

NEWRY MOURNE & DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Enterprise, Regeneration & Tourism Committee Meeting
held on Monday 14 June 2021 at 6.00pm remotely via Microsoft Teams**

Chairperson: Councillor R Howell
Deputy Chairperson: Councillor T Andrews

In attendance: **(Committee Members)**
Councillor R Burgess
Councillor D Curran
Councillor M Gibbons
Councillor G Hanna
Councillor V Harte
Councillor M Larkin
Councillor R Mulgrew
Councillor A McMurray
Councillor H Reilly
Councillor M Ruane
Councillor M Savage
Councillor G Stokes

Non Members: Councillor G Malone
Councillor C Mason
Councillor J Tinnelly

Officials in attendance: Mr C Mallon Director Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism
Mr A Patterson Assistant Director Tourism Culture & Events
Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration
Mr A McKay Chief Planning Officer
Mr C Jackson Assistant Director Building Control & Regulations
Ms S Taggart Democratic Services Manager
Ms L Dillon Democratic Services Officer

ERT/103/2021: APOLOGIES / CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

Councillor W Clarke

ERT/104/20201: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of Interest.

**ERT/105/2020: START TIMES
ERT COMMITTEE MEETINGS
JUNE 2021 – MAY 2022**

Read: Paper recommending proposed dates and start times for Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee Meetings from June 2021 to May 2022. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor McMurray seconded by Councillor Andrews it was agreed the start time for ERT Committee Meetings from June 2021 - May 2022 will be 6pm.

**ERT/106/2021: ACTION SHEET
MINUTES OF ENTERPRISE, REGENERATION &
TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY 10 MAY 2021**

Read: Action Sheet arising out of the Minutes of the Enterprise, Regeneration & Tourism Committee Meeting held on Monday 10 May 2021. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Savage seconded by Councillor Andrews it was agreed to note the Action Sheet arising from the Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee Meeting held on Monday 10 May 2021.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

**ERT/107/2021: NOTICE OF MOTION
RE: ADDITIONAL FUNDING**

The following Notice of Motion came forward for consideration in the names of Councillor G Malone and Councillor M Gibbons:

I refer to recent announcements by the Government on its proposals to provide additional funding to Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales totaling £800m. This

funding is to replace lost EU funding and will target Town / City Centre regeneration etc. I am calling on the Council to set up a committee including Councillors, Senior Management Officers, Chambers of Commerce, Newry BID, Voluntary Sector, etc, to develop an innovative strategy and action plan to maximize our opportunities with this substantial pot of money. I also request that the Council's number one priority ie, 'The People's Park' on the Albert Basin site be seriously considered as a priority for this funding."

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration, regarding the Notice of Motion on additional funding from Government. **(Copy circulated)**

Councillor Malone asked when the last Meeting of the Economic Forum was held and requested to be provided with a copy of the Minutes of same.

He also proposed the following Amendment to the Notice of Motion:

That a Special Meeting of the Economic Forum be convened to which all Members of the ERT Committee be invited, to discuss the Levelling Up Funding Strategy, and that a comprehensive paper be circulated in advance of the meeting outlining all opportunities offered by this funding initiative, in order that Councillors and Economic Forum members can be prepared to table suggestions, and also a timetable of future application dates for Levelling Up calls for submissions, to be tabled at the above said meeting.

Councillor Gibbons seconded the Amendment.

The Chairperson suggested a recess to allow Members to consider the Amendment to the Notice of Motion.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Burgess it was agreed to take a recess to allow Members time to consider the proposed Amendment to the Notice of Motion.

18.14 – The meeting adjourned.

18.23 – The meeting resumed.

The Chairperson read out the Amendment as proposed by Councillor Malone and seconded by Councillor Gibbons:

That a Special Meeting of the Economic Forum be convened to which all Members of the ERT Committee be invited, to discuss the Levelling Up Funding Strategy, and that a comprehensive paper be circulated in advance of

the meeting outlining all opportunities offered by this funding initiative, in order that Councillors and Economic Forum members can be prepared to table suggestions, and also a timetable of future application dates for Levelling Up calls for submissions, to be tabled at the above said meeting.

