

Title of Report:	NI 100 Council Centenary Working Group
Committee Report Submitted To:	The Leisure & Development Committee
Date of Meeting:	17 August 2021
For Decision or For Information	For Information

Linkage to Council Strategy (2019-23)	
Strategic Theme	Resilient, Healthy & Engaged Communities Accelerating our Economy and Contributing to Prosperity
Outcome	Council will work to develop and promote stable and cohesive communities across the Borough Promoting the Borough as an attractive place to live, work, invest and visit
Lead Officer	Head of Community and Culture

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

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes	Date: January 2021
	EQIA Required and Completed:	No	Date: N/A
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes	Date: February 2021
	RNA Required and Completed:	No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	No	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide members with an update on the implementation of Council's NI 100 Programme.

2.0 Background

At the November 2018 Corporate Resource & Policy committee meeting a Notice of Motion was carried and subsequently agreed at the Council meeting held in the same month, stating 'That this Council establish a working group, consisting of 6 members by d'Hondt, to explore a programme of events and activities to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Northern Ireland in 2021.'

The Terms of Reference were agreed by Council in July 2020 and the Working Group have been meeting regularly to progress a draft programme and associated branding, with updates being provided to committee.

A programme with associated budget was subsequently approved by Council in March 2021.

3.0 Programme Update

3.1 Additional Projects

Following the report to the committee in March, some additional projects, cost neutral to the budget, have been added with the approval of the working group including:

- Leading Lights talk with David Hume MBE (GR project) - talk which examined the political careers of these significant figures and a human portrayal of individuals who were household names and whose roles helped shape the Northern Ireland of today.
- 100 years for 100 objects – Showcasing relevant Museums collection objects of note <https://niarchive.org/projectitems/100-objects-for-100-years/>
- NI100 photographic diary - A permanent record of Council's NI100 programme facilitated by Council's Museums service - <https://niarchive.org/projectitems/ni100-photographic-diary/>
- Our Story in the Making – Funded by the NIO, this art project will be part of an artwork trail across the 11 council areas. It invites local communities to participate in the creation of a mosaic piece on the theme of 'Glance Back Look Forward' to be located in Drumceatt Square of Roe Valley Arts and Cultural Centre.

3.2 Progress

3.2.1 Project Performance

There are a total of 35 projects on the project register. 1 project is not progressing and 2 are 'on hold' pending successful applications to external funders.

Of the 31 'live' projects, 12 have been completed, 8 are ongoing and 6 are scheduled (yet to commence).

In terms of performance measures, additional detailed information has been included within **Annex A**, however in broad terms:

- Workshops/exhibition events/events/activities: 40/70 (57% attainment).
- Direct participants: 265/770 (34% attainment).
- Resources/booklets/publications etc: 8/12 (66% attainment).
- Groups/organisations/businesses engaged or supported: 82/189 (43% attainment).

3.2.2 Budgetary performance

The table below demonstrates the gross budget, expenditure and income to date:

NI 100 Summary of Prog Costs	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Theme	Total Gross Budget	Amend Gross Budget	Cont from Service Area Budget	Original Net Cost to Council	Amended Net Cost Includes £9,000 transferred from CAH agreed May '21	Spend to Date	Original Funding External Includes TEO	Actual external Funding expended and secured to date
Heritage & Culture (15 projects)	235,900	248,900*	27,025	111,000	120,000	£117,968	97,875	£14,319**
Great Northern Ireland Minds and Innovation (2 projects)	77,000	77,000.00	77,000	0.00	0.00	£62,381	0.00	0.00
Sport & Wellbeing and Community Development (3 projects)	7,865	7,865	7,415	0.00		£2,280	450	0.00
Food, Drink and Ent. (1 project)	10,000	10,000	10,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<u>Overall Total Cost</u>	<u>330,765</u>	<u>343,765</u>	<u>121,440</u>	<u>111,000</u>	<u>120,000</u>	<u>£182,629</u> <u>(53% budget)</u>	<u>98,325</u>	<u>£14,319</u>

*includes £9,000 contribution from CAH Grants as agreed by Council ;£4,000 NIO Funding theme, Our Story in the Making.

