



Community  
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Mid Ulster

## Mid Ulster Community Plan

# Delivery Plan for Short Term Actions 2017 – 2020

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## **Economic Growth**

### **Summary Issues:**

We want to prioritise job creation, investment and the enhancement of people's skills and employability, and at the same time improve broadband/mobile phone coverage. Support for Micro and Small to Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) must continue across all sectors. Engineering, agriculture (including 'farm families' and 'agri-food') and construction have to be driven forward and planned major capital projects must be implemented. It is also important to address the District's significant public sector jobs deficit and to drive forward growth in the 'emerging' and 'high end' office sectors.

We must capitalise more on our tourist assets of activity, heritage and Seamus Heaney, via a tailored Mid Ulster Tourism Strategy which has a core objective of getting more people to visit and stay overnight in the District.

Previous and current work on multi-focused town centre regeneration and village renewal schemes (i.e. integrating proposals for business, jobs, services, public realm and traffic management) should be continued and include concerted efforts to address dereliction. Deficits in rural communities need to be addressed and the District's cross border opportunities developed. The Council's new Planning powers will be a key means of taking this theme forward.

We need to take into consideration all our contributors to economic growth and barriers faced by many in our society to take part. These include, women returning to work, people with children and other caring duties, people with disabilities and those most removed from the labour market or economic opportunity.

### **Key Outcomes:**

- We prosper in a stronger and more competitive economy
- We have more people working in a diverse economy
- Our towns and villages are vibrant and competitive.

## Enhanced business start-up programme

### Action(s)

Deliver programmes to support local businesses post start-up to achieve their ambitions and goals introducing a broad mentoring of business skills such as:

- Baseline review
- Business Plans
- Sales & Marketing
- Social Media
- Customer Care
- Funding/Grants
- Financial Management
- Staff Management
- Entrepreneurship
- Networking Workshops & Events
- Innovation

Mid Ulster Skills Forum to input into the development of an enhanced programme.

Mid Ulster District Council's Environmental Health Service to make available a Business information Pack for individuals planning to start up a food & drink business.

To Map representation of following groups to Pre Start, Business Start and Post Start Programmes:

- Women
- Youth – SUSE/Pathways to Employment Programmes delivered across the district
- Unemployed – Exploring Enterprise Programme delivered across the district
- Rural – Enterprise/Start a Business Road Shows in identified rural areas
- Social Enterprises
- People with physical and mental health challenges.

To encourage and promote underrepresented groups into programmes listed above.

<b>Prepare a Mid Ulster Investment Proposition to maximise inward investment</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Develop Economic Development Online Services to include an investment profile/proposition for Mid Ulster area.	

<b>Maximise Tourism investment &amp; employment concentrating on Mid Ulster strategic tourism themes of Seamus Heaney, Activity &amp; Heritage</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Develop a standardised performance management reporting framework.	
Mid Ulster District Council to lead the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) £3 million "Heart of Ancient Ulster"	
Set up Tourism Development Group & Working cluster Groups with regards to Seamus Heaney, Heritage & Outdoor Hub plans.	
Mid Ulster to adopt a "digital first "approach to tourism delivery, marketing & promotion.	
Identify Skills Shortage within the Hospitality Sector and develop plan to address.	
Develop a Food Tourism event showcasing Mid Ulster.	

**Develop and deliver coordinated Village Planning and renewal initiatives**

**Action(s)**

To work in partnership with RDP to deliver Village Regeneration projects in up to 37 villages across Mid Ulster District Council over 4 years through the Rural Development Programme:

Phase 1: 2 Strategic areas & 1 Thematic area (Play Parks) for smaller villages to be completed.

Phase 2: Villages for delivery identified; Completion of Programme.

To deliver a Village Spruce Up scheme for eligible business and commercial properties located within the village development limits

- 45 Villages identified
- Chartered Architect to be appointed.

**Create a competitive advantage for our principal towns, complimenting a 'Town Centre First' principle; prioritising the re-use of derelict sites and/or building**

**Action(s)**

Complete Public Realm Schemes within our 5 principal towns.

