

<b>Title of Report:</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE REPORT</b>
<b>Committee Report Submitted To:</b>	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE</b>
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup> April 2021</b>
<b>For Decision or For Information</b>	<b>FOR DECISION</b>

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2019-23)</b>	
Strategic Theme	Leader and Champion
Outcome	Establish key relationships with Government, agencies and potential strategic partners
Lead Officer	Director of Environmental Services

<b>Budgetary Considerations</b>	
Cost of Proposal	N/A
Included in Current Year Estimates	N/A
Capital/Revenue	N/A
Code	N/A
Staffing Costs	N/A

<b>Screening Requirements</b>	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No N/A	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No N/A	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes/No N/A	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No N/A	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	Yes/No N/A	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No N/A	Date:

## **1.0 Purpose of Report**

The purpose of this report is to present correspondence for Members consideration.

**2.0** The following correspondence has been received:

**2.1 North Coast World Earth (dated 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021)**

### **Summary**

Correspondence dated 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 has been received from North Coast World Earth. North Coast World Earth would welcome an opportunity to present the work of their group to the Council during the next Environmental Services Committee meeting. Further information on North Coast World Earth is attached as Appendix 1.

## **3.0 Recommendation(s)**

**It is recommended** that the Environmental Services Committee consider the correspondence.

# NORTH COAST WORLD EARTH

## Background

World Earth Day celebrates its 51st year in 2021. It makes you wonder, if we had listened and acted back in 1970 when the campaign for environmental awareness was first realised, what impact this would have had on the planet and oceans today.

We are all aware of the global environmental crisis that we are facing and the impact that this is having on all living things, including ourselves of course as human beings. When people hear these reports they are quick to point the finger of blame “the tourists / pet owners / youth / car enthusiasts / wildlife / local businesses / council are to blame” or simply “it’s not my problem”.

## **We are all responsible!**

North Coast World Earth recognises the increasing need for environmental awareness and change.

Connect with your environment, appreciate its natural beauty, care for it and encourage others to do the same!

## North Coast World Earth

North Coast World Earth is an educational, environmental awareness campaign and action group. This involves communities across the Causeway Coast and Glens area **taking action and raising awareness** about pollution and the impact that this is having on our environment.

Established in March 2020 as a voluntary group, our goal is simple - to see the Causeway Coast and Glens **free from all pollution!**

We encourage people to CONNECT with their environment and TAKE RESPONSIBILITY for our planet making it a better place for us all. If we do nothing, nothing will happen. The problem is already here, it is not going away and WE ALL need to ACT NOW in order to resolve it.

What **action** are you taking?

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## NCWE – Eco Rangers

YOU are our planets guardians. TAKE ACTION, become part of the movement to see the Causeway Coast & Glens free from all pollution and **become an NCWE Eco Ranger in your area today!**

Eco Rangers involves adults and their children committing to keeping a chosen area free from pollution. This can be the street where they live, a stretch of beach or road, forest, park or ANYWHERE that you can make a difference.

All Ranger activities will be shared onto our private group page. With the data collected we will map, measure and report everything!

## NCWE Eco Rangers – Arts + Crafts

North Coast World Earth aims to raise awareness about the issues that face our environment. We encourage our members to raise awareness by creating **environmental messages through arts and crafts**. Junior Eco Rangers recently launched the rebrand of North Coast World Earth by creating the International Flag of Planet Earth in the sand at the White Rocks, Portrush.

Centred in the flag, seven rings form a flower – a symbol of the life on Earth. The rings are linked to each other, which represents how everything on our planet, directly or indirectly, is connected.

The symbol serves as a reminder that we share this planet that we should take care of each other and the earth that we live on.



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