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**STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (SCI) FOR THE NEW
MID ULSTER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2030 AND
DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS**

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STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (SCI) FOR THE NEW MID ULSTER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2030 AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS

1.0 What is the purpose of the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)?

Purpose of the Statement

- 1.1 The purpose of this SCI is to set out policy for involving and engaging with the community in the production of the new Mid Ulster Local Development Plan (LDP) 2030, in the consideration of planning applications and in planning enforcement. It is required to ensure compliance with the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and the Planning (Statement of Community Involvement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015. It describes who, how and when the community will be invited to participate in the different stages of the Local Development Plan formulation, the determination of planning applications, in planning enforcement and a range of other planning matters.
- 1.2 This SCI is not intended to be a source of definitive legal advice. Reference should be made to the actual legislation referred to in this statement and if any discrepancy exists the provisions of the legislation will prevail.

A Vision of Participation

- 1.3 *“A sustainable society must be instilled with democratic values. Its citizens must share a sense of effective participation in the decision making process. They must feel they have a say in their society’s development and the skills, knowledge and ability to assume responsibility for that development” – The Sustainable Development Strategy for Northern Ireland. First Steps Towards Sustainability (DOE 2006)*
- 1.4 This is a shared vision of participation in decision making and it is therefore aimed to ensure that:
 - Everyone has an early and informed opportunity to express their views on the development of the area and have it considered before decisions are made;
 - All groups in our community, regardless of religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, sex, marital status, physical ability, sexual orientation, and those with and without dependents are enabled and empowered to participate;
- 1.5 The Mid Ulster District Council Corporate Plan 2015 – 2019 sets out the visions, values and priorities for Mid Ulster District Council up to 2019. At the centre of these visions, values and priorities is the community. Accordingly, this SCI will ensure that the community is at that heart of all planning related matters in the district.

- 1.6 It is intended to adopt a proactive and timely approach to community involvement through a process of providing clear information and encouraging participation during plan preparation and planning application submission, assessment and determination. The process must therefore be informative, user friendly, as inclusive as possible, and conducted in an open and transparent way. Every effort is to be made to engage the community, record views and provide feedback.

Principles of Community Involvement

- 1.7 It is vital that the Council is committed to uphold the following principles of community involvement and that these are reflected in the methods of consultation described throughout this SCI.
- **A culture of engagement.** People should know that they are encouraged to take part in the planning process and that decision makers are really interested in their views.
 - **Early involvement or “frontloading”.** The community should be involved at an early stage in the preparation of local development documents and major development proposals.
 - **Continuing involvement.** The community should be involved throughout the process, both formally and informally, of preparing local development documents and major development proposals.
 - **Reaching out.** Methods used to encourage involvement should be appropriate to people’s experience and needs.
 - **Fit for purpose.** Arrangements for consultation need to be appropriate for the type of document or application being considered and being realistic in terms of available resources.
 - **Clarity.** The planning process and timetables for producing or reviewing local development documents should be clear so that people are able to participate in a timely and effective manner.

2.0 Local Community involvement in the preparation of the Mid Ulster Local Development Plan 2030

Purpose and structure of the Local Development Plan

- 2.1 The purpose of the Mid Ulster Local Development Plan, comprising the Plan Strategy and Local Policies, is to inform the general public, statutory authorities, developers and other interested bodies of the policy framework and land use proposals that will implement the strategic objectives of the Regional Development Strategy and guide development decisions within Mid Ulster up to 2030.
- 2.2 The preparation of the Local Development Plan will take account of the Mid Ulster District Council Corporate Plan 2015-2019 and the Community Plan so that there is a shared vision for the Council area and communities and it will set out the long term social, economic and environmental objectives for the district. The Local Development Plan will also take account of regional policy context set by

the Northern Ireland Executive and Central Government Departments. This includes, amongst others, the Sustainable Development Strategy, the Regional Development Strategy, the Strategic Planning Policy Statement and Planning Policy Statements.

- 2.3 The Mid Ulster Local Development Plan will replace the Cookstown Area Plan 2010, Dungannon and South Tyrone Area Plan 2010 and the Magherafelt Area Plan 2015. The Plan will be produced in two stages consisting of two separate documents which will shape development within our district in the period to 2030. The first stage will be a plan strategy followed by Local Policies Plan.
- 2.4 Prior to the preparation of the Plan Strategy and Local Policies Plan the Council will identify key issues in the plan area and will formulate a series of options for dealing with them. This information will be published as a Preferred Options Paper which will indicate a Council's preferred options for growth and development in their area and will be the basis for consulting with the public and stakeholders who will have an opportunity to put forward their views and influence the plan from the outset.
- 2.5 The Plan Strategy will establish the strategic direction of the plan in order to provide a level of certainty on which to base key development decisions in the area as well as the necessary framework for the preparation of the local policies plan. The Strategy will set the aims, objectives, overall growth strategy and associated generic policies applicable to the Plan Area.
- 2.6 The Local Policies Plan (LPP) will be consistent with the plan strategy. In contrast to the Plan Strategy the LPP will deal with site specific policies and proposals associated with settlement limits, land use zonings and environmental designations required to deliver the council's vision, objectives and strategic policies.
- 2.7 A Sustainability Appraisal (SA) of the Local Development Plan will run in parallel with the preparation of various stages of the plan and will be an ongoing process. The purpose of the Sustainability Appraisal is to promote sustainable development through the integration of social, environmental and economic considerations into the preparation of the Local Development Plan. Reports from the various stages of the Sustainability Appraisal will be published at the key stages of the plan preparation.

Who can get involved?

- 2.8 Mid Ulster Council will involve the community at an early stage in the planning process and anyone who wishes to get involved is encouraged to do so at the opportunities provided. In particular the views of the following groups of people will be sought however this list is not intended to be exhaustive and in no way restricts other individuals, groups and organisations from participating in the planning process.
 - People living within the Mid Ulster area

- Elected Representatives
- Voluntary Groups
- Community Forums/Groups/Umbrella Organisations
- Environmental Groups
- Residents Groups
- Business Interests
- Developers/Landowners
- All individuals and groups with an interest in the area

2.9 Elected members, forums, community and residents groups provide a voice for the local community. Other voluntary and interest groups also bring a special knowledge and can ensure that important concerns are addressed. Lists of community groups and elected representatives are contained within Appendix 1.

Empowering disadvantaged and under-represented groups

2.10 Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 requires a public authority, in carrying out its functions relating to Northern Ireland, to have due regard to the need to promote equality of opportunity between:

- between persons of different religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, marital status or sexual orientation;
- between men and women generally
- between persons with a disability and persons without; and
- between persons with dependents and persons without

2.11 In addition, without prejudice to the above obligations, public authorities are required to have regard to the desirability of promoting good relations between persons of different religious belief, political opinion or race. The above “Section 75 groups” are important participants within the planning process and include people who traditionally have been under represented or disadvantaged. These groups will be targeted through the consultation process on the local development plan in order to obtain their views and contribute to the consideration of equality issues under Section 75. Their views on any equality screening documents or draft Equality Impact Assessments will also be sought within the specified period for comment along with the draft Plan Strategy and draft Local Policies Plan. A list of Section 75 groups is also contained within Appendix 1.

2.12 To ensure the Local Development Plan and consultation documents are accessible to everyone they will be made available upon request in different formats. Plain English will be used for all publications. A telephone and fax number will be stated on each document for people with hearing or speech impairments. If for any reason, a request for a document in a particular alternative format cannot be met, other solutions will be explored.

How and when will the community be involved?

- 2.13 A Local Development Plan is made in different stages, each presenting opportunities for community involvement. Each of these stages are identified below with the actions that are to be taken to involve the community. The actions will fulfil and in some cases exceed the statutory requirements on public consultation. The Timetable for when the different stages are to be reached will be obtainable from the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt at the addressed detailed below and also on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org.

Cookstown Office
Burn Road
Cookstown
BT80 8DT

Dungannon Office
Circular Road
Dungannon
BT71 6DT

Magherafelt Office
Ballyronan Road
Magherafelt
BT45 6EN

It will also be advertised in local press that this timetable is available for inspection in the above Council Offices during normal office hours.

Developing Evidence Base

- 2.14 Surveying and information gathering will be an ongoing function of the Council, however, it will be particularly important at this early stage of plan preparation. Information obtained at this stage will be used to establish the social, economic and environmental characteristics of the plan area and enable the Council to determine the issues which need to be addressed and the options for addressing them. This will be undertaken using a topic based approach accompanied with a Countryside Assessment.

Actions/Governance

- Formation of a **Steering Group** comprising the Mid Ulster Planning Committee, the Chief Executive and the Planning Manager. This will be the high level co-ordinating body that will ensure an overview and strategic input on behalf of the whole community, as well as from the planning professionals
- Formation of a **Project Management Team (Multi-Disciplinary Steering Group)** comprising Mid Ulster Council Planning Manager, Principal Planning Officer, Chair of the Planning Committee, Vice Chair of the Planning Committee, Mid Ulster Council Director of Business and Communities, Director of Culture and Leisure, Director of Environment and Property, Director of Public Health and Infrastructure, Shared Environmental Service and representatives from the relevant Northern Ireland Government Departments. The Project Management team will be consulted on and will act as the screening and scoping group for the Sustainability Appraisal (SA), including Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA);
- **Key Consultees** will receive written invitation requesting them to participate in the plan making process by providing information on the key strategic issues that the Local Development Plan should address.

- **Under represented (section 75) groups** will be invited to identify whether there are any types of planning policies which are likely to have significant impact on the groups they represent. They will also be provided opportunity to identify any particular issues or needs which they feel the plan should address. Where requested this can be done through a face to face meeting with a planning official. Any comments received will be taken into account when screening and scoping the EQIA.
- The scoping report of the SA incorporating SEA will be sent to the statutory consultation body and if necessary, the **Department for Infrastructure – (DfI – previously DoE)** may be requested to undertake trans-boundary consultation with the Republic of Ireland.
- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail and the Tyrone Courier confirming the publication of the Mid Ulster Council Timetable for the preparation of the new Local Development Plan as well as other supporting information. The notice will state that the agreed timetable and supporting information will be made available for inspection during normal office hours in all three Council Offices and such other places within the district considered appropriate as well as being available on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org
- The SCI will be kept under review and any new groups or bodies wishing to be included or added to the lists contained in the appendices may request to have their details added. This will be subject to Council agreement.

Preferred Options Paper

- 2.15 This is the first formal stage in the preparation of our Local Development Plan. This stage commences with the publication of the Preferred Options Paper (POP). The POP is a consultation paper to promote debate on issues of strategic significance which are likely to influence the shape of future development within Mid Ulster. The intention is to stimulate a wide-ranging, yet focused, debate and encourage feedback from a wide variety of interests. Any representations or views received as a consequence of its publication will be considered whilst formulating the Draft Plan Strategy.
- 2.16 The POP is subject to a Sustainability Appraisal (SA), including the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Equality Impact Assessments (EQIA). The SA is a continual process which runs parallel with the preparation of the POP and Local Development Plan (LDP). An SEA Interim Report (consisting of SA Scoping Report and assessment of alternatives) will be published with the POP.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state:

- i) The intention to prepare a Local Development Plan, accompanied by a Sustainability Appraisal, including Strategic Environmental and Equality Impact Assessments;
 - ii) Publication of the Prepared Options Paper inviting comment within 12 weeks;
 - iii) Details of community meetings, exhibitions and pop-in information sessions;
 - iv) Publication of the initial stages of Sustainability Appraisal, incorporating SEA, and invite comment as considered necessary.
- Publish the POP on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org and invite comments within 12 weeks. Also make the POP available at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request (Tel: 03000 132 132) at a specified price.
- Issue a **Press Release** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier and the Belfast Gazette about the intention to prepare a new plan, drawing attention to the Preferred Options Paper and the public consultation. This will allow individual residents, developers, landowners and any other person with a stake in the LDP to make representation.
- Hold a **Launch and Exhibition** to announce the publication of the Preferred Options Paper;
- Hold **Public Meetings and Exhibitions** with drop in sessions in Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt. Other locations will be identified.
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** providing them with a copy of the Preferred Options Paper and invite them to attend the launch, provide comments within 12 weeks, inform them of the public meetings, exhibition and drop-in information sessions;
- Write to **local community groups** and **section 75 groups** advising them that the POP has been published and that it is available to view on the Councils website and that hard copies can be obtained from the Planning Department (Tel: 03000 132 132) where requested. The opportunity of a meeting with a planning officer to record their views will also be given. They will be asked to provide comments within 12 weeks.
- A **Public Consultation Report** will be presented to elected members following the 12 week consultation. This will contain a summary of each representation and professional comment, recording where members take a different view and rationale for that view. This will be taken into account whilst formulating the Draft Local Development Plan;
- The **Project Management Team** will be given opportunity to comment on emerging policy for inclusion in the Draft Plan Strategy and will be an integral part of testing emerging policy through the Sustainability Appraisal, including Strategic Environmental Assessment and the Equality Impact Assessment process.

Publication of Draft Plan Strategy

2.17 The draft Plan Strategy is a public consultation document and is not the final plan. It is an indication of the Council's intentions regarding the future development of the area, and is a key part of the public participation process.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state:
 - i) Publication of Draft Plan Strategy and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including the SEA, Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA) and how to view or obtain copies;
 - ii) The dates and locations of Public Exhibitions;
 - iii) The 8 week period and closing date for receipt of representations to the Draft Plan Strategy and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including SEA, Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA). This will be followed by an 8 week period for counter representations.
- Make the Draft Plan Strategy, the Sustainability Appraisal including the SEA, HRA and EQIA and the Public Consultation Report available on the website www.midulstercouncil.org and on disc, at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request at a specified price;
- Hold **Launch and Exhibition** to announce the publication of the Draft Plan and **Issue Press Releases**;
- Hold **Public Exhibitions** in Mid Ulster Towns, Villages and Settlements. Planning Officers will be available to answer any questions;
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** informing them of; the publication of the Draft Plan Strategy and providing them a copy; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Write to all who submitted a representation and counter-representation to the POP informing them of the publication of the Draft Plan Strategy and accompanying documents advising how they can view or obtain copies; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;

- Representations will be reported to the Elected Members

Public Inspection of Representations

2.18 All representations which are made to the Draft Plan Strategy will be made available for public inspection as part of the public consultation process. Interested parties may also comment on the site specific representations that have been received (counter-representations). Counter-representations must not propose any changes to the development plan document. Both the representations and counter-representations will be considered at the Independent Examination (IE).

Actions/Governance

- Make copies of representations available for inspection in the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and on the website www.midulstercouncil.org. Hard copies of representations can also be provided upon request at a specified price.
- Write to **Key Consultees, Elected Members and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation** informing them that representations are available for inspection and the places and times at which they can be inspected;
- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier and the Belfast Gazette for two weeks, and on the Mid Ulster Council website of the availability of representations for inspection and the eight week period including closing date for counter- representations;
- Make the counter-representations available on website, on disc and at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon for inspection;
- Representations and counter-representations will be fully considered by the Council before it submits the Draft Plan Strategy to the DfI for Independent Examination (IE)

Submission of Development Plan Documents

2.19 Following the submission of all Development Plan documents to the DfI and prior to Independent Examination, Council will also make all submitted documents available for inspection at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon and other such places the Council considers appropriate. Council will notify all consultation bodies and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation that these documents are available for inspection in the Mid Ulster Council Offices during normal office

hours. A notice will also be placed in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier and the Belfast Gazette that the Development Plan documents have been submitted to the DfI. This notice will also be published on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org

Independent Examination

- 2.20 The Council will not submit the Draft Plan Strategy to the DfI unless it considers that it is ready for IE. The purpose of the Independent Examination is to determine the soundness of the Draft Plan Strategy, taking into account representations or counter representations. The Council will be available to answer any question of the Independent Examiners and provide comment on the representations and counter representations. Following the IE, the examiner will issue a report of its findings to the DfI which will in turn consider this and issue a binding report to a Council. On this basis, a Council must incorporate any changes outlined in the binding report and subsequently adopt the Plan Strategy.

Actions/Governance

- Continue to make the Draft Plan, and all accompanying documentation available on the website www.midulstercouncil.org;
- Advertise dates, times and venues for the Independent Examination at least 4 weeks before the Examination is to be held indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection; and
- Notify all persons who submitted representations and counter representations of the arrangements for the Independent Examination indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection;
- Request Key Consultees to provide comment on the representations and counter-representations for consideration at the Independent Examination.

Adoption of Plan Strategy

- 2.21 Following the Independent Examination, the DfI will issue a Direction to the Council, requiring it to adopt the draft Plan Strategy as originally prepared or with modifications. The Council may also be directed to withdraw the draft Plan Strategy. In either scenario, the DfI will be expected to give reasons for their decisions.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will confirm:
 - i) adoption of the Plan Strategy;

- ii) where to get copies of the Plan Strategy, the DfI Direction and the accompanying Independent Examiner's Report;
- Make the Plan Strategy and any accompanying documents, the DfI Direction and accompanying Independent Examiner's Report available on the website www.midulstercouncil.org and on disc. A hard copy will be available on request (Tel: 03000 132 132) for a specified price;
- Write to key consultees and those submitting representations and counter-representations advising of the adoption of the Plan Strategy, and where to obtain copies together with the DfI Direction and the Independent Examiner's Report. Also advise them of the commencement of work on the Local Policies Plan.

Local Policies Plan

2.22 The Local Policies Plan is the second document comprising the Local Development Plan. The Draft Local Policies Plan is a public consultation document and is not the final part of the plan. The Draft Local Policies Plan will be consistent with the adopted Plan Strategy and will be the Council's detailed land use proposals regarding the future development of the area; this draft document is a key part of the public participation process. The Plan Strategy must be adopted before the Draft Local Policies Plan is published for consultation, subjected to IE and adopted.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice should confirm:
 - i) Publication of Draft Local Policies Plan and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including SEA, HRA and EQIA and how to view or obtain copies;
 - ii) The dates and locations of Public Exhibitions;
 - iii) The 8 week period and closing date for receipt of representations to the Draft Plan Local Policies Plan and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including SEA, HRA and EQIA. This will be followed by an 8 week period for counter representations.
- Make the Draft Local Policies Plan and the Sustainability Appraisal including the SEA, HRA and EQIA available on the website and on disc, at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request (Tel: 03000 132 132) at a specified price.
- Hold **Launch and Exhibition** to announce the publication of the Draft Local Policies Plan and **Issue Press Releases**;

- Hold **Public Exhibitions** in Mid Ulster Towns, Villages and Settlements. Planning Officers will be available to answer any questions;
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** informing them of; the publication of the Draft Local Policies Plan and providing them a copy; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Write to all who submitted a representation and counter-representation informing them of the publication of the Draft Local Policies Plan and accompanying documents and advising how they can view or obtain copies; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Representations will be reported to the Elected Members

Public Inspection of Representations

- 2.23 All representations to the Draft Local Policies Plan will be made available for public inspection as part of the public consultation process. Interested parties may also comment on the site specific representations that have been received (counter-representations). Counter-representations must not propose any changes to the development plan document. Both the representations and counter-representations will be considered at the Independent Examination (IE).

Actions/Governance

- Make copies of representations available for inspection in the Council Offices at Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon and on the website. Hard copies of representations can also be provided upon request at a specified price.
- Write to **Key Consultees, Elected Members and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation** informing them that representations are available for inspection and the places and times at which they can be inspected;
- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state the availability of representations for inspection and the eight week period including closing date for counter representations;
- Make the counter-representations available on website, on disc and at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon for inspection. Hard copies of counter representations can also be provided upon request at a specified price.

- Representations and counter-representations will be fully considered by the Council before it submits the Draft Local Policies Plan to the DfI for Independent Examination (IE)

Submission of Development Plan Documents

- 2.24 Following the submission of all Development Plan documents to the DfI and prior to Independent Examination, Council will also make all submitted documents available for inspection at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon and other such places the Council considers appropriate. Council will notify all consultation bodies and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation that these documents are available for inspection in the Mid Ulster Council Offices during normal office hours. A notice will also be placed in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier and the Belfast Gazette that the Development Plan documents have been submitted to the DfI. This notice will also be published on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org

Independent Examination

- 2.25 Again, the Council will not submit the Draft Local Policies Plan to the DfI unless it considers that it is ready for IE. The purpose of the Independent Examination is to determine the soundness of the Draft Local Policies Plan taking into account representations and counter representations. The Council will be available to answer any question of the Independent Examiners and provide comment on the representations and counter representations. Following the IE, the examiner will issue a report of its findings to the DfI which will in turn consider this and issue a binding report to a Council. On this basis, a Council must incorporate any changes outlined in the binding report and subsequently adopt the Local Policies Plan.

Actions/Governance

- Continue to make the Draft Local Policies Plan, and all accompanying documentation available on the website;
- Advertise dates, times and venues for the Independent Examination at least 4 weeks before the Examination is to be held indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection; and
- Notify all persons who submitted representations and counter representations of the arrangements for the Independent Examination indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection;
- Request Key Consultees to provide comment on the representations and counter-representations for consideration at the Independent Examination

Adoption of Local Policies Plan

- 2.26 Following the Independent Examination, the DfI will issue a Direction to the Council, requiring it to adopt the Draft Local Policies Plan as originally prepared or with modifications. The Council may also be directed to withdraw the Draft Local Policies Plan. In either scenario, the DfI will be expected to give reasons for their decisions.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will confirm:
 - i) adoption of the Local Policies Plan;
 - ii) where to get copies of the Local Policies Plan, the DfI Direction and the accompanying Independent Examiner's Report;
- Make the Local Policies Plan and accompanying documents, the DfI Direction and Independent Examiner's Report available on the Council website with hard copies available on request for a specified price;
- Write to key consultees and those submitting representations and counter-representations advising of the adoption of the Local Policies Plan, and where to obtain copies together with the DfI Direction and the Independent Examiner's Report.

Next Step

- 2.27 Following the adoption of the Plan Strategy and Local Policies Plan the Council will identify its work priorities for the next five years in a new timetable. It may also issue a new Statement of Community Involvement if considered appropriate. In addition the Council will engage in monitoring and review which are essential in establishing how the objectives in the Local Development Plan are being achieved and whether any changes are required. This should be done every five years.

3.0 Local Community involvement in Mid Ulster Development Management Functions

Purpose

- 3.1 The Council as the local planning authority for the area deals with the majority of planning applications in the district. Planning applications are now categorised on receipt as local, major or regionally significant. The council are responsible for the local and major applications whilst the DfI processes those applications that are regionally significant. The Council also deals with Listed Building applications and applications for works in Conservation Areas, works to Protected Trees and Advertising Consent. Development management is the process through which such applications are considered. An important part of the process is to provide information and advice to applicants and to seek and take into account the views of the general public and statutory consultees on all planning applications. The statutory requirements for consultation on planning applications are set out in legislation. These requirements vary according to the type of proposal but include notification to specified bodies and general publicity. It is also worthy of note that there is provision within the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 for the DfI to call in a planning application, an application for Listed Building Consent and an application for Hazardous Substance Consent; although this is to be the exception.
- 3.2 The Council receives a wide variety of planning applications and therefore needs to involve the community to differing degrees, according to the scale and complexity of the application.

This section of the SCI looks at:

- how the public can become involved at the various stages of the application process; and
- how the level of community involvement will depend on the scale of the application.

Pre-Application Stage

Pre-Application Discussions (PADs)

- 3.3 Pre-application discussions are encouraged for a range of types of applications, both major and local. The objective of pre-application discussions should be to confirm whether the principle of development is acceptable and to clarify the format, type and level of detail required to enable the council to determine an application. For major applications it will also enable the applicant to discuss with the council details of how the community should be involved in the decision-making process.

Pre-Application Community Consultation (PACC)

- 3.4 The council strives to inform and involve the wider community in helping to create better quality developments and place making. Applicants submitting major applications to the council or as the case may be the DfI must undertake community consultation before submitting their application.

The Council will require the following actions to be undertaken before the application is submitted:

- **Notify the Council** by way of a “proposal of application notice” (PAN), at least 12 weeks in advance, that an application for a major planning application is to be submitted.
 - Hold at least one **public event** where the community will be afforded the opportunity to make comment.
 - **Publish details** of the proposal in the local press, outlining where further details can be obtained and the date, time and location of a public event.
 - Submit a pre-application community consultation report to accompany the application.
- 3.5 Pre-application consultation is likely to be more successful if the applicant makes significant efforts to open lines of communication with, and provide feedback to local communities and work with them to secure development proposals which are acceptable to everyone.
- 3.6 As previously stated the Council would recommend all applicants considering submitting development proposals that fall within the definition of major development to seek a Pre-Application Discussion with planning officers.

Where applicants fail to fully meet the pre-application community consultation requirements the Council will decline to determine the application.

Application Stage

- 3.7 When a planning application is submitted for determination the Council will involve the community in the decision making process. If you feel you will be affected by development proposals you will have an opportunity to consider what is proposed and how it will affect you. You will also have the opportunity to make your views known before a final decision is made on the application.

Advertising and Neighbour Notification

- 3.8 The Council undertakes statutory publicity in accordance with current legislation. Government may change the statutory publicity requirements and our future approach will reflect any changes that are made.

Advertising

- 3.9 The Council will advertise all new applications on a weekly basis in at least one local newspaper (in accordance with **Section 41 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011**). The Mid Ulster Mail and Tyrone Courier are the publications used by Mid Ulster Council. The weekly list of all new applications received by the Council can also be viewed on our website www.midulstercouncil.org. The advertisement will advise that any representations that are made should be received within 14 days of the publication. This will assist in the efficient processing of the application, however, material representations will be considered up until a decision on the proposal is reached.

EIA Development

- 3.10 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is a method for ensuring that the likely effects of new development on the environment are fully understood and taken into account before consent is given for the development to proceed.

The Environmental Statement (ES) produced as part of an environmental impact assessment, brings together in a single document or series of documents information about a proposed development and its effects on the environment.

- 3.11 In most cases it will fall to the council to determine if the application is an EIA application. It should be noted that if an application is an EIA application it cannot be processed until the ES is received. When a developer submits an ES in support of a planning application, the Council will publish a notice of its receipt in a local newspaper (The Mid Ulster Mail and Tyrone Courier are the publications used by Mid Ulster Council) and indicate where it may be purchased and the address of the Council Office where it may be inspected. The Council will also allow 4 weeks from the date the notice is first published for representation to be made.