Undertake a branding exercise in 3 main towns.

Pilot scheme to address dereliction.

<b>Ensure our Local Development Plan provides for urban and rural business growth and industrial and employment sites at key strategic growth locations</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
This will include short term actions commencing with Company Survey to identify business needs / expansion plans at Granville Industrial Estate.	
Invest NI will commission a Mid Ulster land economic appraisal.	
Publish a draft Local Development Plan Strategy (and associated supporting documents) which will seek to bring forward an interim supply of economic development land at Granville/Dungannon and provide tailored planning policy for economic development across the district.	

## Economic Growth - Key Measures

Outcome	Measure	Source		Baseline Year 1	Data	Baseline Year 2	Data	Baseline Year 3	Data	% Difference
<b>We prosper in a stronger and more competitive economy</b>	No. (%) of business births by LGD	NISRA		2015	496					
	Survival of newly born enterprises- 1 year survival	ONS		2015	435					
	Survival of newly born enterprises- 1 year survival %	ONS		2015	87.9%					
	Value of Business Turnover by LGD	NISRA		2015	£6,479M					
	Total Entrepreneurship Activity Rate by LGD	GEM		2015	9%					
	% of Population Economically Inactive	NISRA		2015	27%					
	No. of Registered businesses	NISRA		2015	7950					
	Total spend by external visitors by LGD	NISRA		2015	£22m					
	Overnight Trips and associated Spend	NISRA		2015	0.2M					

Outcome	Measure	Source		Baseline Year 1	Data	Baseline Year 2	Data	Baseline Year 3	Data	% Difference
<b>We have more people working in a diverse economy</b>	Earnings -Private Sector Median (2016 Median Basic + Other Pay Weekly Earnings F/T, Private) Place of Residence	NISRA		2016	£19,939					
	Employee Jobs by Sector	NINIS	Construction	2015	4425	9%				
			Manufacturing		13880	28%				
			Services		30969	62%				
Other			882		2%					
Total Employment by LGD	NISRA		2015	69%						
<b>Our towns and villages are vibrant and competitive</b>	Gross Value Added (aGVA) – Productivity workplace based LGD (towns and villages not included)	NISRA		2015	£38,469					

## Infrastructure

### Summary Issues:

Mid Ulster has a number of strategic infrastructure issues which need to be addressed in a joined up manner. These include:

- The strategic roads and transport networks (existing and potential), particularly to facilitate the 'Mid Ulster Urban Cluster Hub' of Cookstown, Dungannon and Magherafelt;
- Telecommunications and broadband with equitable provision across the District;
- Waste and recycling;
- Energy, including renewables and new options such as gas;
- Public utilities that meet the future growth needs of the area.

Improving the quality of our environment is important. This includes the protection and development of the diverse elements within it and this will be considered as part of our cross cutting principles. Existing natural and built heritage assets such as Lough Neagh, Ulster Canal, The Sperrins and many other sites/structures need to be sustainably developed as part of the District's green and blue infrastructure.

Increased provision and access to social and affordable housing is required and Mid Ulster's significant public sector estate needs to be reappraised to ensure its value and usage are maximised for the benefit of local communities.

### Key Outcomes:

- We are better connected through appropriate infrastructure
- We increasingly value our environment and enhance it for our children
- We enjoy increased access to affordable quality housing.

**Advance the development of the Strategic Road Network (the A29 – A31,A4, A6 and A5), including bypasses for the main towns and villages on the strategic routes**

**Action(s)**

A6

- Substantially complete Randalstown to Castledawson section.

A5

- Make Direction Order for the scheme
- Make Vesting Order for Phase 1a of the scheme
- Make decision to proceed to construction for Phase 1a
- Make Vesting Order for future phases of the scheme.

A29 Dungannon Bypass

- Preparatory scoping route options study by Mid Ulster District Council
- Initiate the commissioning of a route options study for Dungannon By-Pass.

A29 Cookstown Bypass

- Progress scheme through statutory processes.

