

PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON DRAFT STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR THE COMMUNITY PLAN	21 February 2017
CORPORATE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE	For Information

Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)	
Strategic Theme	Leader and Champion
Outcome	Establish key relationships with strategic partners to deliver our vision for this Council area
Lead Officer	Elizabeth Beattie
Cost: (If applicable)	

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 As previously indicated, the Community Plan will be a long term plan (for 10 to 15 years), based on sound, robust evidence with a focus on improving social, economic and environmental well-being and contributing to sustainable development.
- 1.2 The Community Plan will be a strategic planning tool and it will be the key over-arching framework for partnerships and initiatives in the Council area and at local and neighbourhood levels. It is not seen as an additional or parallel process to structures already in place.
- 1.3 Developing and implementing the Community Plan will be a major undertaking and will involve partnership working at many different levels in this area. The aim will be to try and integrate wide ranging streams of public life, weaving these together and producing a statement outlining the future direction for the new Council area and how it will be achieved.

2.0 Public Consultation on Draft Strategic Framework for the Community Plan (2017 -2030)

- 2.1 The draft Strategic Framework for the Community Plan has been finalised with the Statutory Partnership and the draft document has been issued for public consultation for an eight week period from 6th February 2017.
- 2.2 The consultation period will close on 2nd April 2017 and the document will then be finalised by the Partnership following consideration of comments received during the consultation period.

3.0 Consultation Process

- 3.1 The public consultation will be publicly advised in the local press and an opportunity to comment will be available via a survey on the Council's website. A Copy of the Draft Community Plan Strategic Framework is available on Council's website
<https://www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk/council/community-planning/causeway-coast-and-glens-draft-community-plan-2017-2030>
- 3.2 Members of the public are also welcome to write in with their comments or meet with the Community Planning team to talk through their views on the draft Strategic Framework.
- 3.3 Two public consultation meetings will also be held on Thursday 23rd February 2017 at 2.00 pm and then again at 6.30 pm in the Lodge Hotel, Coleraine.
- 3.4 Councillors will also had had the opportunity to comment on the draft Framework at a Councillor workshop held on 15th February 2017.