Neighbour Notification

- 3.12 **The Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011** states that any identified occupier of land neighbouring the land to which the application relates shall be notified by serving a notice on them. Under the Council's Neighbour Notification Scheme, the Council will ensure that planning applications are brought to the individual attention of the occupiers of buildings on neighbouring land which are within 90m of the boundary of the application site.

Neighbouring land is defined as 'land which directly adjoins the application site or which would adjoin it but for an entry or road less than 20m in width'.

- 3.13 The Case Officer when carrying out a site inspection will also check the accuracy of the neighbour notification details supplied on the application form and may add details as considered appropriate.

- 3.14 The period for responding following receipt of a neighbour notification letter is 14 days, though any late representations received before a decision is made will still be considered.

Obtaining further information and getting involved in planning applications

- 3.15 The weekly lists of planning applications received within Mid Ulster council area are also available on the Northern Ireland Planning Portal (www.planningni.gov.uk). Planning applications including supporting documents and corresponding plans can be viewed online as well at the council offices during normal office hours. Planning Officers are available to give advice on current or proposed applications (you are advised to make an appointment if you wish to speak to a particular officer).

Public Register

- 3.16 The Council will make the application, plans and any associated environmental statement available on a public register in accordance with **Section 242 of the Planning Act**. Each register will contain the following information:
- a copy(which may be photographic) of each application together with copies of plans and drawings submitted in relation thereto;
 - the decision notice, if any, in respect of the application, including details of any conditions subject to which permission or consent was granted;
 - the reference number, the date and effect of any decision of the PAC in respect of the application; and
 - brief details of any revocation or modification relating to any permission or consent, including date of issue.

File Inspection

- 3.17 The Council will make the application file available for inspection at the Councils Planning Department at the Magherafelt Office, Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, BT45 6EN, by appointment which can be made at Tel: 03000 132 132. The amount of information on the file, will of course, be dependent on the stages the application has completed.

Submitting Comments

- 3.18 Individuals, groups and organisations can comment on a planning application even if they have not been neighbour notified by the Council. All comments will be carefully considered. Care should be taken when making comments to the Council to ensure that no personal data is included.
- 3.19 When a decision is made on a planning application only certain issues are taken into account, these are often referred to as 'material planning considerations'. Material considerations must be genuine planning considerations. The basic

question is not whether owners and occupiers of neighbouring properties would experience financial or other loss from a particular development, but whether the proposal would unacceptably affect amenities and the existing use of land and buildings that ought to be protected in the public interest.

- 3.20 Generally greater weight is attached to issues which are supported by evidence rather than solely by assertion. If an identified problem can be dealt with by means of a suitable condition the Council is required to consider this as an alternative to refusing an application.
- 3.21 You can make comments in a variety of ways, these are as follows-
Online at: www.midulstercouncil.org
By email: planning@midulster.org (Please quote the application number)
By post to: Mid Ulster Development Management Team, Mid Ulster District Council, Magherafelt Office, 50 Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, Co. Derry, BT45 6EN
- 3.22 All written comments on an application will be acknowledged within five working days, however the Council may be unable to respond to each comment made due to the large number it receives. All comments will be summarised and fully considered within the Planning Officer's report. The acknowledgement letter will set out who is dealing with the application and who to contact if there are any questions. The Council will not normally contact the respondent again until after a decision is made unless the application is to be determined by the Planning Committee, is significantly altered or is withdrawn.
- 3.23 The Council may, if it considers it appropriate to do so, stage public exhibitions, Issue press releases or arrange public meetings to provide information about major developments or proposals which are particularly significant or have wide-spread effects on communities.
- 3.24 You may also wish to contact your local councillor, who has the ability to request that the application is determined by the relevant planning committee. Oral, anonymous or defamatory comments cannot be taken into account. You should ensure that your comments relate to relevant planning matters.
- 3.25 The Council will consult with Statutory Consultees where appropriate (**see Appendix 2**) to assist in the determination of an application. If a representation raises issues that are relevant to the responsibilities of the consultee (e.g. road safety) the representative will be copied to the appropriate consultee for consideration and comment. The Council will carefully take any comments made into account before a decision is made. All comments are scanned and added to the web site once email addresses and hand written signatures have been removed (it should be noted that typed names and addresses remain visible).
- 3.26 The council may negotiate changes to applications where these are expedient. Re-consultation (for 14 days) will take place on minor changes if the Council considers that they raise new issues that could lead to further comment. If any

change is considered to be substantive, the council may decline to treat it as an amendment and a new application may be invited.

Community Involvement at the Planning Committee Stage

- 3.27 Planning applications are usually determined by officers using delegated powers. The circumstances under which an application can, or cannot, be determined using delegated powers are set out in the Council's **Scheme of Delegation**, which is subject to regular review.

Pre-determination hearings and speaking at the Planning Committee

- 3.28 For those major applications that have been notified to the DfI but have been returned to the Council for determination the Council will afford the applicant the opportunity of appearing before and being heard by the Council. If a planning application goes before a planning committee, the Council will also offer people who have made representations the opportunity to speak and make direct representation to elected members.
- 3.29 Arrangements and requirements for speaking at the Planning Committee are set out in the Protocol for Planning Committee. This Protocol is available on the Council website or upon request.

Community Involvement after a Planning Application has been determined (Post Application Stage)

- 3.30 A notification of the decision is sent to the applicant/agent and to those who have responded to the consultation on the planning application. The decision is recorded in the statutory Planning Register. The reasoning behind the decision will be set out in the Planning Officer's report which will be available on the Council website or upon request. Where a committee has disagreed with the officer's recommendation the justification will be available to view in the minutes of the planning committee.

Involving the Community when an Appeal is made against a Planning Refusal/Granted Conditions/Enforcement Notice

- 3.31 Only applicants and those upon whom notices have been served have the right of appeal. There are no third party rights of appeal. Where an applicant is unhappy with the Council's decision on an application or a condition attached to a permission, he/she may appeal to the PAC. An applicant may also appeal to the PAC where the Council has not determined an application within the relevant period prescribed by the Planning (General Development Procedure) Order (NI) 2015, where such an appeal is lodged, the application is deemed to have been refused. Appeals must be lodged with the PAC within four months from the date of notification of the Council's decision, or expiry of the prescribed period as the case may be.

- 3.32 Copies of representations will be forwarded to the Planning Appeals Commission (PAC). For hearings and public inquiries, the interested parties have the opportunity to make their views known verbally to the PAC. The guidance on Planning Appeals and the rights of applicants and objectors can be found on the PAC website www.pacni.gov.uk

Community Involvement in Planning Enforcement

- 3.33 The council encourages the community to report cases where they believe there has been a breach of planning control. A breach of planning control occurs when development or other certain activities take place without the necessary planning permission or consent from the Council or the DfI. This may also include failure to carry out development in accordance with the approved plans or conditions.
- 3.34 All planning enforcement related complaints are treated confidentially. If the complaint results in a planning application being submitted, then this will be publicised in the normal manner and adjoining neighbours notified.
- 3.35 In cases where planning enforcement action is taken, complainants are informed of the action. Where no action is taken the Council will also notify the complainant.
- 3.36 The Council's priorities for enforcement action are contained within the Council's Enforcement Strategy which can be viewed on our website www.midulstercouncil.org and can be obtained in hard copy by contacting the Planning Department at 03000 132 132. The Enforcement Strategy is subject to regular review.

Community Involvement in Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG)

- 3.37 The Council will also prepare non-statutory planning guidance to support its development plan. Supplementary planning guidance includes for example design guides and advice notes. Consultation on SPG will take place in a proportionate manner where the Council feels it will be beneficial to give additional regard to the opinions of stakeholders and the general public. Any comments received will be considered by the Planning Committee. It is not necessary for SPG to go through the public examination process.

Community Involvement in Conservation Area Designation

- 3.38 A Conservation Area is an area of special architectural or historic interest, the character of which it is desirable to preserve and enhance. The Council considers that consultation with, and the involvement of local people is important when undertaking work associated with Conservation Areas. This will help encourage greater ownership of the concept and greater co-operation and commitment to achieving the aims of the designation. The Council will involve the community in the designation, variation or cancellation of a Conservation Area. This will entail formal consultation with the Historic Environment Division (HED) in what will be the new Department for Communities (DfC). Any

alterations to existing Conservation Areas or designation of new Conservation Areas will be advertised through local press (The Mid Ulster Mail and Tyrone Courier are the publications used by Mid Ulster Council). Where appropriate public meetings will be held to discuss and present proposals.

Community Involvement in the Designation of a Simplified Planning Zone

- 3.39 If the Council proposes to commence work on a simplified planning zone it will undertake consultations with the neighbouring District Council, the land owner and occupier, the DfC and will notify the DfI.
- 3.40 Once details of a scheme have been prepared the Council will make copies available for inspection at the Council's office, give notice by way of an advert in the local press (The Mid Ulster Mail and Tyrone Courier are the publications used by Mid Ulster Council) and on the Council's website www.midulstercouncil.org, and will serve a notice on those it has consulted with.
- 3.41 Following advertising of the proposed planning zone(s) details there will be an eight week period when representations can be made to the Council. If the Council subsequently decides not to proceed with the proposed planning zone it will publish a further advertisement to that effect and will notify all those have made representations.
- 3.42 The Council may cause an independent examination to be held to consider the representations received. Where it is proposed to hold an independent examination details including the time and place of the examination will be published in the local press. Where it is decided not to hold an independent examination the Council will notify all those who have made representations.
- 3.43 Following the independent examination the Council will produce a report and statement detailing its decision and outlining reasons for its decision. Notice of publication will be advertised in the local press and the report and statement will be available for public inspection in the Council offices.

Review of the Council's SCI

- 4.0 The body of the SCI will also be reviewed annually to ensure fitness of purpose and to take account of major Legislative changes where relevant.
- 4.1 Where groups or bodies want to be added to the lists of consultees included in Appendix 1 they are advised to make a submission in writing or by email to the planning Department in the Council:

By email: planning@midulster.org

By post to: Mid Ulster Development Plan Team, Mid Ulster District Council, Magherafelt Office, 50 Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, Co. Derry, BT45 6EN.

Any requests received will be considered.

APPENDIX 1

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MID ULSTER STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT GROUPS TO BE CONSULTED WHEN PREPARING THE NEW LDP

LIST 1: STATUTORY CONSULTATION BODIES

LIST 2: LOCAL COMMUNITY/VOLUNTARY GROUPS IN MID ULSTER

LIST 3: SECTION 75 GROUPS

NOTE: The Council's consultation list is reviewed on a biennial basis to ensure it remains relevant to our functions and policies. At any time individuals and organisations can request to be added or removed from our list of consultees.

LIST 1: STATUTORY CONSULTATION BODIES

1. Northern Ireland Government Departments.
2. Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council
Fermanagh & Omagh District Council
Derry City & Strabane District Council
Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council
Mid & East Antrim Borough Council
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council
3. A water or sewerage undertaker.
4. The Northern Ireland Housing Executive.
5. Any person to whom the electronic communications code applies by virtue of a direction given under section 106(3) of the Communications Act 2003(1).
6. Any person to whom a licence has been granted under Article 10(1) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992(2).
7. Any person to whom a licence has been granted under Article 8 of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(3).

LIST 2: LOCAL COMMUNITY/VOLUNTARY GROUPS IN MID ULSTER

ARTS ORGANISATIONS

1. 1st Tyrone Scout Group
2. 5th Element
3. Agape Dramatic Society
4. Allen School of Dancing
5. Alpha
6. Altmore Open Farm
7. An Carn
8. An Clochar Éire Óg
9. An Mhaigh GFC
10. Annaghmore Star and Crown Flute Band
11. Annaginny Farm
12. Aodh Ruadh Ladies GFC
13. Ardboe Central Youth Flute Band
14. Ardboe Comhaltas / Ardboe Partnership
15. Ardboe Heritage
16. Ardboe Literary, Photographic & Historical Association
17. Ardboe Traditional Music Society
18. Aughagaskin Flute Band Organisation
19. Augher St Macartans GFC
20. Aughintober Pipe Band
21. Aughnacloy Angling Club
22. Aughnacloy Cub Scouts
23. Aughnacloy and Ballymagrane Girls Brigade
24. Aughnacloy Golf Club
25. Aughnacloy Race Committee
26. Aughnacloy Youth Club
27. Aughrim Fife and Lambeg Drumming
28. Aughrim LOL 711
29. Aughrim Rose of Derry Accordion Band
30. Aw-Some Knits
31. Ballinacross Accordion Band
32. Ballinascreen Historical Society
33. Ballinascreen Traditional Music Group
34. Ballinderry AOH
35. Ballinderry Bridge Pipe Band
36. Ballinderry Community Choir
37. Ballybriest Pipe Band
38. Ballygawley Ju Jitsu Club
39. Ballygawley Parish Bowling Club
40. Ballygawley Tennis Club
41. Ballymoughan Flute Band
42. Ballyneal Accordion Band
43. Ballynenagh Cultural Dev Association
44. Ballynougher Pipe Band
45. Ballyronan District Cultural Group

46. Ballyronan Orange Cultural Group
47. Bardic Players
48. Bardic Theatre Group
49. Bellaghy Branch Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann
50. Bellaghy Historical Society
51. Bellaghy Pipe Band
52. Benburb Flower Festival
53. Birches Vintage Club
54. Brackaghreilly & Community Ceili Group
55. Brackaghreilly Tin Whistle Group
56. Brackaville Owen Roes GAA
57. Brantry Bard Sessions Group
58. Brocagh GFC
59. Bruces True Blues Accordion Band
60. Cairdeas Eoghan
61. Caledon Vintage Club
62. Campa Chormaic
63. Canny Man Community Arts CMCA
64. Carland Indoor Bowling
65. Castlecaulfield Horticultural Society
66. Castledawson Boys Brigade
67. Castledawson Cultural Group
68. Castledawson Flute Band
69. Castledawson Girls Brigade
70. Castledawson Homing Pigeon Society
71. Castledawson Orange Order
72. Castledawson Pipe Band
73. Castlehill Cycle Club
74. Clogher Dance Club
75. Clogher Valley Agricultural Show
76. Clogher Valley Angling
77. Clogher Valley Bee Keeping Society
78. Clogher Valley Outdoor Bowling Federation
79. Clogher Valley Rugby Football Club
80. Clogher Valley Wheelers
81. Clonmore GFC Club
82. Clonoe Independent Pipe Band
83. Clonoe O'Rahillys GFC
84. Cloughfin Pipe band
85. Coagh Ladies Time & Talent Group
86. Coalisland Fianna GFC
87. Coalisland Golf Club
88. Coalisland International Music Festival
89. Coalisland Parochial Bowling Club
90. Coalisland/Clonoe CCE
91. Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann- Coalisland/Clonoe
92. Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann
93. Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann - Clogher
94. Competing Soloists Organisation
95. Cookstown Cultural Development

96. Cookstown Drama Group
97. Cookstown Folk Club
98. Cookstown in Harmony
99. Cookstown Youth Choir
100. Coolstock
101. County Derry Centenaries Committee
102. Craic Arts Theatre
103. Cranny Cultural & Community Group
104. Cranny Pipe Band
105. Crossdernott Bowling Club
106. Cullenfad Pipe Band
107. Culnady Girls Brigade
108. Curragh Hall Development Association
109. Curragh Silver Band
110. Curran Flute Band
111. Dance Dynamics
112. Derganagh Training & Development Association
113. Derrygortreavy Vintage Club
114. Derrylaughan GFC
115. Derryloran Boyne Defenders
116. Derryloran Flute Band
117. Derryoghill Flute Band
118. Derrytresk GFC
119. Desertcreat Scottish Country Dancers
120. Desertmartin Accordion Band
121. Donaghmore GFC
122. DRFC Mini Support Group
123. DU Dance NI
124. Dunamoney Community Group
125. Dunamoney Flute Band
126. Dungannon & District Motorcycle Club
127. Dungannon & District Rambling Club
128. Dungannon Amateur Swimming Club
129. Dungannon Borough Arts Forum
130. Dungannon Choral Society
131. Dungannon Clay Target
132. Dungannon/Cookstown Camera Club
133. Dungannon Cricket Club
134. Dungannon District Rambling Club
135. Dungannon Film Club
136. Dungannon Golf Club
137. Dungannon Ladies Hockey Club
138. Dungannon Ladies Outdoor Bowling Club
139. Dungannon Music & Drama Festival Association
140. Dungannon RFC
141. Dungannon RFC Squash Club
142. Dungannon Set Dancing
143. Dungannon Silver Band
144. Dungannon St Teresa's Camogie Club
145. Dungannon Sub aqua Club

146. Dungannon Swifts Football Club
147. Dungannon Swimming Club
148. Dungannon Tomas Clarkes GFC
149. Dungannon United Youth
150. Dungannon Vintage Club
151. Dungannon West Com Bowling
152. Eden Accordion Band & Concert Music Society
153. Edendork Camogie Club
154. Edendork St Malachys GAC
155. Edentilone Bowling Club
156. Eglish Camogie Club
157. Eglish Cross Community Group
158. Eglish Football Club
159. Eglish St Patrick's GAC
160. Eglish Theatre Group
161. Emerald Dancing Club
162. Eoghan Ruadh Hurling Club
163. Eugene Smith School of Irish Dancing
164. Fallaghloon Vintage Association
165. Fardross Pipe Band
166. Feis Dhún Geanainn
167. Feis Oileain agus Cluaine
168. Fermanagh/Tyrone Ploughing Soc
169. Fit 4 U Dungannon Club
170. Fivemiletown British Legion
171. Fivemiletown United Football Club
172. Friends of Ardboe Cross Ltd
173. Gael Gheanainn
174. Galbally Pearses GAC
175. Geordie Hanna Traditional Singing Society
176. Gig in the Bann Festival
177. Glen AOH
178. Glenageeragh Pipe Band
179. Gortagilly Musical Society
180. Gran Quilters
181. Greenlough AOH
182. Hampsey School of Dancing
183. Hilltop Stables
184. Hope 'N' Glory Scooter Club NI
185. Hospital Road 1899 Association
186. Howard Memorial Pipe Band
187. INF Cookstown
188. Innishrush Orange Heritage Society
189. Institute of Irish Leadership
190. Irish Language Group
191. Irish National Foresters Dungannon
192. Island Hill AOH
193. Island Wheelers Cycling Club
194. Joseph Mary Plunkett Accordion Band
195. Ju Jitsu Club

196. Kildress Dramatic Society
197. Kileeshil GFC
198. Killyman Craft & Leisure Club
199. Killyman Parish Flower Festival
200. Killyman St Marys GFC
201. Killymuck Accordion Band
202. Killymuck Sons of the North
203. Kilnaslee Bowling Club
204. Kinturk Cultural Association
205. Knockloughrim Accordion Band
206. Knockmany Running Club
207. Leckagh Cultural Group
208. Leo's Boys Tug of War Club
209. Linen Green Art Group
210. Lisbeg Pipe Band
211. Lissan House Trust
212. Logue's Hill Clay Pigeon Club
213. Lough Fea Grouse Conservation Trust
214. Loup Comhaltas
215. Loup Comhaltas Eireann
216. Lower Bann Watersports Club
217. Maghera & District Gardening Group
218. Maghera Flute Band
219. Maghera Historical Society
220. Maghera Lambeg Drumming Club
221. Maghera Musical Appreciation Society
222. Maghera Sons of William Flute Band
223. Maghera Vintage Rally Club
224. Magherafelt Arts Society
225. Magherafelt Highland & Country Dance Group
226. Magherafelt Pipe Band
227. Magherafelt Youth Drama
228. Mayogall AOH Hall
229. McKenna School of Irish Dancing
230. Meenagh Flying Club
231. Megargy & District Game & Conservation Society
232. Megargy Accordion Band
233. Megargy Cultural Community Group
234. Mid Ulster Culture & Heritage Association
235. Mid Ulster Floral Art Society
236. Mid Ulster School of Music
237. Mid Ulster Section RSPBA
238. Mid Ulster Victims Empo
239. Mid-Ulster Water Ski Club
240. Moneymore Art Group
241. Moneymore Herritage Trust
242. Moneymore Variety Group
243. Moy & District Ploughing Association
244. Moy Circle of Friends
245. Moy Cosy Club

- 246. Moy Ploughing Society
- 247. Moy Riding School
- 248. Moy Tirnanog GFC
- 249. Muintirevlin CCE
- 250. Naiscoil Mhachaire Ratha
- 251. Naomh Colum Cille CLG
- 252. Naomh Tresa Camogie Club
- 253. Need a Hobby
- 254. Newmills Vintage Club
- 255. Newtownkelly Flower Festival
- 256. North West Mountain Rescue
- 257. Northern Ireland Fishing Tours
- 258. Ochill Cultural Group
- 259. Off The Cuff Community Theatre Group
- 260. On Home Ground
- 261. Pomeroy & District Sports Association
- 262. Pomeroy Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann
- 263. Pomeroy Players
- 264. Rén-Bu-Kan Judo Club
- 265. Riverdale Football Club
- 266. Rocktown AOH
- 267. Roughan Silver Band
- 268. Royal British Legion - Dungannon and Moy Branch
- 269. Royal British Legion, Cookstown
- 270. Salterstown Flute Band
- 271. Sarsfields Accordion Band
- 272. Sixtowns Drama Group
- 273. Sons of William Flute Band
- 274. South & East Tyrone Welfare Support
- 275. South Derry Cultural & Heritage Society
- 276. Sperrin Choir
- 277. Sperrin Vintage Club
- 278. Sporting Hearts
- 279. St Brigid's Camogie Club Brockagh
- 280. St Mary's Bowling Club Killeeshill
- 281. St Mary's GFC Killeeshil
- 282. St Patricks Gaelic Football Club
- 283. ST. Swithins Craft Class
- 284. Steering Committee East Tyrone Pheonix
- 285. Stevenson's Projects
- 286. Stewartstown & District Sports & Cultural Initiative
- 287. Stewartstown Harps Gaelic Athletic Club
- 288. Stewartstown Sports & Cultural Initiative
- 289. Tamlaghmore Silver Band
- 290. Tamlaght O'Crilly Parish Vintage Group
- 291. Tamlaght O'Crilly Pipe Band
- 292. Tamlaghtmore Flute Band
- 293. Tamlaghtmore Silver Band
- 294. Tamnamore Arts Club
- 295. Tamnamore Cosy Corner Craft Club

- 296. The Bridge Singers
- 297. The Forge Players
- 298. The Poetry House
- 299. The Sports Complex Management Group
- 300. The Three Spires Craft Club
- 301. The Upbeat Agency
- 302. Tobermore Girls Brigade
- 303. Tobermore Loyal Flute Band
- 304. Torrent Angling
- 305. Tri-County Schools
- 306. Tullylagan Pipe Band
- 307. Tullylagan Pipeband
- 308. Tyrone Camogie Association
- 309. Tyrone Towers Basketball Club
- 310. Ulster Cycle Promotions Club
- 311. Ulster Vintage Commercial Vehicle Club Ltd
- 312. Upperlands Community Development Association
- 313. Upperlands Festival Park Committee
- 314. Valley Voices Community Choir
- 315. Washingbay Gun Club
- 316. William Carleton Summer School

BUSINESS INTERESTS

- 1. Cookstown Chamber of Commerce
- 2. Cookstown Town Centre Forum
- 3. Dungannon Chamber of Commerce
- 4. Dungannon Enterprise Centre
- 5. Dungannon Regeneration Partnership
- 6. EE
- 7. Magherafelt Town Centre Forum
- 8. Magherafelt Chamber of Commerce
- 9. O2
- 10. Three

CHARITABLE GROUPS

- 1. Action for Access
- 2. Armagh & Dgn Foster Care Group
- 3. Ballinderry River Trust
- 4. C.O.R.E
- 5. Cancer Choices
- 6. Charles Shiels Charity
- 7. Choral Society Dungannon
- 8. Citizen Advice Bureau
- 9. Clogher Carers Group
- 10. Clogher Valley Rural Centre
- 11. Clogher Valley Sure Start
- 12. Coalisland Heritage Trust

13. Community & Voluntary Services
14. Complimentary Health Foundation
15. Cookstown & Dungannon Women's Aid
16. Cookstown Gateway Club
17. CRUSE - Bereavement Centre
18. Disability Action
19. Dungannon & District Housing Association
20. Dungannon Area Churches Forum
21. Dungannon Beacon Centre NIAMH
22. Dungannon Enterprise Centre
23. Dungannon St Vincent De Paul
24. Dungannon Vintage Club
25. Heartbeat Omagh & Dgn Group
26. Home Accident Prevention Dgn
27. Home Start Armagh & Dungannon
28. IMPACT
29. Kileeshil Community Centre
30. Lilac Cancer Support
31. Local Head Teachers Association
32. Marie Curie - Funding Office
33. Molly & Mia Foundation
34. Niamh Louise Foundation
35. NSPCC
36. National Autistic Society
37. Oakridge Social Education Centre
38. Olive Branch Centre & Charity Shop
39. Order of Malta Ambulance Corps (C'land)
40. Order of Malta Ambulance Corps (Dgn)
41. Parkanaur College
42. Probus Club
43. River Blackwater Trust
44. Royal British Legion - Coalisland Branch
45. South Tyrone Action Committee
46. South Tyrone Voluntary Welfare Group
47. Southern Area Hospice Service
48. Speedwell Trust
49. St John's Ambulance
50. STH Local Comforts
51. Sure Start (Dungannon and Coalisland)
52. The Rotary Club of Dungannon
53. Tinnitus Support Group
54. Tyrone East Phoenix Group
55. Valley Medical Equip Fund
56. Vineyard Church Dungannon
57. Vineyard Together

