions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build upon Programme of activities and learning programmes for young people – encourage youth to gain educational and skills led qualifications</li> <li>• Provision of computer/ internet</li> </ul>  | Not completed, however remains an important project. | M          | S       | Continue lobbying for the development of youth learning programs and possible funding for extension of youth club facilities. |



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|                         |        |                                    |                                      |            |                   | facilities/Café<br>• Promote and encourage the Irish Language |   |   |            |         |   |
|                         | 1.3    | Community Allotments Project       | NMDDC Community and Voluntary Sector | M          | M                 | BLF RDP   | <b>Issue:</b><br>Concern over the range of leisure and recreational facilities for older people in the community. This was highlighted during the public consultation:<br><b>Action:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Association to liaise with NMDDC regarding the potential implementation of the Community Allotment Scheme</li> <li>Gain statutory approvals and source funding</li> </ul>   | Suitable site not yet identified.   | M          | M       | Undertake assessment to determine need and demand for this project. If relevant identify project lead, and consider potential sites, costs and funding options. |
|                         | 1.4    | Community Gym and Walking Track    | CAA GAA NMDDC                        | H          | M                 | RDP NMDDC   | <b>Issue:</b><br>It was noted during the public consultation that there is a lack of publicly available leisure and recreational facilities. The GAA have shown interest in providing health and fitness facilities which would be open to the whole community.<br><b>Actions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project to be developed by the Community Association alongside the GAA.</li> <li>Gain planning approval for the scheme if required</li> <li>Secure funding</li> </ul> | Walking tracks have been completed around football pitches in Culloville and Silverbridge. No progress on the provision of a community gym. | H          | M       | Undertake assessment to determine need and demand for this project. If relevant identify project lead, and consider potential sites, costs and funding options  |
|                         | 1.5    | Home from Home Project             | Community and Voluntary Sector NMDDC | H          | S-L               | BLF RDP   | <b>Issue:</b><br>Rural poverty and social isolation is a serious issue in NI and in South Armagh, the document 'Tackling Rural Poverty and Social Isolations Framework 2011-2015', outlines the government's actions in relation to this. This is an innovative   | Programme was developed via Crossmaglen Community Association and submitted to Big Lottery - but was  | H          | S/L     | Arrange meeting / workshop with community and key stakeholders to discuss the feasibility of reigniting this project.   |



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|                               | Yellow |                                    |   |   |            |                   | <p>local project which aims to address many of the issues identified in the government framework:</p> <p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Source and secure funding</li> <li>• Establishment of the befriender programme</li> <li>• Establish a programme of activities/events</li> <li>• Develop the reminiscence room and sensory room</li> <li>• Provide a programme of alternative therapies</li> </ul> | unsuccessful. Project should be revisited.   |  |            |         |  |  |
|                               | Orange | 1.6                                | Enhance weekly market.  | Community, NMDDC, Business Sector, PLO. Arts Council  | H          | S                 | RDP, NMDDC  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider options to rejuvenate and expand the weekly market. Explore suitability of current location of the market. Explore potential redevelopment of Cardinal O’Fiaich Square to act as a dynamic event space reflecting the rich and cultural history of the village whilst catering for a renewed market space.</li> <li>• Explore options to install community art work through Arts Council Re-Imagine Project.</li> <li>• Explore options to integrate holiday home spaces alongside electrical charging points. A potential site may be the Health Centre car park.</li> <li>• Address surfacing at the Cattle Mart and edges of road at lower area of square.</li> <li>• Improved street lighting surrounding square.</li> <li>• Improve cycle connectivity with Square to include connectivity with Culloville and Creggan.</li> <li>• Signposting and way-finding (trails) to direct community and tourist toward key community services and areas.</li> </ul> |  |            |         |  |  |
| 2. Environmental Improvements |        |                                    |   |   |            |                   |   |  |  |            |         |  |  |
|                               | Yellow | 2.1                                | Creating a high quality shared space – Cardinal O’Fiaich Square | NMDDC, DFI, Community and Voluntary Sector, Retailers | H          | S                 | RDP NMDDC DFI   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design and implementation of a comprehensive public realm scheme to include paving, landscaping and street furniture. Address the issue regarding the ‘electrics’ for the Christmas Lights, car parking arrangements and provision of a children’s play park</li> <li>• Lighting Scheme</li> <li>• Wireless Internet Hub</li> </ul>   | Some EI Works have been completed to the square during 2013/2014 which included: landscaping, new seating / litter bins, and painting to railings. | H          | S       | Explore ideas to regenerate the usage of Cardinal O’Fiaich Square, and build on the existing events programme that takes place Undertake further environmental |  |