Councillor Mulgrew referred to the work done by officers to identify funding streams for a range of projects. She said the park development was a key project for Newry City and that it was important Members are aware that progress was being made regarding all elements of the regeneration of Newry City; a consultant's report would be tabled at the next Programme Board Meeting followed by a stakeholder engagement and the consultation has closed on the overall regeneration for the City. She said she had no issue with any Councillor being invited to an Economic Forum or other Committees within Council structures.

Councillor Stokes said it was important we ensure funding is secured and he was happy to proceed with meetings.

Councillor Gibbons asked if Council had missed the first bid for Levelling Up Fund as he understood bids had to be submitted by 18 June 2021.

Mr Mallon explained it had been agreed at ERT Committee May 2021 the Council would not submit a bid in June 2021 for Levelling Up Fund but continue with work to prepare robust applications bids for future rounds of funding from the Levelling Up Fund.

AGREED: It was unanimously agreed to accept the Amendment to the Notice of Motion as proposed by Councillor Malone and seconded by Councillor Gibbons, that a Special Meeting of the Economic Forum be convened to which all Members of the ERT Committee be invited, to discuss the Levelling Up Funding Strategy, and that a comprehensive paper be circulated in advance of the meeting outlining all opportunities offered by this funding initiative, in order that Councillors and Economic Forum members can be prepared to table suggestions, and also a timetable of future application dates for Levelling Up calls for submissions, to be tabled at the above said meeting.

Councillor Malone thanked the Chair and Members for supporting the amended Notice of Motion. He said he was aware that a number of other Councils had applied for the first round of funding.

ERT/108/2021: NOTICE OF MOTION
RE: MENTAL HEALTH – COVID RECOVERY STRATEGY

The following Notice of Motion came forward for consideration in the names of Councillor C Mason and Councillor O Hanlon:

"This Council is alarmed at the findings of the recent Down Business Centre Survey which revealed the impact that Covid-19 has had on local self-employed and notes that the two-thirds of small businesses in the Newry Mourne and Down Council area and over a third of business owners have experienced major or severe mental health problems as a result.

This Council will ensure that the mental health services, support and resources are made a priority within the Covid-19 recovery strategy.

This Council will create specific action plan for supporting the mental health of our business owners and local self-employed."

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration, regarding the Notice of Motion on provision of mental health services in the Covid Recovery Strategy. **(Copy circulated)**

Councillor Mason spoke of the existing mental health crisis society was facing which has been greatly exacerbated by the Covid 19 pandemic and as restrictions begin to ease it was critical that appropriate support was in place for both providers and those seeking help and she highlighted the importance of a dedicated, regional and all island plans brought forward as a matter of urgency and that Council plays its part with this. She referred to the Down Business Centre survey of local employees which re-emphasized the need for a plan for mental health support as it revealed stark figures for those affected by Covid 19 and how their mental health has suffered as a result and she stressed the need for Council to engage as soon as possible and offer meaningful support for the local self employed sector.

She welcomed the recommendations contained in the Officers Report that a financial support programme would be put in place through the Covid 19 Recovery Working Group, for businesses and communities to avail of mental health support and help staff deal with the negative impact of Covid.

Councillor Mason asked that Council continue to communicate directly with businesses to address the long term problem arising from the pandemic and expressed thanks to the officers for bringing forward the report.

Mr McGilly referred to Reports of Covid Working Group Meetings which would be tabled later in the Meeting which outlined plans to set aside a funding package for organisations, the community and private sector to avail of for mental health support which currently is available through mainstream Health Service programmes. He said consultations with local private sector representatives and bodies identified a need to address the issue both for entrepreneurs and business owners but also staff.

AGREED: It was unanimously agreed to note the content of Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration, in regard to the Notice of Motion relating to additional funding to ensure:

This Council will ensure that the mental health services, support and resources are made a priority within the Covid-19 recovery strategy;

This Council will create specific action plan for supporting the mental health of our business owners and local self-employed.