<b>Progress Park &amp; Ride at strategic sites</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Planning application for Dungannon (Stangmore) Park and Ride to be submitted. Successful purchase of land.	
Undertake a feasibility study for Maghera (Craigadick) Park and Ride.	
Provide Park and Ride at Toome.	
Investigate other potential Park & Ride and Park & Share schemes and strategic bus stops.	
Link all new and existing Park & Ride/Share schemes to Vibrant and Safe Communities 'Design out Crime' Action.	

<b>Reduce our dependency on landfill through increased recycling and recovery</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Mid Ulster District Council's Magheraglass Landfill closed on 20 May 2017; residual waste that was being landfilled to now be reprocessed instead. Capping programmed for Summer 2018.	
Tullyvar Landfill Site (Mid Ulster and Fermanagh & Omagh District Councils) to cease accepting residual waste: Fermanagh & Omagh District Council to withdraw from Tullyvar on 1 April 2018.	
Carry out an extensive campaign to increase the recycling of food waste to reduce amount of waste going to landfill and an increase in composting/recycling.	
Construction of Waste Transfer Station at Drumcoo, Dungannon as a direct replacement for Tullyvar Landfill Site.	
Mid Ulster District Council to retender Residual Waste Treatment Contract to include all Residual Waste collected within the District including that currently disposed of at Tullyvar; this will facilitate increase in recycling of currently landfilled waste and landfill diversion.	

<b>Facilitate the delivery of strategic infrastructure schemes such as broadband and mobile phone coverage; 'Gas to the West'; Interconnector; sewerage and water and the Desertcreat Safety College</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Mid Ulster District Council to implement protocol to give priority to major infrastructure projects when assessing planning applications.	
Commencement of Northern Ireland Fire & Rescue Service Learning and Development Centre at Desertcreat.	
Waste Water Treatment Facility upgrade at Dungannon Waste Water Treatment Works.  Evaluation to be undertaken when works complete.	
Review of Cookstown Drainage: Area Plan: new sewer network model developed.	

<b>Develop and implement an Estates Management Plan for the entire public sector estate across Mid Ulster</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
10 year Estates Management Plan to be developed.	
Estate Management Sub-Group to identify/records of existing lands and buildings for wider public sector.	
Commence creation of Public Sector Estates Management Plan.	
Identify potential for co-location sites.	

<b>Progress the reinstatement of the Ulster Canal and its greenway links</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Stage 2 Feasibility Study of proposed Ulster Canal Greenway Complete – Potential Partnership with Inland Waterways, Armagh, Banbridge Craigavon Council and Mid Ulster District Council.	
Phased approach to implementation of the Greenway links to Ulster Canal Proposal to recognise links to National Greenway Network and Mid Ulster District Council Clogher Valley Greenway.	

<b>Provide an adequate supply of social and affordable ‘homes-for-life’ and Supported Living through Area Plan policy and direct public provision</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Deliver 232 units of social housing.	
Bring forward housing land through the Local Development Plan and progress policy to encourage a mix of housing types and tenures.	

<b>Promote and provide for mixed community housing developments</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Bring forward new shared future proposals/schemes to assist in meeting the overall housing need.	
Undertake reimagining projects, Community Cohesion, Good Relations projects in existing single identity estates.	

## Infrastructure - Key Measures

Action	Measure	Source	Baseline Year 1	Data	Baseline Year 2	Data	Baseline Year 3	Data	% Difference
<b>We are better connected through appropriate infrastructure</b>	Average journey time on key economic corridors (NI Level)	Data Not Available - DFI & PSNI to calculate journey times.							
	% of journeys which are made by walking/cycling/public transport	Travel Survey for NI In-depth report	2014-2016	18%					
<b>We increasingly value our environment and enhance it for our children</b>	% of household waste that is recycled or composted	NIEA	2015/16	47.70%					
	Air Quality	DEAEA	Sept 16	5					
	Water Quality	NI Water	2016	99.8%					
	Drinking Water (compliance)								
	Waterways	Data not available – To be developed for Community Planning							
	Protected sites – Natural Heritage and Historic Heritage Assets <sup>1</sup>	MUDC (Environmental Assets Report 2015)	2015	NH: 203 HE: 2808					
Visitors to sites	Data Not Available – To be developed for Community Planning								
<b>We enjoy increased access to affordable quality housing</b>	Social Housing Need (Five Year Projection)	NIHE	2017-2022	577					

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Protected Sites: Position Paper – Environmental Assets, July 2015, Planning Department MUDC. Natural and Historic Heritage Assets are designated / protected by statutory bodies and through the Council's Local Development Plan process. Natural Heritage (NH) consists of RAMSAR sites, Special Areas of Conservation, Special Protected Areas, Areas of Special Scientific Interest, National Nature Reserves, Local Nature Reserves and Sites of Local Conservation Importance. Historic Environment (HE) consists of State Care Monuments, Scheduled Monuments and Unscheduled Monuments, Areas of Significant Archaeological Interest, Areas of Archaeological Potential, Listed Buildings and structures, Historic Parks, Gardens and Demesnes and Conservation Areas.

## Education & Skills

### Summary Issues:

Levels of educational under achievement, with regards to the percentage of our population that has 'no to low' qualifications, needs to be tackled via all levels of the education and training systems. Under achievement is particularly apparent in our most deprived areas. Research shows, in these communities, children under perform by as much as 10% to that of children from 'better off' areas of our District.

This educational gap must be closed. Education needs to be developed in holistic ways, for example by incorporating mental health and emotional resilience support and by ensuring educational facilities 'work' for children, families and communities beyond the traditional school hours/days. A number of our educational facilities require urgent replacement or significant upgrading. Meaningful links and collaboration are essential between employers, entrepreneurs, enterprise agencies, schools, colleges and communities. In the same way training and skills development should reflect Mid Ulster's many economic strengths.

### Key Outcomes:

- Our people are better qualified and more skilled
- We give our children and young people the best chance in life
- We are more entrepreneurial, innovative and creative.

<b>Develop and roll-out a peer mentoring programme for children and young people experiencing low attainment.</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Deliver Mentoring Programme in post primary schools (based on good practice from the Neighbourhood Renewal model and engaging the school area partnerships).	
Establish Peer Mentoring programmes to support the above programme:  Map existing programmes for best practice Recruit Peer volunteers Establish programmes in schools	
Develop a coordinated volunteer scheme for schools, focusing on retired and teachers needing to gain experience to support the above programme:  Map existing programmes for best practice Recruit & Train volunteers Establish programme	
Engage libraries in delivering numeracy and literacy support.	

<b>Ensure accessible preschool places for every child.</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Map and monitor children receiving a final pre-school place compared to initial expression of interest to ensure children receive the opportunity of a pre-school development.	
Review issues of access to pre-school provision, if required for areas where demand cannot meet supply.	

**Establish a Mid Ulster Skills Forum bringing together employers, entrepreneurs, enterprise agencies, schools and colleges to plan ahead to improve future employability.**

**Action(s)**

Continue to engage with the Mid Ulster Skills Forum (USF) regarding partner delivery of the skills and education actions (review membership and structure of the forum to link education).

Complete Mid Ulster Skills Report and Action Plan 2017-20.

Establish four working sub-groups: Skills Report & Action Plan, Education Linkages, Brexit and Apprenticeships (levy).

**Develop and deliver tailored Apprenticeship programmes to meet the specific needs of Mid Ulster industry**

**Action(s)**

Marketing/branding of Colleges as a positive alternative to academic pathways through:

Open Day/taster days for schools (similar to University open days)

Awareness raising with parents on 'appropriate pathways'

Awareness raising for post 18/A-level pathway (positive alternative to University degree).

Apprenticeship programmes with co schooling for Year 11s - formalised link between schools and colleges with potential to deliver courses jointly leading to higher level frameworks.

Engage with the Skills Forum to identify flexible apprenticeships and engage schools and colleges with businesses to offer on-site visits, skills days and opportunities for young people to engage with maximise impact (coordinated approach).

**Scope, develop and deliver a Mid Ulster Engineering Centre of Excellence**

**Action(s)**

Develop a Mid Ulster Engineering Centre of Excellence in Dungannon for Mid Ulster, through a partnership approach led by the College to meet the engineering excellence and growth of the area.