CLERGY

1. An Invitation to Love Jesus/The Gathering Place Cookstown
2. Ballinderry Parish Church Coagh Cookstown
3. Baptist Church Ballygawley
4. Baptist Church Lisnagleer Rock
5. Baptist Church Magherafelt
6. Baptist Church Maghera
7. Baptist Church Magherafelt
8. Baptist Church Tobermore
9. Church of Ireland Ballygawley
10. Church of Ireland Brackaville
11. Church of Ireland Caledon & Brantry
12. Church of Ireland Carnteel/Aughnacloy
13. Church of Ireland Castlecaulfield
14. Church of Ireland Castledawson
15. Church of Ireland Clonfeacle Benburb
16. Church of Ireland Desertmartin
17. Church of Ireland Drumglass
18. Church of Ireland Fivemiletown
19. Church of Ireland Killyman
20. Church of Ireland Maghera
21. Church of Ireland Magherafelt
22. Church of Ireland Moy
23. Church of Ireland St McCartans, Clogher
24. Church of Ireland Tobermore
25. Church of Nazarene Desertmartin
26. Dungannon Independent Methodist Church Moygashel
27. Free Presbyterian Clogher Valley Fivemiletown
28. Free Presbyterian Dungannon
29. Free Presbyterian Magherafelt
30. Independent Methodist Church Fivemiletown
31. Independent Methodist Cookstown
32. Jehovah's Witness Dungannon
33. Life Boat Mission Centre Dungannon
34. Light 'n' Life Tabernacle Dungannon
35. Lissan Parish Church Cookstown
36. Methodist Church Aughnacloy
37. Methodist Church Dungannon
38. Methodist Church Fivemiletown
39. Methodist Church Moy/Blackwatertown
40. Presbyterian Church Aughentaine Fivemiletown
41. Presbyterian Church Aughnacloy
42. Presbyterian Church Ballygawley/Ballyreag
43. Presbyterian Church Bellaghy
44. Presbyterian Church Caledon
45. Presbyterian Church Carland

46. Presbyterian Church Castlecaulfield
47. Presbyterian Church Castledawson
48. Presbyterian Church Clogher
49. Presbyterian Church Culnady and Swatragh
50. Presbyterian Church Dungannon
51. Presbyterian Church Maghera
52. Presbyterian Church Magherafelt
53. Presbyterian Church Moy
54. Presbyterian Church Newmills
55. Presbyterian Church Tobermore
56. Presbyterian Church Upperlands
57. Reformed Baptist Magherafelt
58. Roman Catholic Church Ackinduff Dungannon
59. Roman Catholic Church Altmore Pomeroy
60. Roman Catholic Church Aughnacloy
61. Roman Catholic Church Ballygawley
62. Roman Catholic Church Ballinderry
63. Roman Catholic Church Ballinascreen
64. Roman Catholic Church Bellaghy
65. Roman Catholic Church Brockagh
66. Roman Catholic Church Caledon
67. Roman Catholic Church Castledawson
68. Roman Catholic Church Clady
69. Roman Catholic Church Clogher
70. Roman Catholic Church Clonoe
71. Roman Catholic Church Coagh
72. Roman Catholic Church Coalisland
73. Roman Catholic Church Cookstown
74. Roman Catholic Church Desertmartin
75. Roman Catholic Church Donaghmore
76. Roman Catholic Church Draperstown
77. Roman Catholic Church Drummullan
78. Roman Catholic Church Dungannon
79. Roman Catholic Church Dunnamore
80. Roman Catholic Church Edendork
81. Roman Catholic Church Eglish
82. Roman Catholic Church Fivemiletown
83. Roman Catholic Church Galbally
84. Roman Catholic Church Killeeshill
85. Roman Catholic Church Killeenan
86. Roman Catholic Church Knockloughrim
87. Roman Catholic Church Loup
88. Roman Catholic Church Moy
89. Roman Catholic Church Maghera
90. Roman Catholic Church Magherafelt
91. Roman Catholic Church Moneymore
92. Roman Catholic Church Moortown
93. Roman Catholic Church Mullinahoe
94. Roman Catholic Church Pomeroy
95. Roman Catholic Church Stewartstown

96. Roman Catholic Church The Rock
97. Vineyard Church Dungannon

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

1. Acheson Development Group
2. Ackinduff Park Residents Committee
3. Aghaloo and Blackwater Community Association
4. An Tearmann
5. AOH
6. Ardboe Community Projects Ltd
7. Ardboe Credit Union
8. Ardboe Parish Centre/ Social Club
9. Association of Portuguese Community Dungannon
10. Augharan Development Group
11. Augher Clogher Com Partnership
12. Augher Development Association
13. Aughintober Regeneration Group
14. Aughnacloy Development Association
15. Ballinascreen Community Association
16. Ballinderry Bridge Post Office
17. Ballinascreen Community Group
18. Ballygawley Area Dev Assoc.
19. Ballygawley Community Initiative Group
20. Ballymacall & District Community Association
21. Ballymaguigan Development Association
22. Ballynakelly CPLC
23. Ballyronan Marina Complex
24. Ballyronan Post Office
25. Ballysaggart Area Com Association
26. Ballysaggart Environmental Group (BEG)
27. Bann Valley Community Group
28. Bawn Development Association
29. Bellaghy Development Association
30. Bellaghy Village Regeneration Group
31. Bellaghy Womens Group
32. Benburb & District Community Association
33. Blackwater Enhancement Association
34. Bloomhill Rural Development Association
35. Bonn and District Community Association
36. Brackaghreilly & District Comm Association
37. Brantry Area Farmers Association Ltd
38. Brantry Area Rural Dev Association
39. Brantry Bard
40. Breakthru
41. Brocagh & District Regeneration Group Ltd
42. Broughderg Area Development Association
43. CAB
44. Caledon Community Centre
45. Caledon Regeneration Partnership

46. Cappagh Village Regeneration
47. Carland Community Group
48. Carntogher Community Association
49. Castlecaulfield & District Com Association
50. Castledawson Development Enterprises Ltd
51. Castledawson Masonic Lodge
52. Castledawson Royal British Legion
53. CDM Community Transport
54. Churchtown Post Office
55. Clady and District Angling Club
56. Clogher Cathedral Parish (COI)
57. Clogher Development Association
58. Clogher Valley Community Centre Ltd
59. Clogher Valley Steering Group
60. Clommore Regeneration Group
61. Cloneen Com Association
62. Clonoe Community Centre
63. Clonoe Community Regeneration Group
64. Clonoe Rural Development Agency Ltd
65. Club Áige Luraigh
66. Coagh Community Crossroads Club
67. Coagh Crossroads Community Group
68. Coagh Post Office
69. Coalisland & District Development Association
70. Coalisland Canal Branch IWAI
71. Coalisland Residents & Community Forum
72. Cookstown & District Motor Cycle Club
73. Cookstown & Western Shores Area Network
74. Cookstown Community Police Liaison Committee
75. Cookstown and Magherafelt Volunteer Centre
76. Cookstown Community Allotments
77. Cookstown Enterprise Centre
78. Cookstown Gardening Club
79. Cookstown Gingerbread Group
80. Cookstown Library
81. Cookstown North Community Group
82. Cookstown Volunteer Centre
83. Cookstown & Magherafelt Volunteer Centre
84. Cornamuckla & Kilclay Regeneration
85. Costa
86. CPLC
87. CRAFT
88. Craigmore & District Community Association
89. Cunningham's Lane Cross Community Residents Association
90. Curlough Rural Society
91. Curragh Community Group
92. Curragh Young Farmers
93. Curran Hall Development Association
94. Curran Heritage Culture Community Association
95. CWSAN

96. Derganagh Training and Development Association
97. Derryhirk Rural Development Association
98. Derryloran Community Association
99. Derrytresk Community Association
100. Desertmartin AOH
101. Desertmartin Community Development Ltd
102. Desertmartin Community Group
103. Disenchanted Events
104. Donaghmore Village Imp Group
105. Draperstown Busking Festival
106. Drummullan Community Group
107. Drumreagh Crescent Resident Association
108. Dunamoney Community Group
109. Dunamore Community Association
110. Dunavon Residents Association
111. Dungannon & District Clergy Forum
112. Dungannon Area Churches Forum Treasurer
113. Dungannon CR Group
114. Dungannon Enterprise Centre
115. Dungannon LT
116. Dungannon Regeneration Partnership
117. Dungannon West Community Forum
118. Edentilone Bowling Club
119. Eglisk Cross Community Group
120. Fairhill & District Credit Union Ltd
121. Fairhill Development Association
122. Fairmount Park Tenants Association
123. Fardross Heritage & Vision Society
124. First Steps Women's Centre
125. Fivemiletown Chamber Of Commerce
126. Fivemiletown Community Development Association
127. Fivemiletown Community Support Association
128. Fivemiletown District Cultural & Sports Association
129. Fivemiletown Estate's Group
130. Fivemiletown Methodist Hall
131. Friends of Lough Patrick
132. Galbally CCE
133. Glenburn Community Group
134. Gold Surestart
135. Gort Kids Afterschools Club
136. Gortalowry House Projects Ltd
137. Gortalowry Park Residents Association
138. Granville Dev Association
139. Greenvale Residents Community Group
140. Helen Keys Business & Community
141. Innishrush Clay Pigeon Club
142. Innishrush Community Group
143. Innishrush Development Group
144. Kernal
145. Kerrigan Community Association

146. Kilcronaghan Community Association
147. Kildress Credit Union
148. Killealagh and St John's Community Association
149. Killeeshil Community Centre
150. Killowen Neighbourhood Group
151. Killylea & District Dev Committee
152. Killyman Community Association
153. Killyman Development Association
154. Killyman District & Cultural Association
155. Killymoon Community Group
156. Kilnaslee Community Development Association
157. Kingsmills Coordinating Committee
158. Leckagh Neighbourhood Group
159. Lisnagleer Community Group
160. Lissan GO
161. Lissan Leisure Club
162. Lissan Men's Parish Group
163. Lissan Rural Development Association
164. Lough Neagh Ltd
165. Lough Neagh Partnership Ltd
166. Lough Neagh Rescue
167. Loughans Cultural Development Association
168. Loughlinsholin Community Group
169. Loughshore Open Door Club
170. Lougview Partnership Association
171. Loup Sub Post Office
172. Lower Castledawson Community Association
173. MACADA
174. Maghera Community Forum
175. Maghera Cross Community Partnership
176. Maghera Development Association
177. Maghera Parish Caring Association
178. Maghera Vintage Rally
179. Maghera Youth Connect
180. Magherafelt and District Road Safety Committee
181. Magherafelt Community Support Centre
182. Magherafelt Parish Centre
183. Meet and Eat
184. Megargy and District Game & Conversation Society
185. Megargy Cultural and Community Group
186. Mid Ulster Community Network
187. Mid Ulster Floral Society
188. Mid Ulster Truckers
189. Mid Ulster Vintage Rally Association
190. Mid Ulster Vintage Vehicles Club
191. Milltown Area Community Association
192. Milltown Community Group
193. Monday Club
194. Moneymore Activity Group
195. Moneymore Community Group

196. Moneyneena Community Development Grp
197. Moortown Community Development Group
198. Moree Community Association
199. Mountforrest Cultural Development Association
200. Mowillian Hall Development Association
201. Moygashel Bonfire Association
202. Moygashel Community & Cultural Association
203. Moygashel Park Residents
204. Moygashel Residents Association
205. Muintir Na Mointeach Ltd
206. New Meadows Community Partnership
207. Newmills Cultural Group
208. Newmills Development Association
209. NI Ex Firefighters Association
210. NI Fire & Rescue Service
211. Northern Counties Development Association
212. Northern Ireland ex- firefighters
213. Old School Steering Group
214. Omagh West Dev Association
215. Oonagh Valley Community Association
216. Open Doors Club, Swatragh
217. Orritor St Community Group
218. Out & About Community Transport
219. Parkview Community Group
220. Peace Impact Programme (PIP)
221. Polish House in Mid Ulster
222. Pomeroy Afterschool
223. Pomeroy Community Projects
224. Pomeroy Credit Union
225. Pomeroy Development Projects
226. Pomeroy Resource Centre
227. Pomeroy Social Activity Group
228. Protestant Unionist Loyalist Network (PUL)
229. Putting Others First
230. Ratheen, Greenvale and Sullenboy Residents Ass.
231. Rhone Valley Community Group
232. Riverside and Blackhill Community Group
233. Rock Community Association
234. Royal British Legion
235. RUC GC Association East Tyrone Branch
236. Rural Community Network
237. Rural Community Transport
238. Rural Development Council
239. Sandholes Community Group
240. SELB Transport Depot
241. Select Vestry Tullaniskien Parish Church
242. Servite Order NI
243. Simpson Grant Association
244. Sixtowns Cross Community Group
245. Slatequarry Community Association

- 246. Slievegallion Active Retirement Association
- 247. Slievegallion Community & Sports Development
- 248. South Derry Empowerment Partnership
- 249. South Lough Neagh Regeneration
- 250. Speedwell
- 251. Speedwell Trust
- 252. Sperrins Forum
- 253. Sperrins Gateway Landscape Partnership
- 254. St Colman's Parish Community Group
- 255. St John Bosco Community Association
- 256. St Johns Swatragh & Killeagh Church of Ireland
- 257. STEP (South Tyrone Empowerment Program)
- 258. STEPS
- 259. Stevenson Community Outreach
- 260. Stewartstown Community Group
- 261. Sunnyside Community Association
- 262. SVDP
- 263. Swatragh Wednesday Club
- 264. TABBDA
- 265. Tamlaght
- 266. Tamlaght O'Crilly Development Association
- 267. Tamlaght O'Crilly Historical Society
- 268. Tamlaght O'Crilly Parish Vintage Group
- 269. Tamnamore Community Development Association
- 270. TARGET
- 271. Termoneeny Community Association
- 272. The Compassionate Friends NI
- 273. The Hub BT80
- 274. The Rural Centre/Europe Direct NI
- 275. Tirgan Community Association
- 276. Tobermore Community Developments
- 277. Tobermore Community Projects
- 278. Tobermore Community Safety Forum
- 279. Tobermore Village Hall Development Association
- 280. Tobin Youth Centre Ltd
- 281. Tullyhogue Post Office
- 282. Tullylagan Vintage Owners Association
- 283. Tullylagan Vintage Owners' Association
- 284. Tyrone Orange Vision
- 285. Ulster-Scots Community Network
- 286. Upperlands Community Development Association
- 287. Upperlands Luncheon Club
- 288. Valley Fold Tenants Association
- 289. Willowbank Resource Centre
- 290. Workspace Draperstown

CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

- 1. Ancre Somme

2. Annahoe Historical & Cultural Society
3. Annahoe Historical Society
4. Annahoe Historical, Cultural & Sports Society
5. Aughnacloy & District Cultural Development Ass.
6. Aughnacloy & Truagh Historical Association
7. Ballinderry Historical Association
8. Ballygawley Historical Society
9. BARD Association
10. Brocagh Heritage Group
11. Bush Community Cultural Group
12. Caledon & Killylea District Cultural Society
13. Carricklongfield Cultural group
14. Castlecaulfield District LOL 4
15. Clogher Historical Society
16. Coagh & District Local History Group
17. Coalisland & Clonoe Cultural & Historical Society
18. Cookstown Local History Group
19. Crannog Cultural & History Group
20. Donaghmore Historical Society
21. East Tyrone Cultural Association
22. Edendork Historical Society
23. Fairmount Park/Union Place Events Association
24. Fardross Heritage and Vision Socieity
25. FAST
26. Fivemiletown District Cultural Association
27. Friends of the Somme
28. Killeeshil Clonaneese Historical Society
29. Killyman District Cultural Group
30. Lissan Local History Group
31. Loughans Historical & Cultural Society
32. Moygashel Historical Group
33. Moygashel Ulster Scots
34. Muintirevlin Historical Society
35. Newmills Cultural Group
36. O'Neill Country Historical Society
37. O'Neill Historical Society
38. Rock and District Historical Society
39. Rock, Pomeroy and Donaghmore Historical Societies
40. Rowan Tree Centre
41. Simpson Grant Association
42. South Lough Neagh Historical Society
43. Stewartstown & District Local History Society
44. Stewartstown Historical Society
45. Tyrone Ancre Somme Association
46. Tyrone Somme Memorial Association
47. UAHS
48. William Carleton Society
49. William Carleton Summer School

HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUPS

1. Alzheimers Society
2. Arthritis Care
3. Beacon Woodlands
4. Breakthru
5. Buddy Bear Trust
6. Carers NI
7. Charis Integrated Cancer Care
8. Chest, Heart & Stroke Association
9. Community Learning Disability Team
10. Cookstown & Dungannon Women's Aid
11. Cookstown Day Centre
12. Cookstown Gateway Club
13. Cookstown Stroke Club
14. Disability Action
15. Disabled Christian Fellowship
16. Downs Children's Association
17. Downs Syndrome Association
18. Downs Syndrome South Derry Group
19. Dungannon Beacon Centre NIAMH
20. Dungannon Diabetic Association
21. Dungannon Disabled Christian Fellowship
22. Dungannon Talking Newspaper
23. Emergency Medical Care
24. EMS Training Group
25. Fort Riding Centre for Disabled
26. Galbally & District Disabled Association
27. Gateway Club - Benburb
28. Gateway Club - Dungannon
29. Insight
30. Irish Travellers
31. Kildress Kare
32. Lilac Cancer Support
33. Living and Learning Together
34. Maghera Cancer Research Committee
35. Magherafelt District Advice Services
36. Marie Curie Cancer Care
37. Mid Ulster Carers Support Group
38. Mid Ulster Dementia Support Group
39. Mid Ulster Talking Newspaper
40. Mid Ulster Victims Empowerment
41. Mindwise
42. MS Support Group
43. NI Agrophobia Society
44. Niamh Louise Foundation
45. NICHI

46. Northern Ireland Action Mental Health
47. Northern Ireland Council for Ethnic Minorities
48. Oakridge Social Education Centre
49. Open Door Club
50. Parkanaur College
51. Parkinsons Society
52. Path to Recovery
53. Praxis
54. Riding for the Disabled
55. Shopmobility Cookstown
56. St Vincent de Paul
57. Superstars
58. The Real Fathers For Justice
59. TIPSA
60. Volunteer Centre
61. William Keown Trust
62. Willowbank Resource Centre
63. Woodlands Beacon
64. Work with Hard of Hearing and Deaf Clients

OLDER PEOPLES GROUPS

1. 60+ Club
2. Age Care
3. Age Concern
4. Age Concern Wise & Wonderful
5. Agewell Partnership
6. Alzheimer's Society
7. Ardtrea & Desertcreat Senior Citizens Group
8. Arthritis Care Cookstown
9. Ballygawley Seniors Citizens Club
10. Ballylifford Primary School
11. Ballymaguigan Senior Citizens
12. Brigh Senior Citizens Fellowship
13. Clogher & Augher Thursday Club
14. Coalisland Learn & Leisure Club
15. Cookstown over 50s Club
16. Culnady Young at Heart
17. Donaghmore Open Door Club
18. Dungannon & District 50+ Club
19. Dungannon Senior Citizens Forum
20. Dungannon West Re-Cycled Teenagers
21. Eat 'n Meet Friendship Club
22. Eglishe Open Door Club
23. Evergreen Club
24. Evergreen Club Coalisland
25. Fivemiletown Halfdoor Club
26. Galbally Country Club

27. Killeshill Senior Citizens
28. Killyman Craft & Leisure Club
29. Lavey Young At Heart Club
30. Loughshore Senior Citizens
31. Lower Castledawson Senior Citizens Group
32. Maghera Luncheon Club
33. Moneyneena Senior Citizens Group
34. Moy Circle of Friends
35. Moy Cosy Club
36. Moygashel Senior Citizens
37. O4O
38. Recycled Teenagers Club
39. Senior Citizens Umbrella Group
40. St Elizabeths Senior Citizens Club
41. SuperAdults (Milltown Community Association)
42. Swatragh Wednesday Club (over 50's)
43. Tamlaght O'Crilly Senior Citizens Group
44. The Evergreens
45. The Monday Club
46. The Tuesday Club
47. Tobermore Craft Class
48. Tobermore Senior Citizens
49. Tuesday Club
50. Tuesday Fold Club
51. University of The Third Age (U3A)
52. Upperlands Senior Citizens Group

POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1. Magherafelt High School
2. Northern Regional College (Magherafelt)
3. Rainey Endowed School
4. Sperrin Integrated College
5. St Colm's High School Draperstown
6. St Mary's College Clady
7. St Mary's Grammar School Magherafelt
8. St Patrick's College Dungannon
9. St Pius X High School Magherafelt
10. CAFRE
11. Cookstown Adult Learning Centre
12. Cookstown High School
13. South West College (Dungannon and Cookstown)
14. Holy Trinity College Cookstown
15. Royal School Dungannon
16. Drumglass High Dungannon
17. St Patricks Academy Dungannon
18. Augnacloy College
19. Fivemiletown College
20. St Ciaran's Ballygawley
21. St Joseph's Coalisland

22. St Patrick's Maghera
23. Dungannon Integrated College
24. Sperrin View Dungannon
25. Tamnamore Learning Centre
26. Integrated College Dungannon

PRESCHOOLS

1. After Schools Club Draperstown
2. After Schools Club Knockcloghrim
3. Aughnacloy Parent & Toddler
4. Aughnacloy Playgroup
5. Ballinascreen Early Years
6. Ballinascreen Mother and Toddler Group
7. Ballygawley Early Years Ltd
8. Ballygawley Parent & Toddler Group
9. Ballymaguigan Playgroup
10. Beacon Playgroup
11. Belcoo Com Playgroup
12. Bellaghy Nursery Unit
13. Benburb Playgroup
14. Brocagh Playgroup
15. Bunscoil Naomh Brid
16. Busy Bee Community Playgroup
17. Cairde Ui Neill
18. Caledon Afterschool Playgroup
19. Caledon Playgroup
20. Clady Playgroup
21. Clintyclay Parent Teacher Association
22. Clogher Valley Playgroup
23. Club Eachtra (Adventure Club)
24. Club Iarscoile After Schools club
25. Coalisland Mother & Toddler
26. Cookstown Controlled Nursery School
27. Culnady Parent and Toddler Group
28. DELTA Project Dungannon
29. Discovering Kids Playgroup
30. Donaghmore Parent & Toddler Group.
31. Dungannn Controlled Nursery
32. Forever Friends Playgroup
33. Fivemiletown Controlled Nursery
34. Gaelscoil an tSeanchai Nursery Unit
35. Galbally Parent & Toddler Group
36. Glencabin Playgroup
37. Glenview Playgroup
38. Gran Tots Playgroup
39. Greenlough Playgroup
40. Happy Days Playgroup
41. Holy Family Play Group
42. Home-Start Armagh & Dgn

43. Humpty Dumpty Playgroup
44. Jack & Jill Pre School
45. Jollytots Parent & Toddler Group
46. Jumping Jack P & T Group
47. Kiddies Castle Playgroup
48. Kidd-z-Play Nursery Ltd
49. Killyman Playgroup
50. King Street Parent and Toddler Group
51. Laughterland
52. Laughterland Out of School Club
53. Lavey Early Years Group
54. Lavey Parent and Toddler Playgroup
55. Lissan Cross Community Play Group
56. Little Acorns - C'town Leisure Centre
57. Little Acorns Playgroup
58. Little Acorns Playgroup, Coagh
59. Little Amps Playgroup
60. Little Flower, Clonoe
61. Little Rainbow Playgroup
62. Little Stars P & T Group
63. Little Wombles, Draperstown
64. Lollipop Playgroup
65. Maghera Mother & Toddler Group
66. Magherafelt Controlled Nursery School
67. Magherafelt Parish Centre Creche
68. Moneymore Nursery School
69. Moortown Playgroup
70. Naiscoil Charn Tochair
71. Naiscoil Mhachaire Ratha
72. Newmills Parent and Toddler Group.
73. Newmills Playgroup
74. NIPPA - Dgn & District Branch
75. Noah's Ark Mothers & Toddlers
76. Paddington Playgroup
77. Panda Playgroup
78. Parents & Toddlers @ First
79. Parent and Toddler Group
80. Pomeroy Pre-School Playgroup
81. Portglenone Community Play Group
82. Rainbow Community Childcare Centre
83. Slievegallion Community Playgroup
84. Slievegallion Community Pre-school
85. St Macartans Mothers & Toddlers
86. St Marys Nursery Unit, Bellaghy
87. St Marys Nursery Unit, Portglenone
88. STARS Playgroup
89. Stepping Stones Playgroup
90. The Happy Days Nursery
91. The Kidz Lodge
92. The Little Wombles Cross Community Playgroup

93. The Little Wombles Cross Community Playgroup
94. Tiny Stars Playgroup
95. Tiny Steps Creche
96. Tiny Tots Pre-School Education Centre
97. Tiny Tots Cross Community Playgroup
98. Tober Tiny's Community Playgroup
99. Torrent Tots
100. Twinkle Play Group
101. Union Road Mums and Tots Magherafelt
102. Windmill Integrated Primary & Nursery School
103. Woodland Adventure Playgroup
104. Young Mums getting on with it!

