

Title of Report:	Update on Causeway Coast and Glens Community Plan
Committee Submitted To:	Corporate Policy and Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	24 September 2024
For Decision/For Information	For Information
To be discussed In Committee YES/NO	No

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)	
Strategic Themes	Local Economy; Healthy and Engaged Communities; Climate Change and Our Environment
Outcome	Establish key relationships with strategic partners to deliver our vision for this Council area
Lead Officer	Head of Policy and Community Planning

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	
Included in Current Year Estimates	YES/NO
Capital/Revenue	
Code	
Staffing Costs	

Legal Considerations	
Input of Legal Services Required	YES/NO
Legal Opinion Obtained	YES/NO

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

- 1.1 The Community Plan is a long-term plan (from 2017 to 2030) based on sound, robust evidence with a focus on improving social, economic and environmental well-being and contributing to sustainable development.
- 1.2 The Community Plan is a strategic planning tool for the Causeway Coast and Glens area and it is the key over-arching framework for partnerships and initiatives in the Council area. It is not seen as an additional or parallel process to structures already in place.
- 1.3 Phase 1 of the community planning process was the development of a Strategic Framework for the Community Plan. This document was finalised in April 2017 and officially launched in June 2017. It outlines the high-level outcomes identified for the Causeway Coast and Glens area based on an extensive public consultation process and a statistical analysis of the area.
- 1.4 Phase 2 of the community planning process was the development of a comprehensive Delivery Plan in 2018 which put in place 44 practical actions and activities to achieve the outcomes identified in the Strategic Framework. This Delivery Plan was reviewed in 2022 and now contains 34 actions covering four thematic areas:
- 1) Health and Wellbeing
 - 2) Community/Community Safety
 - 3) Infrastructure/Environment
 - 4) Economy/Education/Tourism.
- 1.5 Phase 3 of the community planning process put in place mechanisms to monitor and report on performance against the Community Plan objectives/outcomes. An Outcomes Based Accountability (OBA) process is utilised to monitor and report on performance with Action Leads using report cards to provide information on the following areas in relation to each of the actions within the Delivery Plan:
- What did we say we would do?
 - How much did we do?
 - How well did we do it?
 - Who is better off?
- 1.6 Reports on progress against the actions in the Delivery Plan are provided to the Community Planning Partnership using this process on a quarterly basis.

2.0 Progress on Delivery Plan - Quarterly Summary of Progress Report (copy attached)

- 2.1 The monitoring and reporting process used by the Partnership requires quarterly reports to be submitted by Action Leads and these are then reported on by the four thematic leads to the next Partnership meeting.
- 2.2 A summary report is circulated to all Partnership members on progress in relation to the 31 actions contained in the Delivery Plan and a copy of this summary report for the period April to June 2024 is attached for your information.

3.0 Presentation on Coleraine Town Plan (Future Towns Fund)

- 3.1 Niall McGurk, Head of Prosperity and Place CCGBC, and Hazel King/Therese Hogg, SIB, attended the meeting to provide members with a presentation on the proposed Coleraine Town Plan project, part of the Future Towns Fund.
- 3.2 Members noted that Coleraine was one of two areas in Northern Ireland which would each receive a £20 million investment over a ten-year period from the government's Future Towns Fund.
- 3.3 In order to access this funding a Town Board would be established and there would be extensive community engagement and consultation to develop a ten-year vision and three-year action plan.
- 3.4 The three pillars for the action plan were designated to be:
 - Safety and Security Interventions
 - High Street, Heritage and Regeneration Interventions
 - Transport and Connectivity Interventions.
- 3.5 It was agreed by the Community Planning Partnership that delivery of the Coleraine Town Plan project would be incorporated into the Community Plan's Delivery Plan as Action 32 and progress on the project would report through the monitoring and reporting mechanism for the Community Plan's Delivery Plan.
- 3.6 The establishment of the Coleraine Town Board and an extensive community engagement/public consultation were envisaged as the next steps for the project. However, all projects under the Future Towns Fund were currently paused (including the Coleraine project) as, following the recent General Election, the new government indicated that they wished to carry out a review of the Future Towns Fund and a restructuring of the parent Government Department.

4.0 Other Business

- 4.1 **AGM of Partnership** - The new Chair of the Causeway Coast and Glens Community Planning Partnership for 2024/25 is Councillor Bill Kennedy with Chief Inspector Kyle Lucas, PSNI, as Vice Chair.
- 4.2 **People and Place Review – Strategic Insights Lab** - The Department for Communities (DfC) is currently conducting a comprehensive review of Neighbourhood Renewal to develop a new People and Place Strategy. As part of this process, co-design locality groups have been utilised and engagement has taken place with a wide range of stakeholders including the Neighbourhood Renewal partnerships, representatives from Section 75 groups and the wider voluntary and community sector. A People and Place Review Strategic Insights Lab also recently took place, organised by DfC, to identify key challenges, opportunities and gaps and formulate a report to help inform a strategic direction to tackling place-based deprivation. It is intended that this report, along with emerging issues and recommendations from related work, will be presented to the DfC Minister in due course for his consideration.
- 4.3 **School Uniform Consultation** – members were advised that the Minister of Education plans to introduce statutory guidance so that all school governing bodies will be required to review their school uniform policy and ensure costs are manageable for parents/carers.

This consultation seeks views on this approach and on what should be contained within any statutory guidance, particularly around the cost and affordability of school uniforms, the use of branded items and single supplier arrangements. Views are also sought on the proposal to introduce cost control measures, such as a price cap. Responses can be submitted here before 27th September 2024:

<https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/consultations/school-uniform-policy-consultation>

- 4.4 **Update on Implementation of Integrated Care System NI** – members were advised that the development and implementation of the Integrated Care System for Northern Ireland was progressing. A change had been made, however, in relation to membership of the Area Integrated Partnership Boards (AIPB) with Council representation now being provided by one Councillor from each relevant Council. This differed from original thinking that representation would be from the Community Planning Partnership or a Council Officer with Community Planning responsibilities. It was noted that Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council would be represented on two AIPB's, the Northern and the Western.
- 4.5 **Dementia Safeguarding Initiative** – members were advised that Age Concern Causeway were now able to introduce the Dementia Safeguarding Arm Bands scheme following work with local PSNI representatives and the

Community Planning Team. This scheme would be based on the provision of wristbands to people diagnosed with dementia, each wristband containing a QR code which could be scanned to provide contact details for relatives of the individual should they become lost or need assistance in some way.



Causeway Coast and Glens Community Plan Delivery Plan 2022

Summary of Progress

April 2024 to June 2024

Progress Key: This is a self-assessment of how the action is progressing:	Action Numbers
Red: Significant issues have arisen which have stopped or significantly impacted on progress	
Amber: There are some emerging issues which are affecting progress	9, 10, 17, 21, 22, 24, 25, 28,
Green: Delivery is in line with agreed outcomes and progress is being made.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 23, 26, 27, 29, 30 & 31

Grey: Completed Actions	20

Please note that this document contains an abstract taken from each of the 31 Action Report Card Updates provided by the Action Leads which includes an Outcomes Based Approach (OBA):

What did we say we would do?	How much did we do?	How well did we do it?	Who is better off?
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Health & Wellbeing Actions 1-9

	Health & Wellbeing	Action Steering Group (ASG) Lead Maurice Meehan (PHA)		
	Population Outcome:	All people of Causeway Coast and Glens will contribute to and benefit from a healthy, connected, and safe community that nurtures resilience, promotes respect and supports everyone to live together.		
	Intermediate Outcomes:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. All people of the Causeway Coast and Glens benefit from improved physical health and mental well-being</i> <i>2. Our children and young people will have the very best start in life</i> <i>3. All people of Causeway Coast and Glens can live independently as far as possible and access support services when they need it</i> 		
Action No.	Brief Description	Action Lead	Organisation	Progress