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|                         |  |                         |          |            |                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create a multi-use shared space which will accommodate a range of community events</li> <li>Ensure the upgrade of building frontages where needed to complement the overall upgrade of the Square.</li> </ul>   | <p>New mini pillars are in place to provide for Christmas illuminations.</p> <p>New Community Centre upgrade is well utilised as a shared space for community events and activities</p> <p>A range of community events take place throughout the year, with key events taking place at Christmas and Halloween<br/>Cardinal O'Fiaich Square remains underused and needs to be diversified to benefit the local community.</p> <p>Updating of buildings in the square is ongoing.</p> |                  |            | improvements to the square and building frontages |
| 2.2                     | Rejuvenation of derelict and underused sites/units | NMDDC<br>Private<br>DFI | H        | S          | RDP<br>NMDDC      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initiate a shop frontage improvement scheme for derelict and underused buildings throughout the town centre</li> <li>Encourage the redevelopment of vacant and underused opportunity sites. Liaise with landowners and provide technical and financial assistance.</li> <li>Implementation of a paint scheme to brighten up buildings within the</li> </ul> | Some improvements have taken place to building frontages   | H                | S          | Ongoing. 2012 actions remain relevant.            |

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|                         |  |   |          |            |                   | town centre and along key approach roads. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider the re-use of vacant and derelict buildings for community and youth activities – encourage arts and crafts and showcase local talent.</li> <li>Pop up shops – consider rate relief for short term uses.</li> </ul> |  |                  |            |  |
|                         | 2.3 Improved Signage, attractive landscaping feature at the gateways to the town | NMDDC Community and Business Sector RoG Landscape Partnership Initiative TourNI | H        | S          | RDP NMDDC         | The embankment along the approach road to Crossmaglen provides a particular opportunity for landscape improvements and public art.   | Some landscaping works was completed along the embankment but could be developed / improved further. | H                | S          | Explore the potential of working with the Woodland Trust to undertake a community tree planting event (trees are often provided for free).<br><br>Undertake further improvements to landscaped areas, and gateways |

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| Regeneration Initiative        |                                    | Key Stakeholders  | Priority | Time frame | Potential Funders | Actions  | Progress  | Priority H, M, L | Time frame | Actions   |
|                                | 2.4                                | Aesthetic improvements to key buildings along the approach roads to the town<br>NMDDC<br>Private Community and Business Sector<br>DFI / DFC | H        | S          | RDP<br>NMDDC      | Encourage the redevelopment of vacant and underused buildings. Consider paint scheme/vacant unit animation as a short-term measure to improve the aesthetics of these buildings.   | Some improvements have taken place but dereliction still a very big issue.  | H                | S          | Continue to work with and encourage private owners to undertake aesthetic improvements.<br><br>Explore with NMDDC the potential of providing incentives to owners through grants etc. |
| 3. Infrastructure and Services |                                    |   |          |            |                   |  |   |                  |            |   |
|                                | 3.1                                | Upgrade of the B30<br>Dfi, Community, NMDDC   | H        | S-L        | Dfi               | <b>What's been done to date:</b><br>B30 – Cullaville to Crossmaglen Road has been resurfaced in the past 5 years – DFI do not consider further works to this road as being a priority in the short – medium term.<br><b>Future Works:</b><br>B30 – Crossmaglen – Newry<br>DFI hope to begin maintenance works to this part of the B30 in the short term. This work has been in the Programme, however was delayed due to major infrastructure upgrades by NI Water.<br><b>Action:</b><br>• Ensure improvements / upgrades to transport Infrastructure in South Armagh is prioritised. The area suffers from high | No progress to date. Resurfacing road is high priority for the area.<br>A central turn off lane is required for traffic turning right on Creamery Road. | H                | M          | Continue engagement with TNI and NMDDC.   |

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|                                    |  |   |          |            |                                  | deprivation levels and good quality transport infrastructure is essential to improving business, enterprise and employment opportunities in the area.  |  |                  |            |  |  |
| 3.2                                | Provision of factory/industrial and office space to encourage the setup of SME's | NMDDC<br>Chamber of Commerce<br>Private<br>DFI / DFE<br>CCA | H        | S-M        | BLF<br>RDP<br>NMDDC<br>Invest NI | <b>Issue:</b><br>Crossmaglen suffers from high levels of deprivation (second most deprived Rural SOA in NI, and has higher than average unemployment rates (6.5%) and a very low level of the population with degree level education or higher (8.3% compared to 15.8% NI ave). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider the development of key opportunity sites for industrial and business uses.</li> <li>Provision of shared/affordable office space with good broadband coverage to encourage business start-ups.</li> </ul> | Project has not been completed.  | H                | S-M        | Vacant units at Casey's may provide an opportunity to provide space for SME's.<br><br>Undertake a scoping study to determine need for space, and potential business needs from units   |  |
| 3.2                                | Provision of high standard telecoms including broadband and wireless zones.      | NMDDC<br>Telecoms<br>Providers<br>DFI / DFE                 | H        | S-M        | NMDDC<br>Private                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider the potential of utilising Project Kelvin.</li> <li>Provision of a wireless hub in Cardinal O'Fiaich Square.</li> <li>Provision of improved mobile telephone networks.</li> </ul>  | Mobile phone network, and- broadband provision in remains a big issue. | H                | M          | Continue to lobby Departments for improvements to the telecommunication networks and infrastructure. Encourage broadband providers to improve infrastructure in rural areas. Continue discussions with council regarding options for a |  |

