



<b>Northern Ireland Business Start Programme Delivery</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> January 2017</b>
<b>To: The Leisure and Development Committee For Information</b>	

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)</b>	
<b>Strategic Theme</b>	Accelerating our Economy and Contributing to Prosperity
<b>Outcome</b>	Maximising business start-up opportunities
<b>Lead Officer</b>	Head of Prosperity and Place
<b>Cost: (If applicable)</b>	N/A

**The purpose of this report is to provide Members with an update on progress of the Northern Ireland Business Start Programme Delivery.**

A final legal agreement for the delivery of the Northern Ireland Business Start Programme has now been submitted with the agreement of all eleven Councils.

With this in place, it is anticipated that the temporary position of delivery for the programme in Causeway Coast and Glens will be terminated in the near future as this programme moves forward to a Northern Ireland-wide tender stage.

More information will be brought to Committee as this progresses, including roll out time table for the tender of the programme.