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1. Altayaskey Primary School
2. Ampertaine Primary School
3. Anahorish Primary School
4. Aughamullan Primary School
5. Augher Central Primary School
6. Aughnacloy Primay School
7. Ballylifford Primary School
8. Ballynease Primary School
9. Bellaghy Primary School
10. Blessed Patrick O'Loughran Primary School
11. Bush Primary School
12. Carntal, Primary School
13. Castledawson Primary School
14. Churchill Primary School
15. Churchtown Primary School
16. Clintyclay Primary School
17. Coagh Primary School
18. Cookstown Primary School
19. Crievagh Primary School
20. Cross Roads Primary School
21. Culnady Primary School
22. Derrychrin Primary School
23. Derrylatinee Primary School
24. Desertmartin Primary School
25. Donaghey Primary School
26. Donaghmore Primary School
27. Dungannon Primary School
28. Edendork Primary School
29. Fivemiletown Primary School
30. Gaelscoil an tseanchi
31. Gaelscoil Aodha Rua
32. Gaelscoil Eoghan
33. Gaelscoil Na Speirni
34. Gaelscoil Ui Neill
35. Glen Primary School

36. Glenview Primary School
37. Holy Family Primary School, Castledawson
38. Holy Family Primary School, Magherafelt
39. Holy Trinity Primary School
40. Howard Primary School
41. Kilronan School
42. Kilross Primary School
43. Killyman Primary School
44. Knockagin Primary School
45. Knockloughrim Primary School
46. Laghey Primay School
47. Lisferty Primary School
48. Lissan Primary School
49. Maghera Primary School
50. Magherafelt Primary School
51. Moneymore Primary School
52. Moy Regional Primary School
53. Naiscoil
54. Naiscoil Mhachaire Ratha
55. Naiscoil Na Speirini
56. Newmills Primary School
57. New Row Primary School
58. Orritor Primary School
59. Our Ladies Primary School, Benburb
60. Phoenix Integrated Primary School
61. Portglenone Primary School
62. Primate Dixon Primary School
63. Queen Elizabeth II Primary School
64. Richmond Primary School
65. Roan St Patricks Primary School
66. Sacred Heart Primary School, Rock
67. Spires Integrated Primary School
68. Stewartstown Primary School
69. St Bridgid's Primary School, Augher
70. St Bridgid's Primary School, Brocagh
71. St Bridgid's Primary School, Tirkane
72. St Columbs Cullion Primary School
73. St Columb's Primary School, Desertmartin
74. St Columba's Primary School, Draperstown
75. St Eoghan's Primary School
76. St John's Primary School, Kingsisland
77. St John's Primary School, Moy
78. St John Bosco's Primary School, Ballynease
79. St Joseph's Primary School, Galbally
80. St Joseph's Primary School, Killeenan
81. St MacCartan's Primary School, Clogher
82. St Malachy's Primary School, Drummullan
83. St Mary's Primary School, Aughnacloy
84. St Mary's Primary School, Ballygawley
85. St Mary's Primary School, Cabra

86. St Mary's Primary School, Dunamore
87. St Mary's Primary School, Glenview
88. St Mary's Primary School, Greenlough
89. St Mary's Primary School, Fivemiletown
90. St Mary's Primary School, Lisbuoy
91. St Mary's Primary School, Pomeroy
92. St Mary's Primary School, Portglenone
93. St Mary's Primary School, Stewartstown
94. St Patrick's Primary School, Annaghmore
95. St Patrick's Primary School, Aughnadarragh
96. St Patrick's Primary School, Donaghmore
97. St Patrick's Primary School, Dungannon
98. St Patrick's Primary School, Loup
99. St Patrick's Primary School, Maghera
100. St Patrick's Primary School, Moneymore
101. St Patrick's Primary School, Mullinahoe
102. St Pete's Primary School, Moortown
103. St Trea's Primary School
104. Tirkane Primary School
105. Tobermore Primary School
106. Walker Memorial Primary School
107. Windmill Primary School
108. Woods Primary School

PTA/PARENT SUPORT GROUPS

1. Blessed Patrick O'Loughran PS Parent Support
2. Bush Primary School PTA
3. Churchill PS Parent Support Group
4. Coagh Primary School Parents Association
5. Donaghey Primary School Parents' Association
6. Drumglass High School PTA
7. Edendork Primary School PSG
8. Friends and Parents of Cookstown PS
9. Friends of Crevagh/Lissan Cross Comm Group
10. Friends of Stewartstown Primary School
11. Naiscoil Eoghain PTA
12. Parent Teacher Association Fivemiletown
13. Parents and Friends of Cookstown Primary School
14. Parents, Teachers & Friends of Dungannon PS
15. Phoenix Parents Council
16. Queen Elizabeth II P.S. Parent Teacher Association
17. Richmond Parent Support Group
18. Roan St Patrick's PS Parent Support Group
19. St Joseph's PS Fundraising Group
20. St Patrick's Academy Parent Support Group
21. St Patrick's College Parent Support Group
22. Woods PS PTA

SPORTS GROUPS

1. 1st Cookstown Mens Indoor Bowling Club
2. Ardboe Bowling Club
3. Ardboe O'Donovan Rossa GAC
4. Ardtrea Ladies GFC
5. Athletics Sports Hall
6. Ballinascreen Camogie Club
7. Ballinderry Angling Club
8. Ballinderry Bridge Parochial Centre Bowling Club
9. Ballinderry Camogie Club
10. Ballinderry Shamrocks GAC
11. Ballygoney Angling Club
12. Ballymooghan Clay Pigeon Club
13. Ballyronan Boat Club
14. Bancran Tug of War
15. Bellaghy Presbyterian Bowling Club
16. Blood Sweat and Tears
17. Brigh Bowling Club
18. Carn Wheelers Cycling Club
19. Church Island Cycling
20. Coagh & Unipork Angling Club
21. Coagh Badminton Club
22. Coagh Bowling Club
23. Coagh Sports Centre
24. Cookstown Tai-Chi Club
25. Cookstown & Magherafelt Motocross
26. Cookstown & Magherafelt Motor Club
27. Cookstown 100
28. Cookstown Badminton Club
29. Cookstown Basketball Club
30. Cookstown Boxing Club
31. Cookstown Celtic F. C.
32. Cookstown Cricket Club
33. Cookstown Darts League
34. Cookstown High & Outdoor Bowling Club
35. Cookstown High School Badminton Club
36. Cookstown Hockey Club
37. Cookstown Ju Jitsu Club
38. Cookstown Karate Club
39. Cookstown Olympic FC
40. Cookstown Parochial Bowling Club
41. Cookstown Rugby Club
42. Cookstown Social Homing Pigeon Society
43. Cookstown Squash Club
44. Cookstown Swimming Club
45. Cookstown Tai Chi Club
46. Cookstown Volley Ball Clubs

47. Cookstown Yoga Club
48. Cookstown Youth FC
49. Cookstown Youth Football Club
50. Culbann Clay Pigeon Club
51. CYFC
52. Derry GAA
53. Derryloran Badminton Club
54. Derryloran Bowling Club
55. Desertlyn Bowling Club
56. Desertmartin Football Club
57. East Tyrone Cycling Club
58. Eoghan Ruadh Hurling Club
59. Erins Own GAC Lavey
60. Fairhill Bowling Club
61. Fallaghboan Dance Club
62. Field Hockey Club
63. Fr Rocks GFC
64. Fr Rocks Ladies GFC
65. Gaelic Project
66. Harps Cycling Club
67. Henry Joy McCrackens Moneymore
68. Northern Ireland Under 15 Girls Football Team
69. Northern Ireland Under 18 Boys Hockey
70. Ulster Under 17 Badminton Team
71. Australian Rules Football
72. NI Netball
73. Ulster Under 15 Badminton Team
74. Innishrush Clay Pigeon Club
75. Innishrush Gun Club
76. Irish Indoor Bowling Association
77. Kildress Angling Club
78. Kildress Bowling Club
79. Kildress Wolfe Tones GFC
80. Killymoon Golf Club
81. Killymuck Clay Pigeon Club
82. Kingsbridge Angling Club
83. Knockloughrim Parish Bowling Club
84. Lafarge Bowling Club
85. Lissan Badminton Group
86. Lissan Bowling Club
87. Lissan GAC
88. Lissan Horse Riders
89. Loup Bowling Club
90. Loup Boxing Club
91. Loup GFC
92. Maghera Leisure Centre
93. Maghera Snooker Club
94. Magherafelt & District Cage Birds Society
95. Magherafelt & District Motor Club
96. Magherafelt & District Road Safety

97. Magherafelt Girls Soccer Club
98. Magherafelt Reds FC
99. Magherafelt Sky Blues
100. Magherafelt Sports Federation
101. Magherafelt Squash Club
102. Magherafelt Titans Junior Basketball Club
103. Michael Davitt GAC Swatragh
104. Mid - Ulster Cycling Club
105. Mid - Ulster Vintage Car Club
106. Mid Ulster Amateur Swimming Club
107. Mid Ulster Angling Club
108. Mid Ulster Canoe and Kayak
109. Mid Ulster Indoor Bowls Convener
110. Mid Ulster Ladies FC
111. Mid Ulster Netball Club
112. Mid Ulster Special Olympics
113. Mid Ulster Walking Club
114. Mid Ulster Water Ski Club
115. Mid-Ulster Athletic Club
116. Mid-Ulster Show Jumpers
117. Mid-Ulster Walking Club
118. Molesworth Indoor Bowling Club
119. Moneymore Badminton Club
120. Moneymore Gaelic Football
121. Moneymore Presbyterian Bowling Club
122. Moneymore Youth Club
123. Moortown Bowling Club
124. Moortown St Malachys GAC
125. Motocross
126. Moyola Clay Target Club
127. Moyola Park Football Club
128. Moyola Park Golf Club
129. Moyola Park Youth Football Club
130. Mu-Gen-DO
131. Newferry Waterski Club
132. NI Special Pool Club
133. O'Donovan Rossa GAC
134. Ogra Colmcille GFC
135. Orritor Bowling Club
136. Pearses GAC Kilrea
137. Pomeroy Badminton Club
138. Pomeroy Ladies GFC
139. Pomeroy Plunketts GAC
140. Rainey Old Boys R.F.C
141. Rainey Rugby Football Hockey Club
142. Robert Emmets GAC Slaughtneil
143. Rock Cycle Club
144. Rock GFC
145. Rock St Patricks GAA
146. Ronan Valley Golf Club

147. Royal British Legion Bowling Club
148. Sean O'Leary Newbridge
149. Sperrin Harriers
150. Spires Cycling Club
151. St Colms GAC Ballinascreen
152. St Columba's Camogie Club, Greenlough
153. St Johns Boxing Club Swatragh
154. St Joseph's Bowling Club
155. St Malachy's GAC Castledawson
156. St Martins GAC Desertmartin
157. St Mel's Camogie Club
158. St Michael's GAC Lissan
159. St Oliver Plunketts GAC
160. St Patricks Snooker Club
161. St Swithin's Mixed Bowling Club
162. St Trea's Bowling Club
163. St Trea's GAC Ballymaguigan
164. Stewartstown Harps GFC
165. Take a Bow Archery Club
166. Tamlaght Bowls Club
167. Tobermore United Football club
168. Tobermore Youth Football Academy
169. Toddler & Mini Soccer
170. Tullylagan Branch of the Pony Club
171. Tullylagan Pony Club
172. Tyrone Milk Cup
173. Watty Graham's GAA Club Glen
174. Wolfe Tones GAC Bellaghy
175. Woods Bowling Club
176. Ulster Angling Federation

VICTIMS GROUPS

1. MUVE Project
2. Stewartstown & District Support Group

WOMENS GROUPS

1. Acorn Women's Group
2. Aughnacloy Womens Institute
3. Ballinderry Women's Group
4. Ballygawley Women's Institute
5. Ballymaguigan Womens Group
6. Ballyronan Womens Group
7. Bellaghy Presbyterian Bowling Club
8. Bellaghy Womens Group
9. Bellaghy Womens Institute
10. Brantry Women's Group
11. Bush Womens' Group
12. Caledon Womens Institute

13. Castledawson Ladies Group
14. Clogher Mothers Union
15. Coalisland Women Learn & Leisure
16. Cookstown & District Women's Group
17. Country Roads Womens Group
18. Coyles Cottage Womens Group
19. Curlough Ladies Group
20. Donaghmore Women's Institute
21. Drumglass Mother's Union
22. Dungannon Ladies Probus Club
23. Eglisk Presbyterian Womens Association
24. Ethnic Women's Organisation
25. Federation of Women's Institutes
26. First Steps Womens Centre
27. Galbally Women's Group
28. Girls Allowed Stewartstown Womens Cross Community Group
29. Gran Quilters
30. Granaghan and District Womens Group
31. Granaghan Womens Group
32. Greenlough Womens Group
33. Kilcronaghan Mothers Union
34. Kildress Mothers Union
35. Killycurragh Women's Institute
36. Killyman Women's Institute
37. Ladies Probus Group
38. Legion of Mary
39. Loup Womens Group
40. Maghera Womens Institute
41. Magherafelt Ladies Association
42. Magherafelt Womens Group
43. Magherafelt Womens Institute
44. Magheraglass Womens' Group
45. Mid-Ulster Women's Aid
46. Moneymore Women's Institute
47. Moy Circle of Friends
48. NI Womens Network
49. NIRWN
50. Northern Regional College
51. Pomeroy WI
52. Positive Steps / Cookstown & district
53. RBL- Women's Section
54. Royal British Legion Womens Section
55. Sixtowns Womens Group
56. Slievegallion Womens Group
57. Soroptimist International
58. Tobermore Womens Institute
59. Traad & Ballyronan Womens Group
60. TRAAD & Ballyronan Womens Group
61. Upperlands Womens Group
62. Womens Aid Maghera

63. Womens Resource Centre

YOUTH GROUPS

1. 14th Tyrone Scouts, Pomeroy
2. 190th Bellaghy Presbyterian Girls Brigade
3. 1st Ballygawley Beavers & Cubs Scouts
4. 1st Ballygawley Cubs
5. 1st Ballygawley Guides
6. 1st Castlecaulfield Boys Brigade
7. 1st Dungannon Boys Brigade
8. 1st Tyrone Scouts Group
9. 4H20 Kids
10. 6th Tyrone Scouts
11. All Set Cross Cultural Projects
12. Ar Ais Aris
13. Aughnacloy Youth Club
14. Ballygawley & Ballyreagh Youth Clubs
15. Ballygawley/Ballyreagh Group
16. Ballyronan Community Playgroup
17. Ballytree Parent Support Group
18. Big 5 Youth Club Programme
19. Caledon Parish Youth Fellowship
20. Castlecaulfield Presbyterian Church Guides
21. Castlecaulfield YFC
22. Castledawson Boys Brigade
23. Claggan Youth Club
24. Clogher & District Young Farmers
25. Clonaneese Youth Club
26. Cookstown & District Youth Forum
27. Cookstown High School Youth Club
28. Cookstown Town Centre Project
29. Cookstown Youth Resource Centre
30. Cornstore Draperstown
31. Crilly Cultural Group
32. Derryloran Cub Scout Pack
33. Derryloran Scouts
34. Desertcreat Cubs
35. Drumglass Youth Club
36. Dungannon & District Scout Fellowship
37. Dungannon Girl Guides
38. Dungannon Youth Resource Centre
39. Dungannon Youth Resource Centre
40. Fairhill Youth Group
41. First Cookstown Scout Group
42. Fivemiletown United Youth
43. Footlights Youth Group
44. Galbally Youth & Community Association
45. Junior Tennis Club

46. Kilcronaghan & Ballinascreen GFS
47. Kildress Area Youth & Community Club
48. Kildress Youth Club
49. Killeeshill Youth Club Summer Scheme
50. Killyman Youth Group
51. Krafty Kidz
52. Maghera Boys Brigade
53. Magherafelt Girls Soccer Club
54. Magherafelt Titans Junior Basketball Club
55. Magherafelt Youth Centre
56. Methodist Youth Club
57. Mid Ulster Child Contact Centre
58. Mid Ulster District Cub Scouts
59. Molesworth Street Summer Club
60. Molesworth Youth Club
61. Moyola Community Youth Committee
62. OGRAS
63. Pomeroy Play Group
64. Pomeroy Scouts
65. Road Engines Youth Club
66. Seal Spraoi
67. SELB Cookstown Youth Resource Centre
68. SELB Youth Executive Committee
69. Seskinore YFC
70. St Anne's 1st Dungannon Scouts
71. St Colmicilles Guides
72. St Eoghains Youth Club
73. St Johns Junior Youth Club
74. St Macartans Youth Club
75. St Malachy's C.B.S.I
76. St Swithins Church Girls' Brigade
77. Stewartstown Girls Brigade
78. Three Spires Scout Group
79. Tobermore Boys Brigade
80. Tobermore Girls Bridage
81. Tullanisken Youth Club
82. Woodschapel Beaver Scouts
83. Young Farmers Club
84. Youth Action NI
85. Youth Explosion

OTHER

1. Colm Donaghy Chartered Architect
2. DCAL – Ministerial Action Group (MAG)
3. Education Authority, North Eastern Region
4. Heaton Planning
5. Inaltus
6. TC Town Planning

LIST 3: SECTION 75 GROUPS

1. Action on Hearing Loss
2. Age UK – Northern Ireland
3. An Tearman
4. Aware NI
5. Barnardos
6. British Deaf Association
7. Business in the Community
8. Cara-Friend
9. Carer's National Association NI
10. Child Care NI
11. Children's Law Centre
12. Children in Need
13. Citizens Advice
14. CINI
15. Chinese Welfare Association
16. Commissioner for Older People in NI
17. Committee on the Administration of Justice
18. Community Disabled & Retired Association
19. Community Foundation Northern Ireland
20. Community Relations Council
21. Contact Northern Ireland
22. Cookstown Chamber of Commerce
23. Cookstown PCSP
24. Cookstown Enterprise Centre
25. Cookstown and Dungannon Clergy Forum
26. Co-Operation Ireland
27. CWSAN
28. Council for the Homeless Northern Ireland
29. Cruse Bereavement Care (NI)
30. Democratic Unionist Party
31. Disability Action
32. Down's Syndrome Association
33. Dungannon SVDP
34. Dungannon Art Disability Stakeholder Forum
35. Dungannon Vineyard
36. Dungannon Churches Forum
37. Dungannon Clergy Forum
38. Dungannon First Steps Women's Group
39. Dungannon & Cookstown Women's Aid
40. Dungannon STEP Migrant Forum
41. Dungannon LARG Disability Group
42. Dungannon Youth Forum
43. Early Years
44. Employer's for Disability NI
45. Employers for Childcare

46. Equality Coalition
47. Equality Commission for Northern Ireland
48. Equality Forum NI
49. Foster Care Support Group
50. Foras na Gaelige
51. General Consumer Council
52. Gingerbread NI
53. GMB
54. Guide Dogs for the Blind Association
55. Housing Rights Service
56. ICTU
57. Information Commissioners Office
58. Irish Congress of Trade Unions
59. Law Centre NI
60. Lesbian Advocacy Services Initiative
61. Lesbian Line
62. Local Government Staff Commission
63. Loup Women's Group
64. Mencap
65. Men's Action Network
66. Mid-Ulster Women's Network
67. Mind Wise
68. Muslim Family Association NI
69. National Children's Bureau
70. NIACRO
71. NIPSA
72. Northern Ireland Anti-Poverty Network
73. NIAMH
74. NICCY
75. NICEM
76. NICVA
77. NIPSA
78. Northern Ireland Dyslexia Association
79. Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission
80. Northern Ireland Youth Forum
81. OFMDFM – Equality Unit
82. Older People's Advocate
83. Parenting NI
84. Parents Advice Centre
85. Participation Network
86. Playboard
87. Play NI
88. Polish Association NI
89. Praxis Care
90. Probation Board Northern Ireland
91. Queer Space
92. Rainbow Project
93. Royal National Institute for Blind
94. Royal National Institute for Deaf People
95. Rural Community Network

96. Rural Development Council
97. Samaritans
98. Save the Children
99. Sense NI
100. Simon Community NI
101. Sinn Féin
102. Social Democratic and Labour Party
103. Talking Newspaper Association
104. The Cedar Foundation
105. The Consumer Council
106. Training for Womens Network
107. Ulster Scots Agency
108. Ulster Supported Employment Ltd
109. Ulster Unionist Party
110. UNISON
111. Unite
112. Victim Support NI
113. Volunteer Now
114. William Keown Trust
115. Women into Politics
116. Women's Resource and Development Agency
117. Women's Support Network
118. Women's European Platform
119. Women's Aid NI
120. Youth Action
121. Youth Council for Northern Ireland
122. Youth Link Northern Ireland
123. Youth Net

APPENDIX 2

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MID ULSTER STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

GROUPS TO BE CONSULTED WHEN DETERMINING A PLANNING APPLICATION

LIST 1: STATUTORY CONSULTEES

1. Department of Environment (DOE)
2. Health and Safety Executive NI (HSENI)
3. Department of Regional Development (DRD) or Water Undertaker as defined under Article 13 of the Water and Sewerage (NI) Order 2006
4. Licensed Aerodomes
5. Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD)
6. Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment (DETI)
7. Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE)

Note: There will be cases where non-statutory consultees may need to be consulted. Non-statutory consultees are not bound by the 21 calendar days for a response.



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**REVISED STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (SCI) FOR
THE NEW MID ULSTER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2030 AND
DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS**

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STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (SCI) FOR THE NEW MID ULSTER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2030 AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS

1.0 What is the purpose of the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)?

Purpose of the Statement

- 1.1 The purpose of this SCI is to set out policy for involving and engaging with the community in the production of the new Mid Ulster Local Development Plan (LDP) 2030, in the consideration of planning applications and in planning enforcement. It is required to ensure compliance with the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and the Planning (Statement of Community Involvement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015. It describes who, how and when the community will be invited to participate in the different stages of the Local Development Plan formulation, the determination of planning applications, in planning enforcement and a range of other planning matters.
- 1.2 This SCI is not intended to be a source of definitive legal advice. Reference should be made to the actual legislation referred to in this statement and if any discrepancy exists the provisions of the legislation will prevail.

A Vision of Participation

- 1.3 *“A sustainable society must be instilled with democratic values. Its citizens must share a sense of effective participation in the decision making process. They must feel they have a say in their society’s development and the skills, knowledge and ability to assume responsibility for that development”* – **The Sustainable Development Strategy for Northern Ireland. First Steps Towards Sustainability (DOE 2006)**
- 1.4 This is a shared vision of participation in decision making and it is therefore aimed to ensure that:
 - Everyone has an early and informed opportunity to express their views on the development of the area and have it considered before decisions are made;
 - All groups in our community, regardless of religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, sex, marital status, physical ability, sexual orientation, and those with and without dependents are enabled and empowered to participate;
- 1.5 The Mid Ulster District Council Corporate Plan 2015 – 2019 sets out the visions, values and priorities for Mid Ulster District Council up to 2019 and the Community Plan further expresses that vision. The interests of the community are at the centre of these visions, values, and priorities and accordingly the SCI will reflect this by placing the community at the heart of all planning related matters in Mid Ulster.

- 1.6 It is intended to adopt a proactive and timely approach to community involvement through a process of providing clear information and encouraging participation during plan preparation and the submission, assessment and determination of a planning application. The process must therefore be informative, user friendly, as inclusive as possible, and conducted in an open and transparent way. Every effort is to be made to engage the community, record views and provide feedback.

Principles of Community Involvement

- 1.7 It is vital that the Council is committed to uphold the following principles of community involvement and that these are reflected in the methods of consultation described throughout this SCI.
- **A culture of engagement** - People should know that they are encouraged to take part in the planning process and that decision makers are genuinely interested in their views.
 - **Early involvement or “frontloading”**- The community should be involved at an early stage in the preparation of Local Development Plan documents and major development proposals.
 - **Continuing involvement** - The community should be involved throughout the process, both formally and informally, of preparing Local Development Plan documents and major development proposals.
 - **Reaching out** - Methods used to encourage involvement should be appropriate to people’s experience and needs.
 - **Fit for purpose** - Arrangements for consultation need to be appropriate for the type of document or application being considered and being realistic in terms of available resources.
 - **Clarity** - The planning process and timetables for producing or reviewing Local Development Plan documents should be clear so that people are able to participate in a timely and effective manner.

2.0 Local Community involvement in the preparation of the Mid Ulster Local Development Plan 2030

Purpose and structure of the Local Development Plan

- 2.1 The purpose of the Mid Ulster Local Development Plan, comprising the Plan Strategy and Local Policies Plan, is to inform the general public, statutory authorities, developers and other interested bodies of the policy framework and land use proposals that will implement the strategic objectives of the Regional Development Strategy and guide development decisions within Mid Ulster up to 2030.
- 2.2 The preparation of the Local Development Plan will take account of the Mid Ulster District Council Corporate Plan 2015-2019 and the Community Plan so that there is a shared vision for the Council area and communities and it will set out the

long term social, economic and environmental objectives for the district. The Local Development Plan will also take account of regional policy context set by the Northern Ireland Executive and Central Government Departments. This includes, amongst others, the Sustainable Development Strategy, the Regional Development Strategy, the Strategic Planning Policy Statement and Planning Policy Statements.

- 2.3 The Mid Ulster Local Development Plan will replace the Cookstown Area Plan 2010, Dungannon and South Tyrone Area Plan 2010 and the Magherafelt Area Plan 2015. The Plan will be produced in two stages consisting of two separate documents which will shape development within our district in the period to 2030. The first stage will be a Plan Strategy followed by Local Policies Plan
- 2.4 Prior to the preparation of the Plan Strategy and Local Policies Plan the Council will identify key issues in the plan area and will formulate a series of options for dealing with them. This information will be published as a Preferred Options Paper which will indicate a Council's preferred options for growth and development in their area and will be the basis for consulting with the public and stakeholders who will have an opportunity to put forward their views and influence the plan from the outset.
- 2.5 The Plan Strategy will establish the strategic direction of the plan in order to provide a level of certainty on which to base key development decisions in the area as well as the necessary framework for the preparation of the local policies plan. The Strategy will set the aims, objectives, overall growth strategy and associated subject policies applicable to the plan area.
- 2.6 Prior to the publication of the Local Policies Plan (LPP) the Council will publish a Local Policies Plan 'Key Issues' Paper identifying the key issues in the area and will provide the public with the opportunity to comment them to inform the preparation of the LPP.
- 2.7 The Local Policies Plan (LPP) will be consistent with the Plan Strategy. In contrast to the Plan Strategy the LPP will deal with site specific policies and proposals associated with settlement limits, land use zonings and environmental designations required to deliver the council's vision, objectives and strategic policies.
- 2.8 A Sustainability Appraisal (SA), including a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of the Local Development Plan will run in parallel with the preparation of various stages of the plan and will be an ongoing process. The purpose of the Sustainability Appraisal is to promote sustainable development through the integration of social, environmental and economic considerations into the preparation of the Local Development Plan. The purpose of the SEA is to assess the potential environmental impacts of the Plan so as to ensure protection of the environment. Reports from the various stages of the Sustainability Appraisal (including SEA) will be published at the key stages of the plan preparation.

Who can get involved?

2.9 Mid Ulster Council will involve the community at an early stage in the planning process and anyone who wishes to get involved is encouraged to do so at the opportunities provided. In particular the views of the following groups of people will be sought however this list is not intended to be exhaustive and in no way restricts other individuals, groups and organisations from participating in the planning process.