BUSINESS PLANS / GOVERNANCE

ERT/109/2021: ERT DIRECTORATE: BUSINESS PLANS

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr C Mallon Director Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism, regarding assessment of Emergency Business Plan October 2020 to March 2021 and Directorate Business Plan 2021-22. **(Circulated)**

AGREED: **On the proposal of Councillor Curran seconded by Councillor Andrews it was agreed to approve:**

- **The assessment of the ERT Emergency Business Plan (October – March 2021)**
- **The ERT Directorate Business Plan 2021-22.**

ENTERPRISE EMPLOYMENT & REGENERATION

ERT/110/2021: BUSINESS START UP SCHOOL

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment and Regeneration regarding Council's involvement and support in Rebel Business School – Rebel on Demand Virtual Platform, and 4C UR Future event in 2022. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: **On the proposal of Councillor Burgess seconded by Councillor Mulgrew it was agreed as follows:**

- **Council to support a 6 month free pilot programme with the Rebel Business School – Rebel On Demand Virtual**

Platform, providing support to businesses who are at the pre-start, start-up and early start up stage.

- **Council to enter into a collaboration agreement with 4C UR Future for delivery of a 4C UR Future Live event in Council area in spring 2022. The approximate cost to support the event will be £3,000.**

ERT/111/2021: ELECTRIC CHARGING POINTS

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration, capital funding for the pilot On Street Residential Charge point Scheme (ORCS).
(Copy circulated)

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Stokes seconded by Councillor Andrews it was agreed to approve the request to procure consultancy services to investigate the feasibility of identified sites in order to work towards the submission of a full application to Office of Low Emission Vehicles (OLEV).

Councillor McMurray asked for clarification on the number of electric charging points the funding would provide and the financial viability of engaging consultants and the possibility of providing the necessary expertise in-house.

Mr McGilly said the research would determine the number of charging points and required and locations, and this information will be reported back to Members in due course.

With regard to the use of consultants the Council would need to decide whether to explore establishing a dedicated post to undertake this work.

Mr Mallon said a dedicated resource may be required in-house to deliver on various other similar schemes going forward however it would be premature to make a recommendation for additional staff at this stage.

This is a unique fund targeted at on-street charging points where people who own an electric vehicle but who cannot park and charge on their own property. He said criteria requires the charging points to be on public land and the necessary infrastructure needs to be in place to power the charging points therefore work must be carried out on this bid to ensure the scheme will meet criteria.

ERT/112/2021: ERDF DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration, regarding an update on ERDF Digital Transformation Programme.
(Copy circulated)

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed as follows:

- (a) To sign the collaborative agreement with all 11 Councils subject to review and commentary from Council's legal team.**
- (b) To approve a budget allocation of £35,000 in total for the duration of the programme, with £17,500 allocated in 2021/22 and £17,500 allocated in 2022/23.**

ERT/113/2021: GREATER NEWRY AREA BUSINESS AWARDS

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration, regarding a request for support for the Greater Newry Area Business Awards 2021 to be held on Thursday 09 September 2021 in the Canal Court Hotel Newry. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Stokes seconded by Councillor Savage it was agreed Newry Mourne & Down District Council support the Newry Chamber of Commerce & Trade by being the main sponsor of the Greater Newry Area Business Awards event to be held Thursday 09 September 2021 in the Canal Court Hotel Newry.