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|                         |                                    |   |   |            |                   |                                  |  |   |            | community wifi scheme. |   |
|                         | 3.3                                | Programme of Learning and development for all age groups within the area  | SELB<br>NMDDC<br>CCA  | M          | S-M               | BLF<br>RDP<br>NMDDC<br>Invest NI | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider the potential of further education and learning courses to encourage and develop business skills.</li> <li>Consider the potential to develop Crossmaglen as a hub for business and developers – focusing on the technology and software industry.</li> </ul> | No progress to date, however Initiative should remain in the plan.  | M          | S/M                    | See 2012 actions.   |
|                         | 3.4                                | Development of Community Enterprise   | Community and Voluntary Sector<br>Invest NI   | H          | S-L               | BLF<br>RDP                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of an Enterprise Centre</li> <li>Provide professional and financial assistance to groups setting up community enterprise schemes</li> </ul>   | Support is available via the social enterprise programme which offers professional and financial assistance to groups setting up a social enterprise. | H          | S/L                    | See 2012 actions. Continue to support community / social enterprises establishing in the area |
|                         | 3.5                                | Work with existing transport providers to ensure affordable transport for the disabled and elderly living in rural areas. | Translink,<br>Private transport providers, TNI<br>Crossmaglen Community Association | H          | S/M               | TNI,<br>Translink                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set up dedicated group to explore how a package of support can be delivered to improve accessibility for disabled and elderly people living in rural areas.</li> </ul>  |   |            |                        |   |
|                         | 3.6                                | Enhancement and improvement to  | DfI, NMDDC,<br>Community, Business Sector   | H          | S/M               | DfI,<br>NMDDC                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extend lighting on Newry Road to Creamery Road and along Creamery Road which is used by employees of business located in the area.</li> </ul>   |   |            |                        |   |

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|                           | New Project  |  |          |            |                            |  |   |                  |            |  |  |
| Regeneration Initiative   |  | Key Stakeholders   | Priority | Time frame | Potential Funders          | Actions  | Progress  | Priority H, M, L | Time frame | Actions  |  |
|                           | Street lighting  |  |          |            |                            |  |   |                  |            |  |  |
| 4. Leisure and recreation |  |  |          |            |                            |  |   |                  |            |  |  |
| 4.1                       | Develop an exciting programme of events for all the community which will entice visitors to the area | NMDDC<br>TNI<br>Crossmaglen Community Association<br>RoG Landspace Partnership Initiative<br>TONI<br>DFI | H        | S-L        | NMDDC RDP                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Build upon and secure the future of popular events such as the Christmas and Halloween Festivals.</li> <li>Work towards the implementation of initiatives set out in the Chamber of Commerce document 'A Pragmatic Vision for Crossmaglen and South Armagh' including building on the Ring of Gullion AONB and provision of an Interpretative Centre in Crossmaglen.</li> </ul> | <p>Christmas and Halloween festivals are taking place.</p> <p>Potential development of an annual Crossmaglen festival, adopting a different theme each year.</p>  | H                | S/L        | <p>Encourage a wider range of businesses to participate in the festivals.</p> <p>Engage with Council on the idea of an annual festival and explore possible themes that would attract both businesses and consumers.</p> <p>Build on the Ring of Gullion Lunasa Festival, and the annual Christmas and Halloween Festivals</p> |  |
| 4.2                       | Improve and develop the recreational potential of Lough Ross   | NMDDC<br>Community and Business Sector<br>Tourism NI<br>CAAN   | H        | S          | RDP<br>NMDDC<br>Tourism NI | <p><b>Issue:</b></p> <p>Lough Ross is an underutilised asset for the area in terms of tourism and recreation. Healthy living is a core aspect of government policy and encouraging active recreation is essential. The growth of tourism will benefit South Armagh, therefore the infrastructure needs to be put in place.</p>   | <p>Works completed at Lough Ross include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Toilet Upgrade</li> <li>New Jetty Facility</li> <li>MUGA</li> </ul> <p>Explore the completion of a Monaghan Way trail which would increase usage to the facility</p> | H                | S          | <p>Initiate discussions with community representatives about a redevelopment project at Lough Ross.</p> <p>Explore potential feasibility and funding sources for a trail linking Lough Ross with wider community. Consider installation of fishing stands</p>  |  |