- People living within the Mid Ulster area
- Elected Representatives
- Voluntary Groups
- Community Forums/Groups/Umbrella Organisations
- Environmental Groups
- Residents Groups
- Business Interests
- Developers/Landowners
- All individuals and groups with an interest in the area

2.10 Elected members, forums, community and residents groups provide a voice for the local community. Other voluntary and interest groups also bring a special knowledge and can ensure that important concerns are addressed. Lists of these groups are contained within Appendix 1.

Empowering disadvantaged and under-represented groups

2.11 Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 requires a public authority, in carrying out its functions relating to Northern Ireland, to have due regard to the need to promote equality of opportunity between:

- persons of different religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, marital status or sexual orientation;
- men and women generally
- persons with a disability and persons without; and
- persons with dependents and persons without

2.12 In addition, without prejudice to the above obligations, public authorities are required to have regard to the desirability of promoting good relations between persons of different religious belief, political opinion or race. The above “Section 75 groups” are important participants within the planning process and include people who traditionally have been under represented or disadvantaged. These groups will be targeted through the consultation process on the local development plan in order to obtain their views and contribute to the consideration of equality issues under Section 75. Their views on any equality screening documents or draft Equality Impact Assessments will also be sought within the specified period for comment along with the draft Plan Strategy and draft Local Policies Plan. A list of Section 75 groups is also contained within Appendix 1.

- 2.13 In order to ensure the Local Development Plan and consultation documents are accessible to everyone, they will be made available upon request in different formats. All documents will be published in plain English. A telephone and fax number will be stated on each document for people with hearing or speech impairment. If for any reason, a request for a document in a particular alternative format cannot be met, other solutions will be explored.

How and when will the community be involved?

- 2.14 A Local Development Plan is made in different stages, each presenting opportunities for community involvement. Each of these stages are identified below with the actions that are to be taken to involve the community. The actions will fulfil and in some cases exceed the statutory requirements on public consultation. The Timetable for when the different stages are to be reached will be obtainable from the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt at the addressed detailed below and also on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org.

Cookstown Office
Burn Road
Cookstown
BT80 8DT

Dungannon Office
Circular Road
Dungannon
BT71 6DT

Magherafelt Office
Ballyronan Road
Magherafelt
BT45 6EN

It will also be advertised in local press that this timetable is available for inspection in the above Council Offices during normal office hours.

Developing an Evidence Base

- 2.15 Surveying and information gathering will be an ongoing function of the Council, however, it will be particularly important at this early stage of plan preparation. Information obtained at this stage will be used to establish the social, economic and environmental characteristics of the plan area and enable the Council to determine the issues which need to be addressed and the options for addressing them. This will be undertaken using a topic based approach accompanied with a Countryside Assessment.

Actions/Governance

- Formation of a **Steering Group** comprising the Mid Ulster Planning Committee, the Chief Executive and the Planning Manager. This will be the high level co-ordinating body that will ensure an overview and strategic input on behalf of the whole community, as well as from the planning professionals
- Formation of a **Project Management Team (Multi-Disciplinary Steering Group)** comprising Mid Ulster Council Planning Manager, Principal Planning Officer, Chair of the Planning Committee, Vice Chair of the Planning Committee, Mid Ulster Council Director of Business and Communities, Director of Culture and Leisure, Director of Environment and Property, Director of Public Health and Infrastructure, Shared Environmental Service and representatives from the relevant Northern Ireland Government Departments. The Project Management team will be consulted on and will act as the screening and

scoping group for the Sustainability Appraisal (SA), including Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA);

- **Key Consultees** will receive written invitation requesting them to participate in the plan making process by providing information on the key strategic issues that the Local Development Plan should address.
- **Under represented (section 75) groups** will be invited to identify whether there are any types of planning policies which are likely to have significant impact on the groups they represent. They will also be provided opportunity to identify any particular issues or needs which they feel the plan should address. Where requested this can be done through a face to face meeting with a planning official. Any comments received will be taken into account when screening and scoping the EQIA.
- The scoping report of the SA (including SEA) will be sent to the statutory consultation body and if necessary, the **Department for Infrastructure – (DfI – previously DoE)** may be requested to undertake trans-boundary consultation with the Republic of Ireland.
- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail and the Tyrone Courier confirming the publication of the Mid Ulster Council Timetable for the preparation of the new Local Development Plan as well as other supporting information. The notice will state that the agreed timetable and supporting information will be made available for inspection during normal office hours in all three Council Offices and such other places within the district considered appropriate as well as being available on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org
- The SCI will be kept under review and any new groups or bodies wishing to be included or added to the lists contained in the appendices may request to have their details added. This will be subject to Council agreement.

Preferred Options Paper

- 2.16 This is the first formal stage in the preparation of our Local Development Plan. This stage commences with the publication of the Preferred Options Paper (POP). The POP is a consultation paper to promote debate on issues of strategic significance which are likely to influence the shape of future development within Mid Ulster. The intention is to stimulate a wide-ranging, yet focused, debate and encourage feedback from a wide variety of interests. Any representations or views received as a consequence of its publication will be considered in formulating the Draft Plan Strategy.
- 2.17 The POP is subject to a Sustainability Appraisal (SA), including the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA). The SA/SEA is a continual process which runs parallel with the preparation of the POP and Local Development Plan (LDP). An SEA Interim Report (consisting of SA Scoping Report and assessment of alternatives) will be published with the POP.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state:
 - i) The intention to prepare a Local Development Plan, accompanied by a Sustainability Appraisal, including Strategic Environmental Assessment, and Equality Impact Assessments;
 - ii) Publication of the Prepared Options Paper inviting comment within 12 weeks;
 - iii) Details of community meetings, exhibitions and pop-in information sessions;
 - iv) Publication of the initial stages of Sustainability Appraisal, including SEA, and invite comment as considered necessary.
- Publish the POP on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org and invite comments within 12 weeks. Also make the POP available at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request (Tel: 03000 132 132) at a specified price.
- Issue a **Press Release** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier and the Belfast Gazette about the intention to prepare a new plan, drawing attention to the Preferred Options Paper and the public consultation. This will allow individual residents, developers, landowners and any other person with a stake in the LDP to make representation.
- Hold a **Launch and Exhibition** to announce the publication of the Preferred Options Paper;
- Hold **Public Meetings and Exhibitions** with drop in sessions in Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt. Other locations will include Ardboe, Coalisland, Clogher, Draperstown, Galbally, Maghera and Pomeroy.
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** providing them with a copy of the Preferred Options Paper and invite them to attend the launch, provide comments within 12 weeks, inform them of the public meetings, exhibition and drop-in information sessions;
- Write to **local community groups** and **section 75 groups** advising them that the POP has been published and that it is available to view on the Councils website and that hard copies can be obtained from the Planning Department (Tel: 03000 132 132) where requested. The opportunity of a meeting with a planning officer to record their views will also be given. They will be asked to provide comments within 12 weeks.
- A **Public Consultation Report** will be presented to elected members following the 12 week consultation. This will contain a summary of each representation and professional comment, recording where members take a different view and rationale for that view. This will be taken into account whilst formulating the Draft Local Development Plan;

- The **Project Management Team** will be given opportunity to comment on emerging policy for inclusion in the Draft Plan Strategy and will be an integral part of testing emerging policy through the Sustainability Appraisal, including Strategic Environmental Assessment and the Equality Impact Assessment process.

Publication of Draft Plan Strategy

2.18 The draft Plan Strategy is a public consultation document and is not the final plan. It is an indication of the Council's intentions regarding the future development of the area, and is a key part of the public participation process.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, Tyrone Times, Derry Post, Impartial Reporter and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state:
 - i) Publication of Draft Plan Strategy and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including the SEA, Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA), Rural Proofing and how to view or obtain copies;
 - ii) The dates and locations of Public Exhibitions;
 - iii) The 8 week period and closing date for receipt of representations to the Draft Plan Strategy and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including SEA, Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA), Rural Proofing and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA). This will be followed by an 8 week period for counter representations.
- Make the Draft Plan Strategy, the Sustainability Appraisal including the SEA, HRA and EQIA and the Public Consultation Report available on the website www.midulstercouncil.org and at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request at a specified price;
- Hold **Launch and Exhibition** to announce the publication of the Draft Plan Strategy and **Issue Press Releases**;
- Hold **Public Exhibitions** in Mid Ulster Towns, Villages and Settlements. Planning Officers will be available to answer any questions;
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** informing them of; the publication of the Draft Plan Strategy and providing them a copy; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Write to all who submitted a representation to the POP informing them of the publication of the Draft Plan Strategy and accompanying documents advising

how they can view or obtain copies; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;

- Representations will be reported to the Elected Members

Public Inspection of Representations

2.19 All representations which are made to the Draft Plan Strategy will be made available for public inspection as part of the public consultation process. Interested parties may also comment on the site specific representations that have been received (counter-representations). Counter-representations must not propose any changes to the development plan document. Both the representations and counter-representations will be considered at the Independent Examination (IE).

Actions/Governance

- Make copies of representations available for inspection in the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and on the website www.midulstercouncil.org. Hard copies of representations can also be provided upon request at a specified price.
- Write to **Key Consultees, Elected Members and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation** informing them that representations are available for inspection and the places and times at which they can be inspected;
- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, Tyrone Times, Derry Post, Impartial Reporter and the Belfast Gazette for two weeks, and on the Mid Ulster Council website of the availability of representations for inspection and the eight week period including closing date for counter-representations;
- Make the counter-representations available on website and at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon for inspection;
- Representations and counter-representations will be fully considered by the Council before it submits the Draft Plan Strategy to the DfI for Independent Examination (IE)

Submission of Development Plan Documents

2.20 Following the submission of all Development Plan documents to the DfI and prior to Independent Examination, Council will also make all submitted documents available for inspection at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon and other such places the Council considers appropriate. Council will notify all consultation bodies and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation that these documents are available for inspection in the Mid Ulster Council Offices during normal office hours. A notice will also be placed in the Mid Ulster Mail, The Tyrone Courier,

Tyrone Times, Derry Post, Impartial Reporter and the Belfast Gazette, stating that the Development Plan documents have been submitted to DfI. This notice will also be published on the Council website – www.midulstercouncil.org.

Independent Examination

- 2.21 The Council will not submit the Draft Plan Strategy to DfI unless it considers that it is ready for IE. The purpose of the Independent Examination is to determine the soundness of the Draft Plan Strategy, taking into account representations or counter representations. The Council will be available to answer any question of the Independent Examiners and provide comment on the representations and counter representations. Following the IE, the examiner will issue a report of its findings to the DfI which will in turn consider this and issue a binding report to a Council. On this basis, a Council must incorporate any changes outlined in the binding report and subsequently adopt the Plan Strategy.

Actions/Governance

- Continue to make the Draft Plan, and all accompanying documentation available on the website www.midulstercouncil.org;
- Advertise dates, times and venues for the Independent Examination at least 4 weeks before the Examination is to be held indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection; and
- Notify all persons who submitted representations and counter representations of the arrangements for the Independent Examination indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection;
- Request Key Consultees to provide comment on the representations and counter-representations for consideration at the Independent Examination.

Adoption of Plan Strategy

- 2.22 Following the Independent Examination, DfI will issue a Direction to the Council, requiring it to adopt the draft Plan Strategy as originally prepared or with modifications. The Council may also be directed to withdraw the draft Plan Strategy. In either scenario, DfI will be expected to give reasons for their decisions.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, Tyrone Times, Derry Post, Impartial Reporter and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will confirm:
 - i) adoption of the Plan Strategy;

- ii) where to get copies of the Plan Strategy, the DfI direction and the accompanying independent examination report
- Make the Plan Strategy and any accompanying documents, the DfI Direction and accompanying Independent Examiner's Report available on the website www.midulstercouncil.org. A hard copy will be available on request (Tel: 03000 132 132) for a specified price;
- Write to key consultees and those submitting representations and counter-representations advising of the adoption of the Plan Strategy, and where to obtain copies together with the DfI Direction and the Independent Examiner's Report. Also advise them of the commencement of work on the Local Policies Plan.

Local Policies Plan

2.23 The Local Policies Plan is the second document comprising the Local Development Plan. The Draft Local Policies Plan is a public consultation document and is not the final part of the plan. The Draft Local Policies Plan will be consistent with the adopted Plan Strategy and will be the Council's detailed land use proposals regarding the future development of the area; this draft document is a key part of the public participation process. The Plan Strategy must be adopted before the Draft Local Policies Plan is published for consultation, subjected to IE and adopted.

Local Policies Plan - Key Issues Consultation

2.24 Prior to the publication of the Local Policies Plan (LPP) the Council will publish a Local Policies Plan 'Key Issues' Paper identifying the key issues in the area and will provide the public with the opportunity to comment them to inform the preparation of the LPP. The document will outline key issues such as settlement limits, location of housing and economic development land within the towns, town centre boundaries etc. and invite comments on them.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, Tyrone Times, Derry Post, Impartial Reporter and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state:
 - i) Publication of the Key Issues Paper and how to view or obtain copies;
 - ii) The 8 week period and closing date for receipt of representations to the Key Issues Paper.
- Publish the Key Issues Paper on the website www.midulstercouncil.org and invite comments within 8 weeks. Make the Key Issue Paper available at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request.

- Write to **local community groups** and **section 75 groups** advising them of the publication of this document and how they can make representations to it.
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** informing them of; the publication of the Key Issues Paper and providing them a copy, the 8 week period and closing date for representations.

Publication of Local Policies Plan

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, Tyrone Times, Derry Post, Impartial Reporter and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice should confirm:
 - i) Publication of Draft Local Policies Plan and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including SEA, HRA, EQIA and Rural Proofing and how to view or obtain copies;
 - ii) The dates and locations of Public Exhibitions;
 - iii) The 8 week period and closing date for receipt of representations to the Draft Plan Local Policies Plan and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including SEA, HRA and EQIA. This will be followed by an 8 week period for counter representations.
- Make the Draft Local Policies Plan and the Sustainability Appraisal including the SEA, HRA and EQIA available on the website and at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request (Tel: 03000 132 132) at a specified price.
- Hold **Launch and Exhibition** to announce the publication of the Draft Local Policies Plan and **Issue Press Releases**;
- Hold **Public Exhibitions** in Mid Ulster Towns, Villages and Settlements. Planning Officers will be available to answer any questions;
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** informing them of; the publication of the Draft Local Policies Plan and providing them a copy; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Write to all who submitted a representation and counter-representation to the draft Plan Strategy informing them of the publication of the Draft Local Policies Plan and accompanying documents and advising how they can view or obtain copies; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Representations will be reported to the Elected Members

Public Inspection of Representations

- 2.25 All representations to the Draft Local Policies Plan will be made available for public inspection as part of the public consultation process. Interested parties may also comment on the site specific representations that have been received (counter-representations). Counter-representations must not propose any changes to the development plan document. Both the representations and counter-representations will be considered at the Independent Examination (IE).

Actions/Governance

- Make copies of representations available for inspection in the Council Offices at Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon and on the website. Hard copies of representations can also be provided upon request at a specified price.
- Write to **Key Consultees, Elected Members and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation** informing them that representations are available for inspection and the places and times at which they can be inspected;
- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, Tyrone Times, Derry Post, Impartial Reporter and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state the availability of representations for inspection and the eight week period including closing date for counter representations;
- Make the counter-representations available on website and at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon for inspection. Hard copies of counter representations can also be provided upon request at a specified price.
- Representations and counter representations will be fully considered by the Council before it submits the Draft Local Policies Plan to the DfI for Independent Examination (IE).

Submission of Development Plan Documents

- 2.26 Following the submission of all Development Plan documents to the DfI and prior to Independent Examination, Council will also make all submitted documents available for inspection at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon and other such places the Council considers appropriate. Council will notify all consultation bodies and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation that these documents are available for inspection in the Mid Ulster Council Offices during normal office hours. A notice will also be placed in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, Tyrone Times, Derry Post, Impartial Reporter and the Belfast Gazette that the Development Plan documents have been submitted to the DfI. This notice will also be published on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org

Independent Examination

2.27 Again, the Council will not submit the Draft Local Policies Plan to DfI unless it considers that it is ready for IE. The purpose of the Independent Examination is to determine the soundness of the Draft Local Policies Plan taking into account representations and counter representations. The Council will be available to answer any question of the Independent Examiners and provide comment on the representations and counter representations. Following the IE, the examiner will issue a report of its findings to the DfI which will in turn consider this and issue a binding report to a Council. On this basis, a Council must incorporate any changes outlined in the binding report and subsequently adopt the Local Policies Plan.

Actions/Governance

- Continue to make the Draft Local Policies Plan, and all accompanying documentation available on the website;
- Advertise dates, times and venues for the Independent Examination at least 4 weeks before the Examination is to be held indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection; and
- Notify all persons who submitted representations and counter representations of the arrangements for the Independent Examination indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection;
- Request Key Consultees to provide comment on the representations and counter-representations for consideration at the Independent Examination

Adoption of Local Policies Plan

2.28 Following the Independent Examination, DfI will issue a Direction to the Council, requiring it to adopt the Draft Local Policies Plan as originally prepared or with modifications. The Council may also be directed to withdraw the Draft Local Policies Plan. In either scenario, DfI will be expected to give reasons for their decisions.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in the Mid Ulster Mail, the Tyrone Courier, Tyrone Times, Derry Post, Impartial Reporter and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will confirm:
 - i) adoption of the Local Policies Plan;
 - ii) where to get copies of the Local Policies Plan, the DfI Direction and the accompanying Independent Examiner's Report;

- Make the Local Policies Plan and accompanying documents, the DfI Direction and Independent Examiner's Report available on the Council website with hard copies available on request for a specified price;
- Write to key consultees and those submitting representations and counter-representations advising of the adoption of the Local Policies Plan, and where to obtain copies together with the DfI Direction and the Independent Examiner's Report.

Next Steps

- 2.29 Following the adoption of the Plan Strategy and Local Policies Plan the Council will identify its work priorities for the next five years in a new timetable. It may also issue a new Statement of Community Involvement if considered appropriate. In addition the Council will engage in monitoring and review which are essential in establishing how the objectives in the Local Development Plan are being achieved and whether any changes are required. This should be done every five years.

3.0 Local Community Involvement in Mid Ulster Development Management Functions

Purpose

- 3.1 The Council as the local planning authority for the area deals with the majority of planning applications in the district. Planning applications are now categorised on receipt as local, major or regionally significant. The council are responsible for the local and major applications whilst the DfI processes those applications that are regionally significant. The Council also deals with Listed Building applications and applications for works in Conservation Areas, works to Protected Trees and Advertising Consent. Development management is the process through which such applications are considered. An important part of the process is to provide information and advice to applicants and to seek and take into account the views of the general public and statutory consultees on all planning applications. The statutory requirements for consultation on planning applications are set out in legislation. These requirements vary according to the type of proposal but include notification to specified bodies and the general public. It is also worth noting that there is provision within the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 for the DfI to call in a planning application, an application for Listed Building Consent and an application for Hazardous Substance Consent; although this is to be the exception.
- 3.2 The Council receives a wide variety of planning applications and therefore needs to involve the community to differing degrees, according to the scale and complexity of the application.
This section of the SCI looks at:
- how the public can become involved at the various stages of the application process; and

- how the level of community involvement will depend on the scale of the application.

Pre-Application Stage

Pre-Application Discussions (PADs)

- 3.3 Pre-application discussions are encouraged for a range of types of applications, both major and local. The objective of pre-application discussions should be to confirm whether the principle of development is acceptable and to clarify the format, type and level of detail required to enable the council to determine an application. For major applications it will also enable the applicant to discuss with the council details of how the community should be involved in the decision-making process.

Pre-Application Community Consultation (PACC)

- 3.4 The council strives to inform and involve the wider community in helping to create better quality developments and place making. Applicants who submit major applications to the council or as the case may be, the Department must undertake community consultation before submitting their application.

The Council will require the following actions to be undertaken before the application is submitted:

- **Notify the Council** by way of a “proposal of application notice” (PAN), at least 12 weeks in advance, that an application for a major planning application is to be submitted.
 - Hold at least one **public event** where the community will be afforded the opportunity to make comment.
 - **Publish details** of the proposal in the local press, outlining where further details can be obtained and the date, time and location of a public event.
 - Submit a pre-application community consultation report to accompany the application.
- 3.5 Pre-application consultation is likely to be more successful if the applicant makes significant efforts to open lines of communication with, and provide feedback to local communities and work with them to secure development proposals which are acceptable to everyone.
- 3.6 As previously stated the Council would recommend all applicants considering submitting development proposals that fall within the definition of major development to seek a Pre-Application Discussion with planning officers.

Where applicants fail to fully meet the pre-application community consultation requirements the Council will decline to determine the application.

Application Stage

- 3.7 When a planning application is submitted for determination the Council will involve the community in the decision making process. If you feel you will be affected by development proposals you will have an opportunity to consider what is proposed and how it will affect you. You will also have the opportunity to make your views known before a final decision is made on the application.

Advertising and Neighbour Notification

- 3.8 The Council undertakes statutory public engagement in accordance with current legislation. Government may change the statutory requirements and our future approach will reflect any changes that are made.

Advertising

- 3.9 The Council will advertise all new applications on a weekly basis in at least one local newspaper (in accordance with **Section 41 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and Section 8 of the Planning (General Development Procedure) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015**). The Mid Ulster Mail and Tyrone Courier are the publications used by Mid Ulster Council. The weekly list of all new applications received by the Council can also be viewed on our website www.midulstercouncil.org. The advertisement will advise that any representations that are made should be received within 14 days of the publication. This will assist in the efficient processing of the application, however, material representations will be considered up until a decision on the proposal is reached.

EIA Development

- 3.10 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is a method for ensuring that the likely effects of new development on the environment are fully understood and taken into account before consent is given for the development to proceed. The Environmental Statement (ES) produced as part of an environmental impact assessment, brings together in a single document or series of documents information about a proposed development and its effects on the environment.
- 3.11 In most cases it will fall to the council to determine if the application is an EIA application. It should be noted that if an application is an EIA application it cannot be processed until the ES is received. When a developer submits an ES in support of a planning application, the Council will publish a notice of its receipt in a local newspaper (The Mid Ulster Mail and Tyrone Courier are the publications used by Mid Ulster Council) and indicate where it may be purchased and the address of the Council Office where it may be inspected. The Council will also allow 4 weeks from the date the notice is first published for representation to be made.

Neighbour Notification

- 3.12 **Article 8 of The Planning (General Development) Procedure Order (Northern Ireland) 2015** states that any identified occupier of land neighbouring the land to which the application relates shall be notified by serving a notice on them. Under the Council's Neighbour Notification Scheme, the Council will ensure that planning applications are brought to the individual attention of the occupiers of buildings on neighbouring land which are within 90m of the boundary of the application site.

Neighbouring land is defined as 'land which directly adjoins the application site or which would adjoin it but for an entry or road less than 20m in width'.

- 3.13 The Case Officer when carrying out a site inspection will also check the accuracy of the neighbour notification details supplied on the application form and may add details as considered appropriate.
- 3.14 The period for responding following receipt of a neighbour notification letter is 14 days, though any late representations received before a decision is made will still be considered.

Obtaining further information and getting involved in planning applications

- 3.15 The weekly lists of planning applications received within Mid Ulster council area are also available on the Northern Ireland Planning Portal (www.planningni.gov.uk). Planning applications including supporting documents and corresponding plans can be viewed online as well at the council offices during normal office hours. Planning Officers are available to give advice on current or proposed applications (you are advised to make an appointment if you wish to speak to a particular officer).

Public Register

- 3.16 The Public Register of planning application decision is a mix of both electronic and paper formats prior to a point in 2017. After planning reference LA09/2017/0756 the public register of decisions can be accessed at www.planningni.gov.uk where drawings, decision notices and reports are available for public viewing. The paper copy files before 2017 contain the following:
- a copy(which may be photographic) of each application together with copies of plans and drawings submitted in relation thereto;
 - the decision notice, if any, in respect of the application, including details of any conditions subject to which permission or consent was granted;
 - the reference number, the date and effect of any decision of the PAC in respect of the application; and
 - brief details of any revocation or modification relating to any permission or consent, including date of issue.

File Inspection

- 3.17 The Council will make the application file available for inspection at the Councils Planning Department at the Magherafelt Office, Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, BT45 6EN, by appointment which can be made at Tel: 03000 132 132. The amount of information on the file, will of course, be dependent on the stages the application has completed. Copies of drawings and application forms can be viewed by appointment at a planning clinic in Dungannon Council Offices and Cookstown Council Offices on a weekly basis. An appointment can be made at Tel: 03000 132 132.

Submitting Comments

- 3.18 Individuals, groups and organisations can comment on a planning application even if they have not been neighbour notified by the Council. All comments will be carefully considered. Care should be taken when making comments to the Council to ensure that no personal data is included.
- 3.19 When a decision is made on a planning application only those matters which are material to the planning decision are given weight. These include a wide range of issues such as impact on neighbouring amenity, natural and built heritage, and public and highway safety. However, matters such as the impact on property prices are not normally considered material to a planning decision.
- 3.20 Greater weight is generally attached to issues which are supported by evidence rather than solely by assertion. If an identified problem can be dealt with by means of a suitable condition the Council is required to consider this as an alternative to refusing an application.
- 3.21 You can make comments in a variety of ways, these are as follows-
Online at: www.midulstercouncil.org
By email: planning@midulster.org (Please quote the application number)
By post to: Mid Ulster Development Management Team, Mid Ulster District Council, Magherafelt Office, 50 Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, Co. Derry, BT45 6EN
- 3.22 All written comments on an application will be acknowledged within five working days, however the Council may be unable to respond to each comment made due to the large number it receives. All comments will be summarised and fully considered within the Planning Officer's report. The acknowledgement letter will set out who is dealing with the application and who to contact if there are any questions. The Council will not normally contact the respondent again until after a decision is made.
- 3.23 The Council may, if it considers it appropriate to do so, stage public exhibitions, Issue press releases or arrange public meetings to provide information about major developments or proposals which are particularly significant or have wide-spread effects on communities.

