



Subject:	Minutes of Shared City Partnership Meeting on 12 August 2026
Date:	21 st August 2026
Reporting Officer:	Jim Girvan, Director of Neighbourhood Services
Contact Officer:	Godfrey McCartney, Good Relations Manager (6015)

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Is this report restricted?	Yes ☐ No ☒
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After Committee Decision	☐
After Council Decision	☐
Sometime in the future	☐
Never	☐

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes ☒ No ☐

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
1.1	To report to committee on the key issues discussed at the Shared City Partnership meeting held on the 12 th August 2026.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	That the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee approve the minutes and recommendations from the Shared City Partnership Meeting held on the 12 th August, including:
2.2	<u>Members Updates</u> Updates were received from the North and East Belfast Community representatives and are noted in the minutes for members information.
2.3	<u>Good Relations Q1 Action Plan Update</u> The Shared City Partnership recommends that the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee note the contents of the report
2.4	<u>PEACEPLUS – Local Community Action Plan Secretariat Update</u> - The Shared City Partnership recommends that members of the Strategic Policy and Resources (SP&R) committee note the contents of the report and agree an additional funding proposal of up to £1.5m (10% of the LAP LoO) for the Ballysillan Urban Villages project is explored and submitted to SEUPB. - Shared City Partnership also recommends to SP&R, that Officers correspond on behalf of the Shared City Partnership to SEUPB to outline Council's disappointment that the four projects which had been submitted for support within the programme-wide underspend had not been deemed eligible for funding and request the specific and detailed reasons for the decisions be provided.
2.5	<u>Peace Plus Thriving and Peaceful Communities Thematic Update</u> Shared City Partnership noted the contents of the report and agree and recommends that the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee note the contents of the report and agree TPC1 Community Empowerment – a change request to enable flexibility regarding the duration of the Local Community Empowerment Programme (LCEP) delivery of between 7-18 months, to enable condensed delivery.
2.6	<u>Peace Plus Celebrating Culture and Diversity Thematic Update</u> The Shared City Partnership recommends that the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee Members note the contents of the report and agree CCD1 – Interfaith and Belief - a contract extension to 31 March 2028
2.7	<u>Community Regeneration & Transformation Thematic Update</u> The Shared City Partnership recommends that the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee note the contents of the report
2.8	<u>Update from June Special SCP</u> Shared City Partnership noted the update provided by the Good Relations Manager
2.9	<u>Any Other Business</u> There was no further business reported.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u>

	The Shared City Partnership is a Working Group of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee which consists 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.
3.2	The key issues on the agenda at the 12th August 2026 meeting were: • Partnership Papers of the 3rd June 2026 • Members Update North and East Belfast • Good Relations Q1 Action Plan Update • PEACEPLUS – Local Community Action Plan Secretariat Update • PEACEPLUS – Thriving and Peaceful Communities Thematic Update • PEACEPLUS – Celebrating Culture and Diversity Thematic Update • PEACEPLUS – Community Regeneration & Transformation Thematic Update • Update from June Special Meeting • Any Other Business
3.3	More details regarding the above issues and recommendations are included in the following minutes of the meeting attached in Appendix 1: further details of Good Relations small grants awards in Appendix 2; further details of Q1 Summary of 2026 27 DCGRP Action Plan are attached in Appendix 3; further details of the SEUPB Memo - N+3 Decommitment and New Activity attached in Appendix 4 and further details of the PEACEPLUS Performance Dashboard are attached in Appendix 5.
3.4	<u>Financial and Resource Implications</u> All financial implications are covered through existing budgets, and the Good Relations Action Plan is included in the current estimates process.
3.5	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u> The recommendations of the Partnership are to promote the work of the Council in promoting good relations and will enhance equality and good relations impacts for the City of Belfast.
4.0	Appendices - Documents Attached
	Appendix 1 – Minutes of the Shared City Partnership from the 12th August 2026 Appendix 2 – Good Relations small grants awards Appendix 3 – Q1 Summary of 2026 27 DCGRP Action Plan Appendix 4 – SEUPB Memo - N+3 Decommitment and New Activity Appendix 5 – PEACEPLUS Performance Dashboard