



**LEISURE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY 21 APRIL 2026**

No	Item	Summary of key Recommendations	Estimated Timescale for completion
1.	Apologies	Councillor Watson	N/A
2.	Declarations of Interest	Councillor Schenning	N/A
3.	Minutes of Leisure and Development Committee meeting held Wednesday 18 th March 2026	Confirmed as a correct record	N/A
4.	Members will receive a presentation from the Head of Tourism and Recreation	Received	N/A
5.	Digital Transformation Flexible Fund	To recommend that Council approve a contingency contribution of £4,200 should a programme extension beyond March 2027 be required.	31st March 2026
6.	Cottage Wood Trail	To recommend that Council approves Cushendall Development Group's request to allow the use of Cottage Wood for a Heritage Art Trail.	2027
7.	Waterfoot Boardwalk	To recommend to Council Option 1	2026/27

		<p>(£46,921.50): Replacement with Compacted Dust Path. It is proposed that the existing timber boardwalk be fully removed due to its advanced state of deterioration and the associated safety risks. In its place, a compacted dust path would be installed, providing a durable, low-maintenance, and accessible route that aligns with current best practice in sustainable path construction within natural and recreational environments.</p>	
8.	Benone Touring Extension	<p>To recommend Council approve Council Officers to initiate Stage 1 of the Capital Works Process (scoping, feasibility and SOC) for the potential expansion touring site provision at Benone Holiday and Coastal Park and Advance to Stage 1 of the Capital Works Process for the design and feasibility for 2 x camping cabins that are fully DDA compliant and meet Changing Places standards.</p>	Q2
9.	USA 250 Programme	<p>To recommend to Council that Council's</p>	December 2026

		USA 250 Working Group proceed with the USA 250 Programme and associated funding requested excluding the evening event in the Ulster University with a saving of £57,000.	
10.	UK Town of Culture Application	Noted	N/A
11.	Labour Market Partnership Minutes	Noted	N/A
12.	Coleraine Future Town Fund Minutes	Noted	N/A
13.	Local Economic Partnership Minutes	Noted	N/A
14.	Correspondence	Nil	N/A
15.	Notice of Motion Proposed by Councillor Bateson, seconded by Councillor C Archibald (Abbrev: All-weather sports and recreational facilities in Kilrea)	Support the Notice of Motion	N/A
	In Committee (Items 16 – 19 inclusive)		
16.	Growth Deal EPB Minutes	Information	N/A
17.	Go Succeed Funding	To recommend that Council contribute between £198,000 (minimum) and £247,510 (maximum) towards the core match funding for Go Succeed.	N/A

18.	Armed Forces Day Update	Noted	June 2026
19.	Tourism Events External Sources Procurement	To recommend that Council approve the appointment of Eventsec Ltd to provide Stewarding & Security at Council Events at an annual cost of £87,931.67 + VAT, for the 26/27 financial year and to allow for a potential extension for a further two years, subject to Officer review of performance.	N/A
20.	Destination Marketing Activities Tender	To recommend that Council approve award of tender for Creative, Brand Development, and Media Buying services to ASG to support the Council's Destination Marketing activities for 2026/27, with the option to extend for a further two years (2027/28 and 2028/29), subject to satisfactory performance and the availability of Council budgets. (Professional fee cost - £50,000 per annum maximum).	26/27 (option 27/28 & 28/29)
20.	Any other relevant business notified in accordance with Standing Order 12. (o)	None	N/A