ARDS AND NORTH DOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Policy Screening Form

1.	Policy Reference (Equality use only)	E 274
2.	Policy Name	2022/23 Tourism Events Programme
3.	Existing / Revised / New Policy	Existing
4.	Responsible Officer	Head of Tourism
5.	Description of policy to be screened	Each year Council manages and delivers a series of Tourism Events. The Events and the programming of each has remained reasonably consistent since Council merger. Since March 2020 the delivery of Events has been restricted due to Covid 19. In November 2020 Council approved the Borough Events Strategic Direction (BESD) 2021-2026. In January 2021 Council approved a new transition programme based on BESD actions. In the 21/22 season, some events were able to be delivered in line with Governance guidance. Council is now in a position to plan and develop a full events programme for 22/23, subject to Governance guidance.
	Aims and Expected Outcomes – what is the Policy expected to achieve?	To develop, plan and deliver a Tourism Event Programme which can deliver safe, sustainable events meeting the Council Corporate Plan, Integrated Tourism Development and Regeneration Strategy (ITDRS) objectives and implementing actions and recommendations from the BESD. To deliver tourism outcomes during a continuing financially and Covid challenging period.
6.	Section 75 categories which might be expected to benefit and how they may benefit.	All Section 75 categories are expected to benefit from the delivery of the Tourism Event Programme 22/23
7.	Factors which could contribute to / detract from the intended aims / outcomes of the Policy when being implemented	If the Tourism Event Programme is not delivered as intended. The Events sector has been greatly impacted by Covid 19 The events 'landscape' is looking more optimistic as time goes on with confidence in visitors increasing. Possible further restrictions. Financial constraints.

8. The main stakeholders on whom the policy will impact. For example, Employees, Potential Service Users and Community Groups Consider the internal and external impacts (either actual or potential) and comment, or list, information where appropriate

The Council, Elected Members, employees, residents of the Borough, visitors to the Borough, businesses and employees within the Borough, local event organisers, service providers and potential providers and attendees at events. Tourism NI, Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) as potential funders, Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association, community groups and communities of interest across the Borough, NMNI, Sport NI, Open House Festival, Translink and all blue light agencies.

9. Please provide details of other policies which have a bearing on this one.

E 42 Battle of Britain Event September 2015 E 61 Ards and North Down Borough Council Tourism Event Plan 2016-2017

E 62 ANDBC Grants Policy

E 66 Safeguarding policy for children, young people and adults who may be vulnerable

E 95 ANDBC Tourism Event Plan 2016-2017

E 130 Integrated Tourism, Regeneration and Development Strategy

E 152 Tourism Events 2018 - 2019

E 155 Ards and North Down Borough Council Veterans Event

E 163 Community Development Game Plan

E 174 ANDBC Events Support Review

E 177 Policy for the Provision of Streetscape Christmas Decorations

E 181 Tourism Events 2019 - 2020

E 185 Ards & North Down Age Friendly Action Plan 2019/2022

E 189 ANDBC Borough Events Strategy and Action Plan

E 192 Ards and North Down Borough Council Interpretative Signage Policy

E 194 Ards and North Down Borough Council

Tourism Events Grant Guidance Notes

E 196 Ards and North Down Borough Council Corporate Plan 2020-2024

E199 Final Borough Events Strategy

E 203 Good Relations Strategy and Action Plan

2019 - 2022

E 218 ANDBC Car Parking Strategy

Ards and North Down Borough Council

10. Available evidence (quantitative and qualitative) considered as important to encourage completion in relation to:

Religious Belief

Summary:

The Northern Ireland Census 2011 (NISRA)statistics for the Borough area showed that 75% are or have been brought up in Protestant and Other Christian (including Christian related) religions. While this varied across the borough from 17% in Portaferry ward to 87% in Carrowdore ward this does not have any relation to this policy. These compared to 48% for Northern Ireland as a whole. See table below

Data:

Religion or Religion Brought up in (Numbers with % in brackets)

	All usual residents	Catholic	Protestant and Other Christian (including Christian related)	Other Religions	None
Northern	1,810,863	817,385	875,717	16,592	101,169
Ireland	(100%)	(45%)	(48%)	(1%)	(6%)
Ards and North Down					
Borough	156,672	20,550	117,589	1,729	16,804
Council	(100%)	(13%)	(75%)	(1%)	(11%)

