



April 25th, 2025

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Notice Of Meeting

A meeting of the Regeneration and Growth Committee will take place on **Thursday, 1st May 2025 at 6:00 pm** in the **Council Chamber and Remote Locations** for the transaction of business on the undernoted agenda.

DAVID BURNS
Chief Executive
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council

Agenda

1.0 APOLOGIES

2.0 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

- (i) conflict of interest on any matter before the meeting (Members to confirm the specific item)
- (ii) pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest (Member to complete disclosure of interest form)

📎 *Disclosure of Interests form Sept 24.doc*

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3.0 REPORT FROM HEAD OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

3.1 NI Enterprise Support Service - Go-Succeed: Delivery Update to March 2025 & 2025/26 (2026/27) Funding Overview

For Decision

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3.2 NI Housing Executive (NIHE) Social Investment Strategy 2025-2030 - Consultation

📎 *2. NIHE Draft Social Investment Strategy 2025-2030.pdf*

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4.0 REPORT FROM HEAD OF PLANNING & CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

4.1 Local Development Plan 2032 Quarterly Update

For Noting

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5.0 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT FROM DIRECTOR OF REGENERATION & GROWTH

5.1 Business Case for Integrated Marketing Campaign (to include Royal Hillsborough and Historic Moira)

For Decision

Confidential due to information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information).

5.2 On-Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme (ORCS)

For Decision

Confidential due to:

A) Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information), and

B) Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the Council or a Government Department and employees of, or office holders under, the Council.

▣ 2Confidential FINAL On-Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme (ORCS).pdf

Not included

5.3 Public Realm CCTV Integration

For Noting

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B) Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated

consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the Council or a Government Department and employees of, or office holders under, the Council.

📄 *3Confd FINAL Public Realm CCTV May 2025 09 April 25 - For Noting.pdf*

Not included

5.4 Barbour Gardens Community Engagement

For Decision

Confidential due to information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information).

📄 *4Confd FINAL Barbour Gardens Community Consultation 2.0 (002) (002).pdf*

Not included

6.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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MEMBERS DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

1. Pecuniary Interests

The Northern Ireland Local Government Code of Conduct for Councillors under Section 6 requires you to declare at the relevant meeting any pecuniary interest that you may have in any matter coming before any meeting of your Council.

Pecuniary (or financial) interests are those where the decision to be taken could financially benefit or financially disadvantage either you or a member of your close family. A member of your close family is defined as at least your spouse, live-in partner, parent, child, brother, sister and the spouses of any of these. Members may wish to be more prudent by extending that list to include grandparents, uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces or even close friends.

This information will be recorded in a Statutory Register. On such matters **you must not speak or vote**. Subject to the provisions of Sections 6.5 to 6.11 of the Code, if such a matter is to be discussed by your Council, **you must withdraw from the meeting whilst that matter is being discussed**.

2. Private or Personal Non-Pecuniary Interests

In addition you must also declare any significant private or personal non-pecuniary interest in a matter arising at a Council meeting (please see also Sections 5.2 and 5.6 and 5.8 of the Code).

Significant private or personal non-pecuniary (membership) interests are those which do not financially benefit or financially disadvantage you or a member of your close family directly, but nonetheless, so significant that could be considered as being likely to influence your decision.

Subject to the provisions of Sections 6.5 to 6.11 of the Code, you must declare this interest as soon as it becomes apparent and **you must withdraw from any Council meeting (including committee or sub-committee meetings) when this matter is being discussed**.

In respect of each of these, please complete the form below as necessary.

Pecuniary Interests

Meeting (Council or Committee - please specify and name):

Date of Meeting: _____

Item(s) in which you must declare an interest (please specify item number from report):

Nature of Pecuniary Interest:

Private or Personal Non-Pecuniary Interests

Meeting (Council or Committee - please specify and name):

Date of Meeting: _____

Item(s) in which you must declare an interest (please specify item number from report):

Nature of Private or Personal Non-Pecuniary Interest:

Name:

Address:

Signed:

Date:

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*If you have any queries please contact David Burns, Chief Executive,
Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council*

Committee:	Regeneration and Growth Committee
Date:	1 May 2025
Report from:	Head of Economic Development

Item for:	Decision
Subject:	NI Enterprise Support Service - Go-Succeed: Delivery Update to March 2025 & 2025/26 (2026/27) Funding Overview

1.0 Background

1. The Go Succeed service formally launched in November 2023. It is designed to support individuals and businesses throughout their start-up and growth journey. It aims to establish strong connections during the initial stages of business development, foster the creation of high-value enterprises, drive innovation and growth in existing businesses, and enable effective scaling for long-term success.