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| Regeneration Initiative |                                    | Key Stakeholders | Priority | Time frame | Potential Funders | Actions  | Progress   | Priority H, M, L | Time frame | Actions  |
|                         |                                    |                  |          |            |                   | <b>Actions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of Tourism, Leisure and Recreation Strategy which would include:</li> <li>• Feasibility / Economic Appraisal of the provision of recreational facilities for land and water based activities</li> <li>• Consider funding opportunities to implement such projects</li> <li>• Encourage youth clubs and schools to get involved and support the need for these facilities</li> <li>• Consider events to increase awareness of Lough Ross and its potential:</li> </ul> - Sporting: Angling/Triathlon<br>- Family Fun <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• - Watersports</li> </ul> | Actions still relevant-developing recreational activities for youth especially needed. |                  |            | Implement actions relevant to Lough Ross within the Ring of Gullion Outdoor Strategy |

## 5. Creggan - Review of 2012 Action Plan

|                         |        | 2012 Action Plan                   |   |  |                   |         |              | 2017 Update  |   |            |         |                   |  |
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|                         | Red    | Major constraint to implementation |   |  |                   |         |              |  |   |            |         |                   |  |
|                         | Orange | New Project                        |   |  |                   |         |              |  |   |            |         |                   |  |
| Regeneration Initiative |        | Key Stakeholders                   | Priority  | Time frame   | Potential Funders | Actions |              | Progress @ Dec 2017  | Priority H, M, L  | Time frame | Actions |                   |  |
| 1. Community Facilities |        |                                    |   |  |                   |         |              |  |   |            |         |                   |  |
|                         | Yellow | 1.1                                | Upgrades to Play Area:<br>1.) Upgrade and extension of the children's play area<br>2.) Provision of a high quality multi use games area for older children<br>3.) Ramped access suitable for disabled and older people<br>4.) Exploit the location beside the river and proximity to Poet's Glen/ Graveyard – river walkways / viewing platform<br>5.) Provision of an open picnic area.<br>6.) Cycle Path / Community Trail from Creggan to Glasdrumond. | NMDDC DFI<br>Dfi<br>Community and Voluntary Sector | H                 | S       | RDP<br>NMDDC | <p><b>Issue:</b><br/>The standard of the existing play park was identified as the main issue and the number one priority for the village. The play park not only provides a core recreational facility for the village, but is also the central focal point. Again, the need to provide facilities for the whole community was highlighted; hence the future upgrades to this area should consider all age groups including disabled and older people. A high quality open space would provide a pleasant setting for parents and older people to enjoy the views of the river, while the children's play park and multi-use games are would accommodate children and teenagers.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b><br/>Commission consultants to establish layout and feasibility of particular uses and activities/costs etc. and obtain planning approval;<br/>Source funding and match</p> | No progress to date, Council has recently undertaken a review on play facilities and Creggan Play facility was not highlighted as a priority in the Play Development Strategy 2017. However, the Council can offer advice and support if the project was to be taken forward as a community led initiative. | H          | S       | See 2012 actions. |  |

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| Regeneration Initiative       |                                    | Key Stakeholders                      | Priority                                       | Time frame | Potential Funders | Actions              | Progress @ Dec 2017   | Priority H, M, L  | Time frame | Actions |                   |
|                               |                                    |                                       |  |            |                   | funding if required. |   |   |            |         |                   |
| 2. Environmental Improvements |                                    |                                       |  |            |                   |                      |   |   |            |         |                   |
|                               | 2.1                                | Traffic Calming, Signage and Gateways | NMDDC<br>DFI<br>Community and Voluntary Sector | H          | S-L               | DFI                  | <p><b>Issue:</b><br/>The quality and provision of directional signage is a particular problem at Creggan – signage should be provided on the approach roads to ensure that drivers are aware that they are entering a built up area and to advise visitors of the facilities available within the Village.</p> <p>Traffic calming is also a major issue which should be addressed immediately. Creggan is located on the B30 which is a key route between Newry and Crossmaglen, and not enough advance warning is given to drivers passing the village.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b><br/>Promote and encourage the Gateway Strategy.<br/>Liaise with NMDDC and DFI regarding the need for traffic calming measures on the approach to Creggan/DFI to consider various methods of traffic calming.<br/>Provide direction signage on the approach to Creggan</p> | No progress to date. This initiative remains a high priority within the plan. | H          | S-L     | See 2012 actions. |