**INCOME-TEO, £10,319.25; £4,000 NIOE

3.2.3 Public Relations

Press releases, social media posts and web coverage are positive with the following statistics to date:

- 18 press releases issued to date which has resulted in positive media coverage in both local press with regional coverage as well in the likes of the Newsletter and Irish News.
- 2 radio interviews.

Social media:

- **Facebook** -People Reached – 34,848; likes comments and reactions – 144; Post Clicks – 507.
- **Twitter**- 1,744 Impressions; 69 Engagements.

Annex A

NI 100 Programme aims;

1. Promote the Borough as an attractive place to visit, invest and do business, utilising the centenary to celebrate our people, places and products by showcasing the rich sporting, cultural, entrepreneurial and academic talent which exists therein
2. Build a shared understanding of our collective history in a way that can build good relations and reconciliation within and between communities by facilitating opportunities that both reflect on our past as well as build for our future
3. Recognise and build awareness of this significant anniversary, locally, nationally and internationally, supporting expression of the diverse identities and culture that exist within the Borough

workshop

NI 100											
Theme	NI100 Project	Activity	Outcomes	Budget	Expenditure to Date %	Budget Remaining %	Performance Measures	Performance Targets	Performance Targets Progress to Date	% Target Achieved	Additional
Heritage & Culture	Ethnical and Shared remembering programme (Good Relations)	Online delivery of the programme will take place during January / February	Participants will be engaged in exploring the inherited historical narratives of the centenary events in a deeply respectful way, while engaging in an open and honest exploration of all that happened Participants will recognise and build awareness of significant historical anniversaries locally, nationally and internationally, providing an understanding for expression of the diverse identities and culture that exist within the Borough	£2,000.00	£1,500.00	25%	Facilitated workshop	4	4	100%	Project Complete
							Participants	15	34	227%	
	Partition: What did it do for us?	Online delivery of the programme will take place during February/March	Participants will be engaged in exploring the inherited historical narratives of the Road to Partition and the formation of Northern Ireland Participants will be presented with the historical narratives that will raise awareness of the impact on the 2 minority communities beached on the wrong side of the border. Participants will gain an understanding of how the historical events impacted on the political and religious divide of the 2 main traditions in a deeply respectful way in order to assist in increasing respect for different cultures and identities	£900.00	£0.00	100%	Facilitated workshop	6	18	300%	Project Complete
							Particpans	15	49	327%	
	Hide or Seek	The Hide and Seek Teachers and pupils educational resource will be updated to reflect the current political and position. Re-Launch to take place Distribute resources to all secondary level schools within the Borough	This resource aims to build confidence, resilience, citizenship, and raise awareness of the political diversity within the Borough. It aims to help young people to consider their role in society and promote active engagement in the civic life	£700.00	£2,960.00	-323%	Teachers resource updated	1	1	100%	Project Complete
							Pupils Resource Updated	1	1	100%	
	Partition in Ireland:Partition of Ulster exhibition 1919 – 1922	Touring exhibition programme with a focus on exploring the period 1919 - 1922 and local connections with Anglo Irish War/Irish War of Independence, Partition, Anglo Irish Treaty and Irish War of Independence	A better understanding of local connections to the events leading up to Partition	£3,000.00	£2,069.00	31%	Exhibition	1	1	100%	Exhibition currently in Ballymorney Museum, planned to be in RVACC & Coleraine Town Hall in Autumn