Key Issues

1. Programme Delivery for 2024/25: Delivery and outputs have been good across key areas for LCCC, particularly within the Engage, Growth, Scaling, and Grants strands. A detailed breakdown of performance against targets for the period November 2023 to December 2024 is also provided (**see Appendix**).
2. The final outputs including January to March 2025 are still pending from BCC. Once received, a final overview report will be included on a future noting schedule.
3. Overall, the new programme has performed well. As a newly designed initiative, some elements, particularly the 'Growth' stage, have shown strong results. There were some limitations in the 'Foundation' stage in terms of delivery, but these have been offset by the overperformance of the 'Business Grants' element.
4. Further progress may still be made before year-end with final reporting still outstanding, but the insights gathered to date have been key to shaping the service moving forward.
5. A highlight for the year has been the strong performance of the Grants strand. LCCC was originally allocated a grant budget of £301,000 for the 18-month Go Succeed service period, with an estimated delivery of 86 grants. Due to under-delivery in some other Councils and in the Foundation element, LCCC received two additional reallocations of grant funding. This enabled the team to significantly scale up delivery, resulting in 130 grants issued with a total UKSPF spend of £394,000. The average grant awarded was £3,207. This represents an over-delivery of 44 grants and an increase of 51% compared to the original target. Full details of grant targets and spend are provided (**see Appendix**).
6. By way of example a local branding business in Lisburn city centre received a Go Succeed grant in the sum of approximately £3k to purchase a colour printing process machine to enable them to offer trade printing and branding. This small investment has created an additional revenue stream for the business and

therefore attracted more corporate customer base. In support of the programme the business has stated the following:

"I applied for the grant about a week and a half ago and I got accepted for it within three days, that's been brilliant. The equipment arrived recently and it's just been unreal and that's going to let me employ someone within the next few months".

7. **Future UKSPF Funding:** A one-year extension in funding has been secured by BCC on behalf of the 11 councils. The new allocation includes a reduction overall on the 2024/25 funding amount by the UK Government. Each Council's match funding requirement remains unchanged for 2025/26 to facilitate programme delivery.
8. A one-year extension of the NI-wide service has now been confirmed at £9,200,000 (including business grants) for the period from April 2025 to 31st March 2026. While this funding has been secured through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), a Letter of Offer is still pending. As part of this, Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council will receive £477,662 for programme delivery, along with an additional £135,000 allocated for business grants, totalling £612,662 funding from UKSPF.
9. LCCC's overall predicted outputs and outcomes will remain broadly in line with current-year activity. It should be noted that we are working with in-year (period 9) data which does not reflect the outcomes for the full 2024/25 year. The estimated headline outputs for 2025/26 are as follows:

GO- SUCCEED	2025 – 2026	Outputs
Engage	No. of participants	270
	No. of business plans	173
	No. of new Jobs created	56
Foundation	No. of participants	66
	No. of business plans created	62
	No. of new Jobs created	40
Growth	No. of participant businesses	160
	No. of new jobs created	58

10. **Extension of Collaboration Agreement to Align with New Funding Period:** An existing Collaboration Agreement is in place between BCC and LCCC for delivery of the service and it is intended that this be extended to 31st March 2026 in line with the new funding arrangement.
11. In February 2025, the Regeneration & Growth Committee approved a funding request of up to £48,000 from Belfast City Council (BCC), acting as Lead Council for the Go Succeed service. This funding was an indicative allocation intended to support staff resources within the BCC Programme Management Office (PMO) for the first three months of the 2025/26 financial year. The request was made considering the potential closure of the Go Succeed service, as its initial funding was set to conclude on 31st March 2025, with no confirmed additional funding at that time.
12. Only £42,102 of the previously allocated £48,000 funding is now required. It is proposed that this £42K be redirected to support staff resourcing within the BCC