ERT/114/2021: LABOUR MARKET PARTNERSHIP

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration, regarding an update on progress on the Newry Mourne and Down District Labour Market Partnership. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed to proceed as follows regarding the establishment of an LMP Unit:

- (a) Submission of a strategic assessment and action plan to Department for Communities for the establishment of a Local Labour Market Partnership.**
- (b) To accept a letter of offer from the Department for Communities for the implementation of a local Labour Market Partnership.**
- (c) To approve Business Cases for LMP activity and proceeding to procurement of the required deliver agents (including where relevant the establishment of Service Level Agreements), which will enable implementation of LMP activity.**
- (d) To establish an LMP resource following Council HR policies and procedures.**
- (e) To note for 2021/2022 delivery NMDDC are able to apply for a budget from Department for Communities of up to £669,209.96, inclusive of programme delivery costs and 20% allocation to administration / resourcing.**

NOTED: Councillor Andrews asked of Officers could explore similar schemes in tandem with the Labour Market and other agencies to help people get placements within the Council organisation and other public sector departments.

**ERT/115/2021: LUNASA FESTIVAL 2021
SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT**

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration, regarding a Service Level Agreement for the Lunasa Festival 2021.
(Copy circulated)

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Mulgrew seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed as follows:

- (a) To note that NMDDC through the AONB Partnerships, the Lunasa Festival Working Group have delivered an annual festival since 2015 (with the exception of 2020 due to Covid)**
- (b) To approve the establishment of a Service Level Agreement with the Lunasa Festival Working Group, with the working**

group Chairperson nominated as lead on behalf of the working group, for the period May 2021 – October 2021, for the total of a maximum of £25,000. Budget has been profiled from within existing Tourism budgets (£20,000), and Ring of Gullion Landscape Partnership Legacy Fund (£5,000).

- (c) The delivery of the 2021 Lunasa Festival will be subject to favourable covid-19 easing of restrictions. The event organisers must comply with all current health and safety guidance at time of event delivery.

**ERT/116/2021: WARRENPOINT FRONTSHORE
PUBLIC REALM SCHEME**

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration, regarding the Warrenpoint Front Shore Public Realm Scheme – Task & Finish Steering Group Meeting held on 04 June 2021.
(Copy circulated)

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Ruane seconded by Councillor Savage it was agreed to accept the recommendation arising from the Warrenpoint Front Shore Public Realm Task & Finish Steering Group Meeting held on 04 June 2021 as follows:

- (a) Agree the Public Realm Design proposals as presented by AECOM, with inclusion of the suggested adjustments / amendments following consideration of the Public Consultation Report.**
- (b) Proceed to submission of a Planning Application for the Warrenpoint Front Shore Public Realm Scheme and shared with the Task & Finish Steering Group and wider public when available.**
- (c) Complete an Economic Appraisal seeking Council match funding for consideration at t future Council meeting, in advance of formal submission to the Department for Communities.**
- (d) Progress discussions with Warrenpoint Harbour Authority in regards future works to the Breakwater.**

- (e) **Extend AECOM appointment and develop & approve a Business Case to enable Breakwater design works RIBA Stages 1-3, at a projected cost up to £20,000, from the Council's own existing Capital Budget, to be undertaken to allow a separate DfC Economic Appraisal to be completed and Planning Application submitted.**
- (f) **Proceed to procurement and appointment of Interpretation Plan consultants within the available budget of £15,000, with design costs to be covered from the Council's own existing Capital Budget, with the agreed Interpretation elements to be delivered via the DfC funding subject to Economic Appraisal approval.**
- (g) **DfI to advise when the local community will be informed of the next steps following the completed One Way System study for Warrenpoint.**

TOURISM CULTURE & EVENTS

ERT/117/2021: ANNALONG HARBOUR SEAFLAG

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr A Patterson Assistant Director Tourism Culture & Events regarding Annalong Harbour Seaflag funded elements: Harbour NE and NW Quays Repointing Works / Slipway & Boat Car Park Repairs.
(Copy circulated)

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Burgess seconded by Councillor Hanna it was agreed to proceed as follows:

- (a) **Council to note approval of funding from the Fisheries Local Action Group (FLAG) of the North West and North East Quay Restoration and Slipway/Boat Car Park Wall Works and the requirement to provide 20% match funding of £16,117 from its Harbour Repair and Harbour EI Capital Budgets.**
- (b) **Council to now accept FLAG letter of offer and approve the relevant Business Cases before proceeding to appoint its Framework Contractor to carry out the North West and North East Quay Works and Slipway/Boat Car Park Wall repair.**