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| Regeneration Initiative                   |        | Key Stakeholders  | Priority  | Time frame | Potential Funders | Actions      | Progress @ Dec 2017  | Priority H, M, L  | Time frame | Actions |  |  |
|   | 2.2    | Environmental Improvements adjacent to Play Park:<br>1. Formalised parking to complement play park upgrade and walkways to Poets Glen.<br>2. Landscape improvements to Old Glasdrumman Road – improve drainage, pathways etc. | NMDDC<br>DFI<br>Private Community and Voluntary Sector                      | H          | S                 | RDP<br>NMDDC | <b>Actions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Determine landownership</li> <li>Commission design and implementation of refurbishment scheme through consultation with the local community</li> </ul>  | No progress to date. This initiative remains a high priority within the plan. | H          | S       | See 2012 actions.  |  |
|   | 2.3    | Refurbishment of Millennium Gardens   | CCA<br>NMDDC  | M          | S-M               | RDP          | Commission design and implementation of refurbishment scheme through consultation with the local community   | No progress to date.  | M          | S/M     | See 2012 actions.  |  |
|   | 2.4    | Footpath from Glasdrummond Primary School to the Church / Glasdrummond Woods.   | NMDDC, TNI, DfI, CCA  | M          | S                 | RDP, TNI     | Engage with wider community and key stakeholders as to support and feasibility of project. Carry out feasibility, design and implementation study to assess potential feasibility of project. Engage further with key stakeholders and community re. preferred options. Seek statutory approvals and explore potential avenues of funding. |   |            |         |  |  |
| <b>3. Tourism, Leisure and recreation</b> |        |   |   |            |                   |              |  |   |            |         |  |  |
|   | 3.1    | Maintenance and enhancement of Poets Glen<br>Upgrades to the pathways and improved signage and information<br>Provision of café/ tourist information – possibly utilising the Church Hall to provide                          | Community and Voluntary Sector<br>TONI<br>CAAN<br>Church Committee<br>NMDDC | M          | S-L               | BLF<br>RDP   | <p>There are issues around the landownership of Poets Glen which hinder the regular maintenance of this asset. It is understood that it is under the ownership of Church of Ireland.</p> <p>Discussion should be initiated with the Church and any other key stakeholders regarding access to Poets Glen and its</p>                       | No progress to date. This initiative will remain within the plan.             | M          | S/L     | Liaise with Church of Ireland about the regular maintenance of Poet's Glen. Also engage with community regarding this issue whilst |  |

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| Regeneration Initiative |  | Key Stakeholders | Priority | Time frame | Potential Funders | Actions  | Progress @ Dec 2017 | Priority H, M, L | Time frame | Actions                                   |
|                         | social/ community enterprise. This could help fund the maintenance and upgrade of assets such as Poets Glen and the play park. |                  |          |            |                   | <p>future maintenance. One possible scenario is for the Community Association to take general day-to-day care of the site with financial help from NMDDC. The employment of a full time grounds person (on a seasonal basis) might be an idea.</p> <p>More comprehensive upgrades to the pathways, signage and information would also be beneficial to attract more visitors to the area which could be complemented with social/community enterprise such as a café/ tourism information at the Church.</p> |                     |                  |            | also addressing issues related to access. |

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| Regeneration Initiative |                                    | Key Stakeholders   | Priority                                      | Time frame | Potential Funders | Actions                 | Progress @ Dec 2017  | Priority H, M, L  | Time frame | Actions |                   |
|                         | 3.2                                | Provision of tourist accommodation   | Private Community and Voluntary Sector<br>TNI | L          | S-L               | RDP<br>Invest NI<br>BLF | There may be an opportunity for the provision of small scale tourism accommodation to encourage those visiting the area to stay longer. Private Individuals or farm businesses might consider diversifying their home or business to provide bed and breakfast or self-catering units.<br>1.) Consider the feasibility of the business<br>2.) Gain statutory approvals if required – Planning / TONI Accreditation<br>3.) Source funding – RDP supports Farm Diversification and tourism activities<br>4.) Promote and market the business<br>5.) Start-up businesses could benefit from Invest NI programmes such as 'Go for It' or local courses provided by Crossmaglen and South Armagh Chamber of Commerce. | A number of self-catering houses were supported under the last round of Rural Development funding | L          | S/L     | See 2012 actions. |
|                         | 2.4                                | Regenerate Glass Drummond – upgrade the facilities at lake –Pontoons repaired, lake restocked. | Community, NIEA, RA                           | M/L        | M                 | RDP                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engage and consult with wider community and key stakeholder as to the future recreational potential of the lake.</li> <li>Design and feasibility studies</li> <li>Statutory approvals</li> <li>Secure funding</li> </ul>  |   |            |         |                   |
|                         | 2.5                                | Support the development of the woods.  | CCA, Community, NMDDC, NIEA                   | M          | S-L               | RDP, BIG                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engage and consult with wider community and key stakeholder as to the future and continued leisure potential of the woods</li> <li>Design and feasibility studies</li> <li>Statutory approvals</li> <li>Secure funding</li> <li>Explore options to improve footpaths within the woods to improve levels of access.</li> </ul>   |   |            |         |                   |