	<p>PMO during the initial months of the 2026/27 financial year, while efforts to secure additional funding continue.</p> <p>13. It should be noted that BCC as lead council are in discussion with the Department for the Economy regarding the potential revision of Councils' statutory jobs targets. This work is ongoing and will be the subject of a future report to the committee.</p>	
2.0	<p><u>Recommendation</u></p> <p>It is recommended that the committee considers and</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agrees the commitment of £119,153 of current budgets as match funding for 2025/26 to support programme delivery. 2. Approves the signing of a one-year extension to the Go Succeed collaboration agreement between BCC and LCCC for 2025/26, subject to no significant changes in the terms and conditions. 3. Agrees the allocation of £42,102 for PMO staff resources for the 2026/27 financial year, pending the confirmation of additional UKSPF or alternative funding beyond 2025/26. 4. Notes the overperformance in business grants awarded (over-delivery of 44 grants, an increase of 51%). 	
3.0	<p><u>Finance and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>The 2025/26 Economic Development budget estimate process has included provision for £119,153 to support an enterprise support service.</p> <p>The commitment of £42,102 will be part of the budget allocation for 2026/27.</p>	
4.0	<p><u>Equality/Good Relations and Rural Needs Impact Assessments</u></p>	
4.1	<p>Has an equality and good relations screening been carried out?</p>	<p>YES</p>
4.2	<p>Summary of the key issues identified and proposed mitigating actions <u>or</u> rationale why the screening was not carried out.</p> <p>Section 75 Equality and Good Relations Screening was carried out by Belfast City Council on behalf of all eleven Councils. There are no major levels of impact, and no negative impacts have been identified during the screening process. Any issues re ensuring accessibility and equal participation in business support programmes ca proposed for the programmes.</p>	
4.3	<p>Has a Rural Needs Impact Assessment (RNIA) been completed?</p>	<p>YES</p>
4.4	<p>Summary of the key issues identified and proposed mitigating actions <u>or</u> rationale why the screening was not carried out.</p> <p>No key issues identified - the Go Succeed Programme will not impact differently on businesses in rural areas. Businesses which are eligible may apply for support and benefit regardless of urban or rural location.</p> <p>RNIA for Go Succeed also completed by Belfast City Council (Lead Council)</p>	

Appendices

Appendix 1a - Performance Against Output Targets (2024–25) & Performance Indicators (2025–26)
Appendix 1b - Summary of Grants delivered to businesses 2023/24

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NI Enterprise Support Service – Go Succeed

Performance Against Output Targets (2024–25) and Performance Indicators (2025–26)

		Nov. 2023 to Dec 2024 Delivery Target*	Nov. 2023 to Dec 2024 Actual Outputs**	2025/26 Delivery Target
Engage	No. of participants	334	348	270
	No. of business plans created	215	131	173
	No. of new businesses created	116	83	94
	No. of new Jobs created	70	50	56
Foundation	No. of participants	151	61	66
	No. of business plans created	87	18	62
	No. of new businesses created	47	10	34
	No. of new Jobs created	57	12	40
Growth	No. of Participant Businesses (Initial target of 320 over 2 yrs reduced to 18 mths.)	264	284	160
	No. of new Jobs created	119	128	58
Scaling	No. of businesses supported to scale their businesses	2	4	2
<u>Grants</u>	No. of Grants Offers / Grants Delivered	86	130 / 123	45
	Average £ supported by UKSPF and Council	£3,500	£3207	£3,000
	% Match funding from business	30%	30%	50%
	Total Value of Grant Support UKSPF	£ 283,500	£394,493	£135,982

* Pro rata targets based on the first three quarters of the programme delivery period (Dec'23-Mar'25)

**Awaiting final Output Indicators for Jan'25 – Mar'25 from BCC as lead council.

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NI Enterprise Support Service – Go Succeed

Grant Budget Overview (Nov 2023 – March 2025)

Item	Details
Initial number of grants assigned to LCCC	86
Programme Period	November 2023 – March 2025
Initial budget allocation (based on £3,500 per business)	£301,000
Revised budget following reallocation of £91,000 (due to Foundation underperformance)	£392,000
Final budget following a further £31,000 reallocation (due to underperformance across other councils)	£423,000
Actual number of grants delivered	123
Actual LoO awarded	130
Actual spend across 123 grants (average £3,207 per business)	£394,461
% Spend against original budget	131%
% Spend against final budget	93%
Note: Final spend reflects an average award of £3,207 per business versus the budgeted £3,500	

Committee:	Regeneration & Growth
Date:	1 May 2025
Report from:	Head of Economic Development

Item for:	Decision
Subject:	NI Housing Executive (NIHE) Social Investment Strategy 2025-2030 - Consultation

1.0 **Background**

1. The NIHE has released its draft Social Investment Strategy 2025-2030 entitled 'People, Place and Prosperity' for public consultation.
2. The consultation documents can be accessed from the link below

[The Housing Executive - Consultations](#)
3. The consultation will run for 12 weeks from 21 February 2025 up to 16 May 2025.

