

Title of Report: Good Relations bid to The Executive Office (2019-2020) and Indicative Budgets 2020-2022	Officer Presenting: Director of Health and Community Author: Head of Community Development and Leisure
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1 Purpose of Report/Recommendations

- 1.1 To seek Members' approval of the Good Relations bid for funding to The Executive Office (TEO) 2019-20 and indicative summary bids and budgets (2020-2022) as part of TEO District Council Good Relations Programme.

2 Background

- 2.1 On 12th December 2018, DCSDC received an invitation from the Together: Building a United Community (T:BUC) branch of The Executive Office to prepare a Good Relations funding bid for three years 2019-2022 (detailed bid Year 1 2019/20 and indicative bids Years 2 and 3 2020-2022).
- 2.2 The Good Relations Audit, Strategy and Action Plan 2018-21 was approved by the Health and Community Committee on 17th January 2019 (HC11/19) and ratified by full Council on 31st January 2019. Following discussions with regard to issues raised by Members at previous committee meetings, it was agreed that resources continue to be allocated equally between Ulster Scots and Irish traditions.
- 2.3 Recommendations from the audit and the above report formed the basis of the Good Relations bid. Eighteen programmes have been identified which focus on the four T:BUC themes, Children and Young People, Shared Community, Safe Community and Cultural Expression.
- 2.4 Members will be aware that submission of the Good Relations Action plan was previously approved at the February 2019 Health & Community Committee (HC38/19) and ratified by Council (C64/19).

3 Key Issues

- 3.1 Members of the Good Relations Working Group were provided with a draft copy of the bid on 8th February 2019 for review and feedback and were satisfied for the bid to be submitted to TEO, subject to Council approval.

3.2 The bid was submitted to TEO on the deadline of 15th February 2019 and a copy is attached for information and approval. (Appendix 1)

4 Financial, Equality, Legal, HR, Improvement, Rural Needs and other Implications

4.1 The total cost of the bid for year one is £583,358.52. A total of £437,518.89 (75%) to be provided by The Executive Office and this will require a match contribution of £145,839.63 (25%) from Derry City and Strabane District Council. This is available within the Health and Community approved budget for 2019/20.

4.2 Indicative total costs for years two and three are £593,428.23 and £602,411.50 respectively.

4.3 There are no other equality, legal or HR implications at this stage.

5 Recommendations

5.1 That Members approve the Good Relations bid 2019-2020 as submitted to The Executive Office.

Background Papers

Appendix 1: Draft of the bid to The Executive Office 2019-2020

Mins Refs: HC11/19; HC38/19; C64/19