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| Regeneration Initiative        |  | Key Stakeholders                              | Priority | Time frame | Potential Funders | Actions  | Progress @ Dec 2017  | Priority H, M, L | Time frame | Actions   |
| 4. Infrastructure and services |  |   |          |            |                   |  |  |                  |            |   |
| 4.1                            | Provision of crossing points at B30 to accommodate access to bus stop and footbridge | Dfi NMDDC Community and Voluntary Sector      | H        | S          | DFI               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure the provision of pedestrian crossing points and speed management measures at Creggan.</li> </ul>   | Some progress has been noted in relation to the provision of crossing points at B30.           | H                | S          | Continue to engage with Transport NI in relation to feasibility and potential Traffic management measures |
| 4.2                            | Provision of a bus shelter for buses going to Crossmaglen                            | Translink, DFI Community and Voluntary Sector | L        | S-M        | Translink         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider the feasibility of providing an additional bus shelter</li> <li>Community to liaise with DFI and Translink</li> </ul>  | Some progress to date. This initiative will remain in the plan.                                | L                | S/M        | See 2012 actions.   |
| 4.3                            | Provision of pedestrian footpath between Creggan and Crossmaglen                     | DFI Community and Voluntary Sector            | M        | L          | DFI               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consult with community and key stakeholders as to feasibility and design of project.</li> <li>Design and feasibility studies</li> <li>Statutory Approvals</li> <li>Funding</li> <li>Management and maintenance</li> </ul> | No progress to date. This initiative will remain within the plan and is essential for the area | H                | M          | See 2012 actions.   |



6. Culloville - Review of 2012 Action Plan

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| Regeneration Initiative |                                    | Key Stakeholders  | Priority   | Timeframe | Potential Funders | Actions                  | Progress @ Dec 2017   | Priority H, M, L  | Time frame | Actions |   |
| 1. Community Facilities |                                    |   |  |           |                   |                          |   |   |            |         |   |
|                         | 1.1                                | Provision of Community Centre and associated facilities | Community and Voluntary Sector<br>NMDDC<br>Public<br>GAA | H         | S                 | RDP – Strategic Projects | <p><b>Issues and need:</b><br/>See Needs Analysis carried out by Culloville Development Association (February 2012)</p> <p><b>Work done to date:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding granted by SOAR to carry out Needs Analysis</li> <li>• Community consultation has been undertaken specifically regarding the Community Centre and facilities it should provide</li> <li>• Agreement has been reached with GAA as landowners</li> <li>• Design currently under way</li> </ul> <p><b>Way Forward:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work up Full Design and submit to Planning NI by July 2012 to meet funding deadline for Strategic Projects by RDP (SOAR)</li> <li>• Ensure all other funding criteria is met – economic appraisal etc. – refer to guidance on SOAR advert.</li> <li>• Gain Full Planning Permission and implement the project</li> </ul> | Completed. Fourth stage being considered- extending the gym. Planning application submitted (12m). ACE (unemployment scheme) at work. | H          | S       | Check if funding available for a caretaker. Revise business plan. Research any other ACE type schemes for unemployment. |