- 3.24 You may also wish to contact your local councillor, who has the ability to request that the application is determined by the relevant planning committee. Oral, or defamatory comments cannot be taken into account. You should ensure that your comments relate to relevant planning matters.
- 3.25 The Council will consult with Statutory Consultees where appropriate (**see Appendix 2**) to assist in the determination of an application. If a representation raises issues that are relevant to the responsibilities of the consultee (e.g. road safety) the representation will be copied to the appropriate consultee for consideration and comment. The Council will carefully take any comments made into account before a decision is made. All comments are scanned and added to the web site once personal email addresses and hand written signatures have been removed (it should be noted that typed names and addresses remain visible).
- 3.26 The council may negotiate changes to applications where these are expedient. Re-consultation (for 14 days) will take place on minor changes if the Council considers that they raise new issues that could lead to further comment. If any change is considered to be substantive, the council may decline to treat it as an amendment and a new application may be invited.

Community Involvement at the Planning Committee Stage

- 3.27 Planning applications are usually determined by officers using delegated powers. The circumstances under which an application can, or cannot, be determined using delegated powers are set out in the Council's **Scheme of Delegation**, which is subject to regular review.

Pre-determination hearings and speaking at the Planning Committee

- 3.28 For those major applications of which notification has been forwarded to DfI but have been returned to the Council for determination the Council will afford the applicant the opportunity of appearing before and being heard by the Council. If a planning application goes before a planning committee, those people who have made representations will have the opportunity to speak at the committee meeting, in line with the relevant protocol. It will be the responsibility of the person wishing to speak at the committee to check the public access link at www.planningni.gov.uk to keep informed of the status of the application. The council will not contact them to let them know the application is due to be presented to planning committee.
- 3.29 Arrangements and requirements for speaking at the Planning Committee are set out in the Protocol for Planning Committee. This Protocol is available on the Council website or upon request.

Community Involvement after a Planning Application has been determined (Post Application Stage)

- 3.30 A notification of the decision is sent to the applicant/agent and to those who have responded to the consultation on the planning application. The reasoning behind the decision will be set out in the Planning Officer's report which will be available on the Council website or upon request. Where a committee has disagreed with the officer's recommendation the justification will be available to view in the minutes of the planning committee. An advertisement will be placed in the local paper if a decision is taken on an application that was accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Involving the Community when an Appeal is made against a Planning Refusal/Granted Conditions/Enforcement Notice

- 3.31 Only applicants and those upon whom notices have been served have the right of appeal. There are no third party rights of appeal. Where an applicant is unhappy with the Council's decision on an application or a condition attached to a permission, he/she may appeal to the PAC. An applicant may also appeal to the PAC where the Council has not determined an application within the relevant period prescribed by the Planning (General Development Procedure) Order (NI) 2015. Appeals must be lodged with the PAC within four months from the date of notification of the Council's decision, or expiry of the prescribed period as the case may be.
- 3.32 Copies of representations will be forwarded to the Planning Appeals Commission (PAC). For hearings and public inquiries, the interested parties have the opportunity to make their views known verbally to the PAC. The guidance on Planning Appeals and the rights of applicants and objectors can be found on the PAC website www.pacni.gov.uk

Community Involvement in Planning Enforcement

- 3.33 The council encourages the community to report cases where they believe there has been a breach of planning control. A breach of planning control occurs when development or other certain activities take place without the necessary planning permission or consent from the Council or the DfI. This may also include failure to carry out development in accordance with the approved plans or conditions.
- 3.34 All planning enforcement related complaints are treated confidentially. If the complaint results in a planning application being submitted, then this will be publicised in the normal manner and adjoining neighbours notified.
- 3.35 In cases where planning enforcement action is taken, complainants are informed of the action. Where no action is taken the Council will also notify the complainant.
- 3.36 The Council's priorities for enforcement action are contained within the Council's Enforcement Strategy which can be viewed on our website www.midulstercouncil.org and can be obtained in hard copy by contacting the Planning Department at 03000 132 132. The Enforcement Strategy is subject to regular review.

Community Involvement in Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG)

- 3.37 The Council will also prepare non-statutory planning guidance to support its development plan. Supplementary planning guidance includes for example design guides and advice notes. Consultation on SPG will take place in a proportionate manner where the Council feels it will be beneficial to give additional regard to the opinions of stakeholders and the general public. Any comments received will be considered by the Planning Committee. It is not necessary for SPG to go through the public examination process.

Community Involvement in Conservation Area Designation

- 3.38 A Conservation Area is an area of special architectural or historic interest, the character of which it is desirable to preserve and enhance. The Council considers that consultation with, and the involvement of local people is important when undertaking work associated with Conservation Areas. This will help encourage greater ownership of the concept and greater co-operation and commitment to achieving the aims of the designation. The Council will involve the community in the designation, variation or cancellation of a Conservation Area. This will entail formal consultation with the Historic Environment Division (HED) in what will be the new Department for Communities (DfC). Any alterations to existing Conservation Areas or designation of new Conservation Areas will be advertised through local press (The Mid Ulster Mail and Tyrone Courier are the publications used by Mid Ulster Council). Where appropriate public meetings will be held to discuss and present proposals.

Community Involvement in the Designation of a Simplified Planning Zone

- 3.39 If the Council proposes to commence work on a simplified planning zone it will undertake consultations with the neighbouring District Council, the land owner and occupier, the DfC and will notify the DfL.
- 3.40 Once details of a scheme have been prepared the Council will make copies available for inspection at the Council's office, give notice by way of an advert in the local press (The Mid Ulster Mail and Tyrone Courier are the publications used by Mid Ulster Council) and on the Council's website www.midulstercouncil.org, and will serve a notice on those it has consulted with.
- 3.41 Following advertising of the proposed planning zone(s) details there will be an eight week period when representations can be made to the Council. If the Council subsequently decides not to proceed with the proposed planning zone it will publish a further advertisement to that effect and will notify all those have made representations.

- 3.42 The Council may cause an independent examination to be held to consider the representations received. Where it is proposed to hold an independent examination details including the time and place of the examination will be published in the local press. Where it is decided not to hold an independent examination the Council will notify all those who have made representations.
- 3.43 Following the independent examination the Council will produce a report and statement detailing its decision and outlining reasons for its decision. Notice of publication will be advertised in the local press and the report and statement will be available for public inspection in the Council offices.

Review of the Council's SCI

- 4.0 The body of the SCI will also be reviewed annually to ensure fitness of purpose and to take account of major Legislative changes where relevant.
- 4.1 Where groups or bodies want to be added to the lists of consultees included in Appendix 1 they are advised to make a submission in writing or by email to the planning Department in the Council:

By email: planning@midulster.org

By post to: Mid Ulster Development Plan Team, Mid Ulster District Council, Magherafelt Office, 50 Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, Co. Derry, BT45 6EN.

Any requests received will be considered.

APPENDIX 1

APPENDIX 1

MID ULSTER STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

GROUPS TO BE CONSULTED WHEN PREPARING THE NEW LDP

LIST 1: STATUTORY CONSULTATION BODIES

LIST 2: LOCAL COMMUNITY/VOLUNTARY GROUPS IN MID ULSTER

LIST 3: SECTION 75 GROUPS

NOTE: The Council's consultation list is reviewed on a biennial basis to ensure it remains relevant to our functions and policies. At any time individuals and organisations can request to be added or removed from our list of consultees.

LIST 1: STATUTORY CONSULTATION BODIES

- 1.** Northern Ireland Government Departments.
- 2.** Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council

Fermanagh & Omagh District Council
Derry City & Strabane District Council
Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council
Mid & East Antrim Borough Council
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council
- 3.** A water or sewerage undertaker.
- 4.** The Civil Aviation Authority.
- 5.** The Northern Ireland Housing Executive.
- 6.** Any person to whom the electronic communications code applies by virtue of a direction given under section 106(3) of the Communications Act 2003(1).
- 7.** Any person to whom a licence has been granted under Article 10(1) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992(2).
- 8.** Any person to whom a licence has been granted under Article 8 of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(3).

LIST 2: LOCAL COMMUNITY/VOLUNTARY GROUPS IN MID ULSTER

ARTS ORGANISATIONS

1. 1st Tyrone Scout Gr+C3:C268
2. Annaginny Farm
3. Ballinderry AOH
4. Ballybriest Pipe Band
5. Clogher Valley Outdoor Bowling Federation
6. Coagh Ladies Time & Talent Group
7. Coalisland Parochial Bowling Club
8. Crossdernott Bowling Club
9. Cullenfad Pipe Band
10. Culnady Girls Brigade
11. Derryoghill Flute Band
12. DU Dance NI
13. Dungannon Choral Society
14. Dungannon Golf Club
15. Dungannon Music & Drama Festival Association
16. Dungannon Rugby Football Club
17. Dungannon United Youth
18. Dungannon West Com Bowling
19. Eglisk St Patricks GAC
20. Gig in the Bann Festival
21. Institute of Irish Leadership
22. Irish Language Group
23. Killymuck Sons of the North
24. Maghera & District Gardening Group
25. Maghera Historical Society
26. Mid Ulster School of Music
27. Moneymore Art Group
28. Moy & District Ploughing Association
29. Moy Circle of Friends
30. Moy Tirnanog GFC
31. Newmills Vintage Club
32. Rén-Bu-Kan Judo Club
33. Sperrin Choir
34. Tamnamore Cosy Corner Craft Club
35. The Bridge Singers

36. The Sports Complex
Management Group
37. Valley Voices Community Choir

BUSINESS INTERESTS

1. JigSaw Planning

CHARITABLE GROUPS

1. Ballinderry Rivers Trust
2. Clogher Valley Sure Start
3. Cruse Bereavement Care (NI)
4. Home Start Armagh & Dungannon
5. Marie Curie - Funding Office
6. Olive Branch Centre & Charity Shop
7. Parkanaur College
8. Ursula Mackle

CLERGY

1. An Invitation to Love Jesus/The Gathering Place
2. Church of Ireland Castlecaulfield
3. Church of Ireland Killyman
4. Church of Ireland Maghera
5. Desertmartin Parish Church (COI)
6. Presbyterian Church Castledawson
7. Presbyterian Church Dungannon
8. Reformed Baptist Church Magherafelt
9. Roman Catholic Church Aughnacloy
10. Roman Catholic Church Draperstown
11. Roman Catholic Church Eglishe
12. Roman Catholic Church Bellaghy

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

1. Ardboe Credit Union
2. Ballygawley Area Dev Assoc.

3. Bann Valley Community Group
4. Benburb & District Community Association
5. Bernie Sonner
6. Bonn and District Community Association
7. Caledon Regeneration Partnership
8. Castledawson Royal British Legion
9. CDM Community Transport
10. Clogher Cathedral Parish (COI)
11. Clogher Development Association
12. Club Áige Luraigh
13. Cookstown & Western Shores Area Network
14. Cookstown and Community Police Liason Committee
15. Cookstown Enterprise Centre Ltd
16. Cookstown North Community Group
17. Cookstown North Community Group
18. Costa
19. CWSAN
20. Derganagh Taining and Development Association
21. Desertmartin Community Development Ltd
22. Dungannon Enterprise Centre
23. Fivemiletown Chamber Of Commerce
24. Fivemiletown Community Development Association
25. Fivemiletown Methodist Hall
26. Gortalowry House Projects Ltd
27. Innishrush Community Group
28. Kingsmills Coordinating Committee
29. Lissan Leisure Club
30. Loughlinsholin Community Group
31. Maghera Parish Caring Association
32. Megargy Cultural and Community Group
33. Mowillian Hall Development Association
34. Moygashel Community & Cultural Association
35. Moygashel Residents Association
36. NI Ex Firefighters Association
37. Open Doors Club, Swatragh
38. Pomeroy Afterschool
39. Pomeroy Credit Union
40. Rural Community network
41. Sandholes Community Group
42. Sandholes Community Group
43. Servite Order NI
44. Stevenson Community Projects
45. TABBDA (Trad, Ballyronan, Ballinderry Development Association)
46. Tamlaght O'Crilly Historical Society

47. Tamnamore Community Development Association
48. The Rowan Tree Centre Pomeroy
49. Upperlands Luncheon Club
50. Workspace Draperstown

CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

1. Carricklongfield Cultural group
2. Clogher Historical Society
3. Coagh & District Local History Group
4. Coalisland & Clonoe Cultural & Historical Society
5. Cookstown Local History Group
6. Donaghmore Historical Society
7. Donaghmore Historical Society
8. Moygashel Ulster Scots
9. Muintirevlin Historical Society
10. O'Neill Historical Society
11. Stewartstown & District Local History Society
12. Stewartstown and District Local History Society

HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUPS

1. Alzheimers Society
2. Breakthru
3. Disability Action
4. Dungannon Talking Newspaper
5. Emergency Medical Supplies
6. Mid Ulster Victims Empowerment
7. Networks Involving Communities in Health Improvement (NICH)Project
8. Shopmobility Mid-Ulster
9. Superstars

OLDER PEOPLES GROUPS

1. Ardtrea&Desertcreat Senior Citizens Group
2. Arthritis Care Cookstown
3. Dungannon & District 50+ Club
4. Moygashel Senior Citizens
5. O4O

6. Recycled Teenagers Club
7. The Evergreens
8. The Monday Club
9. Tuesday Club

POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1. St Mary's College
2. St Mary's Grammar School
3. St Pius X High School
4. South West College
5. Holy Trinity College
6. The Royal School
7. Aughnacloy College
8. Integrated College Dungannon
9. Tamnamore Learning Centre

PRE SCHOOLS

1. Brocagh Playgroup
2. Discovering Kids Playgroup
3. Happy Days Playgroup
4. Fivemiletown Controlled Nursery School
5. Kidd-Z-Play Nursery Ltd
6. Laughterland
7. Lissan Cross Community Playgroup
8. Little Acorns Playgroup
9. Little Flower Clonoe
10. The Happy Days Nursery
11. The Kidz Lodge
12. Tober Tinys Community Playgroup
13. Union Road Mums and Tots Magherafelt

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1. Ampertaine Primary School
2. Aughnacloy Primary School

3. Bellaghy Primary School
4. Bush Primary School
5. Churchill Primary School
6. Cookstown Primary School
7. Donaghmore Controlled Primary School
8. Fivemiletown Primary School
9. Gaelscoil Aodha Rua
10. Howard Primary School
11. Laghey Primary School
12. Lisferty Primary School
13. Lissan Primary School
14. Moneymore Primary School & Nursery Unit
15. New Row Primary School
16. Orritor Primary School
17. Queen Elizabeth II Primary School
Pomeroy
18. Spires Integrated Primary School
19. St. Columba's Primary School
20. St. John's Primary School
21. St. John's Primary School
22. St. John Bosco's Primary School
23. St. Joseph's Primary School
24. St. Joseph's Primary School
25. St. Macartan's Primary School
26. St Malachy's Primary School
27. St Mary's Primary School
28. St. Mary's Primary School
29. St. Mary's Primary School
30. St. Mary's Primary School
31. St. Mary's Primary School
32. St. Mary's Primary School
33. St. Mary's Primary School
34. St Patrick's Primary School
35. St Patrick's Primary School
36. St Patrick's Primary School
37. St Patrick's Primary School
38. Tobermore Primary School

SPORTS GROUPS

1. Bancran Tug of War
2. Carn Wheelers Cycling Club
3. Coagh Sports Centre
4. Cookstown Cricket Club
5. Cookstown Olympic FC

6. Cookstown Rugby Club
7. Desertmartin Football Club
8. Fallaghloon Dance Club
9. Field Hockey Club
10. Fr Rocks GFC
11. Fr Rocks GFC
12. Kildress Bowling Club
13. Killymoon Golf Club
14. Loup GFC
15. Maghera Snooker Club
16. Magherafelt & District Road Safety
17. Mid Ulster Indoor Bowls Convener
18. Moneymore Presbyterian Bowling Club
19. Moyola Park Golf Club
20. Pearses GAC Kilrea
21. Pomeroy Plunketts GAC
22. Robert Emmets GAC Slaughtneil
23. St Colms GAC Ballinascreen
24. St Malachy's GAC Castledawson
25. St Michael's GAC Lissan
26. St Oliver Plunkett GAC
27. Take a Bow Archery Club
28. Tobermore United Football club
29. Wolfe Tones GAC Bellaghy
30. Stewartstown Harps GFC

WOMENS GROUPS

1. Bush Womens Group
2. Cookstown & District Women's Group
3. Drumglass Mother's Union
4. First Steps Womens Centre
5. Granaghan and District Womens Group
6. Mid-Ulster Women's Aid
7. Pomeroy WI
8. Soroptimist International

YOUTH GROUPS

1. Derryloran Cub Scout Pack

2. First Cookstown Scout Group
3. Fivemiletown United Youth
4. Kildress Youth Club
5. Krafty Kidz
6. Magherafelt Youth Centre
7. Road Engines Youth Club
8. Ross Miotti
9. St Johns Junior Youth Club
10. Three Spires Scout Group
11. Woodschapel Beaver Scouts

LIST 3: SECTION 75 GROUPS

1. Action on Hearing Loss
2. Age UK – Northern Ireland
3. An Tearman
4. Aware NI
5. Barnardos
6. British Deaf Association
7. Business in the Community
8. Cara-Friend
9. Carer's National Association NI
10. Child Care NI
11. Children's Law Centre
12. Children in Need
13. Citizens Advice
14. CINI
15. Chinese Welfare Association
16. Commissioner for Older People in NI
17. Committee on the Administration of Justice
18. Community Disabled & Retired Association
19. Community Foundation Northern Ireland
20. Community Relations Council
21. Contact Northern Ireland
22. Cookstown Chamber of Commerce
23. Cookstown PCSP
24. Cookstown Enterprise Centre
25. Cookstown and Dungannon Clergy Forum
26. Co-Operation Ireland
27. CWSAN
28. Council for the Homeless Northern Ireland
29. Cruse Bereavement Care (NI)
30. Democratic Unionist Party
31. Disability Action
32. Down's Syndrome Association
33. Dungannon SVDP
34. Dungannon Art Disability Stakeholder Forum
35. Dungannon Vineyard
36. Dungannon Churches Forum
37. Dungannon Clergy Forum
38. Dungannon First Steps Women's Group
39. Dungannon & Cookstown Women's Aid
40. Dungannon STEP Migrant Forum
41. Dungannon LARG Disability Group
42. Dungannon Youth Forum
43. Early Years
44. Employer's for Disability NI
45. Employers for Childcare

46. Equality Coalition
47. Equality Commission for Northern Ireland
48. Equality Forum NI
49. Foster Care Support Group
50. Foras na Gaelige
51. General Consumer Council
52. Gingerbread NI
53. GMB
54. Guide Dogs for the Blind Association
55. Housing Rights Service
56. ICTU
57. Information Commissioners Office
58. Irish Congress of Trade Unions
59. Law Centre NI
60. Lesbian Advocacy Services Initiative
61. Lesbian Line
62. Local Government Staff Commission
63. Lough Women's Group
64. Mencap
65. Men's Action Network
66. Mid-Ulster Women's Network
67. Mind Wise
68. Muslim Family Association NI
69. National Children's Bureau
70. NIACRO
71. NIPSA
72. Northern Ireland Anti-Poverty Network
73. NIAMH
74. NICCY
75. NICEM
76. NICVA
77. NIPSA
78. Northern Ireland Dyslexia Association
79. Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission
80. Northern Ireland Youth Forum
81. Executive Office – Equality Unit
82. Commissioner for Older People
83. Parenting NI
84. Parents Advice Centre
85. Participation Network
86. Playboard
87. Play NI
88. Polish Association NI
89. Praxis Care
90. Probation Board Northern Ireland
91. Queer Space
92. Rainbow Project
93. Royal National Institute for Blind
94. Royal National Institute for Deaf People
95. Rural Community Network

96. Rural Development Council
97. Samaritans
98. Save the Children
99. Sense NI
100. Simon Community NI
101. Sinn Féin
102. Social Democratic and Labour Party
103. Talking Newspaper Association
104. The Cedar Foundation
105. The Consumer Council
106. Training for Womens Network
107. Ulster Scots Agency
108. Ulster Supported Employment Ltd
109. Ulster Unionist Party
110. UNISON
111. Unite
112. Victim Support NI
113. Volunteer Now
114. William Keown Trust
115. Women into Politics
116. Women's Resource and Development Agency
117. Women's Support Network
118. Women's European Platform
119. Women's Aid NI
120. Youth Action
121. Youth Council for Northern Ireland
122. Youth Link Northern Ireland
123. Youth Net
124. COSTA

APPENDIX 2

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MID ULSTER STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

**GROUPS TO BE CONSULTED WHEN DETERMINING A PLANNING APPLICATION
(Where appropriate in accordance with The Planning (General Development
Procedure) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016)**

LIST 1: STATUTORY CONSULTEES

1. Department for Communities (DfC)
2. Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland (HSENI)
3. Department for Infrastructure (DfI) or Water Undertaker as defined under Article 13 of the Water and Sewerage Services (NI) Order 2006
4. Licensed Aerodomes
5. Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA)
6. Department for the Economy (DfE)
7. Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE)
8. Department for Infrastructure (DfI)

Note: There will be cases where non-statutory consultees may need to be consulted. Non-statutory consultees are not bound by the 21 calendar days for a response.



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**REVISED STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (SCI) FOR
THE NEW MID ULSTER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2030 AND
DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS**

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STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (SCI) FOR THE NEW MID ULSTER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2030 AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS

1.0 What is the purpose of the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)?

Purpose of the Statement

- 1.1 The purpose of this SCI is to set out policy for involving and engaging with the community in the production of the new Mid Ulster Local Development Plan (LDP) 2030, in the consideration of planning applications and in planning enforcement. It is required to ensure compliance with the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and the Planning (Statement of Community Involvement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015. It describes who, how and when the community will be invited to participate in the different stages of the Local Development Plan formulation, the determination of planning applications, in planning enforcement and a range of other planning matters.
- 1.2 This SCI is not intended to be a source of definitive legal advice. Reference should be made to the actual legislation referred to in this statement and if any discrepancy exists the provisions of the legislation will prevail.

A Vision of Participation

- 1.3 *“A sustainable society must be instilled with democratic values. Its citizens must share a sense of effective participation in the decision making process. They must feel they have a say in their society’s development and the skills, knowledge and ability to assume responsibility for that development” – The Sustainable Development Strategy for Northern Ireland. First Steps Towards Sustainability (DOE 2006)*
- 1.4 This is a shared vision of participation in decision making and it is therefore aimed to ensure that:
 - Everyone has an early and informed opportunity to express their views on the development of the area and have it considered before decisions are made;
 - All groups in our community, regardless of religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, sex, marital status, physical ability, sexual orientation, and those with and without dependents are enabled and empowered to participate;
- 1.5 The Mid Ulster District Council Corporate Plan 2015 – 2019 sets out the visions, values and priorities for Mid Ulster District Council up to 2019 and the Community Plan further expresses that vision. The interests of the community are at the centre of these visions, values, and priorities and accordingly the SCI will reflect this by placing the community at the heart of all planning related matters in Mid Ulster. The council recently consulted on the draft Corporate Plan 2020-2024

and once published in final form will set out the vision, values and priorities for the Council up to 2024.

- 1.6 It is intended to adopt a proactive and timely approach to community involvement through a process of providing clear information and encouraging participation during plan preparation and the submission, assessment and determination of a planning application. The process must therefore be informative, user friendly, as inclusive as possible, and conducted in an open and transparent way. Every effort is to be made to engage the community, record views and provide feedback.

Principles of Community Involvement

- 1.7 It is vital that the Council is committed to uphold the following principles of community involvement and that these are reflected in the methods of consultation described throughout this SCI.

- **A culture of engagement** - People should know that they are encouraged to take part in the planning process and that decision makers are genuinely interested in their views.
- **Early involvement or “frontloading”**- The community should be involved at an early stage in the preparation of Local Development Plan documents and major development proposals.
- **Continuing involvement** - The community should be involved throughout the process, both formally and informally, of preparing Local Development Plan documents and major development proposals.
- **Reaching out** - Methods used to encourage involvement should be appropriate to people’s experience and needs.
- **Fit for purpose** - Arrangements for consultation need to be appropriate for the type of document or application being considered and being realistic in terms of available resources.
- **Clarity** - The planning process and timetables for producing or reviewing Local Development Plan documents should be clear so that people are able to participate in a timely and effective manner.

2.0 Local Community involvement in the preparation of the Mid Ulster Local Development Plan 2030

Purpose and structure of the Local Development Plan

- 2.1 The purpose of the Mid Ulster Local Development Plan, comprising the Plan Strategy and Local Policies Plan, is to inform the general public, statutory authorities, developers and other interested bodies of the policy framework and land use proposals that will implement the strategic objectives of the Regional Development Strategy and guide development decisions within Mid Ulster up to 2030.

- 2.2 The preparation of the Local Development Plan will take account of the Mid Ulster District Council Corporate Plan 2015-2019, and the Community Plan so that there is a shared vision for the Council area and communities and it will set out the long term social, economic and environmental objectives for the district. The Local Development Plan will also take account of regional policy context set by the Northern Ireland Executive and Central Government Departments. This includes, amongst others, the Sustainable Development Strategy, the Regional Development Strategy, the Strategic Planning Policy Statement and Planning Policy Statements.
- 2.3 The Mid Ulster Local Development Plan will replace the Cookstown Area Plan 2010, Dungannon and South Tyrone Area Plan 2010 and the Magherafelt Area Plan 2015. The Plan will be produced in two stages consisting of two separate documents, which will shape development within our district in the period to 2030. The first stage will be a Plan Strategy followed by Local Policies Plan
- 2.4 Prior to the preparation of the Plan Strategy and Local Policies Plan the Council will identify key issues in the plan area and will formulate a series of options for dealing with them. This information will be published as a Preferred Options Paper, which will indicate a Council's preferred options for growth and development in their area and will be the basis for consulting with the public and stakeholders who will have an opportunity to put forward their views and influence the plan from the outset.
- 2.5 The Plan Strategy will establish the strategic direction of the plan in order to provide a level of certainty on which to base key development decisions in the area as well as the necessary framework for the preparation of the local policies plan. The Strategy will set the aims, objectives, overall growth strategy and associated subject policies applicable to the plan area.
- 2.6 Prior to the publication of the Local Policies Plan (LPP) the Council will publish a Local Policies Plan 'Key Issues' Paper identifying the key issues in the area and will provide the public with the opportunity to comment them to inform the preparation of the LPP.
- 2.7 The Local Policies Plan (LPP) will be consistent with the Plan Strategy. In contrast to the Plan Strategy the LPP will deal with site specific policies and proposals associated with settlement limits, land use zonings and environmental designations required to deliver the council's vision, objectives and strategic policies.
- 2.8 A Sustainability Appraisal (SA), including a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of the Local Development Plan will run in parallel with the preparation of various stages of the plan and will be an ongoing process. The purpose of the Sustainability Appraisal is to promote sustainable development through the integration of social, environmental and economic considerations into the preparation of the Local Development Plan. The purpose of the SEA is to assess the potential environmental impacts of the Plan to ensure protection of the environment. Reports from the various stages of the Sustainability

Appraisal (including SEA) will be published at the key stages of the plan preparation.