**ERT/118/2021: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR
TOURISM EVENT AND ARTS**

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr A Patterson Assistant Director Tourism Culture & Events regarding funding to support Tourism and Arts Festivals and Events being planned later in 2021. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Mulgrew seconded by Councillor Savage it was agreed Council open a Financial Assistance funding call to support Tourism and Arts Festivals and Events that are being planned for delivery from September 2021 to March 2022, with all applicants required to demonstrate strict adherence to Covid regulations via the submission of detailed event management plans, risk assessments and public liability insurance, etc.

EXEMPT INFORMATION

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Hanna seconded by Councillor Savage it was agreed to exclude the public and press from the meeting during discussion on the following matter which related to exempt information 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).

ERT/119/2021: INTERNATIONAL TOURISM EVENTS 2022

Read: Report dated 10 May 2021 from Mr A Patterson Assistant Director Tourism Culture & Events regarding International Tourism Events 2022. **(Copy circulated)**

**ERT/120/2021: REPORT OF COVID RECOVERY WORKING GROUP
MEETINGS:
- 25 MAY 2021 / 07 JUNE 2021**

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr C Mallon Director Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism regarding Reports of Covid

Recovery Working Group Meetings held on 25 May 2021 and 07 June 2021. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Burgess seconded by Councillor Savage it was agreed to come out of Closed Session.

ERT/121/2021: KILBRONEY TRAILS: THE FALLOWS WALK PHASE 2

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr A Patterson Assistant Director Tourism Culture & Events regarding Kilbroney Trails – The Fallows Walk Phase 2. **(Copy circulated)**

When the Committee came out of closed session the Chairperson reported on the following decision taken:

ERT/119/2021: International Tourism Events 2022

AGREED: To provide a letter of support, in principle, to the promoter of the International Tourism Event in 2022.

ERT/120/2021: Covid 19 Recovery Working Group Meetings

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Mulgrew seconded by Councillor Savage it was agreed to approve funding from the Covid 19 Recovery Reserves for the following, as per the Covid 19 Recovery Working Group Meeting held on 25 May 2021:

- Public Rights of Way Maintenance
- Tourism Sector Support
- Tourism Events
- Newry & Mourne Museum, Down Museum Engagement
- Golf Tournament

It was also agreed to approve funding from the Covid 19 Recovery Reserves for the following, as per the Covid 19 Recovery Working Group Meeting held on 07 June 2021:

- Application to NIEA Challenge Fund for AONBs
- Community Centres Additional sanitisations systems
- Community Centres Additional programmes
- Be Active Cup – District Wide Junior Soccer Competitions
- COVID and Capacity Training for Sports Clubs
- COVID Equipment for 16 Sports Pavilions

- Additional Resources for Suicide Prevention financial call
- Additional Resources for Men's Health/Mental Health initiatives
- Economic Recovery Support for BME Community in the midst of Brexit
- Minority Support Bulgarian Interpreter
- Minority Support Romanian interpreter
- Minority Support Arabic interpreter
- Minority Support ESOL classes for BME
- DEA Programme The Check in, Check up and Check it out Awareness Raising Campaign
- DEA Programme Mental Health Roadshow
- DEA Programme Youth Media Programme
- Sports capital minor - funding shortfall
- Sports Capital major - funding shortfall
- Additional sports capital minor

ERT/121/2021: Kilbroney Trails: The Fallows Walk Phase 2

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Gibbons seconded by Councillor McMurray it was agreed as follows:

1. To approve the Business Case for Fallows Phase 2 which is based on blend of funding from DAERA and match funding from Councils capital programme.
2. To appoint a contractor to carry out the Fallows Phase 2 based on receiving a successful funding bid to DAERA and receipt of letter of offer which is part of an application currently being considered.

