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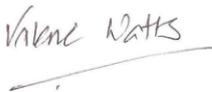
NOTICE OF MEETING

You are requested to attend a meeting of the

Mid and East Antrim Environment and Economy Committee

to be held on **Monday, 2nd March 2026 at 6:30 pm** in **Council Chamber, The Braid, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena and via remote access.**

Yours sincerely



Valerie Watts
Interim Chief Executive, Mid and East Antrim Borough Council

Agenda

1 NOTICE OF MEETING

2 APOLOGIES

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members and Officers were invited to declare any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests, including gifts and hospitality, they may have in respect of items on this Agenda.

4 PRESENTATION

4.1 NIE Networks Big Rebuild Presentation

5 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION / DECISION

5.1 Sustainable NI Membership 2026-27 - circulated

 *Sustainable NI 2026-27 Membership - for 2 March 2026 EE.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 1 - Annual Report 2024-25.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 2 - SNI Subscription Request MEABC 202627.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 3 - Draft MEA - SNI SLA 2026 2027.pdf* *Not included*

5.2 Eco Schools NI Financial Support 2026-27 - circulated

 *Eco Schools Funding Report 2026-27.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 1 - 26_27 Eco Schools letter to MEA - funding Request.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 2 - WBC Info.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 3 - Impact cards 2024-25 Eco-Schools MEA.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 4 - Impact cards 2024-25 Eco-Schools added value.pdf* *Not included*

5.3 Live Here Love Here Funding 2026-27 - circulated

 *Live Here Love Here Programme Request for Funding 2026_27.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 1 - LHLH 2026-27 Funding Request letter.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 2 - Mid and East Antrim Impact 2025.pdf* *Not included*

5.4 DAERA Public Body Reporting: Climate Adaptation Report 2026 - circulated

 *DAERA Public Body Reporting - Climate Adaptation Report - Feb 2026.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 1 - Public Body Reporting - Draft Climate Adaptation Report_R.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 2 - MEA Adaptation Plan 2023-27_.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 3 - MEA Climate Risk Boundary.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 4 - MEA Climate Risk Register Methodology.pdf* *Not included*

5.5 DAERA draft Rethinking Our Resources: Northern Ireland Resources and Waste Management Strategy - circulated

 *DAERA Draft NI Waste Management Strategy - Consultation Report - Jan 2026.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 1 - Rethinking Our Resources The NI Resources and Waste Management Strategy.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 2 - MEABC Draft Consultation Response.pdf* *Not included*

5.6 DAERA Draft Nature Recovery Strategy Consultation Response - to follow

5.7 Economic Development Activity Report - circulated

 *Economic Development Activity Report.pdf* *Not included*

5.8 PEACEPLUS Update - circulated

 *PEACEPLUS Update.pdf* *Not included*

5.9 Project Gigabit - circulated

 *Project Gigabit.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 1 Mid and East Antrim eligible postcodes Project Gigabit.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 2 - NI Gigabit Coverage Map from Fibrus.pdf* *Not included*

 *Appendix 3 - Mid and East Antrim Borough Council GIS Map of Post Codes.pdf* *Not included*

5.10 Powerhouse Energy Group Investment - circulated

[Powerhouse Energy Group Investment March 2026.pdf](#)

Not included

5.11 Labour Market Partnership Update - circulated

[Labour Market Partnership Update.pdf](#)

Not included

6 ITEMS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

None

7 TABLED QUESTIONS

None

Closed Committee - In accordance with Council policy, representatives of the Press will not be in attendance for this section of the Meeting.

8 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION / DECISION – CLOSED COMMITTEE

8.1 Local Economic Partnership Update - Mark Huddleston jhe solutions - to follow

8.2 Capital Plan – FY 25/26 Quarter 3 Update - circulated

[Capital Plan Update Q3 FY25-26.pdf](#)

Not included

[App 1 - Capital Plan 25-26 Q3.pdf](#)

Not included

8.3 Amateur and Grassroots Sporting Organisation Improvement Funding – Update - circulated

[Amateur and Grassroots Sporting Organisations Improvement Funding EE March 2026 .pdf](#)

Not included

[Appendix 1 March 26 E&E committee update of sports grants.pdf](#)

Not included

8.4 DfC Shaping Sustainable Places Programme – Development Update - circulated

[Shaping Sustainable Places E&E March 2026.pdf](#)

Not included

[Appendix 1 Shaping-Sustainable-Places public consultation document.pdf](#)

Not included

[Appendix 2 MEABC Consultation Response.pdf](#)

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8.5 Town Centre Dereliction Strategy – Update - to follow

8.6 PEACEPLUS Action Plan Economic Appraisal - circulated (appendix 3 to follow)

PEACEPLUS Action Plan Economic Appraisal.pdf

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appendix 1PEACEPLUS Action Plan Economic Appraisal_.pdf

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Appendix 2 - Mid and East Antrim Local Area Action Plan PEACEPLUS Programme.pdf

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Appendix 3 - Mid and East Antrim IA 1.1 PEACEPLUS Final Application_Redacted.pdf

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8.7 PEACEPLUS Business Case for Appointment of ICT Consultancy Team - circulated

PEACEPLUS Business Case for Appointment of ICT Consultancy Team.pdf

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appendix 1 PEACEPLUS Business Case for Appointment of ICT Consultancy Team_.pdf

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8.8 Go Succeed Update - circulated

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8.9 City Deal Quarterly Update – Carrickfergus Visitor Centre Report - circulated

City Deal Quarterly Update.pdf

Not included

8.10 St Patricks Barracks Quarterly Report - circulated

St Patricks Barracks Update March 2026.pdf

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9 ITEMS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL – CLOSED COMMITTEE

9.1 Business Case – Purchase of Bin Receptacles for Waste Harmonisation using Framework Agreement - To follow

9.2 Business Case – Small Scale Groundworks - circulated

📄 *Report - Small Scale Groundworks Feb 2026.pdf*

Not included

📄 *Business Case - Small Scale Groundworks - February 2026_.pdf*

Not included

9.3 Cullybackey to Galgorm Greenway Business Case - to follow

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10 FORWARD PLAN FOR ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY COMMITTEE - To follow