



Subject:	Minutes of Meeting of Shared City Partnership
Date:	18th February, 2022
Reporting Officer:	Ryan Black, Director of Neighbourhood Services
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1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	The purpose of this report is to bring to the Committee's attention the key issues discussed at the Shared City Partnership meeting held on 7th February 2022 and to present its recommendations for approval.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is requested to approve the minutes and the recommendations from the Shared City Partnership Meeting held on 7th February, including: PEACE IV <u>Secretariat</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To stand down the Thematic Steering Groups, with all operational matters to be considered by the PEACE IV Programme Board; and• To note the concern of the Partnership Members at the lack of co-operation from the SEUPB regarding the proposed project modifications and its lack of flexibility in terms of delivery and extensions.

Shared Spaces and Services

- To extend the Interpretative Panels contract with Mediation NI to June 2022 and agree delivery amendments;
- To agree in principle a further delivery modification request to increase the tolerance for contact hours to 60% (7 hours), to engage with participants in schools through a “self-directed learning” approach and field trips and facilitated walks, as necessary; and
- To note that the approvals will be subject to the agreement of the SEUPB.

Building Positive Relations

BPR1-NIHE

- To diversify and extend the participant cohort for the South Belfast Network to include participants from the BAME and PUL communities; and
- To extend the recruitment areas across South and North Belfast to enhance participant uptake.

BPR2 -Creative Communities

- To condense delivery via residential activity facilitated by Corrymeela and the STA approach with Radius Housing subject to SEUPB approval.

BPR4 - Belfast and the World

- To realign the budget to enable extended delivery and staffing to April, 22.

BPR6 - St. Comgalls

- To agree to a presentation on the digital and education resources associated with St Comgalls project by Copius, and their partner, Redhead, and;
- To amend the Study Visit from ROI to NI due to Covid 19 concerns and impacts, subject to SEUPB approval.

Good Relations

- That the Good Relations Manager engages with the Youth Coordinator on their return, to explore ways in which the Partnership can engage with the Youth Council

	<p>productively in the current context which will ensure the views of young people are taken on board;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That a further report be brought back to the Partnership on the outcome of those discussions; • that the status of the nominations of Youth Champions from each political party be confirmed to ensure that views of young people on good relations can be shared; • To approve the response to the consultation on the draft Refugee Integration Strategy for NI 2021-2026 produced by The Executive Office; • To note that the response will be forwarded to The Executive Office in draft, pending Council approval, to ensure timely submission for the deadline of 20th February 2022; and • To note the virtual Briefing Session on Issues facing Asylum Seekers and Refugees in Belfast, led by The Red Cross, on 22nd February 2022 from 10 a.m. – 12 noon and that the relevant Council Officers will be invited to attend the briefing to ensure maximum impact across delivery of Council services.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>The Shared City Partnership is a Working Group of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee, consisting of Elected members and representatives from various sectors across the city. The minutes from the Partnership are brought before the Committee for approval on a monthly basis.</p>
3.2	<p>The key issues on the agenda at the February meeting were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEACE IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Update on PEACE IV Secretariat ➤ Update on PEACE IV CYP Theme ➤ Update on PEACE IV SSS Theme ➤ Update on PEACE IV BPR Theme • Update on DCGRP Action Plan 21/22 • Response to Draft Refugee Integration Strategy for NI 2021-2026 • Upcoming Events

3.3	More details regarding the above issues and recommendations are included in the minutes of the meeting which are attached at Appendix 1.
3.4	<p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>All financial implications are covered through existing budgets.</p>
3.5	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>The recommendations of the Partnership promote the work of the Council in promoting good relations and will enhance equality and good relations impacts.</p>
4.0	Documents Attached
	<p>Appendix 1 - Minutes of Partnership meeting of 7th February</p> <p>Appendix 2 - Draft Response to the Draft Refugee Integration Strategy for NI 2021-2026</p>