

Subject:	Dormant Accounts Northern Ireland – Consultation Framework Open
Date:	3 December 2019 Nigel Grimshaw, Strategic Director of City and Neighbourhood
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Restricted Reports		
Is this report restricted?	Yes No	X
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?		
After Committee Decision		
After Council Decision		
Sometime in the future		
Never		

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes X No

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues		
1.1	To advise elected members that The Department of Finance has directed The National		
	Lottery Community Fund, NLCF to deliver Dormant Accounts funding in Northern Ireland.		
1.2	NLCF have open a consultation exercise until the end of December 2019 and are engaging		
	with the voluntary community and social enterprise sector to determine how this non-lottery		
	funding should be delivered.		
2.0	Recommendations		
2.1	The Committee is asked to		
	Note that this report and consider the consultation framework attached at Appendix		
	1 and receive a further report on the NLCF findings and associated strategic action		
	plan in Feb 2020.		

3.0	Main report
	Key Issues
3.1	Dormant accounts are accounts which have been untouched for 15 or more years, and where banks and building societies are unable to trace the customer who owns the account. Further information on the consultation and forthcoming funding will be available on the NLCF website : https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/dormant-accounts-fund
3.2	Around £16m pounds of Dormant Accounts funding is for Northern Ireland has accrued over the last 10 Years. It is anticipated that money will continue to be available on an annual basis.
3.3	The consultation is supported by a number of events across Northern Ireland led by NLCF. This funding should benefit the voluntary community and social enterprise sector by growing its resilience, increasing capacity and encouraging sustainability.
3.4	The key consultation questions are outlined in the consultation framework for the fund attached at Appendix 1.
	Financial & Resource Implications
3.5	There are no financial and resources implications at this point associated with this report.
	Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment
3.6	There are no equality or good relations or rural needs assessment implications at this point associated with this report.
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	Appendix 1 - Consultation framework – Dormant Accounts Northern Ireland