Key Issues

1. Because of the clear focus on social enterprise, the consultation response will be led by Economic Development but will also include important input from the Communities Unit because of the strategic priorities of community wealth building and social value.
2. The draft strategy will focus on a number of key themes:
 - Plural ownership
 - Locally rooted finance
 - Fair employment
 - Socially productive use of land and property
 - Progressive commissions
 - Sourcing and procurement for goods and services
3. In the draft strategy the NIHE plan to raise awareness and capacity in communities to avail of opportunities available as a result of wider Government spend and also that of the NIHE's annual spend and the social benefits which accompany that.
4. The NIHE want to continue to invest in social enterprises where they require assistance for increased / new employability, training, reskilling and volunteering opportunities. The NIHE also want to maximise other learning and skills development opportunities by engaging with academic and accrediting bodies and inter-agency partnerships, gathering knowledge, information, and contacts for the benefit of individuals and our communities.
5. It is proposed that Members consider the draft strategy and in particular the questions highlighted in the consultation response document (link attached above) and provide any comment by Wednesday 7 May 2025 to either the Head

	<p>of Economic Development or the Head of Communities for inclusion in the Council's response. The response will be submitted by the closing date and subsequently reported for retrospective approval to the Regeneration & Growth Committee in June.</p>	
2.0	<p><u>Recommendation</u></p> <p>It is recommended that the Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Considers the draft strategy and consultation questions. 2. Provides any comments for inclusion in the Council response to the relevant Head of Service by 7 May 2025. 3. Agrees that the final Council response is submitted by 16 May 2025 and considered for approval retrospectively at the June meeting of the Regeneration and Growth Committee through the noting schedule. 	
3.0	<p><u>Finance and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>None</p>	
4.0	<p><u>Equality/Good Relations and Rural Needs Impact Assessments</u></p>	
4.1	Has an equality and good relations screening been carried out?	No
4.2	<p>Brief summary of the key issues identified and proposed mitigating actions <u>or</u> rationale why the screening was not carried out</p> <p>Strategy Consultation – no need for equality screening by the Council</p>	
4.3	Has a Rural Needs Impact Assessment (RNIA) been completed?	No
4.4	<p>Brief summary of the key issues identified and proposed mitigating actions <u>or</u> rationale why the screening was not carried out.</p> <p>Strategy Consultation – no need for rural screening by the Council</p>	

Appendices:	N/A
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Committee:	Regeneration and Growth Committee
Date:	1 May 2025
Report from:	Head of Planning and Capital Development

Item for:	Noting
Subject:	Local Development Plan 2032 Quarterly Update

1.0 **Background**

1. In accordance with regulation 6 of the Planning (Local Development Plan) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015, the Local Development Plan (LDP) 2032 the timetable provides indicative dates (Q3 2025 – Q3 2026) for the publication (in draft) and adoption (Q3-Q4 2028) of its Local Policies Plan (LPP).

Current Work

2. Members should be aware, in view of the above timetable dates, of the following:
 - Assessment continues of the evidence base required to support the site-specific policies, proposals, zonings and designations in relation to housing, employment, retailing, natural and built environment, and infrastructure.
 - The Head of Planning and Capital Development and members of the LDP team met with DfI Planning on 5th February 2025 to discuss the issue of Sprucefield, following the findings of the PAC after the Independent Examination. Further meetings will be required to progress the matter. A procurement for a retail consultant to prepare an evidence base for the regional shopping designation is on-going.
 - Procurement briefs to appoint appropriate experts to assist the Council in its site-specific policies, proposals, zonings and designations are complete. Tender invites are due to issue imminently.
 - DfI Roads continue to draft the Eastern Transport Plan (ETP 2035) which is integral to the Council's LPP. The ETP aims to provide attractive and viable alternative modes of transport to reduce unnecessary car journeys, creating safer, healthier communities by reducing carbon emission and improving air quality. The Plan Team continue to have regular meetings with DfI Roads, first commenced in February 2024, on matters relevant to the Council area as DfI Roads progress with drafting their ETP.
 - In addition, the Plan Team continue to provide consultation response to Development Management on matters concerning conservation areas and natural heritage (trees and their protection).

Other Matters

- The Plan Team continue to engage internally on the update to the Council's Car Parking Strategy.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Plan Team have provided input to the Council's response on the Department for Infrastructure's Active Travel Delivery Plan. This consultation closed on the 28th February 2025. 	
2.0	<p><u>Recommendation</u></p> <p>Members are asked to note the above update on progress with the Local Development Plan</p>	
3.0	<p><u>Finance and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>There are no finance or resource implications.</p>	
4.0	<p><u>Equality/Good Relations and Rural Needs Impact Assessments</u></p>	
4.1	Has an equality and good relations screening been carried out?	No
4.2	Brief summary of the key issues identified and proposed mitigating actions <u>or</u> rationale why the screening was not carried out	N/A
4.3	Has a Rural Needs Impact Assessment (RNIA) been completed?	No
4.4	Brief summary of the key issues identified and proposed mitigating actions <u>or</u> rationale why the screening was not carried out.	N/A

Appendices:	N/A
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