Who can get involved?

2.9 Mid Ulster Council will involve the community at an early stage in the planning process and anyone who wishes to get involved is encouraged to do so at the opportunities provided. In particular, the views of the following groups of people will be sought however, this list is not intended to be exhaustive and in no way restricts other individuals, groups and organisations from participating in the planning process.

- People living within the Mid Ulster area
- Elected Representatives
- Voluntary Groups
- Community Forums/Groups/Umbrella Organisations
- Environmental Groups
- Residents Groups
- Business Interests
- Developers/Landowners
- All individuals and groups with an interest in the area

2.10 Elected members, forums, community and residents groups provide a voice for the local community. Other voluntary and interest groups also bring a special knowledge and can ensure that important concerns are addressed. Lists of these groups are contained within Appendix 1.

Empowering disadvantaged and under-represented groups

2.11 Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 requires a public authority, in carrying out its functions relating to Northern Ireland, to have due regard to the need to promote equality of opportunity between:

- persons of different religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, marital status or sexual orientation;
- men and women generally
- persons with a disability and persons without; and
- persons with dependents and persons without

2.12 In addition, without prejudice to the above obligations, public authorities are required to have regard to the desirability of promoting good relations between persons of different religious belief, political opinion or race. The above “Section 75 groups” are important participants within the planning process and include people who traditionally have been under represented or disadvantaged. These groups will be targeted through the consultation process on the local development plan in order to obtain their views and contribute to the consideration of equality issues under Section 75. Their views on any equality screening documents or draft Equality Impact Assessments will also be sought

in accordance with the councils published Equality Scheme. A list of Section 75 groups is also contained within Appendix 1.

- 2.13 In order to ensure the Local Development Plan and consultation documents are accessible to everyone, they will be made available upon request in alternative formats. All documents will be published in plain English and will also be available on our council website. A telephone number and email address will be stated on each document for people with hearing or speech impairment. If for any reason, a request for a document in a particular required alternative format cannot be met, other formats will be explored.

How and when will the community be involved?

- 2.14 A Local Development Plan is made in different stages, each presenting opportunities for community involvement. Each of these stages are identified below with the actions that are to be taken to involve the community. The actions will fulfil and in some cases exceed the statutory requirements on public consultation. The Timetable for when the different stages are to be reached will be obtainable from the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt at the addressed detailed below and also on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org.

Cookstown Office
Burn Road
Cookstown
BT80 8DT

Dungannon Office
Circular Road
Dungannon
BT71 6DT

Magherafelt Office
Ballyronan Road
Magherafelt
BT45 6EN

It will also be advertised in local press that this timetable is available for inspection in the above Council Offices during normal office hours. When the timetable is revised it will also be advertised and will be available for inspection in the same way.

Community Involvement during a Pandemic Crisis

- 2.15 During the time of a pandemic, or other crisis similar to Covid19, we will be unable to fulfil some of the actions/governance set out below at the different stages of the process. Temporary changes will be needed to protect the health of our communities, residents and staff.
- 2.16 Following the relaxation of any government required 'lock down' period, when we are required to adhere to social distancing, we will be unable to facilitate public meetings and public exhibitions. Instead, during a consultation period we will make officers available for telephone calls where you can ask questions in the same manner as you would at a public meeting or exhibition. We can also make the information that would have been on display at the public exhibition available as a printed document that we can post to you on request. Additionally, we will also place the exhibition display information on our council website for viewing.

Developing an Evidence Base

- 2.17 Surveying and information gathering will be an ongoing function of the Council, however, it will be particularly important at this early stage of plan preparation. Information obtained at this stage will be used to establish the social, economic and environmental characteristics of the plan area and enable the Council to determine the issues which need to be addressed and the options for addressing them. This will be undertaken using a topic based approach accompanied with a Countryside Assessment.

Actions/Governance

- Formation of a **Steering Group** comprising the Mid Ulster Planning Committee, the Chief Executive and the Planning Manager. This will be the high level co-ordinating body that will ensure an overview and strategic input on behalf of the whole community, as well as from the planning professionals
- Formation of a **Project Management Team (Multi-Disciplinary Steering Group)** comprising Mid Ulster Council Planning Manager, Principal Planning Officer, Chair of the Planning Committee, Vice Chair of the Planning Committee, Mid Ulster Council Director of Business and Communities, Director of Culture and Leisure, Director of Environment and Property, Director of Public Health and Infrastructure, Shared Environmental Service and representatives from the relevant Northern Ireland Government Departments. The Project Management team will be consulted on and will act as the screening and scoping group for the Sustainability Appraisal (SA), including Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA);
- **Key Consultees** will receive written invitation requesting them to participate in the plan making process by providing information on the key strategic issues that the Local Development Plan should address.
- **Under represented (section 75) groups** will be invited to identify whether there are any types of planning policies which are likely to have significant impact on the groups they represent. They will also be provided opportunity to identify any particular issues or needs which they feel the plan should address. Where requested this can be done through a face to face meeting with a planning official. Any comments received will be taken into account when screening and scoping the EQIA.
- The scoping report of the SA (including SEA) will be sent to the statutory consultation body and if necessary, the **Department for Infrastructure – (DfI – previously DoE)** may be requested to undertake trans-boundary consultation with the Republic of Ireland.
- Issue a **Public Notice** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, confirming the publication of the Mid Ulster Council Timetable for the preparation of the new Local Development Plan as well as other supporting information. The notice will state that the agreed timetable and supporting information will be made available for inspection during normal office hours in

all three Council Offices and such other places within the district considered appropriate as well as being available on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org

- The SCI will be kept under review and any new groups or bodies wishing to be included or added to the lists contained in the appendices may request to have their details added. This will be subject to Council agreement.

Preferred Options Paper

2.18 This is the first formal stage in the preparation of our Local Development Plan. This stage commences with the publication of the Preferred Options Paper (POP). The POP is a consultation paper to promote debate on issues of strategic significance which are likely to influence the shape of future development within Mid Ulster. The intention is to stimulate a wide-ranging, yet focused, debate and encourage feedback from a wide variety of interests. Any representations or views received as a consequence of its publication will be considered in formulating the Draft Plan Strategy.

2.19 The POP is subject to a Sustainability Appraisal (SA), including the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA). The SA/SEA is a continual process which runs parallel with the preparation of the POP and Local Development Plan (LDP). An SEA Interim Report (consisting of SA Scoping Report and assessment of alternatives) will be published with the POP.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state:
 - i) The intention to prepare a Local Development Plan, accompanied by a Sustainability Appraisal, including Strategic Environmental Assessment, and Equality Impact Assessments;
 - ii) Publication of the Prepared Options Paper inviting comment within 12 weeks;
 - iii) Details of community meetings, exhibitions and pop-in information sessions;
 - iv) Publication of the initial stages of Sustainability Appraisal, including SEA, and invite comment as considered necessary.
- Publish the POP on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org and invite comments within 12 weeks. Also make the POP available at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request (Tel: 03000 132 132) at a specified price.
- Issue a **Press Release** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette about the intention to prepare a new plan, drawing attention to the Preferred Options Paper and the public consultation. This will allow individual residents, developers, landowners and any other person with a stake in the LDP to make representation.

- Hold a **Launch and Exhibition** to announce the publication of the Preferred Options Paper;
- Hold **Public Meetings and Exhibitions** with drop in sessions in Dungannon, Cookstown and Magherafelt. Other locations will include Ardboe, Coalisland, Clogher, Draperstown, Galbally, Maghera and Pomeroy.
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** providing them with a copy of the Preferred Options Paper and invite them to attend the launch, provide comments within 12 weeks, inform them of the public meetings, exhibition and drop-in information sessions;
- Write to **local community groups** and **section 75 groups** advising them that the POP has been published and that it is available to view on the Councils website and that hard copies can be obtained from the Planning Department (Tel: 03000 132 132) where requested. The opportunity of a meeting with a planning officer to record their views will also be given. They will be asked to provide comments within 12 weeks.
- A **Public Consultation Report** will be presented to elected members following the 12 week consultation. This will contain a summary of each representation and professional comment, recording where members take a different view and rationale for that view. This will be taken into account whilst formulating the Draft Local Development Plan;
- The **Project Management Team** will be given opportunity to comment on emerging policy for inclusion in the Draft Plan Strategy and will be an integral part of testing emerging policy through the Sustainability Appraisal, including Strategic Environmental Assessment and the Equality Impact Assessment process.

Publication of Draft Plan Strategy

2.20 The draft Plan Strategy is a public consultation document and is not the final plan. It is an indication of the Council's intentions regarding the future development of the area, and is a key part of the public participation process.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state:
 - i) Publication of Draft Plan Strategy and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including the SEA, Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA), Rural Proofing and how to view or obtain copies;
 - ii) The dates and locations of Public Exhibitions;

iii) The 8 week period and closing date for receipt of representations to the Draft Plan Strategy and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including SEA, Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA), Rural Proofing and Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA). This will be followed by an 8 week period for counter representations.

- Make the Draft Plan Strategy, the Sustainability Appraisal including the SEA, HRA and EQIA and the Public Consultation Report available on the website www.midulstercouncil.org and at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request at a specified price;
- Hold **Launch and Exhibition** to announce the publication of the Draft Plan Strategy and **Issue Press Releases**;
- Hold **Public Exhibitions** in Mid Ulster Towns, Villages and Settlements. Planning Officers will be available to answer any questions;
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** informing them of; the publication of the Draft Plan Strategy and providing them a copy; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Write to all who submitted a representation to the POP informing them of the publication of the Draft Plan Strategy and accompanying documents advising how they can view or obtain copies; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Representations will be reported to the Elected Members

Re-Consultation on Local Development Plan 2030 – Draft Plan Strategy

- 2.21 A consultation exercise was previously carried out on the Local Development Plan 2030 – Draft Plan Strategy (February to April 2019). However, the council has since identified a procedural error in relation to the original consultation and a re-consultation was set for a period of 8 weeks commenced at 10am on 25th March 2020 and was due to close at 5pm on 21st May 2020.
- 2.22 In light of the issues being faced with COVID19, the re-consultation period was extended.
- 2.23 Given that it is unknown for how long government will be discouraging groups to congregate, the council will issue a public notice of the extended re-consultation closing date once it becomes available. We will issue the **Public Notice** in local newspapers circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks.
- 2.24 In line with advice on social distancing as a response to COVID-19, planned exhibitions and drop-in sessions are no longer taking place.
- 2.25 Instead, during the extended re-consultation period we will make officers available for telephone calls where you can ask questions in the same manner as you would at a public meeting or exhibition. On request, we will make the information that would have been on display at the public exhibition available as a printed document which we can post or email to you. Additionally, we will also place the exhibition display information on our council website for viewing.

Public Inspection of Representations

- 2.26 All representations which are made to the Draft Plan Strategy will be made available for public inspection as part of the public consultation process. Interested parties may also comment on the site specific representations that have been received (counter-representations). Counter-representations must not propose any changes to the development plan document. Both the representations and counter-representations will be considered at the Independent Examination (IE).

Actions/Governance

- Make copies of representations available for inspection in the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and on the website

www.midulstercouncil.org. Hard copies of representations can also be provided upon request at a specified price.

- Write to **Key Consultees, Elected Members and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation** informing them that representations are available for inspection and the places and times at which they can be inspected;
- Issue a **Public Notice** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette for two weeks, and on the Mid Ulster Council website of the availability of representations for inspection and the eight week period including closing date for counter- representations;
- Make the counter-representations available on website and at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon for inspection;
- Representations and counter-representations will be fully considered by the Council before it submits the Draft Plan Strategy to the DfI for Independent Examination (IE)

Submission of Development Plan Documents

- 2.27 Following the submission of all Development Plan documents to the DfI and prior to Independent Examination, Council will also make all submitted documents available for inspection at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon and other such places the Council considers appropriate. Council will notify all consultation bodies and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation that these documents are available for inspection in the Mid Ulster Council Offices during normal office hours. A notice will also be placed in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette, stating that the Development Plan documents have been submitted to DfI. This notice will also be published on the Council website – www.midulstercouncil.org.

Independent Examination

- 2.28 The Council will not submit the Draft Plan Strategy to DfI unless it considers that it is ready for IE. The purpose of the Independent Examination is to determine the soundness of the Draft Plan Strategy, taking into account representations or counter representations. The Council will be available to answer any question of the Independent Examiners and provide comment on the representations and counter representations. Following the IE, the examiner will issue a report of its findings to the DfI which will in turn consider this and issue a binding report to a Council. On this basis, a Council must incorporate any changes outlined in the binding report and subsequently adopt the Plan Strategy.

Actions/Governance

- Continue to make the Draft Plan, and all accompanying documentation available on the website www.midulstercouncil.org;
- Advertise dates, times and venues for the Independent Examination at least 4 weeks before the Examination is to be held indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection; and
- Notify all persons who submitted representations and counter representations of the arrangements for the Independent Examination indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection;
- Request Key Consultees to provide comment on the representations and counter-representations for consideration at the Independent Examination.

Adoption of Plan Strategy

2.29 Following the Independent Examination, Dfl will issue a Direction to the Council, requiring it to adopt the draft Plan Strategy as originally prepared or with modifications. The Council may also be directed to withdraw the draft Plan Strategy. In either scenario, Dfl will be expected to give reasons for their decisions.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will confirm:
 - i) adoption of the Plan Strategy;
 - ii) where to get copies of the Plan Strategy, the Dfl direction and the accompanying independent examination report
- Make the Plan Strategy and any accompanying documents, the Dfl Direction and accompanying Independent Examiner's Report available on the website www.midulstercouncil.org. A hard copy will be available on request (Tel: 03000 132 132) for a specified price;
- Write to key consultees and those submitting representations and counter-representations advising of the adoption of the Plan Strategy, and where to obtain copies together with the Dfl Direction and the Independent Examiner's Report. Also advise them of the commencement of work on the Local Policies Plan.

Local Policies Plan

2.30 The Local Policies Plan is the second document comprising the Local Development Plan. The Draft Local Policies Plan is a public consultation document and is not the final part of the plan. The Draft Local Policies Plan will be consistent with the adopted Plan Strategy and will be the Council's detailed land use proposals regarding the future development of the area; this draft

document is a key part of the public participation process. The Plan Strategy must be adopted before the Draft Local Policies Plan is published for consultation, subjected to IE and adopted.

Local Policies Plan - Key Issues Consultation

- 2.31 Prior to the publication of the Local Policies Plan (LPP) the Council will publish a Local Policies Plan 'Key Issues' Paper identifying the key issues in the area and will provide the public with the opportunity to comment them to inform the preparation of the LPP. The document will outline key issues such as settlement limits, location of housing and economic development land within the towns, town centre boundaries etc. and invite comments on them.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state:
 - i) Publication of the Key Issues Paper and how to view or obtain copies;
 - ii) The 8 week period and closing date for receipt of representations to the Key Issues Paper.
- Publish the Key Issues Paper on the website www.midulstercouncil.org and invite comments within 8 weeks. Make the Key Issue Paper available at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request.
- Write to **local community groups** and **section 75 groups** advising them of the publication of this document and how they can make representations to it.
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** informing them of; the publication of the Key Issues Paper and providing them a copy, the 8 week period and closing date for representations.

Publication of Local Policies Plan

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice should confirm:
 - i) Publication of Draft Local Policies Plan and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal including SEA, HRA, EQIA and Rural Proofing and how to view or obtain copies;
 - ii) The dates and locations of Public Exhibitions;
 - iii) The 8 week period and closing date for receipt of representations to the Draft Plan Local Policies Plan and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal

including SEA, HRA and EQIA. This will be followed by an 8 week period for counter representations.

- Make the Draft Local Policies Plan and the Sustainability Appraisal including the SEA, HRA and EQIA available on the website and at the Council Offices in Magherafelt, Dungannon and Cookstown and provide hard copies upon request (Tel: 03000 132 132) at a specified price.
- Hold **Launch and Exhibition** to announce the publication of the Draft Local Policies Plan and **Issue Press Releases**;
- Hold **Public Exhibitions** in Mid Ulster Towns, Villages and Settlements. Planning Officers will be available to answer any questions;
- Write to **Key Consultees** and **Elected Members** informing them of; the publication of the Draft Local Policies Plan and providing them a copy; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Write to all who submitted a representation and counter-representation to the draft Plan Strategy informing them of the publication of the Draft Local Policies Plan and accompanying documents and advising how they can view or obtain copies; the dates of the public exhibitions; the 8 week period and closing date for representations;
- Representations will be reported to the Elected Members

Public Inspection of Representations

- 2.32 All representations to the Draft Local Policies Plan will be made available for public inspection as part of the public consultation process. Interested parties may also comment on the site specific representations that have been received (counter-representations). Counter-representations must not propose any changes to the development plan document. Both the representations and counter-representations will be considered at the Independent Examination (IE).

Actions/Governance

- Make copies of representations available for inspection in the Council Offices at Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon and on the website. Hard copies of representations can also be provided upon request at a specified price.
- Write to **Key Consultees, Elected Members and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation** informing them that representations are available for inspection and the places and times at which they can be inspected;

- Issue a **Public Notice** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will state the availability of representations for inspection and the eight week period including closing date for counter representations;
- Make the counter-representations available on website and at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon for inspection. Hard copies of counter representations can also be provided upon request at a specified price.
- Representations and counter representations will be fully considered by the Council before it submits the Draft Local Policies Plan to the DfI for Independent Examination (IE).

Submission of Development Plan Documents

- 2.33 Following the submission of all Development Plan documents to the DfI and prior to Independent Examination, Council will also make all submitted documents available for inspection at the Mid Ulster Council Offices in Magherafelt, Cookstown and Dungannon and other such places the Council considers appropriate. Council will notify all consultation bodies and any person who has made (and not withdrawn) a representation that these documents are available for inspection in the Mid Ulster Council Offices during normal office hours. A notice will also be placed in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and the Belfast Gazette that the Development Plan documents have been submitted to the DfI. This notice will also be published on the Council website www.midulstercouncil.org

Independent Examination

- 2.34 Again, the Council will not submit the Draft Local Policies Plan to DfI unless it considers that it is ready for IE. The purpose of the Independent Examination is to determine the soundness of the Draft Local Policies Plan taking into account representations and counter representations. The Council will be available to answer any question of the Independent Examiners and provide comment on the representations and counter representations. Following the IE, the examiner will issue a report of its findings to the DfI which will in turn consider this and issue a binding report to a Council. On this basis, a Council must incorporate any changes outlined in the binding report and subsequently adopt the Local Policies Plan.

Actions/Governance

- Continue to make the Draft Local Policies Plan, and all accompanying documentation available on the website;
- Advertise dates, times and venues for the Independent Examination at least 4 weeks before the Examination is to be held indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection; and

- Notify all persons who submitted representations and counter representations of the arrangements for the Independent Examination indicating that representations and counter representations are available for inspection;
- Request Key Consultees to provide comment on the representations and counter-representations for consideration at the Independent Examination

Adoption of Local Policies Plan

- 2.35 Following the Independent Examination, DfI will issue a Direction to the Council, requiring it to adopt the Draft Local Policies Plan as originally prepared or with modifications. The Council may also be directed to withdraw the Draft Local Policies Plan. In either scenario, DfI will be expected to give reasons for their decisions.

Actions/Governance

- Issue a **Public Notice** in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District and the Belfast Gazette and on the Mid Ulster Council website www.midulstercouncil.org for two consecutive weeks. This notice will confirm:
 - i) adoption of the Local Policies Plan;
 - ii) where to get copies of the Local Policies Plan, the DfI Direction and the accompanying Independent Examiner's Report;
- Make the Local Policies Plan and accompanying documents, the DfI Direction and Independent Examiner's Report available on the Council website with hard copies available on request for a specified price;
- Write to key consultees and those submitting representations and counter-representations advising of the adoption of the Local Policies Plan, and where to obtain copies together with the DfI Direction and the Independent Examiner's Report.

Next Steps

- 2.36 Following the adoption of the Plan Strategy and Local Policies Plan the Council will identify its work priorities for the next five years in a new timetable. It may also issue a new Statement of Community Involvement if considered appropriate. In addition the Council will engage in monitoring and review which are essential in establishing how the objectives in the Local Development Plan are being achieved and whether any changes are required. This should be done every five years.

3.0 Local Community Involvement in Mid Ulster Development Management Functions

Purpose

- 3.1 The Council as the local planning authority for the area deals with the majority of planning applications in the district. Planning applications are now categorised on receipt as local, major or regionally significant. The council are responsible for the local and major applications whilst the DfI processes those applications that are regionally significant. The Council also deals with Listed Building applications and applications for works in Conservation Areas, works to Protected Trees and Advertising Consent. Development management is the process through which such applications are considered. An important part of the process is to provide information and advice to applicants and to seek and take into account the views of the general public and statutory consultees on all planning applications. The statutory requirements for consultation on planning applications are set out in legislation. These requirements vary according to the type of proposal but include notification to specified bodies and the general public. It is also worth noting that there is provision within the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 for the DfI to call in a planning application, an application for Listed Building Consent and an application for Hazardous Substance Consent; although this is to be the exception.
- 3.2 The Council receives a wide variety of planning applications and therefore needs to involve the community to differing degrees, according to the scale and complexity of the application.
This section of the SCI looks at:
- how the public can become involved at the various stages of the application process; and
 - how the level of community involvement will depend on the scale of the application.

Pre-Application Stage

Pre-Application Discussions (PADs)

- 3.3 Pre-application discussions are encouraged for a range of types of applications, both major and local. The objective of pre-application discussions should be to confirm whether the principle of development is acceptable and to clarify the format, type and level of detail required to enable the council to determine an application. For major applications it will also enable the applicant to discuss with the council details of how the community should be involved in the decision-making process.

3.4 **Major Applications - Pre-Application Community Consultation (PACC) during Covid19 pandemic**

Due to the Covid19 pandemic, there has been a temporary change to the process for major applications, temporarily removing the requirement to hold a public event as part of the pre-application community consultation.

The changes come into effect on 1 May and will apply for five months. The changes are accompanied by guidance for applicants, which can be obtained on the Department for Infrastructure website (Covid19 Emergency Planning Guidance - Pre-Application Community Consultation (PACC) -Temporary Removal of Public Event Requirement).

The Departments guidance helps applicants suggest alternatives to this important element of the consultation process in respect of major applications.

Applicants will still need to comply with other requirements to ensure communities are aware of and can input to major development proposals for their areas. (See paragraphs 3.5 - 3.7 below)

This suspension of the requirement to hold a public event as part of the PACC will apply where:

- the Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) relating to an application was, or is, submitted prior to the end of the emergency period¹ (including if it was submitted before the emergency period began); and
- the application for planning permission itself is made during the emergency period¹ or within 6 months following the end of the emergency period.

3.5 **Major Planning Applications – Pre-Application Community Consultation (PAAC)**

The council strives to inform and involve the wider community in helping to create better quality developments and place making. Applicants who submit major applications to the council or as the case may be, the Department must undertake community consultation before submitting their application.

The Council will require the following actions to be undertaken before the application is submitted (Please see paragraph 3.4 above regarding requirement for a public event during period of Covid19 pandemic):

- **Notify the Council** by way of a “proposal of application notice” (PAN), at least 12 weeks in advance, that an application for a major planning application is to be submitted.

¹“emergency period” begins on 1st May 2020 and ends 30th September 2020.

- Hold at least one **public event** where the community will be afforded the opportunity to make comment.
 - **Publish details** of the proposal in the local press, outlining where further details can be obtained and the date, time and location of a public event.
 - Submit a pre-application community consultation report to accompany the application.
- 3.6 Pre-application consultation is likely to be more successful if the applicant makes significant efforts to open lines of communication with, and provide feedback to local communities and work with them to secure development proposals which are acceptable to everyone.
- 3.7 As previously stated the Council would recommend all applicants considering submitting development proposals that fall within the definition of major development to seek a Pre-Application Discussion with planning officers. Where applicants fail to fully meet the pre-application community consultation requirements the Council will decline to determine the application.

Application Stage

- 3.8 When a planning application is submitted for determination the Council will involve the community in the decision making process. If you feel you will be affected by development proposals you will have an opportunity to consider what is proposed and how it will affect you. You will also have the opportunity to make your views known before a final decision is made on the application.

Advertising and Neighbour Notification

- 3.9 The Council undertakes statutory public engagement in accordance with current legislation. Government may change the statutory requirements and our future approach will reflect any changes that are made.

Advertising

- 3.10 The Council will advertise all new applications on a weekly basis in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District (in accordance with **Section 41 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and Section 8 of the Planning (General Development Procedure) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015**). The weekly list of all new applications received by the Council can also be viewed on our website www.midulstercouncil.org. The advertisement will advise that any representations that are made should be received within 14 days of the publication. This will assist in the efficient processing of the application, however, material representations will be considered up until a decision on the proposal is reached.

EIA Development

- 3.11 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is a method for ensuring that the likely effects of new development on the environment are fully understood and taken into account before consent is given for the development to proceed. The Environmental Statement (ES) produced as part of an environmental impact assessment, brings together in a single document or series of documents information about a proposed development and its effects on the environment.
- 3.12 In most cases it will fall to the council to determine if the application is an EIA application. It should be noted that if an application is an EIA application it cannot be processed until the ES is received. When a developer submits an ES in support of a planning application, the Council will publish a notice of its receipt in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District and indicate where it may be purchased and the address of the Council Office where it may be inspected. The Council will also allow 4 weeks from the date the notice is first published for representation to be made.