Source: Religion or religion brought up in. Census 2011, NISRA

The ANDBC employee profile shows that

Males	<u>Protestant</u>	Roman Catholic	Other	Total
<u>Full</u>	358 (84%)	33(8%)	34(8%)	425
Time				(100%)
Part	*(63%)	*(25%)	*(13%)	*8
Time			,	(100%)
<u>Totals</u>	363(84%)	35(8%)	<u>35(8%)</u>	433(100%)

Females	Protestant	Roman Catholic	Other	Total
Full	223(78%)	58(20%)	6(2%)	287(100%)
<u>Time</u>				
Part	20(54%)	12(32%)	5(14%)	37(100%)
<u>Time</u>	,	,	` ,	,
<u>Totals</u>	243(75%)	70(22%)	11(3%)	324(100%)

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Total	1606(80%)	1105(14%)	46(6%)	757(100%)
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*Small numbers removed as individuals could be identifiable

Data on agency employees is held by the recruitment agency.**

Political Opinion

Summary:

Electoral Office data from recent Local Government elections detail the political representation on Ards and North Down Council, The Stormont Executive for this electoral area and Westminster election. This data is an approximate measure of political opinion of the voting electorate within the Borough. Turnout to vote in North Down and Strangford constituencies tend to be lower than the rest of NI suggesting less strong political opinions. Of those who do turn out, the results show preferences for voting Unionist parties.

See table below

Data:

Council Election results

The most recent local council election (2nd May 2019) showed:

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	Eligible Elector ate	Votes Polled (% Turnou t)	DUP	Sinn Féin	UUP	SDLP	Alliance	Independent	TUV	Green	PUP	Aontu	4 100
Northern Ireland	1,305,55	687,733 (52.7%)	122	105	7 5	59	53	24	6	8	3	1	1
Ards and North Down Borough Council	112,077	47,161 (42.1%)	14		8	1	10	3	1	3			
Ards Peninsul a (DEA)	16,656	7,369 (44.2%)	3		1	1	1						
Bangor Central (DEA)	17,194	6,678 (38.8%)	2		1		1	1		1			

	Bangor East and Donagha dee (DEA)	16,956	6,915 (40.8%)	2	2	1	1				
	Bangor West (DEA)	13,479	5,448 (40.4%)	1	1	2			1		
	Comber (DEA)	13,681	6,272 (45.8%)	2	1	1		1			
	Holywoo d and Clandebo ye (DEA)	14,158	6,229 (44.0%)	1	1	2			1		
	Newtown ards (DEA)	19,953	8,250 (41.4%)	3	1	2	1				
	ards		(41.4%)		1	2	1				

Racial Group

Summary:

NISRA, NINIS and Northern Ireland Strategic Migration Partnership data provide up to date data. The 2011 census showed that 32,000 (1.8%) of the usually resident population in Northern Ireland is from a minority ethnic background. Within the borough, the 2011 Census showed that 1.5% (2,300) were from a minority ethnic background. Across the borough this ranged from 5.2% in Loughview ward to 0.3% in Lisbane ward.

See table below

Data:

Ethnic Group (Numbers with % in brackets)

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	All usual residents	White	Chinese	Indian	Banglades	Other	Black	Black	Mixed	Other
Northern Ireland	1,810,863 (100%)	1,778, 449 (98%)	6,303 (0%)	6,198 (0%)	540 (0%)	6, 08 9 (0 %)	2,3 45 (0 %)	12 71 (0 %)	6,0 14 (0 %)	3,6 54 (0 %)
Ards and North Down Borough Council	156,672 (100%)	154,36 5 (99%)	406 (0%)	283 (0%)	177 (0%	41 5 (0 %)	13 9 (0 %)	13 2 (0 %)	55 6 (0 %)	19 9 (0 %)
Ards Peninsula Bangor Central	22,797 (100%) 23,524	22,641 (99%) 24,469	29 (0%) 105	17 (0%) 43	5 (0%) 17	17 (0 %) 43	6 (0 %) 26	2 (0 %) 32	54 (0 %) 11	26 (0 %) 38