Premises Operational.

## Education & Skills - Key Measures

Outcome	Measure	Source	Baseline Year 1	Data			Baseline Year 2	Data	Baseline Year 3	Data	% Difference
<b>Our people are better qualified and more skilled</b>	% of school leavers achieving at level 2 or above including English and Maths	NINIS	2014	66.36%							
	The proportion of the working age population qualified to level 1 and above, level 2 and above, level 3 and above, and level 4 and above (%)	NISRA	2015	No Qualifications  20%	NVQ (Level 1 – Level 3)  54%	NVQ Level 4 and above  27%					
<b>We give our children and young people the best chance in life</b>	Gap between % of non Free School Meal (FSME) and % of FSME school leavers achieving at Level 2 or above including English and Maths (% points)	NINIS	2014	26.94%							
	NEETs (Not in Employment, Education or Training) NI Level	NISRA	2017	11.7%							
<b>We are more entrepreneurial, innovative and creative</b>	% of firms actively engaged in innovation of skills development	Data Not Available – To be developed for Community Planning									

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## Health & Wellbeing

### Summary Issues:

It is clear that responsibility for growing healthy communities ranges far beyond the traditional health and care services and structures, and that better balances can and must be achieved between prevention and treatment. We need to continue to work together across agencies to focus on early intervention and prevention and to reduce health inequalities. It is recognised that Health Inequalities are impacted by a wide range of determinants including, gender, age and ethnicity, disability and carers, as well as adequate disposable income; living and working conditions; level of education; access to services; and the environment.

It will be important in the development and delivery of services, that we give consideration to the whole, not just individual elements. A community-based and multi-agency approach to health and well-being programmes, projects and activities, aimed at all ages, communities, needs and lifestyles, and targeted to those most in need, should be sustained and built upon. This should be done through collaborative and cohesive working, incorporating a wider focus on mental health-related issues and social care provision. The local availability, effectiveness and efficiency of Health and Social Care services needs to be reviewed and enhanced to meet the needs of our community. This will require investment in our infrastructure, attention to our emergency ambulance response times, along with the reconfiguration of existing services and facilities. The importance and role of Primary Care, as provided by our General Practitioners (GPs), as the entry point to the Health and Social Care system for the majority of people, must be central to a future co-designed service.

### Key Outcomes:

- We are better enabled to live longer healthier and more active lives
- We have better availability to the right health service, in the right place at the right time
- We care more for those most vulnerable and in need.

<b>An 'Ageing Well' initiative</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
<b>Phase 1: Ageing Well Initiative (Good Morning &amp; Handyvan)</b>	
Ageing Well Contract to commence for Phase 1 of model:	
Good Morning Telephone Calls – telephone support scheme, which allows for contact with older people to allow them to remain independent at home and includes progression planning and links to the Every Contact Count initiative.	
Handyvan Service – to support older people to remain in their homes by completing all necessary maintenance jobs.	
Promotion of Health and Wellbeing messages.	
Signposting and integration of partner services and receiving referrals from Partners.	
Data capture method developed for the Ageing Well service to demonstrate outputs and outcomes.	
<b>Phase 2: Ageing Well Vision</b>	
Development of further Ageing Well Actions including 'Making Every Contact Count' and 'Age Friendly Society'.	

**A 'Healthy for Life' strategy, team and portal; coordinating all health initiatives, programmes and literature available in the District**

**Action(s)**

**Phase 1:** Develop a shared Healthy for Life strategy to include:

Mapping exercise of all current 'Healthy Living' Initiatives and programmes. Identify areas of focus i.e. target groups etc.

Partners to agree a Vision document and commit to an information sharing agreement.

Refreshed data analysis of key health issues in Mid Ulster. Arrange workshop with statisticians from PHA / NISRA to look at data capture.

Analysis of current provision meeting current health issues.

Proposed 'Shared Working' Strategy to include shared work linkages (regular cross partner team meetings, potential for co-location).