1	<p>Participation in Physical Activity - Increase opportunities (both indoor and outdoor) for participation in physical activity / wellbeing initiatives and to promote enjoyment of the natural environment of Causeway Coast and Glens.</p>	<p>Roger Downey Sport & Wellbeing Manager / Declan Steele/Sport NI</p>	<p>Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council Sport & Wellbeing / Sport NI</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1434 overall participants • 796 women and girls • 275 participants with a disability • 354 participants from areas of greatest need • 208 sustained participants <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active Life programme (older adult exercise) running in 5 centres across the borough, RVLC, CLC, JDLC, DSC and Sheskburn. • Neighbourhood Health Improvement programme quarter 1 planning phase and new focus for 24/25 on health improvement in community settings awaiting programme budget from DFC, sessions will included exercise classes, Yoga, Pilates, pickleball, keep fit and walking groups delivered from council facilities commencing in September • PAN Disability Club ran for 6-week block in JDLC supported by NHSCT and DSNI. • Completed three-day Easter camps in football, hockey and rugby. with sessions delivered in Limavady, Coleraine, Ballymoney and Ballycastle • Completion of the schools coaching programme in 16 schools across the borough
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivered three sessions in Rasharkin in a schools shared education programme • Preparations made for Summer Recreation Programme to commence on Monday 1st July and run until 16th August • Partnership courses for summer camps with Ulster Squash, Ulster Table Tennis, Swim Ulster, Ulster Badminton, NI Volleyball, Olympic Handball Ireland and Netball NI. • NI Volleyball Primary School Blitz in Coleraine Leisure Centre • Mini Causeway Primary Schools Open Golf Competition at Ballyreagh Golf Course, Portrush <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North West Cricket Union 2 Primary School Festivals (Boys and Girls) – as a partnership with Council – 16 schools • British Gymnastics Activity Leader Award – 6 new coaches trained • Council’s Sports Fund and Bursary Programme – over £13,500 awarded to support local athletes and clubs. <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% of participants enjoying taking part in sport / physical activity • 10% of participants becoming members of sports clubs • 40% of participants engaging in sport / physical activity on their own / non-club setting. • Improved physical health, mental health, nutrition, self-confidence, and body image.
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2	<p>Age Friendly Initiatives - the delivery and implementation at Local Government level of a Regional Northern Ireland Age Friendly Programme for the resident population of Causeway Coast and Glens.</p>	<p>Roger Downey Sport & Wellbeing Manager Liam Hinphey Age Friendly Coordinator</p>	<p>Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council Sport & Wellbeing</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age-Friendly Strategy & Action Plan approved at Leisure & Development Committee Meeting on Tuesday 16th June. • Age-Friendly Strategy & Action Plan approved at Full Council Meeting on Thursday 21st June. • Baseline Mapping report approved by senior CCG management and Public Health Agency. Final report designed and completed. Launch of report to be undertaken in Q2 24-25. • Collaborative project lead by Age Concern Causeway and supported by Causeway Coast Glens Borough Council and PSNI to develop a Dementia Safeguarding Scheme. • Meeting held in April with Alzheimer’s Society to discuss collaborative working in year 24/25. • Meeting held in April with Age NI Connect North Link Worker to discuss collaborative working in year 24/25. • Age-Friendly Programme to lead on Community Planning Transport Action. This will be based on the work of the Age-Friendly Network NI Transport working group. • Inputted to Age NI research project on the impact of where people live on healthy ageing. One to one meeting with Age NI. • Age-Friendly Coordinator led on a meeting with the leads of Age-Friendly Network NI subgroups in May 24. • Age-Friendly Coordinator led on a meeting with Age-Friendly Network NI Steering Group. • Age-Friendly Coordinator attending a two day meeting of UK Network of the Steering Group for the UK Network of Age Friendly Communities.
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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age-Friendly Coordinator presented to the Scottish Older People's Assembly on the development of the Age-Friendly Network NI • Age Friendly Coordinator chaired the Age-Friendly Network NI quarterly meeting • First Positive Ageing Month steering group meeting held to discuss development of project for October 2024. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stage 1 of the Age-Friendly Programme Management Life Cycle completed as identified in figure above. • Age-Friendly Strategy & Action Plan will identifies measures and targets for programme delivery in stage 3 of the Age-Friendly Programme Management Cycle. <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stage 1 of the Age-Friendly Programme Management Life Cycle completed as identified in figure above. • Stage 2 of the Age-Friendly Programme Management Life Cycle completed in Q2 2024. • Development and delivery of appropriate health initiatives will mostly be undertaken from Stage 3 of the programme onward. • Age-Friendly Strategy & Action Plan identifies measures and targets for programme delivery in stage 3 of the Age-Friendly Programme Management Cycle.
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Age-Friendly Strategy & Action Plan approved at June L&D Committee and June Full Council Meeting.
3	<p>Loneliness Network- Establish a Loneliness Network for Causeway -work together to increase opportunities for socialisation and to reduce the risk of / tackle loneliness across the generations.</p>	<p>Chair of Causeway Loneliness Network – Gabrielle Quinn Health & Wellbeing Team NHSCT Leah Glass</p>	<p>Loneliness Network Chair/ Northern Health & Social Care Trust</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 x Members were provided with an opportunity to attend the OCN NI Level 2 Award in Awareness of Loneliness training which was delivered by the Northern Regional College over 8 weeks from the 16 April to the 4 June. 90 x people attended a Loneliness Awareness Week Chatty Carriage event was held on the 12 June and the civic buildings we lit up yellow from the 14 - 16 June. A further Network meeting was also held during the reporting period. In addition to support the ongoing sustainability of the Human Library initiative a toolkit to aid ongoing delivery was launched on the 25 June. Throughout the quarter correspondence with members has also continued via email. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased exchange of information and knowledge along with increased opportunities for participation <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased recognition of loneliness activity in the Causeway Coast and Glen's area.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary, community and statutory organisations working together to address loneliness across all age groups. • Increased awareness and knowledge of loneliness across Causeway Loneliness Network members and increased knowledge including access to current research, webinars etc. • More organisations have increased access to information, services, activities and training for their service users. • Causeway Loneliness Network provides a supportive environment for members and increased confidence to source information and services. • The Northern Area Loneliness Framework is used for reference and as a guide for the Network.
4	Anti-Poverty Initiatives - develop, lead, implement and support interventions which tackle poverty, including food, fuel and financial poverty and respond to local need with a particular emphasis on	Louise Scullion Community Development Manager	Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council Community Development	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued development of Anti-poverty Stakeholder Steering Group (APSSG) with 10 community and voluntary sector partners and 8 statutory partners with the aim of connecting the service providers whose core services are supporting people experiencing financial difficulties and collaborating to deliver support. • Hardship Fund monies from Department for Communities issued to established service delivery organisations: • Fuel support – St Vincent DePaul (10 local conferences), Salvation Army (Ballymoney & Causeway area and Limavady) • Food and fuel support - 4 established foodbanks (Ballycastle, Ballymoney, Causeway and Roe Valley) • Family Support Programme – Save the Children

	vulnerable communities.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Hardship Grant for smaller/ local community food projects – 19 grants of £3,000 awarded to date for a range of food cupboard and holiday hunger projects. • ‘Where to Turn’ campaign rolled out with information leaflet distribution to GP practices, libraries, schools and maintenance of a dedicated web portal with details of information for support with food, fuel and finances: www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk/advice <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback from APSSG partners shows a strong benefit from the peer support nature of the steering group as well as improved links and increased cross-referrals between the partners. • Initial feedback from service delivery organisations that the funding is much needed in light of reducing donations, increased cost of products and above all the increased demand for services <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased awareness of the poverty services that are available. • Increased coordination between organisations working with those most in need in the • Causeway Coast and Glens area • People on low incomes or in financial crises are supported to maximize their income and minimise their costs • Service delivery organisations are supported with resources to meet the additional demand.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved links and capacity of the organisations that support those most in need Better information, signposting, and communication about poverty intervention services Improved partnership working to tackle the causes of poverty
5	<p>Children & Young People – collaborative working and locality planning across statutory and voluntary sectors in line with Making Life Better proposals for ‘Giving Every Child the Best Start in Life’ as one of the key Strategic Themes of the NI Public Health Framework. Key long-term outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good quality parenting 	<p>NHSCT Children and Young People Thematic lead and Health and Wellbeing Officer – Causeway- Kate McDermott / Bronagh McCrory Health & Wellbeing Team NHSCT</p>	<p>Causeway Locality Group / Northern Health & Social Care Trust</p>	<p>How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 x Smoking Cessation Specialist and 1 x Smoking cessation Midwife employed in the Causeway locality 1 x CYPSP Meeting 10.30am on Tuesday 23rd of April 9 in attendance 1 x CYPSP Meeting 10.30am on Tuesday 11th June 12 in attendance 2 x Schools attended in Causeway as part of NSPCC Pants week 1 x new member from Community Development, Now Group 1 x LPG Presentation from New Entrants Service NHSCT 1 x LPG Presentation from Labour Market Partnership 12 x CYPSP Newsletters sent 1 x Health and Wellbeing Officer NHSCT attended a local consultation on the Regional Services Strategic Plan with other LPG coordinators. <p>How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support and intervention to promote Smoking Cessation in Young People and expectant mothers. Group members increased their knowledge on local services and will promote to their service users.