	(100%)	(98%)	(0%)	(0%)	(0%	(0 %)	(0 %)	(0 %)	9 (0 %)	(0 %)
Bangor East					10	91	11	2	82	19
and	24,892	22,648		27	(0%	(0	(0	(0	(0	(0
Donaghadee	(100%)	(99%)	56 (0%)	(0%))	%)	%)	%)	%)	%)
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	22,946	17,763			(0%	11	(0	(0	(0	(0
Bangor West	(100%)	(98%)	19 (0%)	135)	6	%)	%)	%)	%)
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	18,152	18,216			(0%	(0	(0	(0	(0	(0
Comber	(100%)	(99%)	30 (0%)	8 (0%))	%)	%)	%)	%)	%)
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l					23	81	81	56	1	61
Holywood and	18,382	20,061		31	(0%	(0	(0	(0	(0	(0
Clandeboye	(100%)	(98%)	65 (0%)	(0%))	%)	%)	%)	%)	%)
					111	30	8	6	75	20
	20,560	27,841	105	20	(0%	(0	(0	(0	(0	(0
Newtownards	(100%)	(99%)	(0%)	(0%))	%)	%)	%)	%)	%)

Source: Ethnic Group, Census 2011, NISRA

The ANDBC employee profile shows that:

Ethnic Group	Total	Percentage
White	682	78.66%
Black	2	0.23%
Chinese	1	0.12 %
Other	4	0.46%
Did not want to answer	2	0.23%
Left Blank	176	20.3%

Data on agency employees is held by the recruitment agency.**

Age

NISRA have published population projections for the Borough which show that the proportion of those aged 85 and over are expected to more than double within the next 25 years.

ANDBC has the highest % population of older people in Northern Ireland. See table below

Data:

Age Groups (Numbers with % in brackets)

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	0-15	16-39	40-64	65+	Total
Northern Ireland	385,200 (21%)	583,116 (31%)	591,481 (32%)	291,824 (16%)	1,851,621 (100%)
Ards and North	29,801	43,239	54,094	31,663	158,797

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	Down	Borough	(19%)	(27%))	(34%)	(20%)	(100%)
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	gender:							
	Female							
		16 - 29	Total	20(6%)				
		30 - 39	Total	75(23%)				
		40 - 49	Total	105 (33%)				
		50 - 59	Total	80 (25%)				
		60 – 70+	Total	42 (13%)				
			322 (1	100%)				
	Male							
		16 - 29	Total	26 (6%)				
		30 - 39	Total	83(19%)				
		40 - 49		121(27%)				
		50 - 59		176 (39%)				
		60 – 70+	Total	41 (9%)				
			447 (1	100%)				
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	Northern			68					
	Ireland			0,8	1,2				
				31	43	56,91			
		1,431,540	517,393	(48	(0	1	78,074		
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	Ards and			67,					
	North			86	12				
	Down			6	3				
	Borough	126,945	36,730	(53	(0	4,328	8,548		
	Council Source: North	(100%)	(29%)	<u>%)</u>	%)	(3%)	(7%)) (79)	%)
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	The ANDBC e	employee prof	file shows t	hat:					
	Marital Statu	ıs	Total			_	entage		
	Single		180			20.7			
	Married		405			46.7	1%		
	Divorced		35			4.04			
	Co Habiting		14			1.61			
	Separated		25			2.88			
	Civil Partners	ship	1			0.12	%		
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orientation	It should be noted that no reliable data is available on sexual orientation-NISRA are currently examining methodology on how to measure this. However, the 201								
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		census indicates that less than 1% of the Northern Ireland adult population (those aged 16 years and over) were in a registered same-sex civil partnership. This							
	was similar to								
	Northern Irela								
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generally	were male (49%) and this was similar throughout Ards and North Down Borough Council (48%). See table below								
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	Northern Irela	and						1,810,86	63
			887,323	(49%	923	3,540 (5	51%)	(1009	
	Ards and N								
	Borough Cou	ıncil	75,920 (48%)	80	0,752 (5	52%) 156	5,672(1009	%)

Source: Age Structure, Census 2011, NISRA
Review of statistical classification and delineation of settlements, NISRA

The ANDBC employment Profile shows that:

Gender	Total	Percentage
Male	511	58.94%
Female	356	41.06%

Data on agency employees is held by the recruitment agency.**

Disability

The 2011 Census (NISRA) showed that 20% of the population in Ards and North Down area had a health issue or disability (including those related to old age) which has lasted or expected to last at least 12 months. (This was similar to the Northern Ireland figure of 21%.)