**Phase 2:** First 'Shared Working' arrangements piloted.

**A Recreation and Active Lifestyle Plan which will provide formal and informal recreation and play opportunities.**

**Action(s)**

**Phase 1:** Completion of the following:

Everybody Active Plan  
Play Parks Strategy  
Forest and Outdoor Recreation Strategy  
Village Plans – recreation / active lifestyles  
PHA Commissioning / Trusts – Activity Referral Plan, Physical Activity Improvement Plan

**Phase 2:**  
Creation of a cross partner working group (MUDC Leisure, Parks, Environmental Health, Community Development, Sport NI, Disability Sport NI, PHA's Northern & Southern's Partnerships for Physical Activity).

**Phase 3:**  
Map all Partner recreation and activity programmes in Mid Ulster.  
Identify and develop plans for gaps in recreation across Mid Ulster.

**Phase 4:** Recreation and Active Lifestyle Plan for Mid Ulster (Cross Partner Plan).

**Develop and implement an integrated response to mental health and wellbeing.**

**Action(s)**

Mapping and integration of current provision, both preventative and treatment and identification of gaps in Mid Ulster.

Identification of key mental health issues and gaps in the district (including poverty and disadvantage, drugs & alcohol, isolation).

Develop a Mental Health Portal for treatment and pathway, and preventative support through engagement of the Take 5 Ways to Wellbeing Approach and other good practice initiatives.

Promote and develop resilience area based mental health support programmes to improve resilience of children and young people along with Education and Skills Action. To link with CYPSP Outcomes Groups (NHSCT & SHSCT) to support joined up planning.

## Health & Wellbeing - Key Measures

Outcome	Measure		Source	Baseline Year 1	Data	Baseline Year 2	Data	Baseline Year 3	Data	% Difference
<b>We are better enabled to live longer healthier and more active lives</b>	% of older people living independently		NINIS Census	2011	15.58%					
	Healthy life expectancy at birth	Male	Health Inequalities Sub-regional Report 2017	2012-14	79.2%					
		Female		2012-14	83.3%					
	Preventable mortality (per 100,000)		NISRA	2010-2014	182.77					
% of people with mild to moderate mental health issues (GHQ12 scores equal to or greater than 4)		In development for PfG. Require PfG to provide data at LGD level								
<b>We care more for those most vulnerable and in need</b>	Gap between highest and lowest deprivation quintile in healthy life expectancy at birth (years)	Male	Health Inequalities Sub-regional Report 2017	2012-14	0.6%					
		Female		2012-14	0.7%					
	The proportion of babies born at low birth weight		Sub-regional Inequalities 2015	2009-13	5.40%					
	% of children who are at the appropriate stage of development in their immediate pre-school year		In development for PfG. Require PfG to provide data at LGD level							

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Data for 'Healthy life expectancy at birth' is not available for Mid Ulster – Figures used: Gap between lowest deprivation quintile and Mid Ulster average in life expectancy at birth"

## **Vibrant & Safe Communities**

### **Summary Issues:**

We hold the view that, the success of the economy, the education system, health and wellbeing are all significantly influenced by the viability and vitality of local communities. Mid Ulster enjoys a strong and valued community infrastructure that takes many forms and delivers many activities and benefits. Support provided to community development and social enterprise is highly valued by local people and should be continued. Recorded crime levels overall are low but some high levels of localised anti-social behaviour and fear of crime must be tackled. Options for more innovative responses to community needs and especially the needs of excluded and vulnerable people need to be developed.

There is potential to make more effective use of existing facilities and to put in place responses to emergency or crisis situations. We must address the divisions that still exist within our communities, working to ensure shared resources and spaces are created, while respecting the diversity of all. Across all of this there needs to be a sustained approach to tackling poverty and disadvantage locally. We must protect the most vulnerable in our district; and alleviate against the impacts of policies such as Welfare Reform.

### **Key Outcomes:**

- We are a safer community
- We have a greater value and respect for diversity
- We have stronger communities with less disadvantage and poverty.