	Partition in Ireland:Partition of Ulster workshops 1919 – 1922	Delivery in March 2020 of 4 workshops online and in venue to schools	A better understanding of local connections to the events leading up to Partition	£6,000.00	£0.00	100%	Workshop plans and activities for future online and in venue delivery	2		0%	Due to impact of lockdown on Secondary schools, workshops rescheduled for Autumn 2021
			Workshops delivered online subject to schools response				4		0%		
			Workshops				6	6	100%		
Partition in Ireland: Partition of Ulster Good Relations Workshop programme		A better understanding of local connections to the events leading up to Partition				Participants	15	40	267%		
						Workshop materials will be uploaded onto www.niarhive.org	1	1	100%		
Heritage & Culture	100 years - Our Famous sons and daughters' community engagement and exhibition programme - Phase 1	Project will showcase Famous sons and daughters as nominated by local people. Opening up nominations to all interests through social media and press, there are opportunities to build good relations by recognising those people who have made a significant contribution to our Borough Cross cutting all themes would showcase the achievements of individuals and groups in the last 100 years. Nominations based on agreed criteria sought through social media and press campaigns	Increased awareness in the community of the achievements of local people from multiple perspectives.	£2,500.00	£795.00	32%	List of nominations	100	100	100%	Our Famous Sons and Daughters was featured on BBC Radio Ulster programme "Our Place and Mine" and within the Belfast Telegraph Weekend magazine. Further coverage of all elements of the programme has been carried within local newspapers, the Chronicle and Times
							Full list of nominations will be available online at www.niarhive.org	1	1	100%	
							hard copy booklet produced	1	1	100%	
	100 years - Our Famous sons and daughters' community engagement and exhibition programme -Phase 2	Community consultation October 2020. Verification and approvals completed January 2021	Exhibition design and print spring 2021	£4,500.00	£1,767.10	61%	Online Exhibition	1	1	100%	
	American Research Project	Subject to Funding		£15,000.00	£0.00	100%		0	0	0%	Funding Proposal redirected to alternative funding theme, outcome not yet known as at June 21
	NI Centenary Civic Week- Church Service	Civic Church Service - 2nd May 2021	This project provides an opportunity for Council to come together as a corporate body to build awareness of this significant anniversary.	£0.00	£170.00	0%	Church Service	1	1	100%	The Church service was contained within the Newsletter and Irish News centenary coverage
	NI Centenary Civic Week- Armed Forces Day Civic Event		This project will show Council's support for the Armed Forces community who have served and are currently serving in Northern Ireland and abroad.	£0.00	£0.00	0%	Armed Service Day Flag Raised Service held Wreath laid	1 1 1	1 1 1	100% 100% 100%	Project Complete
NI 100 Community Grant Programme	Implementation of a Small Grant Programme to provide funding for community and voluntary groups to deliver projects in their communities to mark the centenary.	As a result of the project being delivered there will be: - an increased awareness in local communities of this significant anniversary; - a shared understanding of our collective history will be developed; - increased good relations between communities	£89,000.00	£89,000.00	0%	Grants Awarded	30	31	103%	45 applications submitted, 31 successful PR coverage of events funded due to take place with Elected Members & successful organisations	
100 Years Reflection on Causeway Coast and Glens	Desktop research into key events and achievements Writing up of findings Scriptwriting, design and print of a publication	Research and publication will reveal achievements of the first 100 years of NI and raise awareness and understanding of our shared history of this period	£15,000.00	£7,935.00		Research paper Publication	1 1	1 1	100% 100%	Phase 1 - Research Complete Scriptwriter appointed	