	<p>and family support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy and confident children and young people • Children and young people skilled for life 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recipients have the opportunity to utilise resources promoted in the newsletter such as funding opportunities and training. • Work on raising awareness of abuse in childhood and supporting those affected highlighted included - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need for volunteers • Cost of living crisis on-going • Funding for C&V groups on a long term basis • Transport issues • Employment issues • Waiting list times for Mental Health • vaping <p>This was an opportunity to put forward information about the needs in Causeway raise concerns and shape future provision.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Networking and information sharing opportunities at events, meetings and via CYPSP weekly news have supported members to make best use of resources for children, young people and families. • Direct link between smoking and low birth weight babies, better public knowledge of the risks around smoking and link to low birth weight and impact on child development. The Smoking Cessation service in Causeway has seen an increase this quarter due to promotion in March Stop Smoking Month. The service has linked with paediatrics in Causeway Hospital to promote the service for the first time.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefit to LPG members in supporting them to provide accessible health and wellbeing information to children, YP and families. • More work around the issue of vaping is planned which should bring benefit locally. • Issues highlighted locally brought forward to regional CYPSP which may impact the future of services, positive to have the voices of service users heard and potentially bring about change. • Benefit to LPG members in supporting them to provide accessible health and wellbeing information to children, YP and families. • More work around the issue of vaping is planned which should bring benefit locally. • Issues highlighted locally brought forward to regional CYPSP which may impact the future of services, positive to have the voices of service users heard and potentially bring about change.
6	<p>Obesity Prevention - To increase uptake of Obesity Prevention programmes and identify and implement new ways to encourage active participation by school aged children.</p>	<p>Roger Downey Sport & Wellbeing Manager / Declan Steele SportNI</p>	<p>Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council Sport & Wellbeing / Sport NI</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causeway Health Kids phase 3 completed in March 24 so no delivery in Quarter 2. • Successful application submitted to NHLP for funding to deliver to 10 new schools and 2 special education schools in Autumn 2024. • Currently developing an at home resource for kids to complete tasks at home with parents at 4 key milestones of the programme. 2 tasks relate to healthy eating and 2 relate to mindfulness. This resource will be used for the first time in phase 4. • Currently discussing an external evaluation of the programme with University of Ulster to be conducted during phase 4, this would look at

all aspects of the programme to include teachers, children and parents and evaluate its effectiveness, areas of strength and areas of weakness for development

How Well (Quality)

- New digital delivery booklet currently in development for schools currently the draft is available via this link
- <https://view.pagetiger.com/causeway-healthy-kids>
- This resource will allow us to further develop elements of the programme, but the link will never change so schools will always have the most current format for long term delivery.
- Following the success of Causeway Healthy Kids Project at the Advancing Healthcare Awards 2023, being named Partnership Working in Public Health winner and overall Northern Ireland project of the year. The project was shortlisted for the UK Advancing Healthcare Awards 2024 in London in April 2024. Unfortunately, the programme did not win the overall UK award but did get recognition of a top 3 place.
- Meeting also held in April 24 with Food Standards Agency as to how we link their messages to the programme to ensure better alignment.

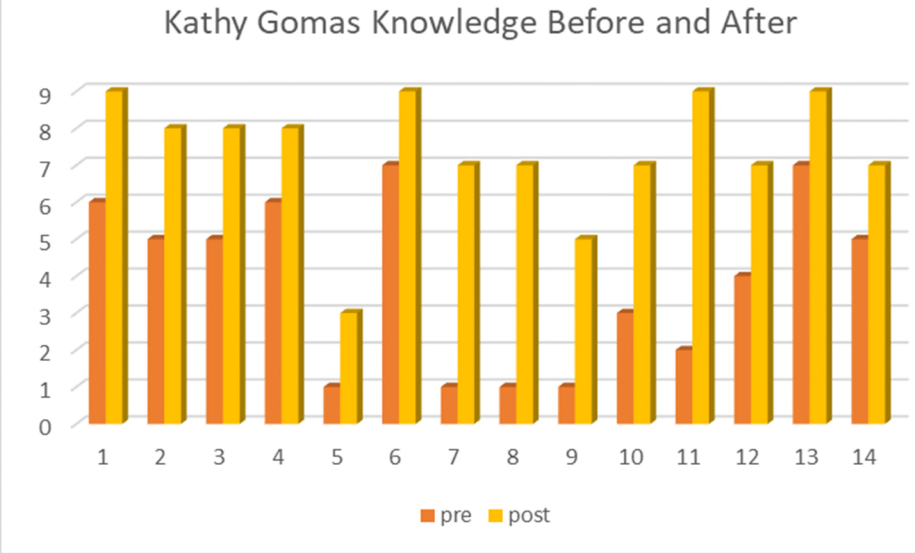
Better Off (Impact)

The programme continues to grow and develop as each phase complete with more discussion to be held with neighbouring councils and health

				trust along with government departments. This solidifies the programme in the short term in the hope we can secure long term funding.
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Positive Mental Health - Active participation in the Northern Health & Social Care Trust Wide Take Five Working Group – positive mental health initiatives to span schools, workplaces and the community sector. 	<p>Hugh Nelson Head of Health & Wellbeing Team /</p> <p>Selena Ramsey Health and Wellbeing Manager- Mental Health and Suicide Prevention</p>	Northern Health & Social Care Trust - NHSCT	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <p>Northern Area Community Network and Causeway Rural and Urban Network Update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing mental health leaflets to community groups. • Raising awareness during Mental Health Awareness Week went to Shean’s Horse Farm to raising around mental health, had great conversations with people who came to the farm to help improve their wellbeing. • SPDO continuing Mindfulness Colouring and Digital, Dable and Discussion within Kilrea and Ballycastle Libraries in partnership with Libraries NI. • SPDO supporting Project Proposals community groups within NACN & CRUN. • SPDO supports Care for a Cuppa in the Glens. This is a group for carers within the Glens, making the individuals more aware of services that they can access this quarter the group did session with COAST and Libraries NI. • worked in partnership with T.A.M.H.I and local mid Glens primary schools, lunch club, Cushendall Library. Mario and Luigi Take 5 Steps to Wellbeing with over 100 children going home with wellbeing resources. Mario and Luigi went round different schools encouraging young people to move more for their mental health, whether this was dancing or playing sport. There was a short 5 minute talk about Take 5

				<p>Steps to Wellbeing where the children were able to talk about what they do to help their own mental health and what the Take 5 Steps to Wellbeing were. Within the wider community it created conversations and got people talking, on social media the posts reached over 2000 people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please see the video attached of the day - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OzkrFEUiRbU&t=8s <p>Schools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers talk, Solihull Input or meeting in Carhill PS, Coleraine Grammar, Loretto, St Malachy's PS, Leaney PS, St Columba's PS, Kilrea PS, Crossroads PS and St Joseph's/Patrick's Garvagh. <p>Workplaces</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open call for workplaces interested in becoming a Take 5 Workplace, 1 successful application from Causeway locality for 24-25 training. Training complete in April. <p>Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kathy Gomas- Exploring difficulty conversations on 18th April with 18 participants. • Mindfulness for beginners- 6 participants March- April 24. • Peer support reflection planning meeting June 24.
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				<p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <p>Schools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 2024 saw the 3rd Award ceremony for Take 5 schools. • This year we have opened the opportunity up for nursery's to also work towards the award and Causeway locality had 1 nursery accredited. • They also had 9 primary schools, 7 post primary schools, and 1 Education Other Than at School (EOTAS) Centre. • '97% have noticed a change in School culture.' 'Even reluctant staff members can see the benefits' • 'The children and even parents are starting to make the connections, we feel really proud' <p>Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kathy Gomas Session. • 'Really enjoyed it, Kathy is a wealth of knowledge and made the training really bespoke' • 'Have learned a lot and feel more confident now' <p>Mindfulness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'I have really enjoyed this programme, it has helped me so much' • 'really profound change, thank you so much' <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p>
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8 **Interagency Cooperation for Homelessness**
 - This Action seeks to promote interagency cooperation to address chronic homelessness in Causeway

Louise Clarke
 Head of Place Shaping North
Christine O'Carroll
 Town Planner MRTPI North Place Shaping

Housing Executive NI

How Much (Quantity)

Quarter	No. of Homeless Presenters	No. of Presenters awarded FDA	No. of Repeat Presenters
Jan – March 2023	238	165	15
Apr- Jun 2023	241	159	6
Jul – Sept 2023	215	132	8
Oct – Dec 2023	251	204	28

	Coast and Glens alongside Community Planning partners and to improve the measurement and understanding of the scale of the problem of chronic homelessness in Causeway Coast and Glens in order to establish a baseline.			Jan – Mar 2024	250	192	10
				YTD	1,195	852	67
				How Well (Quality)			
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chronic Homelessness action plan (CHAP) is now completed Chronic Homelessness Action Plan (nihe.gov.uk) Homelessness Strategy 'Ending Homelessness Together – Homelessness Strategy 2022-27' now published. Ending Homelessness Together Homelessness Strategy 2022-27 (nihe.gov.uk) Tracking system launched to 'Identify chronic homelessness numbers collectable by the Housing Executive using standard indicators. 			
				Better Off (Impact)			

