



**LEISURE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2025**

No	Item	Summary of key Recommendations	Estimated Timescale for completion
1.	Apologies	Alderman Callan, McAuley	N/A
2.	Declarations of Interest	Councillor Schenning	N/A
3.	Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Tuesday 17 th June 2025	Confirmed as a correct record	N/A
4.	Presentation from the Head of Prosperity and Place	Received	
5.	Leisure and Development Committee Terms of Reference	To recommend that Council grants approval for the updated Leisure and Development Committee Terms of Reference following the recommended review.	
6.	Shaping Sustainable Places	To recommend to Council Option 1 - to respond to the consultation with the response detailed in Annex A of the previously circulated report.	

7.	Peace Plus Altnahinch Dam Project	To recommend that Council avails of the funding opportunity from Peace Plus and progresses with Option 2 – New path and associated infrastructure at the Altnahinch Dam project. This approval will: • Support partnership working with Northern Ireland Water (NI Water). • Allow for the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Council and NI Water to formalise the partnership. • Permit progression to Stage 1 of the Capital Works process, i.e. appraisal and design, for the new path. This approach represents a cost-effective, sustainable, and deliverable solution that aligns with the funding offer of £180,000 Capital spend under the PEACEPLUS programme.	November 2027
8.	NI International Air Show	To recommend to Council planning and resource allocation for the Northern Ireland International Airshow is assigned for 2028. It is also recommended that a monthly progress report on Armed Forces Day is brought to the Leisure and Development Committee, beginning next month. It is further	September 2026

		<i>recommended that a monthly progress report on the Air Show is brought to the Leisure and Development Committee for the 12 months leading up to the event.</i> <i>To recommend that Council that undertakes a review of the value for money of all Council-run events in 2028.</i>	
9.	Festive Fund Grant Awards	<i>To recommend that Council approves:</i> <i>1. The allocation of grant-aid totalling £33,747 to projects numbered 1–27, as set out in Annex A.</i> <i>2. The Festive Fund remain open to facilitate applications from the 4 remaining principal towns of Ballykelly, Bushmills, Portrush and Rasharkin.</i>	December 2025
10.	Museum Accessioned Object Request	<i>To recommend to Council that the helmet is deaccessioned from Ballymoney Museum's collection and returned to its owner, Rachel and John Burrows.</i>	October 2025
11.	Anti-Poverty Policy Consultation	Noted	31 March 2026
12.	DfC Neighbourhood Renewal	Noted	31 March 2026
13.	DfC Heritage, Culture and Creativity Programme	Noted	unconfirmed

14.	Mobile Sauna Provision	Noted	April 26
15.	Labour Market Partnership Minutes	Noted	March 2025
16.	Participation in DSIT Regulators' Pioneer Fund	Noted	September 2026
17.	Coleraine Future Town Fund Update	Noted	
18.	Capital Grants Update	Noted	
19.	Notice of Motion Proposed by Alderman McAuley, Seconded by Councillor Storey (Abbrev. Joey Dunlop 25 Celebration)	To recommend that Council Support The Notice of Motion	N/A
	In Committee (Items 20-23 inclusive)		
20.	Growth Deal – Portrush to Bushmills Greenway	To recommend that Members consider the land assembly options outlined above and attached, and agree to the following approach to land assembly for the greenway: -Accept legal advice provided by CFR, to acquire land for the project -Agree to secure DfI land assembly support, in line with Hybrid Option 4, where the greenway is intended to become part of the adopted road network; and -Progress with the commissioning of the	

		SAR via the Council's Professional Services framework at an estimated cost of c.£20k.	
21.	Enterprise Fund	To recommend to Council to award funding to 10 businesses as outlined in Table 1 totalling £46,727 under the auspices of the Enterprise Fund 2025.	2025/26 Financial Year
22.	Play Park Tender Report	To recommend that Council notes the tender process in Annex A, for the upgrade of Dhu Varren, Danes Hill, Coral Close and Ballyknock Play Parks and approves the Contract award of Lot 1 to Kompan Ltd at a cost of £139,458.06 (inclusive of Wheelchair Accessible Trampoline) and Lot 2 to Garden Escapes at a cost of £81,586.50.	
23.	Station Square Tender Report	To recommend to Council the award of the supply of Modular Skate Ramps, including delivery and installation at Station Square Portrush, at a cost of £90,833.41 to Garden Escapes (Ireland) Ltd.	
24.	Any other relevant business notified in accordance with Standing Order 12. (o)	None	