Neighbour Notification

- 3.13 **Article 8 of The Planning (General Development) Procedure Order (Northern Ireland) 2015** states that any identified occupier of land neighbouring the land to which the application relates shall be notified by serving a notice on them. Under the Council's Neighbour Notification Scheme, the Council will ensure that planning applications are brought to the individual attention of the occupiers of buildings on neighbouring land which are within 90m of the boundary of the application site.

Neighbouring land is defined as 'land which directly adjoins the application site or which would adjoin it but for an entry or road less than 20m in width'.

- 3.14 The Case Officer when carrying out a site inspection will also check the accuracy of the neighbour notification details supplied on the application form and may add details as considered appropriate.
- 3.15 The period for responding following receipt of a neighbour notification letter is 14 days, though any late representations received before a decision is made will still be considered.

Obtaining further information and getting involved in planning applications

- 3.16 The weekly lists of planning applications received within Mid Ulster council area are also available on the Northern Ireland Planning Portal (www.planningni.gov.uk). Planning applications including supporting documents and corresponding plans can be viewed online as well at the council offices during normal office hours. Planning Officers are available to give advice on current or proposed applications (you are advised to make an appointment if you wish to speak to a particular officer).

- 3.17 In a scenario such as the Covid19 pandemic, where the council offices are closed, planning applications can be viewed on the Northern Ireland Planning Portal, or you can contact the planning office to discuss alternative arrangements.

Public Register

- 3.18 The Public Register of planning application decision is a mix of both electronic and paper formats prior to a point in 2017. After planning reference LA09/2017/0756 the public register of decisions can be accessed at www.planningni.gov.uk where drawings, decision notices and reports are available for public viewing. The paper copy files before 2017 contain the following:
- a copy(which may be photographic) of each application together with copies of plans and drawings submitted in relation thereto;
 - the decision notice, if any, in respect of the application, including details of any conditions subject to which permission or consent was granted;
 - the reference number, the date and effect of any decision of the PAC in respect of the application; and
 - brief details of any revocation or modification relating to any permission or consent, including date of issue.

File Inspection

- 3.19 The Council will make the application file available for inspection at the Councils Planning Department at the Magherafelt Office, Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, BT45 6EN, by appointment which can be made at Tel: 03000 132 132. Application files for the wards of Dungannon, Clogher Valley and Torrent can also be inspected at the Dungannon Office, Circular Road, Dungannon, BT71 6DT, by appointment. Copies of drawings and application forms can also be viewed by appointment at a planning clinic in Cookstown Council Offices on a weekly basis. An appointment can be made at Tel: 03000 132 132. The amount of information on the file, will of course, be dependent on the stages the application has completed.
- 3.20 In a scenario such as the Covid19 pandemic, where the council offices are closed, planning applications can be viewed on the Northern Ireland Planning Portal, or you can contact the planning office to discuss alternative arrangements.

Submitting Comments

- 3.21 Individuals, groups and organisations can comment on a planning application even if they have not been neighbour notified by the Council. All comments will be carefully considered. Care should be taken when making comments to the Council to ensure that no personal data is included.
- 3.22 When a decision is made on a planning application only those matters which are material to the planning decision are given weight. These include a wide range of issues such as impact on neighbouring amenity, natural and built

heritage, and public and highway safety. However, matters such as the impact on property prices are not normally considered material to a planning decision.

- 3.23 Greater weight is generally attached to issues which are supported by evidence rather than solely by assertion. If an identified problem can be dealt with by means of a suitable condition the Council is required to consider this as an alternative to refusing an application.
- 3.24 You can make comments in a variety of ways, these are as follows-
Online at: www.midulstercouncil.org
By email: planning@midulster.org (Please quote the application number)
By post to: Mid Ulster Development Management Team, Mid Ulster District Council, Magherafelt Office, 50 Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, Co. Derry, BT45 6EN
- 3.25 All written comments on an application will be acknowledged within five working days, however the Council may be unable to respond to each comment made due to the large number it receives. All comments will be summarised and fully considered within the Planning Officer's report. The acknowledgement letter will set out who is dealing with the application and who to contact if there are any questions. The Council will not normally contact the respondent again until after a decision is made.
- 3.26 The Council may, if it considers it appropriate to do so, stage public exhibitions, Issue press releases or arrange public meetings to provide information about major developments or proposals which are particularly significant or have wide-spread effects on communities.
- 3.27 You may also wish to contact your local councillor, who has the ability to request that the application is determined by the relevant planning committee. Oral, or defamatory comments cannot be taken into account. You should ensure that your comments relate to relevant planning matters.
- 3.28 The Council will consult with Statutory Consultees where appropriate (**see Appendix 2**) to assist in the determination of an application. If a representation raises issues that are relevant to the responsibilities of the consultee (e.g. road safety) the representation will be copied to the appropriate consultee for consideration and comment. The Council will carefully take any comments made into account before a decision is made. All comments are scanned and added to the web site once personal email addresses and hand written signatures have been removed (it should be noted that typed names and addresses remain visible).
- 3.29 The council may negotiate changes to applications where these are expedient. Re-consultation (for 14 days) will take place on minor changes if the Council considers that they raise new issues that could lead to further comment. If any change is considered to be substantive, the council may decline to treat it as an amendment and a new application may be invited.

Community Involvement at the Planning Committee Stage

- 3.30 Planning applications are usually determined by officers using delegated powers. The circumstances under which an application can, or cannot, be determined using delegated powers are set out in the Council's **Scheme of Delegation**, which is subject to regular review.

Pre-determination hearings and speaking at the Planning Committee

- 3.31 For those major applications of which notification has been forwarded to DfI but have been returned to the Council for determination the Council will afford the applicant the opportunity of appearing before and being heard by the Council. If a planning application goes before a planning committee, those people who have made representations will have the opportunity to speak at the committee meeting, in line with the relevant protocol. It will be the responsibility of the person wishing to speak at the committee to check the public access link at www.planningni.gov.uk to keep informed of the status of the application. The council will not contact them to let them know the application is due to be presented to planning committee.
- 3.32 Arrangements and requirements for speaking at the Planning Committee are set out in the Protocol for Planning Committee. This Protocol is available on the Council website or upon request.

Community Involvement after a Planning Application has been determined (Post Application Stage)

- 3.33 A notification of the decision is sent to the applicant/agent and to those who have responded to the consultation on the planning application. The reasoning behind the decision will be set out in the Planning Officer's report which will be available on the Council website or upon request. Where a committee has disagreed with the officer's recommendation the justification will be available to view in the minutes of the planning committee. An advertisement will be placed in the local paper if a decision is taken on an application that was accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Involving the Community when an Appeal is made against a Planning Refusal/Granted Conditions/Enforcement Notice

- 3.34 Only applicants and those upon whom notices have been served have the right of appeal. There are no third party rights of appeal. Where an applicant is unhappy with the Council's decision on an application or a condition attached to a permission, he/she may appeal to the PAC. An applicant may also appeal to the PAC where the Council has not determined an application within the relevant period prescribed by the Planning (General Development Procedure) Order (NI) 2015. Appeals must be lodged with the PAC within four months from the date of notification of the Council's decision, or expiry of the prescribed period as the case may be.
- 3.35 Copies of representations will be forwarded to the Planning Appeals Commission (PAC). For hearings and public inquiries, the interested parties have the opportunity to make their views known verbally to the PAC. The

guidance on Planning Appeals and the rights of applicants and objectors can be found on the PAC website www.pacni.gov.uk

Community Involvement in Planning Enforcement

- 3.36 The council encourages the community to report cases where they believe there has been a breach of planning control. A breach of planning control occurs when development or other certain activities take place without the necessary planning permission or consent from the Council or the DfI. This may also include failure to carry out development in accordance with the approved plans or conditions.
- 3.37 All planning enforcement related complaints are treated confidentially. If the complaint results in a planning application being submitted, then this will be publicised in the normal manner and adjoining neighbours notified.
- 3.38 In cases where planning enforcement action is taken, complainants are informed of the action. Where no action is taken the Council will also notify the complainant.
- 3.39 The Council's priorities for enforcement action are contained within the Council's Enforcement Strategy which can be viewed on our website www.midulstercouncil.org and can be obtained in hard copy by contacting the Planning Department at 03000 132 132. The Enforcement Strategy is subject to regular review.

Community Involvement in Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG)

- 3.40 The Council will also prepare non-statutory planning guidance to support its development plan. Supplementary planning guidance includes for example design guides and advice notes. Consultation on SPG will take place in a proportionate manner where the Council feels it will be beneficial to give additional regard to the opinions of stakeholders and the general public. Any comments received will be considered by the Planning Committee. It is not necessary for SPG to go through the public examination process.

Community Involvement in Conservation Area Designation

- 3.41 A Conservation Area is an area of special architectural or historic interest, the character of which it is desirable to preserve and enhance. The Council considers that consultation with, and the involvement of local people is important when undertaking work associated with Conservation Areas. This will help encourage greater ownership of the concept and greater co-operation and commitment to achieving the aims of the designation. The Council will involve the community in the designation, variation or cancellation of a Conservation Area. This will entail formal consultation with the Historic Buildings Council, Department for Communities (Historic Environment Division), Department for Infrastructure (Roads and Rivers), and NI Water (as the current water and sewerage undertaker).

- 3.42 Any alterations to existing Conservation Areas or designation of new Conservation Areas will be advertised in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District. Where appropriate public meetings will be held to discuss and present proposals.

Community Involvement in the Designation of a Simplified Planning Zone

- 3.43 If the Council proposes to commence work on a simplified planning zone it will undertake consultations with the neighbouring District Council, the land owner and occupier, the DfC and will notify the DfI.
- 3.44 Once details of a scheme have been prepared the Council will make copies available for inspection at the Council's office, give notice by way of an advert in at least one local newspaper circulating in Mid Ulster District, and on the Council's website www.midulstercouncil.org, and will serve a notice on those it has consulted with.
- 3.45 Following advertising of the proposed planning zone(s) details there will be an eight week period when representations can be made to the Council. If the Council subsequently decides not to proceed with the proposed planning zone it will publish a further advertisement to that effect and will notify all those have made representations.
- 3.46 The Council may cause an independent examination to be held to consider the representations received. Where it is proposed to hold an independent examination details including the time and place of the examination will be published in the local press. Where it is decided not to hold an independent examination the Council will notify all those who have made representations.
- 3.47 Following the independent examination the Council will produce a report and statement detailing its decision and outlining reasons for its decision. Notice of publication will be advertised in the local press and the report and statement will be available for public inspection in the Council offices.

Review of the Council's SCI

- 4.0 The body of the SCI will also be reviewed annually to ensure fitness of purpose and to take account of major Legislative changes where relevant.
- 4.1 Where groups or bodies want to be added to the lists of consultees included in Appendix 1 they are advised to make a submission in writing or by email to the planning Department in the Council:

By email: planning@midulster.org

By post to: Mid Ulster Development Plan Team, Mid Ulster District Council, Magherafelt Office, 50 Ballyronan Road, Magherafelt, Co. Derry, BT45 6EN.

Any requests received will be considered.

APPENDIX 1

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MID ULSTER STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

GROUPS TO BE CONSULTED WHEN PREPARING THE NEW LDP

LIST 1: STATUTORY CONSULTATION BODIES

LIST 2: LOCAL COMMUNITY/VOLUNTARY GROUPS IN MID ULSTER

LIST 3: SECTION 75 GROUPS

NOTE: The Council's consultation list is reviewed on a biennial basis to ensure it remains relevant to our functions and policies. At any time individuals and organisations can request to be added or removed from our list of consultees.

LIST 1: STATUTORY CONSULTATION BODIES

- 1.** Northern Ireland Government Departments.
- 2.** Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon Borough Council
Fermanagh & Omagh District Council
Derry City & Strabane District Council
Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council
Mid & East Antrim Borough Council
Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council
- 3.** A water or sewerage undertaker.
- 4.** The Civil Aviation Authority.
- 5.** The Northern Ireland Housing Executive.
- 6.** Any person to whom the electronic communications code applies by virtue of a direction given under section 106(3) of the Communications Act 2003(1).
- 7.** Any person to whom a licence has been granted under Article 10(1) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992(2).
- 8.** Any person to whom a licence has been granted under Article 8 of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(3).

LIST 2: LOCAL COMMUNITY/VOLUNTARY GROUPS IN MID ULSTER

ARTS ORGANISATIONS

1. 1st Tyrone Scout Gr
2. Annaginny Farm
3. Ballinderry AOH
4. Ballybriest Pipe Band
5. Ballyronan District Cultural Group
6. Castledawson Girls Brigade
7. Clogher Valley Outdoor Bowling Federation
8. Coagh Ladies Time & Talent Group
9. Coalisland Parochial Bowling Club
10. Crossdernott Bowling Club
11. Cullenfad Pipe Band
12. Culnady Girls Brigade
13. Derryoghill Flute Band
14. DU Dance NI
15. Dungannon Choral Society
16. Dungannon Golf Club
17. Dungannon Music & Drama Festival Association
18. Dungannon Rugby Football Club
19. Dungannon United Youth
20. Dungannon West Com Bowling
21. Eglis St Patricks GAC
22. Gig in the Bann Festival
23. Institute of Irish Leadership
24. Irish Language Group
25. Killymuck Sons of the North
26. Maghera & District Gardening Group
27. Maghera Historical Society
28. Mid Ulster School of Music
29. Moneymore Art Group
30. Moy & District Ploughing Association
31. Moy Circle of Friends
32. Moy Tirnanog GFC
33. Newmills Vintage Club
34. Rén-Bu-Kan Judo Club
35. Sperrin Choir
36. Tamnamore Cosy Corner Craft Club
37. The Bridge Singers
38. The Sports Complex Management Group
39. Valley Voices Community Choir

BUSINESS INTERESTS

1. JigSaw Planning
2. Planware Ltd
3. Wardell Armstrong

CHARITABLE GROUPS

1. Ballinderry Rivers Trust
2. Clogher Valley Sure Start
3. Cruse Bereavement Care (NI)
4. Home Start Armagh & Dungannon
5. Marie Curie - Funding Office
6. Olive Branch Centre & Charity Shop
7. Parkanaur College
8. River Blackwater Trust
9. Speedwell Trust
10. Ms Mackle

CLERGY

1. An Invitation to Love Jesus/The Gathering Place
2. Church of Ireland Castlecaulfield
3. Church of Ireland Killyman
4. Church of Ireland Maghera
5. Desertmartin Parish Church (COI)
6. Presbyterian Church Castledawson
7. Presbyterian Church Dungannon
8. Reformed Baptist Church Magherafelt
9. Roman Catholic Church Aughnacloy
10. Roman Catholic Church Draperstown
11. Roman Catholic Church Eglish
12. Roman Catholic Church Bellaghy

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

1. Ardboe Credit Union
2. Ballygawley Area Dev Assoc.
3. Bann Valley Community Group
4. Benburb & District Community Association
5. Ms Sonner
6. Bonn and District Community Association
7. Caledon Regeneration Partnership
8. Castledawson Royal British Legion
9. CDM Community Transport
10. Clogher Cathedral Parish (COI)

11. Clogher Development Association
12. Club Áige Luraigh
13. Cookstown & Western Shores Area Network
14. Cookstown and Community Police Liason Committee
15. Cookstown Enterprise Centre Ltd
16. Cookstown North Community Group
17. Cookstown North Community Group
18. Costa
19. CWSAN
20. Derganagh Taining and Development Association
21. Desertmartin Community Development Ltd
22. Dittys Castledawson Ltd
23. Dungannon Enterprise Centre
24. Fivemiletown Chamber Of Commerce
25. Fivemiletown Community Development Association
26. Fivemiletown Methodist Hall
27. Gortallowry House Projects Ltd
28. Innishrush Community Group
29. Kingsmills Coordinating Committee
30. Lissan Leisure Club
31. Loughlinsholin Community Group
32. Maghera Parish Caring Association
33. Megargy Cultural and Community Group
34. Mid Ulster Volunteer Centre
35. Mowillian Hall Development Association
36. Moygashel Community & Cultural Association
37. Moygashel Residents Association
38. NI Ex Firefighters Association
39. Open Doors Club, Swatragh
40. Pomeroy Afterschool
41. Pomeroy Credit Union
42. Pomeroy Development Projects
43. Pomeroy Community Projects
44. Rural Community network
45. Sandholes Community Group
46. Sandholes Community Group
47. Servite Order NI
48. Sperrin Cultural Awareness Association
49. Sperrins and Glens
50. Stevenson Community Projects
51. TABBDA (Trad, Ballyronan, Ballinderry Development Association)
52. Tamlaght O'Crilly Historical Society
53. Tamnamore Community Development Association
54. Tobermore Community Developments
55. The Rowan Tree Centre Pomeroy
56. Upperlands Luncheon Club
57. Upperlands Community Development Association

58. Workspace Draperstown

CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

1. Carricklongfield Cultural group
2. Clogher Historical Society
3. Coagh & District Local History Group
4. Coalisland & Clonoe Cultural & Historical Society
5. Cookstown Local History Group
6. Donaghmore Historical Society
7. Donaghmore Historical Society
8. Moygashel Ulster Scots
9. Muintirevlin Historical Society
10. O'Neill Historical Society
11. Stewartstown & District Local History Society
12. Stewartstown and District Local History Society

HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUPS

1. Alzheimers Society
2. Breakthru
3. Disability Action
4. Dungannon Talking Newspaper
5. Emergency Medical Supplies
6. Mid Ulster Victims Empowerment
7. Networks Involving Communities in Health Improvement (NICHI)Project
8. Shopmobility Mid-Ulster
9. Superstars

OLDER PEOPLES GROUPS

1. Ardtrea&Desertcreat Senior Citizens Group
2. Arthritis Care Cookstown
3. Dungannon & District 50+ Club
4. Moygashel Senior Citizens
5. O4O
6. Recycled Teenagers Club
7. The Evergreens
8. The Monday Club
9. Tuesday Club

POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1. St Mary's College
2. St Mary's Grammar School
3. St Pius X High School
4. South West College
5. Holy Trinity College
6. The Royal School
7. Aughnacloy College
8. Integrated College Dungannon
9. Northern Regional College
10. Tamnamore Learning Centre

PRE SCHOOLS

1. Brocagh Playgroup
2. Discovering Kids Playgroup
3. Happy Days Playgroup
4. Fivemiletown Controlled Nursery School
5. Kidd-Z-Play Nursery Ltd
6. Laughterland
7. Lissan Cross Community Playgroup
8. Little Acorns Playgroup
9. Little Flower Clonoe
10. The Happy Days Nursery
11. The Kidz Lodge
12. Tober Tinys Community Playgroup
13. Union Road Mums and Tots Magherafelt

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1. Ampertaine Primary School
2. Aughnacloy Primary School
3. Bellaghy Primary School
4. Bush Primary School
5. Churchill Primary School
6. Cookstown Primary School
7. Donaghmore Controlled Primary School
8. Fivemiletown Primary School
9. Gaelscoil Aodha Rua
10. Howard Primary School
11. Laghey Primary School
12. Lisferty Primary School

13. Lissan Primary School
14. Moneymore Primary School & Nursery Unit
15. New Row Primary School
16. Orritor Primary School
17. Queen Elizabeth II Primary School
Pomeroy
18. Spires Integrated Primary School
19. St. Columba's Primary School
20. St. John's Primary School
21. St. John's Primary School
22. St Mary's Primary School Aughnacloy
23. St. Mary's Primary School Ballygawley
24. St. Mary's Primary School Maghera
25. St. Mary's Primary School Pomeroy
26. St. Mary's Primary School Clady
27. St. Mary's Primary School Fivemiletown
28. St. Mary's Primary School Carland
29. St Patrick's Primary School Coalisland
30. St Patrick's Primary School Augher
31. St Patrick's Primary School Donaghmore
32. St Patrick's Primary School Maghera
33. Tobermore Primary School

SPORTS GROUPS

1. Bancran Tug of War
2. Carn Wheelers Cycling Club
3. Coagh Sports Centre
4. Cookstown Cricket Club
5. Cookstown Olympic FC
6. Cookstown Rugby Club
7. Desertmartin Football Club
8. Fallaghloon Dance Club
9. Fr Rocks GFC
10. Fr Rocks GFC
11. Kildress Bowling Club
12. Killymoon Golf Club
13. Loup GFC
14. Maghera Snooker Club
15. Magherafelt & District Road Safety
16. Mid Ulster Indoor Bowls Convener
17. Moneymore Presbyterian Bowling Club
18. Moyola Park Golf Club
19. Pearses GAC Kilrea
20. Pomeroy Plunketts GAC
21. Robert Emmets GAC Slaughtneil

22. St Colms GAC Ballinascreen
23. St Malachy's GAC Castledawson
24. St Michael's GAC Lissan
25. St Oliver Plunkett GAC
26. Take a Bow Archery Club
27. Tobermore United Football club
28. Wolfe Tones GAC Bellaghy
29. Stewartstown Harps GFC

WOMENS GROUPS

1. Bush Womens Group
2. Cookstown & District Women's Group
3. Drumglass Mother's Union
4. First Steps Womens Centre
5. Granaghan and District Womens Group
6. Mid-Ulster Women's Aid
7. Pomeroy WI
8. Soroptimist International

YOUTH GROUPS

1. Derryloran Cub Scout Pack
2. First Cookstown Scout Group
3. Fivemiletown United Youth
4. Kildress Youth Club
5. Krafty Kidz
6. Magherafelt Youth Centre
7. Road Engines Youth Club
8. Youth Tutor Fivemiletown
9. St Johns Junior Youth Club
10. Three Spires Scout Group
11. Woodschapel Beaver Scouts

LIST 3: SECTION 75 GROUPS

1. Action on Hearing Loss
2. Age UK – Northern Ireland
3. An Tearman
4. Aware NI
5. Barnardos
6. British Deaf Association
7. Business in the Community
8. Cara-Friend
9. Carer's National Association NI
10. Child Care NI
11. Children's Law Centre
12. Children in Need
13. Citizens Advice
14. CINI
15. Chinese Welfare Association
16. Commissioner for Older People in NI
17. Committee on the Administration of Justice
18. Community Disabled & Retired Association
19. Community Foundation Northern Ireland
20. Community Relations Council
21. Contact Northern Ireland
22. Cookstown Chamber of Commerce
23. Cookstown PCSP
24. Cookstown Enterprise Centre
25. Cookstown and Dungannon Clergy Forum
26. Co-Operation Ireland
27. CWSAN
28. Council for the Homeless Northern Ireland
29. Cruse Bereavement Care (NI)
30. Democratic Unionist Party
31. Disability Action
32. Down's Syndrome Association
33. Dungannon SVDP
34. Dungannon Art Disability Stakeholder Forum
35. Dungannon Vineyard
36. Dungannon Churches Forum
37. Dungannon Clergy Forum
38. Dungannon First Steps Women's Group
39. Dungannon & Cookstown Women's Aid
40. Dungannon STEP Migrant Forum
41. Dungannon LARG Disability Group
42. Dungannon Youth Forum
43. Early Years
44. Employer's for Disability NI
45. Employers for Childcare

46. Equality Coalition
47. Equality Commission for Northern Ireland
48. Equality Forum NI
49. Foster Care Support Group
50. Foras na Gaelige
51. General Consumer Council
52. Gingerbread NI
53. GMB
54. Guide Dogs for the Blind Association
55. Housing Rights Service
56. ICTU
57. Information Commissioners Office
58. Irish Congress of Trade Unions
59. Law Centre NI
60. Lesbian Advocacy Services Initiative
61. Lesbian Line
62. Local Government Staff Commission
63. Lough Women's Group
64. Mencap
65. Men's Action Network
66. Mid-Ulster Women's Network
67. Mind Wise
68. Muslim Family Association NI
69. National Children's Bureau
70. NIACRO
71. NIPSA
72. Northern Ireland Anti-Poverty Network
73. NIAMH
74. NICCY
75. NICEM
76. NICVA
77. NIPSA
78. Northern Ireland Dyslexia Association
79. Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission
80. Northern Ireland Youth Forum
81. Executive Office – Equality Unit
82. Commissioner for Older People
83. Parenting NI
84. Parents Advice Centre
85. Participation Network
86. Playboard
87. Play NI
88. Polish Association NI
89. Praxis Care
90. Probation Board Northern Ireland
91. Queer Space
92. Rainbow Project
93. Royal National Institute for Blind
94. Royal National Institute for Deaf People
95. Rural Community Network

96. Rural Development Council
97. Samaritans
98. Save the Children
99. Sense NI
100. Simon Community NI
101. Sinn Féin
102. Social Democratic and Labour Party
103. Talking Newspaper Association
104. The Cedar Foundation
105. The Consumer Council
106. Training for Womens Network
107. Ulster Scots Agency
108. Ulster Supported Employment Ltd
109. Ulster Unionist Party
110. UNISON
111. Unite
112. Victim Support NI
113. Volunteer Now
114. William Keown Trust
115. Women into Politics
116. Women's Resource and Development Agency
117. Women's Support Network
118. Women's European Platform
119. Women's Aid NI
120. Youth Action
121. Youth Council for Northern Ireland
122. Youth Link Northern Ireland
123. Youth Net
124. COSTA

APPENDIX 2

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MID ULSTER STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

**GROUPS TO BE CONSULTED WHEN DETERMINING A PLANNING APPLICATION
(Where appropriate in accordance with The Planning (General Development
Procedure) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016)**

LIST 1: STATUTORY CONSULTEES

1. Department for Communities (DfC)
2. Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland (HSENI)
3. Department for Infrastructure (DfI) or Water Undertaker as defined under Article 13 of the Water and Sewerage Services (NI) Order 2006
4. Licensed Aerodomes
5. Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA)
6. Department for the Economy (DfE)
7. Northern Ireland Housing Executive (NIHE)
8. Department for Infrastructure (DfI)

Note: There will be cases where non-statutory consultees may need to be consulted. Non-statutory consultees are not bound by the 21 calendar days for a response.