Disability Living Allowances, 2015

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	2015 (Disability	2015 (Multiple
	Living	Disability Benefits)
	Allowance	*MDB is
	Recipients)	aggregated data
		from Attendance
		Allowance,
		Disability Living
		Allowance,
		Incapacity Benefit
		and Severe
		Disablement
		Allowance data,
		and data for
		Employment and
No di con locale		Support allowance
Northern Ireland	209,280	251,490
Ards and North Down Borough		
Council	13,840	18,080
Ards Peninsula	2,920	n/a
Bangor Central	2,250	n/a
Bangor East and Donaghadee	1,740	n/a
Bangor West	1,650	n/a
Comber	1,270	n/a
Holywood and Clandeboye	1,180	n/a
Newtownards	2,840	n/a
Northern Ireland Canque 2011 Long-	tarm haalth probla	m or disability by long

Northern Ireland Census 2011 Long-term health problem or disability by long-term problem or disability

The ANDBC employment Profile shows:

Disabled	Total	Percentage
Yes	35	4.04%
No	832	95.96%

Data on agency employees is held by the recruitment agency.**

Dependents

Summary:

In considering this dimension the following have been included: persons with responsibility for the care of a child, children, a person with a disability and or an older person. According to the Continuous Household Survey, 2013-2016, 37% of Ards and North Down claimed to have a dependent (This did not differentiate on the type of dependent).

According to the 2011 Census, 7,474 households in Ards and North Down had a dependent child under the age of 4 (This might give an indication on the numbers who would have buggies or prams).

Sources: Continuous Household Survey

The ANDBC employment Profile shows that:

Family Status	Total	Percentage
Child or Children	270	31.14%
Dependant Elderly	19	2.19%
Person		
Physical/ Mental/III	5	0.58%
Health/Disability		
Other	5	0.58%
None	203	23.41%
Left Blank	365	42.1%

Data on agency employees is held by the recruitment agency.**

11.	Based on data previously provided what are the needs, experiences, and priorities for each		
	of the following categories, in relation to this policy/decision?		
	Religious Belief	A festival or event as defined in the Borough Events Strategic	
	Political Opinion	Direction 'festivals and events are not 'business as usual'	
	Racial Group	and provide opportunities for shared public celebrations,	
	Age	distinctive from everyday cultural activity. They are inherently	
	Marital Status	diverse and	
	Sexual orientation	will engage with all multiple identities as represented within	
	Men & Women generally	Section 75 legislation.	
	Disability	The range of needs of attendees will be considered in	
	Dependents	preparing for each event and will be determined by the event	
	'	aim and purpose, topography of the site(s), previous identified	
		needs and local knowledge.	

The organizing, planning and delivery individuals and groups
will all be provided with a range of appropriate training to best
support the delivery and build capacity in the sector to meet
the varied needs of organisers and prospective attendees.

Does this Policy require an Equality Impact Assessment?

1.	What is the likely impact on	he likely impact on equality of opportunity for each of the Section 75 categories?		
		Detail of Impact	Level of Impact	
			Minor/Major/None	
	Religious Belief	The festivals and events portfolio	None	
	Political Opinion	will be broad and appropriate to		
	Racial Group	the area in which it is to be		
	Age	hosted as well as other criteria. It		
	Marital Status	will aim to engage with the		
	Sexual orientation	breadth of potential attendees		
	Men & Women generally	and recognises all Section 75		
	Disability	dimensions will have their needs		
	Dependents	considered and addressed. The		
		document will be delivered within		
		the Council's Integrated Tourism,		
		Regeneration and Economic		
		Development Strategy and		
		Integrated Arts and Heritage		
		Strategy.		
		Support for all organisers and		
		those delivering events will be		
		arranged in advance to ensure		
		they have the skills and		
		knowledge to plan and deliver to		
		meet identified needs of all		
		Section 75 dimensions.		

2.	Are there opportunities to better promote equality of opportunity for people within the		
	Section 75 equality categories?		
		If "Yes", provide details	
	Religious Belief	No as the programme will consider the range of needs of	
Political Opinion all previous attendees and		all previous attendees and potential attendees and	
	Racial Group	ensure these are addressed. The portfolio will also have regard to the Council's	
	Age		
	Marital Status	commitment to promote equality of opportunity across all	
	Sexual orientation	its services and be delivered within the Council's	
		Integrated Tourism, Regeneration and Development	
	Disability	Strategy and Arts and Heritage Strategy.	

