



Subject:	Older People's Reference Group
Date:	2 nd December 2025
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Yes

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No

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After Committee Decision

After Council Decision

Sometime in the future

Never

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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	The purpose of this report is to update committee on the key issues discussed at the Reference Group on Older People Meeting held on 16 th September 2025.
2.0	Recommendations
2,1	Members are asked to note the updates provided on the Age Friendly Belfast activities and priorities for the Healthy Ageing Strategic Partnership's (HASP) third year of the Age Friendly Plan.
3.0	Main report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> The Reference Group on Older People is a working group of the People and Communities Committee which meets on a quarterly basis and consists of an elected member from each of the political parties. The minutes from the Reference Group on Older People are brought before the Committee for approval.
3.2	The meeting was held on 16 th September 2025 in the City Hall. Members may wish to note the following update on the main items discussed.
3.3	<u>Age Friendly Belfast Update</u> The Age Friendly Coordinator provided the Members with updates on key actions that have been delivered in relation to the Age Friendly Belfast Plan 2023-2027. Further detail is provided in Appendix 1.
3.4	<u>Warm and Well Project, National Energy Action</u> Mr Hugh McVeigh provided the Reference Group with an overview of the work of the Warm and Well Project and the support they can offer.
3.5	<u>Engage with Age</u> Ms Michelle Bolton provided the Reference Group with a presentation on the work and support that Engage with Age provides to older people.
3.6	<u>Financial & Resource Implications</u> All work outlined in this report will be carried out within existing budgets and staff resources of Age Friendly Belfast and the partners involved.
3.7	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u> This work is part of The Age Friendly Belfast Plan which has been equality and rural needs screened in line with the Council's agreed processes.

4.0	Appendices - Documents Attached
4.1	Appendix 1 – Minutes of the Older Person's Reference Group 16.09.25