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| Regeneration Initiative               |   | Key Stakeholders          | Priority | Timeframe | Potential Funders | Actions   | Progress @ Dec 2017   | Priority H, M, L | Time frame | Actions   |
| 1.2                                   | <p>Provision of changing facilities at the GAA Training Ground.</p> <p>Encourage more clubs to use the facilities- running club.</p> <p>Link between training pitch and football pitch.</p> | GAA, NMDDC CCA            | M        | S         | NMDDC Private     | <p><b>Issue:</b><br/>Culloville has a very strong sporting tradition and have developed very good quality GAA facilities over the years, however there is no provision of toilets or changing facilities at the GAA training pitch which can hinder the use of the facility. This would also benefit users of the highway to health walking track which is well used by the community.</p> <p><b>Action:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provision of toilet / changing facility at the GAA training pitch.</li> <li>• Source funding, commission design and obtain statutory approvals where required.</li> </ul> | <p>Phase 2: Toilets have been provided and plans were drawn up. Planning permission has since expired. Plan renewal is taking place.</p> <p>Drainage at GAA noted as being an issue. Fencing adjacent to main road needs replaced.</p>                                    | M                | S          | <p>Renew planning permission and seek funding to delivery changing facility.</p> <p>Explore solution to drainage issue.</p> |
| <b>2. Infrastructure and Services</b> |   |                           |          |           |                   |   |   |                  |            |   |
| 2.1                                   | Provision of footpath linking the village to GAA Training pitch and Primary School along Concession Road. Footpath to community centre.   | DFI, Community, NMDDC GAA | H        | S-L       | DFI               | <p><b>Works currently underway:</b><br/>DFI have plans for footpath provision from Culloville to Primary School along Concession Road – this has been delayed due to land ownership issues. DFI envisage this issue being rectified and the project delivered in the short term.</p> <p><b>Action:</b><br/>Community Association to liaise with DFI to ensure the timely delivery of the project and discuss any requirements for access to the GAA training ground and health initiative.</p>  | <p>Path on the left-hand side has been provided – still need for path on the right-hand side. Path on left hand side needs to be extended to the GAA pitch and crossing point provided.</p> <p>A community walking trail around the football pitch has been completed</p> | H                | S          | <p>Survey needed to identify a safe crossing point. Continue engagement with Dfi.</p>                                       |
| 2.2                                   | Provision of Social and Affordable Housing  | NIHE, Housing             | M        | S-L       | NIHE Private      | Consultation with NIHE regarding the specific needs for social and affordable   | More housing is needed. Site behind Bridget's Park is a possibility. Prices have  | M                | S-L        | Engage in the Local Development Plan process to   |

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|                                      | New Project                           |  |          |           |                   |   |   |                  |            |  |
| Regeneration Initiative              |                                       | Key Stakeholders                                   | Priority | Timeframe | Potential Funders | Actions   | Progress @ Dec 2017   | Priority H, M, L | Time frame | Actions  |
|                                      |                                       | Associations, NMDDC Community and Voluntary Sector |          |           |                   |   | been pushed up due to constrained supply.   |                  |            | encourage the designation of suitable sites for social and affordable housing.   |
| <b>3. Environmental Improvements</b> |                                       |  |          |           |                   |   |   |                  |            |  |
| 3.1                                  | Traffic Calming, Signage and Gateways | NMDDC, DFI Community and Voluntary Sector          | H        | S-L       | DFI               | <p>The quality and provision of directional signage is a particular problem at Culloville – signage should be provided on the approach roads to ensure that drivers are aware that they are entering a built up area and also to advise visitors of the facilities available in the village.</p> <p>Traffic calming is also a major issue which should be addressed immediately. Culloville is located on the B30 which is a key route between Crossmaglen and Dundalk.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.) Promote and encourage gateway strategy</li> <li>2.) Liaise with NMDDC and DFI regarding the need for traffic calming measures on the approach to Culloville/DFI to consider various methods of traffic calming.</li> <li>3.) Provide direction signage on the approach to Culloville</li> </ol> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bollards have stopped people parking on kerbs at shops.</li> <li>• One traffic island has been installed.</li> <li>• Small 40mph signs at Culloville provided.</li> <li>• Street lighting at shops and community centre have been provided.</li> <li>• Gateway strategy still needed.</li> <li>• Some discussion of traffic calming measures – more of a proposal.</li> <li>• No signage in the estate – numbers for homes still not provided.</li> <li>• Need for introduction of lay-bys for car parking.</li> <li>• Specific issued noted at St Bridget Park where residents find it very hard to get into the park when the traffic is coming or going or stopping on the Corrasmosse Road to</li> </ul> | H                | S-L        | <p>Continue engagement with TNI on the possibility of lay-bys and traffic calming (particularly at St Bridget’s Park).</p> <p>Contact NIHE regarding the provision of house numbers for homes in the estate.</p> |

