

**Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Section 75 Policy Screening Report
Quarterly Report January – March 2019**

Policy	Details of policy	Screening Outcome
<p>Audit of Community Centre Facility Effectiveness</p>	<p>Aim: A comprehensive review on how Council currently supports community centre/facilities across the district in order to ensure future support could be distributed more equitably.</p> <p>The Terms of Reference set out to undertake the review were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate investigation into the current provision of council supported community centres across the district; • Engage in discussion around key local issues emerging in relation to capacity/effectiveness/value for money; • Review of models to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Effectiveness of facility management,</i> ○ <i>Capacity of management/volunteers/staff,</i> ○ <i>Frequency of council meeting,</i> ○ <i>Administrative arrangements,</i> ○ <i>Training provided/attended,</i> ○ <i>Procedures to include Health and Safety, first aid, child protection, access checks for volunteers,</i> ○ <i>Financial accountability (audited accounts/signatories/debt management/profit),</i> ○ <i>Forward planning (including marketing/fundraising/crisis management),</i> ○ <i>Physical survey (floor plan, areas of potential development, areas of risk,</i> ○ <i>Identify programme of capacity building, training & development to maximise effectiveness (with particular focus on community led models,</i> ○ <i>Identify short, medium and long-term objectives relating to future support mechanisms,</i> 	<p>No EQIA considered necessary</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Production of report highlight review findings and draft proposals for future centre provision.</i> 	
Conflict of Interest Policy and associated Conflict of Interest Procedures	<p>The aim of the Conflict of Interest Policy is to ensure the Council's compliance with, and consistent application of, best practice in relation to Conflicts of Interest.</p> <p>This Policy applies to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all staff and Elected Members of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council; • all those who work for Newry, Mourne and Down District Council (including but not limited to employees, agency staff, elected members, other public representatives, contractors, agents, consultants, servants of the Council and all third party data processors). 	No EQIA considered necessary
Gaming and Amusement Policy	<p>The overall aim of the Gaming and Amusement policy is to serve as a guide for Elected Members, Council officers, applicants and the wider public in consideration of applications for, and the awarding of, amusement permits in the Newry Mourne and Down Council area.</p> <p>The policy outlines matters which may be taken into account in determining the award of an amusement permit. It has been developed to introduce greater clarity, transparency and consistency to the decision making process.</p> <p>The key objectives of this policy can be largely linked to the Council's overarching strategic goal of improving the quality of life for present and future generations in the Newry Mourne and Down area by making it a better place in which to live, work, visit and invest.</p> <p>Against this background, the interrelated key policy objectives are to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. promote the retail vibrancy and regeneration of Newry Mourne and Down; 	No EQIA considered necessary

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. enhance the tourism and cultural appeal of Newry Mourne and Down by protecting its image and built heritage; 3. support and safeguard residential communities in Newry Mourne and Down; 4. protect children and vulnerable persons from being harmed or exploited by gambling; 5. respect the need to prevent gambling from being a source of crime and disorder 	
Development of Meadowlands Play Park	This relates to developing a play facility that will increase the number of children becoming involved in physical activity thus resulting in a healthier lifestyle. It will also help to improve social conditions for the people who live in the most deprived neighbourhoods through better co-ordinated public services and the creation of safer environments.	No EQIA considered necessary
Procurement Policy and Procedures	<p>The Council procures goods and services with a view to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • obtaining value for money i.e. ensuring that the Council's business needs and requirements are delivered to the required quality at the best available price; • demonstrating propriety and good practice; • complying with legal requirements that apply to public sector procurement activities. <p>The aim of the policy is to accommodate the core values of local government and be administered to ensure adherence to relevant UK and EU legislation and ultimately provide the best value for money.</p> <p>This policy and procedures are designed to assist Council Officers determine the most appropriate method of procurement when purchasing goods and services.</p>	No EQIA considered necessary