Heritage & Culture	Art Exhibition	Exhibition representing Council's Art Collection established during last 100 years and curated according to NI100 themes Exhibition tours for public including school/community groups Creative workshops for children and young adults exploring exhibition content	Exhibition celebrating NI 100 as part of Council Initiative -Public gaining access to Council's Art Collections including items rarely displayed -Increased public understanding of value and significance of visual arts in documenting societal and community histories -Increased public understanding and appreciation of value of Council's Art Collection, majority of which obtained through personal donations and bequeathment				Exhibition taking place in both Flowerfield Arts Centre & Roe Valley Arts Centre, September- November 2021	1		0%	Exhibition taking place in Flowerfield Arts Centre 7th August - 11th September Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre 1st - 31st December
	Stain Glass Window - Coleraine Town Hall	Commission, Design & Installation of 1 Stained Glass Window in Coleraine Town Hall	Staind Glass Window installed in Coleraine Town Hall utilising centenary to celebrate our people, places and cultural talent; with an understanding of collective history and building awareness of anniversary	£20,000.00	£0.00	100%	Stained Glass Window fitted in Coleraine Town Hall	1		0%	Design company appointed Church Street facing Window agreed as location of window to be installed Approved by Council
	Tree Planting	100 trees to be made available for groups/organisations to plant (1 per group) along with a plaque	Community Groups will plant trees at various locations across the Borough.	£11,000.00	£5,500.00	50%	Trees Planted throughout the Borough, 1 per Community & Voluntary Organisation	100	21 eoi		Expression of Interest closed 30th July 2021 21 EOs received as at 28th July 21
	London Event	This project would involve the planting of a tree by the Mayor at The Honourable The Irish Society premises in London.	This project will raise awareness of NI centenary in GB and build a shared understanding of our collective history by celebrating Council's historic links with The Honourable The Irish Society.	£1,500.00	£0.00		Plaque to be sited at Guildhall	1		0%	Provision dates are currently 22nd - 26th November 2021. Now part of a wider NI Event to include other Councils and organisations. Consideration is being given to adapting the original tree planting event (possibly to a plaque unveiling), at the Guildhall complex, subject to City of London approvals.
Heritage & Culture	Flowerbeds	Planting of flowerbeds in four main towns	Flowerbed planting will reflect 100 year anniversary	£500.00	£920.00	-84%	Purple & White Flowers sourced	4	4	100%	Flowerbeds planted in 4 main towns, signs in each flowerbed Difficulty in sourcing purple flowers - beds planted in white flowers.
							Planting in Towns, Ballycastle, Ballymoney, Coleraine & Limavady	4	4	100%	
	University of Ulster Media students graphic novel project for NI100	UU led - An opportunity to see the NI100 programme being used to support University curriculum and students portfolios	Council benefit from resources to reach new audiences and showcase the Borough, this includes students creating a graphic novel for their own age groups on aspect of achievements during last 100 years	£0.00	£0.00	#DIV/0!	TBC				
	University of Ulster Media students interactive video projects for NI100	Led by the University, Ulster University students will use the achievements of the first 100 years of Northern Ireland to showcase the borough, through a series of interactive video productions.	The project will build awareness with a young adult audience who would not otherwise engage with other planned programme activities, while supporting students in terms of media project objectives/targets	£1,500.00	£0.00	100%	TBC				
	NHLF Shared History Fund: 'Connecting Threads - 100 years of sharing our histories' ** (working title)	Range of workshops/accredited training for adults/schools Publication American Connections	Supporting our young people and unemployed through skills development Better awareness and understanding of our shared history	£64,800.00	£0.00	100%	See Note/Additional comment**				Funding Proposal redirected to alternative funding theme, outcome not yet known as at June 21**
	Centenarians 100th Birthday Gifts	The Mayor will present a gift to residents celebrating their 100 th birthday in 2021.	This project will recognise residents who will celebrate their 100 th birthday in 2021.	£1,000.00	£922.50	8%	Commemorative coin to be presented to centenarians	10	8	80%	Two scheduled in July/September Project will run until December 21. Additional costs will be met by Mayoral Budget
	Ulster Tower 100 Years old	Visit to the Somme to mark the 100 th anniversary of the Ulster Tower.	This project will promote a shared understanding of our collective history and build good relations and reconciliation by facilitating a visit to the Somme by Elected Members in November 2021.	£0.00	£1,200.00	0%	Trip to the Somme/Ulster Tower	1		0%	Scheduled to take place in November, dependant on Covid Restrictions Costs met from existing budget with DS Budget £2,496
PR & Branding-2021	Development of a small and simple brand	Development a brand that could be used against any or all events and programmes, but which is aimed at celebrating the 100 years of Northern Ireland	£7,000.00	£4,322.00	38%	Branding Designed	1	1	100%	Launch Video developed and released 3rd May Social Media Engagement FACEBOOK • People Reached – 34,848 • Likes comments and reactions – 144 • Post Clicks – 507 TWITTER 1,744 Impressions 69 Engagements	
						Promotional Items	1	1	100%	Umbrellas, mugs, pens and pen drives provided	