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|                           | Major constraint to implementation |   |   |           |                   |              |   |   |            |         |   |
|                           | New Project                        |   |   |           |                   |              |   |   |            |         |   |
| Regeneration Initiative   |                                    | Key Stakeholders  | Priority  | Timeframe | Potential Funders | Actions      | Progress @ Dec 2017   | Priority H, M, L  | Time frame | Actions |   |
|                           |                                    |   |   |           |                   |              | use the local services. A yellow box / speed bumps at the entrance of the park would slow down the traffic. it is a very busy cross road.   |   |            |         |   |
|                           | 3.2                                | Environmental Improvements throughout the Village:<br>Lighting scheme, planting & landscaping, street furniture, signage, focal point | NMDDC, DfI<br>CCA<br>Retailers<br>TONI<br>Community and Voluntary Sector          | H         | S                 | RDP<br>NMDDC | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Design and Implementation of a comprehensive public realm scheme to include paving, landscaping and street furniture. Opportunity to provide an attractive tree lined boulevard leading into the Village.</li> <li>Lighting Scheme</li> <li>Create a focal point to the Village – shared space</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some minor improvements made.</li> <li>Maintenance of trees and grass by the community- over hanging trees is a major issue.</li> <li>Hanging baskets have been provided.</li> </ul> | H          | S       | Promote a community tree planting project – consult Woodland Trust Scheme which can provide these trees. Submit application for 'Love here Live here' scheme. Explore funding for a new lawn mower to cut the grass |
|                           | 3.3                                | Tree planting scheme around GAA pitch to provide shelter  | NMDDC, Community, GAA   | M         | S/M               | RDP, NMDDC   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This may also take the form of a community planting project in partnership with the Woodland Trust.</li> </ul>   |   |            |         |   |
| 4. Leisure and recreation |                                    |   |   |           |                   |              |   |   |            |         |   |
|                           | 4.1                                | Provision of fishing platforms at Fane River  | Community and Voluntary Sector, NMDDC, Rivers Agency, CAAN, TONI, Fisheries Clubs | M         | M                 | RDP<br>NMDDC | <p>The Fane River was identified as a good fishing spot however lacks basic infrastructure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Further consultation with local fisheries and angling clubs regarding the need and feasibility of fishing platforms at the river.</li> <li>Provision of fishing platforms at the Fane River if required.</li> <li>Encourage the wider community to take up the sport.</li> <li>Encourage events and competitions.</li> </ul> | Due to issue with private ownership the project wasn't progressed. Discussion on the possibility of walking paths and seating like at Monaghan Way  | M          | M       | Explore feasibility of providing paths and seating.   |

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| New Project   |  |                                    |          |           |                   |  |                     |                  |            |         |
| Regeneration Initiative   |  | Key Stakeholders                   | Priority | Timeframe | Potential Funders | Actions  | Progress @ Dec 2017 | Priority H, M, L | Time frame | Actions |
| 4.2   | Provision of play area behind Fane Grove and at community centre.  | NMDDC, Community, PLO              | H        | M         | S/M               | Explore funding sources for a community led project.   |                     |                  |            |         |
| 4.3   | Lunch clubs to be considered as previous scheme ceased.  | Community, PLO, NMDDC              | M/L      | S         | M                 | Convene community group / public meeting to explore the support for a new lunch club to be established. Seek volunteers to help manage / promote the initiative.   |                     |                  |            |         |
| 4.4   | Project – Mill Building at Fane River (Project to cater for tourist economy-possibility of coffee shops) | Community, NMDDC, Tourism NI, NIEA | M        | M         | M/L               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Undertake feasibility study</li> <li>Consult with community</li> <li>Seek statutory approvals</li> <li>Explore and secure funding</li> <li>Manage and maintain</li> </ul>   |                     |                  |            |         |
| 4.5   | Introduction of camogie wall and reinforce bank at the converging road                                   | Community, SNI, NMDDC, TRNI.       | M        | S         | M/L               | Explore the opportunity to install art work and information panels to reflect the heritage of the community such as the old railway, carrickmaross lace and heritage trails throughout the area. I.e. Linkages with Monaghan Way Trail. Explore the feasibility of a potential Biodiversity area for the protection of local wildlife. |                     |                  |            |         |
| <b>Stakeholders and Potential Funders</b>   |  |                                    |          |           |                   |  |                     |                  |            |         |
| <p>AONB Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty<br/> DARD Department of Agriculture and Rural Development<br/> DRAP Down Rural Area Partnership<br/> DRD Department for Regional Development<br/> EI Scheme Environmental Improvement/Public Realm Scheme<br/> HSCNI Health and Social Care Northern Ireland<br/> Dfi – Department for Infrastructure<br/> ACNI – Arts Council Northern Ireland<br/> TNI Transport NI<br/> NMDDC Newry, Mourne and Down District Council</p> <p>NIEA Northern Ireland Environment Agency<br/> NIHE Northern Ireland Housing Executive<br/> PERS Pedestrian Environment Review Survey<br/> PSNI Police Service Northern Ireland<br/> SELB Southern Education and Library Board</p> <p>PS - Private sector<br/> PLO - Private land owner<br/> RA - Rivers Agency<br/> TL - Translink</p> |  |                                    |          |           |                   |  |                     |                  |            |         |