<b>A Fear of Crime initiative</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
CCTV coverage in 5 principal towns of Dungannon, Cookstown, Magherafelt, Coalisland and Maghera and 2 villages in the district (previous coverage Fivemiletown and Draperstown).	
Promotion of Ageing Well programme.	
Seek to develop a protocol with the media when referencing any major articles, support agencies are referenced in the article.  Link with Ageing Well Action for Good Morning callers to disseminate positive media campaign to clients.	
Promotion and extended delivery of PCSP schemes aimed to reduce Fear of Crime, including:  Older people engagement and information events Neighbourhood watch schemes Keeping safe workshops (all age groups) with Crime Prevention & PCSP Officers (internet safety, personal safety, home safety etc.) Intergenerational Programmes Link to Ageing Well initiative for older people (contact and home safety).	
Interagency Working Protocol (communicated across agencies) to ensure a rapid response to issues of graffiti, extreme littering, negative environmental issues impacting upon an area that could be prone to encouraging Fear of Crime.	
Develop an integrated solution to minimise risk to those attending and those living near bonfire sites within Mid Ulster	

<b>Vulnerable Person's Programme of Activity</b>	
<b>Action(s)</b>	
Establish a 'Support Hub' to facilitate agencies sharing information and support for those most vulnerable regarding safety (PSNI Model). Establish links for all partners to other relevant support mechanisms/structures operating throughout the District.	
Extend and promote protocols re young people with behavioural issues to provide 'soft landing' and avoid criminalisation (PSNI protocol Trust Children and Young People Locality Group).	
Positive Relationships Programme to all post primary young people (healthy relationships, domestic violence, bullying etc).	
Develop an integrated solution to minimise risk to those attending and those living near bonfire sites within Mid Ulster.	
Engage education authority and all primary schools regarding mainstream delivery of Helping Hands healthy relationships awareness to children - reengage with the current tool kit and deliver additional support to schools where required.	
Positive Relationships Programme with adults with Learning Difficulties addressing issues of financial abuse, healthy relationships and community connections.	

**A Community First Responder initiative for emergency response situations and safety concerns**

**Action(s)**

Support and promote delivery of Mid Ulster Community Resus Action Plan:

- Automated External Defibrillators ( AEDs) - Mapping, Registration and Maintenance
- Training
- Raise awareness

Seek to ensure every community has access and is aware of an NIAS registered defibrillator

Identify, promote and support community resilience models across Mid Ulster for first responder, flooding (in areas of potential flooding) and rescue services (e.g. Lough Neagh Rescue) and use these to promote best practice to other groups.

Link to District’s Emergency Planning Group.

Regular reviews of Emergency Planning with all partners to ensure everyone is aware of action in emergency.

Establishment of a Mid Ulster Flood Resilience Forum to identify areas for potential flooding and support mechanisms currently in place and support communities where feasible e.g. sand bag scheme, awareness of main contact points etc.

Sustain the current provision to all children and young people on risk awareness (fire risk P5, safety risks Bee Safe) and basic knowledge of response.

**A ‘Design Out Crime’ guide/process with appropriate partners to help develop safer spaces and places**

**Action(s)**

Develop a process for statutory engagement with PSNI Design Out Crime Service for major schemes.

Information sessions for Designing out Crime with key agencies to ensure key principles taken on board through design, planning to development (potential agencies Planners, architect society, universities etc.

Design out crime analysis of all capital actions within Community Plan, including Village Renewal Schemes and Park & Ride Schemes.

**An Anti-Social Behaviour Programme, targeting the districts hot spot areas and issues**

**Action(s)**

To support and promote Mid Ulster Anti-Social Behaviour Forum and Action Plan.

Coordinate all existing providers on drugs and alcohol support to ensure targeted at need.

Develop a 'Drugs & Alcohol' packaged Programme for Mid Ulster working in partnership to deliver a targeted programme for young people through community and schools.

Link to Health & Wellbeing and Education & Skills Mental Health Actions.

Extend and Promote the Community Resolution Notice targeting ASB at key times, including Halloween.  
(Note; Community Resolution Notice is a means of dealing with certain criminal offences where the offender fulfils police criteria relating to previous offending history and potential reparation. In this circumstance, it would be used as a means of dealing with appropriate criminal offences linked to ASB where the offender is a juvenile. The objective is to educate young people and their parents and seek to avoid a criminal prosecution).