FOR NOTING

ERT/122/2021: ANNALONG HARBOUR NORTH PIER WALL RESTORATION

Read: Report dated 10 May 2021 from Mr A Patterson Assistant Director Tourism Culture & Events, regarding Annalong Harbour North Pier Wall Restoration. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed to note the update and change to the commencement of the Annalong Harbour North Pier repair works and at a future Council Meeting, consider an amended Business Case outlining the change to the delivery programme and Consultant/Contract cost

implications, as a direct result of storm damage in February 2021, once additional costs are fully detailed.

ERT/123/2021: COMMUNITY RENEWAL FUND

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration regarding the UK Community Renewal Fund. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed to note as follows:

Officers will continue to work with Southern Regional College (SRC) and South Eastern Regional College (SERC) to develop a Digital Literacy Project.

Council to be named as a partner in support of the Colleges joint application.

If successful, Council to help promote the programmes and skills interventions available to residents and businesses across the District.

ERT/124/2021: FISHING & SEAFOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Read: Report dated 10 May 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration regarding an update on the Fishing & Seafood Development Programme. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed to note the above Report and Officers continue to liaise with DAERA and NIFHA, NIFPO, ANIFPO, etc, to progress the report findings to the next stage and establish a robust governance structure to ensure ongoing engagement as the projects move through various stages of development.

ERT/125/2021: ERT HISTORIC ACTION TRACKER

Read: Action Tracker Report for Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes To note the Historic Action Tracker Report for Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee.

ERT/126/2021: UPDATE RE: IRISH STREET REGENERATION PROJECT

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration regarding an update on the Irish Street Regeneration Project. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes It was agreed to note the Report of the Irish Street Regeneration Working Group Meeting held on 27 May 2021.

ERT/127/2021: REPORT OF LOUTH / NMD STRATEGIC ALLIANCE 24 FEBRUARY 2021

Read: Report of Louth / Newry Mourne & Down Strategic Alliance meeting held on Wednesday 24 February 2021. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed to note the Report of Louth / Newry Mourne & Down Strategic Alliance meeting held on Wednesday 24 February 2021.

ERT/128/2021: MARKETING CAMPAIGN

Read: Report dated 10 May 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration regarding the Covid 19 Revitalisation District Wide Marketing Campaign. **(Copy circulated)**

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed to note the media

campaign and the images which have been developed and presented in the presentation attached to Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration regarding the Covid 19 Revitalisation District Wide Marketing Campaign.

ERT/129/2021: PLANNING PERFORMANCE

Read: Report regarding Planning Performance Figures for May 2021.
(Copy circulated)

AGREED: **To note the Planning Performance Figures for May 2021.**

ERT/130/2021: VISITOR MANAGEMENT SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAGIN

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr A Patterson Assistant Director Tourism Culture & Events regarding the visitor management social media campaigns.
(Copy circulated)

AGREED: **On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed to note Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Tourism Culture & Events regarding the visitor management social media campaigns**

ERT/131/2021: WARRENPOINT MUNICIPAL PARK

Read: Report dated 14 June 2021 from Mr J McGilly Assistant Director Enterprise Employment & Regeneration regarding Warrenpoint Municipal Park National Lottery Heritage Funding.
(Copy circulated)

AGREED: **On the proposal of Councillor Andrews seconded by Councillor Stokes it was agreed to note the Action Report arising from the Steering Group Meeting held on 06 May 2021 regarding Warrenpoint Municipal Park.**

Mr C Mallon read out the following statement on behalf of the Chief Executive:

“Due to the current legislative uncertainty around remote meetings and the

restrictions on indoor gatherings, the Chief Executive also agrees to exercise her delegated authority under Standing Orders to implement the resolution of the Committee once ratified by Council subject to any conflict of interest or legal advice that the decision is unlawful.”

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.21pm.

For adoption at the Council Meeting to be held on Monday 05 July 2021.

Signed: Councillor R Howell

Chairperson of Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee

Signed: Mr C Mallon

Director of Enterprise Regeneration & Tourism Committee