				<h3 style="text-align: center;"><u>Support Referrals</u></h3> <p style="text-align: center;">Count of Case ID by Support Provider</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Support Provider</th> <th>Count</th> <th>Percentage</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>First Housing</td> <td>6</td> <td>8.96%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Housing Rights</td> <td>10</td> <td>14.93%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Radius Floating Support ...</td> <td>14</td> <td>20.9%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Cedar Foundation</td> <td>10</td> <td>14.93%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Triangle Floating Suppor...</td> <td>5</td> <td>7.46%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Triangle Housing Associa...</td> <td>20</td> <td>29.85%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Women's Aid</td> <td>2</td> <td>2.99%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Support Provider	Count	Percentage	First Housing	6	8.96%	Housing Rights	10	14.93%	Radius Floating Support ...	14	20.9%	The Cedar Foundation	10	14.93%	Triangle Floating Suppor...	5	7.46%	Triangle Housing Associa...	20	29.85%	Women's Aid	2	2.99%
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9	<p>Support partnership working between primary care and the voluntary and community sector.</p>	<p>Sinead O’Kane Northern Health & Social Care Trust (NHSCT) Elizabeth Craig</p>	<p>NHSCT/MDT/GP Federation</p>	<h3 style="text-align: center;">How Much</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rasharkin Luncheon Club continued with a cooked lunch and social activities for individuals who are socially isolated. This project is co-worked with the local woman’s group. This continues to be a successful project with ongoing community and statutory involvement. • Ongoing Causeway Neurodiversity Group linking with community via series of scoping events in Ballycastle, Coleraine, Ballymoney areas assessing level of informal support for those with Neurodiverse needs 																								

		(SW Lead Causeway GP Federation)	<p>and their carers. Ongoing development of the group/project linking and working in partnership with local volunteers and those with previous project experience in the area (Phoenix Project, Family Support). Project being delivered in partnership with 'CAN', Ballymoney MDT and volunteers though Causeway wide projects. Project also linked with review of referral process from GP Practices to Trust ASD service. Neurodiversity work continues and is growing in the area. There remains significant buy in from the community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warm Hub Rasharkin addressing poverty • Ongoing Community gardens project in Garvagh in partnership with local volunteers and Garvagh Development Trust offering support and assistance for isolated men. Attendees offering future assistance regarding development of similar project in Rasharkin area. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 35 registered members who meet and lunch together every Wednesday. Activities such as bingo and crafts help this group overcome the detrimental impact of social isolation and loneliness. This group also provides opportunities for individuals with Learning Disability and • Mental Health issues to become facilitators. • Causeway Neurodiversity Group linking with community via series of scoping events in Ballycastle, Coleraine, Ballymoney areas assessing level of informal support for those with Neurodiverse needs and their carers. Ongoing development of the group/project linking and working in partnership with local volunteers and those with previous project experience in the area (Phoenix Project, Family Support). Project being
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				<p>delivered in partnership with 'CAN', Ballymoney MDT and volunteers through Causeway wide projects. Project also linked with review of referral process from GP Practices to Trust ASD service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Social Media aspect of this group has developed significantly with almost 3000 members now on its Facebook page. A sub group has 700 private members where people interact and support each other in the area of ASD/ADHD. • 30 participants addressing poverty and providing support and friendship. • 12 Men receiving an ongoing service, actively involved in running project • Number of attendees assisting with Rasharkin Participatory Budgeting allotment project with advice and guidance. • 25 participants who are running the group now themselves. <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>The HUG (Helping You Grieve) group is now well established in the Coleraine area. This group was formed with the aim of offering support, friendship and understanding to men and women who have lost their partners through bereavement. The BBC NI broadcast a piece on this group and the interest has grown with other Trusts seeking advice and guidance from the Causeway MDTs with forming their own bereavement type groups.</p> <p>The 'Tuber Tuesdays' group in Garvagh is now well established. Addressing social isolation and loneliness for vulnerable men who are</p>
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experiencing Mental Health issues this group are 'giving back' to the community by revamping derelict unused areas by transforming them into areas that the whole community can use. Throughout the town they have made and placed window boxes that contain edible herbs that the community can use. The group are also in the process of partnership working with the Rasharkin community who are also trying to establish a similar group in their area. This is true

cross community work in two areas that have had their challenges historically.

Previous projects highlighted in previous reports outline walking groups, luncheon clubs, coffee mornings that are now self-sufficient and independent evidencing increased confidence and ability of individuals to run their own groups.

Significant work and support completed by SW MDT in relation to the support of Ukrainians fleeing conflict in their home. MDT received 130 (33 new referrals) referrals and offered support and assistance both practical and emotional. Research indicates that building social connections and participation in shared activities are crucial in building resilience and promoting integration. In partnership with the Ukrainian people two support groups are now being delivered and developed.

AWARE

- A baseline survey for project users/beneficiaries to complete when they join the project (or at an appropriate early stage of engagement).

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equality monitoring forms will be completed by project users/beneficiaries. • An end of project evaluation and report will be completed. <p>M-Power –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M-Power will obtain feedback from participants and continue to tailor its services based on the need and requirements of the women who access the support network. • We will carry out a baseline questionnaire with the participants prior to the project beginning and then again at the end of the project. We will also conduct sessional evaluations on an individual basis. • We will compile a short report on conclusion of the project, which will include an assessment by the facilitators as well as participants. This report will inform future initiatives and will serve as a model for other groups to embrace. • A further M Power event was held in March 2024 attended by approximately 100 participants. Evaluations were very positive and further such events are being considered both in a group setting and as one off events.
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A collaboration is underway with Studio 24 gym to assist menopausal women through an exercise programme commencing in August/Sep 24. Additionally further workshops are being run via CRUN . • The Carer’s Group in Coleraine had a recent successful event in Coleraine around resilience which was attended by 60 participants. Evaluations were carried out and we await the outcomes. Preliminary feedback is very good and there is hope similar events will be arranged across the causeway locality. • Further initiatives are being planned as part of the Loneliness Network including a Chatty Carriage from Coleraine to Derry in Summer 24. This will be evaluated and consideration of future plans for roll out. • The Chatty Carriage initiative was held on 12th June 24 with 90 participants from NHSCT and 100 from WHSCT. Evaluations have been all been positive and these events will be held throughout 24/25. • An information event was held in conjunction with MDT/GP/Council and voluntary groups in Portstewart Baptist Church addressing health, housing, drugs and benefits awareness for those seeking asylum in NI. There were 36 participants and more events are being planned in the borough on a rolling basis as people move in to the area. • Evaluations of all MDT projects have been very positive and there are plans to address other presenting issues via groups and events in this year including dementia support, pet provision, trauma,
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				further grief support, mobility and falls issues, teenage mental health and multi-ethnic women's group.
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Community/Community Safety Actions 10-16

	Community/Community Safety	Action Steering Group (ASG) Lead Kyle Lucas - PSNI										
	Population Outcome:	All people of Causeway Coast and Glens will contribute to and benefit from a healthy, connected, and safe community that nurtures resilience, promotes respect and supports everyone to live together										
	Intermediate Outcomes:	<p>4. <i>The Causeway Coast and Glens area feels safe</i></p> <p>5. <i>The Causeway Coast and Glens area promotes and supports positive relationships</i></p>										
Action No.	Brief Description	Action Lead	Organisation	Progress								
10	Multi-Agency Support Hub - to facilitate an interagency approach to reduce risks for vulnerable	Jonny Donaghy PCSP Manager / Community Planning Sgt Wendy Nixon	Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council Policing &	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td>MONTH</td> <td>JAN</td> <td>FEB</td> <td>MAR</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HOW MUCH DID WE DO</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	MONTH	JAN	FEB	MAR	HOW MUCH DID WE DO			
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	individuals in the Causeway Coast and Glens	Community Safety Partnership / PSNI	# Support Hub Meetings	20	20	20
			# Referred into hub (m/f)	1M	0	2M 2F
			Onward to multi hub (m/f)	1M	0	2M 2F
			No Consent	0	0	0
			OTHERWISE SIGNPOSTED (mf)	0	0	0
			<i>of this # how many Male/Female/Other</i>			
			# Not Accepted by Support Hub but signposted to other organisations	0	0	0
			<i>Of this # how many Male/Female/Other</i>			
			# Support Hub organisations involved	8	6	8
						How Well (Quality)
			HOW WELL DID WE DO (MONTH OF MEETING)			
			APRIL	MAY	JUNE	
Partner organisations attending support hub meetings			9	8	9	

				# of Support Hub Actions successfully completed (inlc organisation breakdown)	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
				PSNI (ALL CALCULATED FROM JENNIFERS ACTION SPREADSHEET slow time not during meeting)			1
				NHSCT		1+1GP FED	1+1GP FED
				WHSCT		2	1
				NIF&RS			
				NIAS			
				NIHE			
				PBNI			
				CC&GBC			
				Better Off (Impact)			
NUMBER OF SUPPORT HUB COHORTS				APRIL	MAY	JUNE	

				LIVE (m/f)	9 3M 6F	7 2M 5F	6 6M
				WATCH LIST (m/f)	5 2M 3F	5 3M 2F	7
				TOTAL	14	12	13
				REMOVED AT THE END OF THE MEETING (m/F)	1 1M	2 2F	2 2F
				CONSIDERED (m/f)	4 4F	1 1F	1 1M
				ACCEPTED (m/f)	3 3F	0	1 1M
				MOVED TO WATCHLIST 9m/f)	2 2M	1 1M	1 1M
				# discharged because their needs have been met (m/f)	1 1M	2 2F	0
				what % does this # equate to			
				# who leave the hub of their own volition or through lack of engagement	0	1 1F	1 1F
Case Example:							

				<p>April 2024 Police and NIAS were receiving a high volume of calls from a female stating she had a knife and threatening self harm , this female had a history of mental health issues. She gave her consent to be included on MASH. Information sharing between multi agencies within MASH meant issues with this lady could be discussed as to how and which agency would be best placed to assist her. Social Services and her local Mental Health teams got involved to engage with this female and her family as they also required support and help in understanding the ongoing issues. To date the female has been engaging in activities at her local day care centre and attending her weekly mental health appointments. Calls to emergency services have completely ceased since this intervention was initiated. This shows how collaborative multi agency working can improve a person’s life and of those around them. Emergency services are all dealing with high volumes of calls and low resourcing and this outcome also has had an effect on them as they can all provide the right care at the right time.</p>
11	<p>Cyber-Safety Partnership - Based on the success of previous partnership working on cyber safety initiatives - to plan and deliver symposium of talks and information concerning cyber</p>	<p>Jonny Donaghy PCSP Manager/Michael McCafferty PCSP Officer</p>	<p>Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council Policing & Community Safety Partnership</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyber Safe - Information and awareness raising via various platforms and events specific to the target groups need. Based on the growing success of previous year’s cyber safety events, plan and deliver symposium of talks about cyber safety including the dangers of sexting, grooming, cyber bullying, scams (financial, romance, and emotional) and increase knowledge of the support that is available. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p>

	<p>safety including the dangers of sexting, grooming, cyber bullying, scams (financial, romantic and emotional) to increase knowledge of the support that is available.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CC&G PCSP are working with the Dry Arch centre in Limavady and Dungiven to meet any needs of schools right across the CC&G council area by funding facilitators to go into schools when needed to help educate students and tackle any emerging issues and concerns. • Events for the year are still in the planning process. • A smaller version of our Cyber safety toolkit have now been produced and will be made available to residents and communities throughout the borough. • The resource is also available electronically. https://view.pagetiger.com/online-safety-and-mental-health <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On-going cooperation, engagement and partnership working between Council, DfC, and other statutory Community Planning • Partners and the community and voluntary sector have enabled flexible and responsive statutory and community & voluntary response initiatives for the benefit of vulnerable people of the Borough. The planned event will provide an opportunity to explore how the community and voluntary sector can engage with and support the action leads. • On-going cooperation, engagement and partnership working between Council, DfC, and other statutory Community Planning Partners and the community and voluntary sector has enabled flexible and responsive statutory and community & voluntary response initiatives for the benefit of vulnerable people of the Borough. The planned
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				event will provide an opportunity to explore how the community and voluntary sector can engage with and support the action leads.
12	<p>Community Engagement Platform - Provision of Borough wide inclusive participative engagement platform to connect more voices to local decision-making bodies. Also, a link for service providers to engage widely and regularly across the whole of CC&G, and provide the means for those <i>'who live, work and visit'</i> the area to <i>'have their say'</i>.</p>	<p>Louise Scullion Community Development Manager</p>	<p>Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council Community Development</p>	<p>How Much (Quantity)</p> <p>Youth Voice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Voice project group meetings: 9 in total (meet the Project Board event). • 29 young people registered for CC&G Youth Voice across 3 cohorts. • 25 young people regularly attending meetings. • 1 Project Board Meeting. • 22 Project Board members representing 10 Statutory & 4 Voluntary organisations. <p>Young People attending from DEA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ballymoney: 3 young people – 10% • Central: 9 young people – 31% • Bann: 1 young person – 3% • Limavady: 5 young people – 17% • Benbradagh: 5 young people – 17% • The Glens: 6 young people – 21% • Causeway: 0 young people – 0% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 25 of 29 young people are repeat attendees – 86%. <p>Better Off (Impact)</p>

				<p>Youth Voice</p> <p>Feedback from participants of the Induction residential:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Group residential has helped me make new friendships and fun memories.” • “Youth Voice has helped me improve my critical thinking skills.” • “I can now effectively plan a discussion of issues with young people”. • “I enjoyed the group tasks talking about the issues that are important. We don’t all agree but we will be able to learn more and discuss more in the meetings”. • “I really liked the residential although our next one should be longer”!
13	<p>Public Shared Spaces - Facilitation of statutory Cohesion Group made up of a range of relevant agencies to continue to work together in partnership to identify, monitor and proactively plan and address issues in areas where there may be heightened tensions in public or shared spaces</p>	<p>Patricia Harkin Good Relations Manager Gerard McIlroy Good Relations Officer</p>	<p>Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council Good Relations</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 x Interagency meeting held in February • 6 x statutory agencies attended • 75% attendance at meeting • 1 x Interagency site inspections held <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing collaborative working to address issues in relations to bonfires via Statutory Cohesion and other groups. Implementing proactive measures including tyre reduction. • Also, looking at an increased use of beacons in some areas.

	<p>throughout the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough.</p> <p>The Group will work collaboratively to ensure that public spaces within Causeway Coast and Glens are shared and accessible to all.</p>			<p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement work with partner agencies and local community groups looking at higher use of beacons hailed as the end product of reduce calls and health and safety issues. Discussions taking place with regard to insurance and risk assessments on bonfire sites. • As a result of work carried out and continual monitoring/collaboration with statutory agencies, meetings are now quarterly with ad hoc meetings to discuss arising issues.
14	<p>Community & Voluntary Sector Support Forum - Forum of organisations working collaboratively to provide community development support to the community and voluntary sector of Causeway Coast and Glens.</p>	<p>Louise Scullion Community Development Manager</p>	<p>Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council Community Development</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <p>3 x connecting events took place for community and organisations in Kilrea, Ballymoney and Magilligan with information and learning shared. Representatives from 33 CVS organisations attended – talks from Community Advice Causeway, Money and Pension Service, Causeway Loneliness Network, Northern Regional College and WHSCT.</p> <p>Partnered with Triangle Housing Association to deliver Participatory Budgeting initiative in Limavady.</p> <p>Participation in Rainey Day Participatory Budgeting initiative being delivered by Radius Housing in Coleraine</p> <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased range of training offered to CVS organisations • Feedback from organisations attending the connecting events shows that they are extremely valuable in terms of peer support, sharing

				<p>learning, making new connections, and increasing awareness of funding and connections with statutory and other organisations.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peer support and learning provided across participating groups • New connection made between organisations and statutory bodies. • Increased awareness of funding and other opportunities. • Increased awareness of groups operating in communities participating in PB initiatives and new volunteers gathered through community voting days
15	<p>Road Safety Partnerships to work together with schools and communities to target those identified as most at risk of road traffic collisions and to deliver the 'Your Choice' Road Safety Programme.</p>	<p>Station Commander Clive Lowry / Group Commander Archie McKay</p>	<p>NI Fire & Rescue Service</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No, Your Choice initiatives were delivered during quarter 2. • "Streetwise" events were held in Ballymoney, Ballycastle, Coleraine, and Limavady areas. • Over 1000 students from 50 schools participated. • NIFRS supported these events through RTC demonstrations and road safety advice. • 1 further RTC demonstration was delivered at a local Church event for 50 people of all ages. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive feedback from a large and varied age group was received following the RTC demonstrations.

				<p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Fatalities in Northern Ireland, April - June 23 = 22 people. • Total Fatalities in Northern Ireland, April – June 24 = 19 people • Approximately 13% reduction.
16	<p>Accidental Fire Prevention - targeted activity to individual dwellings across identified areas in Causeway Coast and Glens at more risk of accidental fire than others.</p>	<p>Station Commander Clive Lowry / Group Commander Archie McKay</p>	<p>NI Fire & Rescue Service</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no STAR initiatives in CC&G area during this reporting period however NIFRS delivered • 90 Home Fire Safety Checks across CC&G Council area for people identified as people at risk within the council area between April and June 2024. • 62 Smoke detectors were fitted within dwellings as a result of home fire safety checks. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tailored Fire safety advice provided to occupants to minimise the likelihood of accidental dwelling fire. Smoke alarms fitted within properties which required them. • Referrals were also made to partner agencies for sensory support smoke detectors. <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary dwelling fires CC&G Council area:

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q2 2023 = 17 dwelling fires • Q2 2024 = 12 dwelling fires • Reduction of 5 primary dwelling fires in comparison to the same quarter in 2023.
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Infrastructure/Environment Actions 17-22

	Infrastructure/Environment	Action Steering Group (ASG) Lead Aidan McPeake – Environmental Services CC&G BC		
	Population Outcome:	All people of the Causeway Coast and Glens will value and benefit from a diverse, sustainable and accessible environment with an infrastructure that is fit for purpose and enables growth		
	Intermediate Outcomes:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. <i>The Causeway Coast and Glens area is widely recognised and celebrated for its unique natural and built landscapes</i> 7. <i>The Causeway Coast and Glens area has physical structures and facilities that further growth, access and connections.</i> 8. <i>The Causeway Coast and Glens area has sustainably managed natural and built environment</i> 		
Action No.	Brief Description	Action Lead	Organisation	Progress

17	<p>To create opportunities to explore, develop and maintain public spaces with a focus on people, wildlife and outdoor recreation across the Causeway Coast & Glens area.</p> <p><i>This Action has the potential to compliment and connect with Action 22 but should not be merged.</i></p>	<p>Richard Gillen Coast and Countryside Manager Leisure and Development</p>	CCGBC	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued high levels of visitors to outdoor recreation sites. • Delivery of projects under umbrella of Binevenagh Landscape Partnership. • Identifying projects for Peace+ funding application to create further opportunity to enjoy the outdoors and manage sites sustainably. • Council a supporting partner of Sperrins Partnership Project. • Development of Core Path Networks at some small settlements. • Developing in house skills for sustainable management of sites. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demand for outdoor recreation continues. Sites and trails continue to be well used. • Project planning and preparation for delivery ongoing. Trail development work completion with signage installation at Castlerock. Progression of trail development at Downhill North. • Benbradagh – Gateway to the Sperrins • The Girona Programme and Causeway Path • The Layd Path & Development • Altnahinch Dam, Boardwalk Regenerate & Renew
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mountsandel Project • Invasive Species Management • Development of Sperrin AONB Management & Action Plan • Delivery of way marking/signposting to allow for local awareness of off-road trails in Bushmills, Cushendall and Dungiven • Establishing a partnership to resolve anti-social behaviour at beach sites and deliver appropriate actions. <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>Continues to be difficult to measure but these projects aim to provide opportunity for the public to enjoy outdoor spaces. Anecdotally, outdoor spaces have continued to play an increasingly important role for the public.</p> <p>The public's attitude to the outdoors and activities has changed. Realisation of the value of these spaces and how they can be used for the benefit of health and well-being is very evident.</p>
18	To meet local housing need and provide suitable accommodation	Louise Clarke Head of Place Shaping	NIHE	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver the social housing development programme (SHDP) as set out in Housing Investment Plan. • 67 Units completed April 2022 – March 2023

	<p>The Housing Executive will work with rural communities and community planning partners to identify hidden or 'latent' housing need rural locations through rural housing needs tests.</p> <p>Agree on a pilot test area with CP partnership and commence test by March 2021.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 176 Units on-site at March 2023 • 576 Units programmed on SHDP 2023-26 <p>The rural housing needs test in Benbradagh DEA is now completed and there was a successful return of interest there. Next step is for a development brief to be sent to a nominated Registered Housing Association (RHA) to develop a scheme there.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <p>Ongoing meetings (1) with the Housing Executives Development Programme Group (DPG) and CC&Gs Planning team to review progress on planning applications for social and affordable housing schemes.</p> <p>Collaboration with Community Planning partners on the Rural Housing Needs tests programme</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better understanding of the scale of social housing need in both urban and rural locations • Delivery of the social housing development programme to meet identified need.
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19	<p>Engage with individuals, partners, and the wider community to promote and deliver sustainability as part of the LiveSmart strategy in a safe and socially distanced manner to reflect the ongoing Covid-19 guidance and regulations.</p> <p>LiveSmart is an overarching campaign to inform and engage staff and the wider community in debate and actions which promote sustainability within our area. It draws together key actions which ultimately enhance the human, physical and natural resources which define our area.</p>	<p>Nigel McKeown Operations Technical Manager</p>	<p>GGCBC</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation re. Ballymoney Community Fridge project. • Gortnaghey Community Fridge project (new). • Ballycastle Community Food Waste project. • Ballymoney Connect project. • Rathlin Zero Waste campaign. • LiveSmart Education Programme. • LiveSmart Small Grant Programme. • LiveSmart stand at Ballymoney Spring Fair. • StaySmart tourism clinic. • Streetwise (Ballymoney) – LitterSmart & recycling talks. • Streetwise (Limavady) – LitterSmart & recycling talks. • School Recycling Talks (Ballycastle Integrated PS, Ballytober PS, Gorrans PS and St Patrick's & St Brigid's PS). <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of food waste activity (33 attendees). • Support and guidance given to working group on project set-up and funding opportunities. • Action planning and presentation to steering group.
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food waste and recycling presentation (51 attendees). Assistance given to committee on grant application completion. • Presentation (7 attendees). • 1,105 children engaged. • 9 applications assessed. • 80 people engaged. • Engaged with Bushmills Inn Hotel. • Engaged with 380 pupils from 15 primary schools. • Engaged with 245 pupils from 9 primary schools. • 145 pupils presented to. <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>LitterSmart – 490 participants and 856 bags of litter collected.</p>
20	<p>Under Development</p> <p>Transport Action Rural/Aging Population</p>	<p>Liam Hinphey Age Friendly Coordinator</p>	CCGBC	<p>Under development</p> <p>The Causeway Coast and Glens area has physical structures and facilities that further growth, access, and connections.</p> <p>Age-Friendly Network NI Transport Subgroup recently developed.</p> <p>Objective of subgroup:</p>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote and develop opportunities and recommendations that promote accessible, safe, and sustainable transportation options. <p>Priority Actions identified by Age-Friendly Network NI Transport Subgroup:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify Transportation Needs and Explore Sustainable Solutions Enhance the safety and accessibility Ensure new transport strategies & services are integrated with age-friendly initiatives
21	<p>To promote and encourage local residents and visitors to take pride and enhance the natural and built environment across the Causeway Coast and Glens area.</p> <p>Increase areas given over to biodiversity. This includes reducing the amount of plants which are not insect</p>	<p>Martin McCook (newly appointed) Environmental Services Manager</p> <p>Noel Davoren Environmental Services Officer</p>	CC&G Borough Council	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A number of beds have been transformed using wildflower mixes rather than bedding plants. The team has expanded the wildflower areas into other towns and villages such as Kilrea, Bushmills and Ballycastle. These continue to be added/rotated year on year. All wildflower beds are been prepared to accept the harvest wildflowers from the previous year. Work is continuing with DFI Roads to collect the grass cutting on the Ring Road, Coleraine. This lowers the fertility of the grass area and encouraging the growth of indigenous plants and flowers.

	friendly and replacing with native wildflowers			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2023 a planting project was introduced with local primary schools. Each school received hanging baskets with plants and green compost. The school children planted the hanging baskets and the baskets were displayed in the town centre. Hanging baskets have been re-issued to the schools again. • A living wall has been introduced to help improve the town centre where space is restrictive. • Introduction of sensory planters to help with autism and better interaction with the Public and the environment • Introduction of more perennial planting • Tree management – Inspection of high risk trees and tree surgery works carried out prior to the bird nesting season <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <p>Coleraine won a Gold Award for the Large Town Category in Britain in Bloom 2023 and a horticultural Excellence Award, whilst also winning Ulster in Bloom 2023.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>Council continues to receive positive feedback on the introduction of wildflowers in place of bedding plants which has significant impact on pollinators. The winning of the Gold Award for Britain and Bloom and the Horticultural Excellence Award is recognition from our peers, that the work undertaken is of a very high standard.</p>

22	<p>To implement initiatives on protected natural heritage areas in Causeway Coast and Glens to support the maintenance of the area’s special features and sensitively manage the landscapes outside these special areas.</p> <p>To improve where possible the condition of designated sites and encourage a sustainable and sensitive approach to all landscapes within the Council area.</p>	<p>Neil Rainey Countryside Coast and Landscape Protected Landscapes Team</p>	<p>DAERA</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <p>Conservation Management Plans (CMPs) have been initiated for 12 SACs.</p> <p>Landscape Monitoring:</p> <p>3 CCGBC AONBs and WHS participating in DAERA Fixed Point Photography Project.</p> <p>7 no. tranches of the DAERA EFS have been opened since 2017, with tranche 7 opened in May 2023. 900+ EFS Higher agreements with 59,840h. of land in NI were under agri-environment scheme agreement. A final reminder was issued that EFS Tranche 8 closed</p> <p>02/07/24.</p> <p>Monitoring of species and habitat condition assessment by DAERA NIEA NED Biodiversity and Wildlife Unit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WHS Management and Action Plan 2020- 2027 in place and being delivered by CC&GHT on behalf of DAERA NIEA. • WHS NIEA funded In Year Projects moving towards conclusion - coin lodgement project, production of 6 farm resilience plans and WHS marine cleans. <p>WHS Periodic reporting:</p>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work ongoing on periodic reporting to UNESCO World Heritage Centre), CCGHT co-ordinating this task with the Steering Group. • Antrim Coast and Glens AONB Management and Action Plan; Causeway Coast AONB Management and Action Plan, Binevenagh AONB Management and Action Plan. • CC&GBC Local Development Plan (LDP) 2035. • Suite of projects undertaken on behalf of CCGBC to evaluate 35 walks across the borough plus extensive research on signage, CC Way perception and best trail practice. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <p><i>Conservation Management Plans (CMPs) are progressing well eg: River Roe SAC CMP to improve water quality.</i></p> <p>4 seasonal photos/p.a.</p> <p>3 x AONB Spring Fixed Point Photography sessions complete. Set-up of WHS Fixed Point Photography complete with background report to support site selection.</p> <p>Farmland managed in an improved sustainable way. Monitoring techniques of Agri-environment schemes are being developed.</p>
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Ongoing work. Priority Species and habitat management are assessed with a view to sustaining and improving species nos. and diversity where appropriate.

WHS Steering Group meeting: 21st May 2024.
A range of WHS activities being delivered including. Key tasks currently research focused: coins in stones, vegetation, consultation with Councils Growth Deal projects. In-Year funding applications made in June to make key activities viable. WHS will be the leading case study in addressing vandalism.

DAERA report to DCMS on matters relating to the WHS. A 'watching brief' is kept by the Steering Group with input from CC&GBC.

All activities continue to be carried out to protect the Outstanding Universal Value of the WHS.

An essential piece of monitoring work – takes place every 7 years. Our WHS submission has been approved by DCMS (Sept 2023) and they will be sending on to UNESCO in due course. Yet to hear of formal outcome.

Delivery by CC&GHT for DAERA NIEA.

Multiple activities delivered, underway or being planned.
CCAONB Management Forum 21st May.
ACGAONB Management Forum 8th June.
Public events: 9 events. 116 people participated.

				<p>LDP Preferred Options Paper published in June 2018. Draft Plan Strategy is still in preparation. No change.</p> <p>Continued strong engagement and involvement with local community through volunteers, students, and community groups.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>Protection and improvements are made through regulatory protection activity, promotional and on-the-ground actions by land owners, land managers, citizens and other parties/organisations.</p> <p>Knowledge and expertise have been increased by engagement with the farming community, community groups, schools, universities on how to manage and further sustainable practice on the land and landscape. Also increase in disability resource access. CCGHT are the lead partner on AONB project work.</p>
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Economic/Education/Tourism Actions 23-31

	Economic/Education/Tourism	Action Steering Group (ASG) Lead Pat Mulvenna – Leisure & Development CC&G BC		
	Population Outcome:	All people of Causeway Coast and Glens will contribute to and benefit from a thriving economy built on a culture of growth, entrepreneurship, innovation and learning		
	Intermediate Outcomes:			

		<p>9. <i>The Causeway Coast and Glens area provides opportunities for all to contribute to, engage in and benefit from a more prosperous and fair economy</i></p> <p>10. <i>The Causeway Coast and Glens area attracts and grows profitable businesses</i></p> <p>11. <i>The Causeway Coast and Glens area drives entrepreneurship and fosters innovation</i></p> <p>12. <i>All people of the Causeway Coast and Glens will be knowledgeable and skilled</i></p>		
Action No.	Brief Description	Action Lead	Organisation	Progress
23	Delivery of new Economic Development Strategy – ‘Recovery and Renewal’.	Niall McGurk Head of Prosperity & Place	CC&G Borough Council – Prosperity & Place	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify at least one new key strategic priority Examine all external funding opportunities Define roles of all key delivery partners Continue to deliver business support to help both new and existing businesses. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% - Growth Deal projects identified as key economic driver for next 10-15 years. 100% - External funding opportunities have been identified including: Growth Deal, Complementary Fund, Levelling Up, Peace Plus <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>EDS has been developed under two themes, Recovery and Renewal, with the aspiration of improving the lives of every citizen within the borough through:</p>

				<p>Recovery – Labour Market Activation and Business Starts/ Survival</p> <p>Renewal – Business Evolution, Connected Borough, Green Borough and Renewed Place</p> <p>Further analysis of impact of EDS will be assessed in future reports.</p>
24	<p>To promote the unique offer of the Atlantic Link Enterprise Campus (Enterprise Zone)</p>	<p>Niall McGurk Head of Prosperity & Place</p>	<p>CC&G Borough Council – Prosperity & Place</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify new strategic priorities • Identify Growth Deal opportunities • Number of information communication engagements. <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions have been ongoing with the Department for Economy. • Planning classification investigated. • Discussions with potential tenants ongoing. <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>Council continues to promote the site to prospective investors. Post April 2024 Enhanced Capital Allowances will no longer be extended on the site.</p>

				<p>Council will continue to engage with Government and Treasury regards ALEC being considered as part of the new £150m Enhanced Investment Zone proposition for NI. Following the signing of the Growth Deal Heads of Terms, work will progress in the development of the £16.5m Business Incubation & Innovation Hub OBC.</p> <p>This is a long term project and no impact can be measured until after the capital project is completed and occupied.</p>
25	<p>To increase the level of innovation in the Causeway Coast and Glens area</p>	<p>Niall McGurk Head of Prosperity & Place</p>	<p>Niall McGurk Strategic Projects Manager</p> <p>Des Gartland Regional Manager NW Office</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <p>Increasing the level of Productivity is one of the new DfE Minister’s priority objectives. Innovation is a key driver in delivering higher levels of productivity.</p> <p>In addition to a increased focus on the number of businesses receiving Innovation Accreditations and Investment in Innovative /R&D activities generally, the Economy Minister recently launched a £46m Agri-Food Investment Initiative to support local agri-food and drink processors.</p> <p>The Initiative, developed by Invest Northern Ireland, has been designed to help improve the overall competitiveness and productivity of the agri-food and drink processing sector in Northern Ireland.</p> <p>As Agri-Food and Drink processing are important sectors in Causeway Coasts & Glen, this initiative should increase further the levels of innovative activities/investment in the Council area.</p>

				<p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <p>The Department for the Economy has set the following innovation objectives for Northern Ireland in its 'Delivery Plan 2023-2024'.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase total R&D expenditure by 55% • Increase the number of R&D performing businesses by 450. • Increase number of innovation active firms to 55% of NI businesses • 10% of NI businesses receiving Innovation Accreditation. • The actual outcomes to targets are still to be reported. <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>Too early to determine impact. A high-level Subgroup of relevant partners (Economic Advisory Group) has been set up to review strategic projects relating to the Innovation pillar of the Growth Deal. The following Strategic Projects have been shortlisted to be progressed via the 'Growth Deal' funding mechanism:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Enterprise Zone Digital Innovation Hub.</i> ➤ <i>Centre for Drug Discovery and Pharmaceutical Innovation.</i> ➤ <i>Food Innovation and Incubation Hub</i>
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				<p>A Heads of Terms signing event took place on 24th April (First Minister, Deputy First Minister, and Finance Minister attended).</p> <p>Strategic Outline Cases (SOCs) for the Ulster University-led Centre for Food and Drug Discovery and the Council led Business Innovation and Incubation Hub projects have been endorsed by Invest NI SECC and will now progress to OBC (Outline Business Case) development.</p> <p>Alongside this, in collaboration with partners, DfE and Invest NI will develop a new strategic approach to address the disparity in Northern Ireland's sub-regional economic performance.</p> <p>In June Council & Partners in CC&GC area provided to DfE /Invest NI details on the key priority actions required to address current economic performance disparities in the Council area. These priority actions have been endorsed by Council members and, amongst others, includes the successful deliver of the innovation pillar projects of the £72m Growth Deal for the Council area.</p> <p>Operationally our economic partnership action plan identifies a few innovation actions i.e.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Working in partnership to improve innovation activity in the CC&GBC area via the Innovation Accreditation Scheme / Innovation Vouchers etc.
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Delivery of the Digital Infrastructure Strategy for the Causeway Coast and Glen’s area. Specifically, support businesses to adopt and exploit digital technologies to improve competitiveness & business resilience. ➤ Enhanced Digital Infrastructure in the Causeway Coast and Glen’s area – Project Stratum and FFNI ➤ Working with partners to encourage and support businesses in a drive towards a Low Carbon ‘Green’ Economy.
26	Develop a Digital Infrastructure Strategy for the Causeway Coast and Glens area	Louise Mullan	CC&G Borough Council – Prosperity & Place	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued delivery of Council’s Digital Strategy • Identify and implement innovative urban and rural connectivity schemes • WAN Migration to Full Fibre following completion of FFNI installs • Exploration of Smart Technologies to support industry and residents • Continued promotion of broadband programmes/ consultations <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% Council’s Digital Strategy incorporated into all present and future projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Digital hubs being developed as part of the Growth Deal • Project Stratum deployed expected to conclude in early 2025 • Project Gigabit, DfE expects to appoint contractor by the end of 2024. • 75% ICT Dept. leading on WAN migration for all 47 FFNI sites – EirEvo have been appointed, contract in place. Benefits Realisation to take place once fully operational.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50%– Digital Transformation Flexible Fund supports industry to access Smart Technologies. Officers continue to explore additional projects which utilise Advanced Technologies. • 100% Officers are actively engaged as Council’s Digital Champion for the Mobile Action Plan (MAP) NI <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>Council’s Digital Strategy identified three key themes; Digital Infrastructure, Digital Skills, and the Digital Sector, all of which are considered when developing new projects. Council will be signing the Heads of Terms for our Growth Deal in April 2024 – three digital hubs have been identified within the nine projects. In addition, Officers are exploring a variety of opportunities to support the uptake of digital technologies across the Borough. The Business Development team continue to promote the Digital Transformation Flexible Fund, in conjunction will all other Councils, which target advanced technological improvements within our local businesses. Call 2, received 7 eligible applications from our Council area. Detailed analysis of impacts will take place in future reports.</p>
27	Support in developing of the Causeway Labour Market Partnership supporting educational and skills	Marc McGerty	CC&G Borough Council – Prosperity & Place	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <p>Review of Strategic Assessment and 1 Year Action Plan considering anticipated reduced budget from DfC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retrain Plus 2023-24 (Ongoing in Q2 2024-25)

	<p>initiatives within the Causeway Coast and Glens area.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal Learning Account • Employability NI • Jobs Fairs • Multiply Programme <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <p>LMP Members reviewed the Action Plan for 2024-25 in anticipation of a reduced budget from DfC.</p> <p>130 candidates are still participating on Retrain Pus Academies.</p> <p>£23,381 of Personal Learning Account Grants have been issued to 52 individuals in 2024-25.</p> <p>In June 2024 a Skills 2 Propel Business Breakfast was held with 92 businesses / employers and training organisations in attendance.</p> <p>160 people and 24 employers attended a jobs fair in Coleraine Leisure Centre in June 2024.</p> <p>LMP Secured £280k of funding from DfE for the Multiply Programme. Procurement for a delivery contractor is underway.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p>

				The CCAG LMP Members and Partnership will work very closely with DfC and other LMPs / NI Councils in the delivery of their respective Action Plans. The focus of the CCAG LMP will focus on employability, skills and education initiatives.
28	Develop Energy and Climate Strategy incorporating an Action Plan for the Causeway Coast and Glens area.	Louise Mullan	CC&G Borough Council – Prosperity & Place	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a TOR for Boroughwide Scoping Study • Appoint a specialist advisor/team to assist with development of Boroughwide scoping study • Engage with large scale energy users • Engage in soft market sounding • Environmental Services activities relating to energy/ climate • Form a local collaborative energy group • Support a Smart Local Energy System (SLES) <p>Develop an energy application for Borough (Innovate UK/ DESNZ)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% TOR developed for Boroughwide scoping study • 0% Specialist to be appointed – ITT to be issued January '24 • 50% Council is now supporting INI Industrial Decarbonisation bid to IUK and Queens Occident project. • 100% Business Survey closed October 23 – outcomes from Net Zero questioned being analysed • 100% Environmental Services obtained approval to appoint a Climate Change Management Officer, prepared response to the Pre-Consultation on a review of energy efficiency requirements and

				<p>related areas of Building Regulations and updated the Energy Management Strategy 2015-25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0% - Local collaborative energy group to be formed • 0% - Council to identify SLES which will benefit from financial and promotional assistance within Borough • 0% - Energy application for borough yet to be developed <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>Council has recognised the need to establish baseline data before commissioning the development of a Net Zero Roadmap or Local Authority Energy Plan. External supplier was appointed in March 2024 to undertake scoping exercise to establish baselines. Ultimately the baselines and subsequent Roadmap/ Energy Plan will assist with understand the energy opportunity within the Borough and provide justification for future interventions.</p> <p>Council has limited powers to influence DfE’s priorities within their Path to Net Zero Action Plan. The return of the NI Executive should enhance DfE’s ability to deliver its own action plan.</p> <p>In the coming year, Council will need to adopt a more proactive approach to delivering energy security for it residents and to achieving Net Zero targets.</p>
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	our town centres as places to be.			<p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <p>All 6 forums now established 100%</p> <p>100% of scheduled meetings Apr - Jun 2024 taken place</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>Terms of reference for each location agreed with initial members.</p> <p>Meetings provide a two-way communication channel for stakeholders and council officers.</p>
30	<p>Causeway Coast and Glens will benefit from a thriving and sustainable visitor economy. It will provide a welcoming, year-round, high quality visitor experience, generate opportunities for quality employment, protect its built and</p>	<p>Peter Thompson Head of Tourism & Recreation</p>	<p>CC&G Borough Council</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <p>Destination Marketing</p> <p>Visitor Servicing</p> <p>Trade Engagement</p> <p>Product Development</p> <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Destination team hosted a number of fam trips

	<p>natural environment, and will aim to balance the growth of the economy without having a detrimental impact on the health and wellbeing of local communities.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motorhome journalists from Germany • Italian fam trip doing CCR, staying in The Perch and doing Carrick a Rede and Giant's Causeway • Meet The Buyer fam trips • Content development – food and drink images for summer and autumn campaign • Trade and Consumer Shows • Meet The Buyer 9/10 Apr • Promotion of CCR at Bloom in the Park in partnership with MEA • In partnership with TNI Visit Causeway Coast and Glens attended Best of NI event – Dublin • Delivered event branding and promotional plan in partnership with NW200. • Visitor Servicing Team attended University of Ulster Careers fair • Animation of Ballymoney VIC through working with TR Events team at Ballymoney Spring Fair • 7 VIC's operating within the Destination. • As well as providing an excellent service for our visitors the team continue to work with our experience providers, crafters and local food producers to act as a shop front for them to sell their goods. • Supporting the trade with
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Themed clinic with Sustainability workshop • Marketing workshop – in partnership with TNI & TI • In partnership with Taste Causeway delivered a Taste of Causeway Coast and Glens • Ongoing trade engagement activity – monthly ezines, Face to face meetings, • 1:1, Telephone calls. • A number of trade engagements events have taken place, highlighting the opportunities that exist in working in partnership. • EAGS Ambassador continues to work with TNI and develop Brand Aligned Experiences within the Destination. • Plan for an experience development programme for Autumn 2024 <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p> <p>23 local businesses were equipped to attend Meet the Buyer (TNI’s flagship event)</p> <p>Tourism and Hospitality businesses who featured in the Visit CCAG Spring campaign have reported an increase in traffic to their websites and an increase in bookings.</p> <p>The number of local experience providers/ crafter and food producers working with the VIC’s continues to rise as they see the benefits of this opportunity.</p>
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31	Develop Growth Deal opportunities for the Causeway Coast and Glens area.	Niall McGurk Head of Prosperity & Place	CC&G Borough Council – Prosperity & Place	<p style="text-align: center;">How Much (Quantity)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Programme Board to provide approvals throughout development of Growth Deal • Programme Management Office to undertake work in support of the Growth Deal • Consultant call off framework to be utilised throughout the development of SOCs/OBCs • Independent research/reviews in support of projects to be commissioned (as required) • Outline Business Cases to be commissioned following Heads of Terms • Growth Deal Portfolio Document to be developed <p style="text-align: center;">How Well (Quality)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0% - No Executive Programme Board meetings held this quarter. • 100% Programme Management Office continually working on project development • 100% - Consultant Call Off List utilised for all 7 Council-led projects. Feedback for all businesses received from relevant Departments. • 0% No Independent research/reviews required this quarter. 100% All OBCs have now been commissioned. <p style="text-align: center;">Better Off (Impact)</p>
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				<p>The Growth Deal outlines the approach Council will take to strategically improve the lives of all citizens within the borough through capital projects. The objectives of the Growth Deal are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attract more innovative and internationally focused companies;• Position Causeway Coast and Glens as the 'go-to' region for innovation and tourism;• Improve key elements of strategic transport, digital infrastructure, and digital skill;• Work with communities to raise aspiration and ambition. <p>Detailed analysis of impacts will take place once capital projects have concluded.</p>
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