Review and develop Icelandic model to address drugs and alcohol misuse and seek to pilot in Mid Ulster.

**Promote engagement between schools and youth provision in diversity and good relations**

**Support and promote respect for diversity and the integration of our minority communities**

**Action(s)**

A promotion campaign on respect for diversity across Mid Ulster by all partners with a short to medium term communications plan.

Support/deliver diversity programmes to promote respect for diversity, inclusion and equality with children and young people in schools, youth groups, identified through a good relations audit of Mid Ulster.

Deliver cross community engagement and diversity programme to all primary schools in Mid Ulster annually targeting P6/P7 and engage EA on the signature project for Mid Ulster to maximise engagement of all schools.

Promote, develop and support cultural expression among our minority groups; including migrant support service with STEP, traveller engagement and belong model, mini Melas in all our principal towns annually and engagement of all our migrant groups and communities.

Promote Peace and reconciliation across our District and development of shared/diverse space to include everyone, through delivery of the Peace IV programme of £3million.

**Support the community and voluntary sector to build capacity and promote volunteering opportunities**

**Action(s)**

Support and develop community volunteering opportunities across Mid Ulster through grant and investment support to community development infrastructure through grants and strategic support programme over 3 years.

Establish a good practice guide/IT resource to share case studies and support to Groups.

Develop a recognition process for proactive volunteering.

Mapping of Partner Volunteering Programmes.

Link with young people's volunteering programmes (Duke of Edinburgh Award and John Paul II Scheme) and greater engagement with community.

**Develop, promote and sustain the Arts in Mid Ulster**

**Action(s)**

Develop an Arts and Cultural Strategy for Mid Ulster.

Review areas for integrated delivery and establish a plan delivery and targets for strategic development across Mid Ulster.

Support and develop community arts across Mid Ulster through grants and developing the community arts infrastructure through strategic partnership agreements for 3 year programmes.

Maximise the integrated use of Council's Arts and cultural venues across Mid Ulster - The Burnavon, Ranfurly House and Hill of The O'Neill Centre and Seamus Heaney HomePlace.

### Vibrant & Safe Communities - Key Measures

Outcome	Measure	Source	Baseline Year 1	Data	Baseline Year 2	Data	Baseline Year 3	Data	% Difference	
<b>We are a safer community</b>	Fear of Crime Level	Mid Ulster Community Planning Survey 2014/2015	2014/15	36.40%						
				59.10%						
				10.80%						
				45.40%						
	Incidences of Anti-Social Behaviour	NISRA	2016/17	2877						
<b>We have a greater value and respect for diversity</b>	% of the population who believe their cultural identity is respected by society		To be developed by PFG							
	Incidences of Hate Crime	Hate Crime with a Homophobic motivation	PSNI	2016/17	4					
		Hate Crime with a Racist motivation		2016/17	39					
		Hate Crime with a Sectarian motivation		2016/17	46					
	A Respect Index		To be developed by PFG							
	Engagement in culture and arts by adults in NI		NISRA	2016/17	85%					
	% of population engaging with arts/cultural activities in the past year		To be developed by PFG							
	% of population who think leisure centres, parks, libraries and shopping centres in their areas are 'shared and open' to both Protestants and Catholics.		To be developed by PFG							

Outcome	Measure		Source	Baseline Year 1	Data	Baseline Year 2	Data	Baseline Year 3	Data	% Difference
<b>We have stronger communities with less disadvantage and poverty</b>	Deprivation Levels (Rank out of 11)		NINIS	2010	8					
	% of population living in absolute and relative poverty (Before Housing Costs)	Individuals in relative poverty	NINIS	2012-2014	21.28					
		Individuals in absolute poverty			21.24					
		Children in relative poverty			22.99					
		Children in absolute poverty			23.12					
	Level of volunteering		Mid Ulster District Council to develop for Community Planning							

NOTE: Some data provided may not have been tested against the Code of Conduct for Statistics.



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