Great Northern Ireland Minds and Innovation	Enterprise Fund (NI 100)	Support to local business within the CCGBC area through an Open Call to submit application for funding stream.	The Enterprise Fund seeks to help young businesses, under two years old, who need assistance in taking the next step in their growth plan. The funding is to address barriers to growth via innovative approaches.	£75,000.00	£62,381.83	17%	Organisations awarded	15	15	100%	34 Applications received, 15 successful. 15 Approved by Council
	Support for Chamber event			£2,000.00	£0.00	100%	Chamber supported	0	0	0%	Chamber chose not to take part on the programme
	Shared Spaces Art Project	Creative arts competition for public submission	Those who submit to the competition will have given consideration and reflection of the Causeway area and all that is good / positive about the area, spaces, places and people. The project will provide a sense of belonging to the area	£600.00	£400.00	33%	Competition Engaging local people	1	1	100%	
Sport & Wellbeing and Community Development	Celebration for organisations celebrating 100 years	The Mayor will present a gift to organisations celebrating 100 years in 2021.	This project will recognise organisations celebrating 100 years in 2021.	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	0%	Framed picture of Council crest and NI100 logo to be presented to organisations.	10	15	150%	Project will run until December 21. Additional costs will be met by Mayoral Budget
	Freedom for the Royal Portrush	Freedom of the Borough awarded to Royal Portrush Golf Club	This project will acknowledge the contribution of RFGC to the success of the Open Golf Championship in July 2019 and will build on the legacy of the tournament which attracted so many visitors to the Borough.	£5,000.00	£1,880.00	62%	Freedom of the Borough awarded	1	1	100%	Project Complete
	Heritage Games (linked to Play)	Delivery of school yard games played over the last 100 years	Use the in-school event as an education tool to demonstrate unstructured play and imagination with a child centric focus	£1,025.20	£0.00	100%	Schools participating	20			Event scheduled to take place in September 70 Primary Schools invited to participate To date 28 Primary Schools confirmed
							Sessions Delivered in Schools	20			
	Mary Peters Centenary Games	Project content Based around the Heptathlon events of 100m Sprint, High Jump, Shot Put, 200m, Long Jump, Javelin throw and 800 metres. By competing in the Olympics, Mary brought the country together, therefore the overriding theme will be sport for all	Highlight Causeway Borough via the celebrating of a Northern Ireland Icon by hosting an event in her honour. A world-renowned athlete who brought much need joy to Northern Ireland during a difficult time.	£1,240.67	£0.00	100%	Post primary schools involved at Year 8 and 9	14		0%	Event scheduled to take place in September 21 14 Post Primary school invited to participate To date 5 Post Primary confirmed
							Finale Event	1			0%
Participants							60			0%	
Food, Drink and Entertainment	Celebration of local agriculture, producers, agri-food and suppliers	Develop a series of video content, in collaboration with Taste Causeway, showcasing the produce from the area, useable by Council, the producers/sellers, or any other interested party. This content could be branded with NI 100 logos etc. and released via youtube etc.	Showcasing the agricultural output/food producers and sellers within the Borough.	£10,000.00	£0.00	100%	Event	1	1	100%	Content confirmed for the Video and narrative by Paula McIntyre on the provenance, history and heritage of local food and drink in the Causeway Coast and Glens over the last 100 years. Recording to take place late July early August.
Additionality											
Additionality	Leading Lights talk with David Hume MBE	Participants will have the opportunity to hear about some of the leading political figures when Northern Ireland was established in 1921, and how their lives intertwine with the state which they became part of.	This is a talk which will examine the political careers of these significant figures but also provide a human portrayal of individuals who were household names and whose roles helped shape the Northern Ireland of today	0	150.00	Costs met by existing budget, no additional cost to NI100 programme	Leading Lights talk	1	1	100%	Costs met by existing budget, no additional cost to NI100 programme
							Participants	40	19	48%	
Additionality	100 years for 100 objects	This project will provide online access, via the museum Facebook pages, to at least 100 objects from the four museum collections – Ballycastle, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Limavady. The items selected will reflect the history of the borough and our communities. All objects selected will relate to a decade within the last 100 years.	Providing increased access to collections from our stores. Engaging local communities with their history.	0	£0.00	Costs met by existing budget, no additional cost to NI100 programme	Object posts across the four Museum facebook pages	100	8	8%	Ongoing posts to Council Social Media and NI Archive https://niarchive.org/projects/ni100-objects-for-100-years/
							Artwork installed in Drumceatt Square, RVACC	1			Funded by NIO levered in £4,000 any additional costs met by existing budget Pop up workshops x 5 will be co-ordinated throughout the Borough in August with the final piece installed in Drumceatt Square, Roe Valley Arts Centre by end of September
							participants	100			
	NI100 photographic diary	All images recorded and uploaded on https://niarchive.org/projectitems/ni100-photographic-diary/ and linked to Councils website	A permanent record for future generations to understand what Council did for the anniversary of the first 100 years of Northern Ireland	0	£0.00	Costs met by existing budget, no additional cost to NI100 programme	Photograph log online	1		0%	Photographs will be added to NI Archive as a record https://niarchive.org/projects/ni100-objects-for-100-years/