Dependents	The events, in planning, will consider and make adjustments for younger children, young adults, older people, those with dependents and those with a disability as well as a range of other dimensions that may be identified in particular for the event and will ensure they are inclusive of a breadth of identified needs and
	interests.

3		To what extent is the Policy likely to impact on Good Relations between people of different religious belief, political opinion or racial group?		
		Details of Impact	Level of Impact Minor/Major/None	
Religious Belief Minor as the events programme will have		ogramme will have regard to the		
	Political Opinion	promotion of good relations throughout the Borough		
	Racial Group			

4.	Are there opportunities to better promote Good Relations between people of different religious belief, political opinion or racial group?		
	religious belief, political opinion o	n raciai group?	
		If "Yes" provide details	If "No" provide details
	Religious Belief	of No as the portfolio will be delivered within the Council's	
	Political Opinion	Integrated Tourism, Regeneration and Development	
	Racial Group	Strategy.	

Additional Considerations

Multiple Identity Considerations	Details of Impact or potential impact (Positive/Negative)
Are there any potential impacts of the policy decision on people with multiple identities? (e.g. disabled minority ethnic persons). Where appropriate provide details of data on the impact of the policy on people with multiple identities. Specify relevant Section 75 categories concerned.	The programme will be based on events management experience, research and use of the Event Impact Radar to assess economic, cultural and social outcomes, taking account of current provision and new ideas. Each will be designed and agreed based on previous event management experience and comments and complaints received in surveys, feedback and comments received in the development of this document. This policy has considered a range of multiple identities. The events will be open to all with specific needs and age appropriate activities will be considered throughout all events. All activities within each event will consider the broad and diverse range of potential attendees. Activities at some events may be identified for younger or older age groups or quieter areas for those who have specific needs

Disability Discrimination Order (NI) 2006

Does this proposed policy provide an opportunity to?	Yes / No	Explain your reasoning:
- better promote positive attitudes towards disabled people - increase participation by disabled people in public life	Yes	This programme will ensure the needs of those with a disability and their carers are addressed. This will be through ensuring a disability audit is carried out prior to each event and appropriate reasonable adjustments made. Learning from previous events will be used in all forward planning. Individuals will be informed via marketing channels and on the website that where a specific need exists this will be considered in advance and reasonable adjustments made. Quiet areas and accessible toilet facilities will be made available at larger events where possible. Signage and all information will be in accessible format where possible. Information on events is made available in a range of formats on request and advertised through some disability representative groups. Mobiloo will be present at all events over a duration of 4 hours and all training will include disability awareness in preparation and delivery and include JAM Card, Dementia Awareness etc.

Monitoring Arrangements

Section 75 places a requirement on the Council to have equality monitoring arrangements in place to assess the impact of policies and services, help identify barriers to fair participation and to better promote equality of opportunity.

Outline what data you could		
collect in the future to monitor		
the impact of this policy /		
decision on equality, good		
relations, and disability duties		

Disability audit information, site visits and consideration of site plans to ensure feasibility of layout for the event. Complaints and compliments.

I can confirm that the proposed policy / decision has been screened for: -

	Equality of opportunity and good relations
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х	Disabilities duties		
On the basis of the answers to the screening questions, I recommend that this policy / decision is: -			
х	Screened Out – No EQIA necessary (no impacts)		
	Screened Out – Mitigating Actions (minor impacts)		
	Screened In – Necessary to conduct a full EQIA		
	Please detail actions to be taken:		

Screening assessment completed by: -

Name: Jemma Snell Title: Events Officer

Date: 31/3/22

Signature: Jemma Snell

Director/Head of Service decision approved by:

Name: Sharon Mahaffy Title: Head of Tourism Date: 31 March 2022 Signature: SMahaffy

If an Equality Impact Assessment is required

Priority Rating for Timetabling an Equality Impact Assessment. (1-3)	Priority Criterion	Rating
	Effect on equality of opportunity and good relations	
	Social need	
	Effect on people's daily lives	
	Relevance to a public authority's functions	
Is this Policy Affected by Timestablished by other relevan Authorities?		

Approval and Authorisation	Position/Job Title:	Date:
Screened by:		
Approved by:		
	Screened by:	Screened by: