

Title of Report:	Castlerock Footbridge Update
Committee Report Submitted To:	Environmental Services Committee
Date of Meeting:	9th November 2021
For Decision or For Information	For Information

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)	
Strategic Theme	Protecting, promoting and enhancing our unique natural environment and assets
Outcome	Reinstatement of listed rail bridge
Lead Officer	Head of Estates

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	Unknown
Included in Current Year Estimates	YES
Capital/Revenue	capital
Code	
Staffing Costs	

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	N/A	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update members on the status of Castlerock Footbridge.

2.0 Background

In 1996 Coleraine Borough Council entered into a 10,000 year lease with NI Transport Holding Co. (NITHC) for the upkeep of the footbridge at Castlerock Railway Station. In 2017 Council approved the contract for the removal and assessment of the bridge with a view to ascertaining can it be restored and at what cost. Note NIEA has been actively involved in this decision process.

3.0 Update since last meeting

Mann Williams Consultants continue to liaise with Translink to confirm the loading capacity of the footbridge to determine if it meets the standards required of a bridge over a railway.

Council Officers continue to meet with Translink officials for regular updates. Latest meeting was 2nd November 2021

A site meeting was organised for Members to view the bridge on 5th November 2021.

Further verbal update will be provided at committee.

4.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that the Committee notes the above information